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## Early Literacy Areas Opens

To promote the development of early literacy skills, the library recently opened two new areas. The Baby Nook is geared to babies 18 months and younger with a caregiver, and the Early Literacy Area has activities for children up to age 5. Each area has activities designed to make learning to read easier for your child. The goals of these areas are to:

- Promote early literacy skills.
- Inspire children to explore and learn through self-discovery.
- Encourage social interactions and oral language development.
- Provide practice with real life experiences that encourage reading.
- Add another area of fun to the library.

According to the American Library Association, early literacy is what your child knows about reading and writing before he or she can actually read or write. It includes literacy skills like print motivation and awareness, letter knowledge, phonological awareness, vocabulary and narrative skills.

## Thank You

In December, 2010, we sent out a letter asking for help in dealing with financial difficulties brought on by declining property values. We were overwhelmed by the response. 265 people made contributions to our Operating Fund campaign, totaling over \$15,000. If you missed the appeal and wish to make a donation, you can ask at the Reception Desk for an envelope or use our secure online PayPal link, [www.cantonpl.org/about-us/friends-library/donation-guidelines](http://www.cantonpl.org/about-us/friends-library/donation-guidelines).

We truly appreciate the support of our community as we face further cuts to our budget in 2011 and 2012. Our goal is to continue providing the resources and service excellence our community expects. For more detailed information about the library's budget, cuts to our expenditures and the tough choices we face, read our director's blog at [www.cantonpl.org](http://www.cantonpl.org).

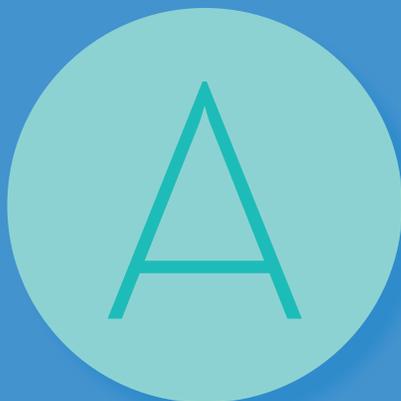
We also thank the **Friends of the Canton Public Library** for their sponsorship of library programs throughout 2011, including storytimes, summer reading and adult programs.

## Everyone's Reading 2011

Everyone's Reading promotes community dialogue through the shared experience of reading the same great book. This year's selection, *The Lincoln Lawyer*, is a legal thriller by best-selling author Michael Connelly. Pick up a copy of *The Lincoln Lawyer* at the Canton Public Library and join the discussion. See page 2 for details.

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## Everyone's Reading 2011

*The Lincoln Lawyer* by Michael Connelly is the selection for our tenth annual Everyone's Reading program. Connelly, a well-known mystery writer, enters the field of courtroom thriller writers with class and panache.

## Free Tickets to See Michael Connelly

Michael Connelly will be at the Birmingham Community House on Thursday, April 14 at 2 p.m. and at the Berman Theatre at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield at 7:30 p.m. Free tickets are now available to Canton Public Library cardholders in good standing; simply ask for yours at the Reference Desk. Tickets are limited and available on a first come, first serve basis. Also, watch for *The Lincoln Lawyer* starring Matthew McConaughey, in theatres beginning in March.

## Adult Books & Reading Programs

### Lunch and a Book

This librarian-led group meets in the Community Room.

#### ***The Lincoln Lawyer***

by Michael Connelly  
March 10, noon-1 p.m.  
Defense attorney Mickey Haller has two ex-wives, four Lincoln Town Cars that he uses as offices and dozens of guilty clients and he can't afford to miss a trick. When he gets hired by a Beverly Hills rich boy arrested for assault, Mickey sees a franchise case: a nice, long, expensive trial with maximum billable hours, until it goes awry.

#### ***The Omnivore's Dilemma:***

#### ***A Natural History of Four Meals***

by Michael Pollan  
April 14, noon-1 p.m.  
An ecological and anthropological study of eating and insight into food consumption in the twenty-first century. It explains how an abundance of unlimited food varieties reveals the responsibilities of everyday consumers to protect their health and the environment.

### Adult Contemporary Evening Book Discussion

This self-directed group meets in the Purple Room.

#### ***Innocent***

by Scott Turow  
March 21, 7-9 p.m.  
The sequel to Turow's best-seller, *Presumed Innocent*. Rusty Sabich, now a chief appellate judge, is the prime suspect in the death of his wife, Barbara. His old nemesis, Tommy Molto, investigates.

#### ***Mennonite in a Little Black Dress***

by Rhoda Janzen  
April 18, 7-9 p.m.  
Soon after turning 40, the author suffers a trifecta of midlife crises and returns to her quirky Mennonite family to re-group. This memoir is written with honesty and humor.

### Wine and Mysteries®

Librarian-led book discussion group that meets at local wine purveyors, Vintner's Canton Winery, located at 8515 N. Lilley Road in Canton. Throw in a little murder and mayhem to make things really interesting. Register and pick up the book in advance at the library.

#### ***Death of a Wine Merchant***

by David Dickinson  
March 15, 7-8:30 p.m.  
Registration opens February 15.

#### ***Killer Summer***

by Ridley Pearson  
April 19, 7-8:30 p.m.  
Registration opens March 15.

### Canton Seniors Book Discussion

Book discussions held at the Canton Public Library Group Study Room A.

#### ***The Help***

by Katherine Stockett  
March 23, 2-3 p.m.  
Stockett creates three extraordinary women whose determination to start a movement of their own forever changes a town, and the way women - mothers, daughters, friends - view one another.

#### ***The Lincoln Lawyer***

by Michael Connelly  
April 27, 2-3 p.m.  
See above for a description of this year's Everyone's Reading selection.

## Programs for Adults

### H&R Block Tax Rules

March 3, 7-8:30 p.m.

The experts at H & R Block help you navigate new tax laws to help you save as much money as legally possible. Also, learn about the new health care tax obligations.

### Irish Fun!

March 10, 7-8:30 p.m.

The O'Hare School of Irish Dance in Plymouth will get us in the spirit of St. Patrick's Day when dancers, ages four and up, entertain us. We are also pleased to present an Irish story that will delight the family.

### Islam Awareness Program

March 24, 7-8:30 p.m.

During Islam Awareness Week, we host a public discussion of Islam in America led by the members of the Muslim Community of the Western Suburbs Mosque located in Canton.

### Philanthropy Education®

April 14, 7-8:30 p.m.

Join Canton Community Foundation representatives for a conversational forum to discuss estate planning, taxes and charitable gift annuities. This is an informational forum without a sales pitch or solicitation.

### Royal Wedding

April 29, 2-4 p.m.

Dish about the royal wedding over tea and scones.

### FRUGAL LIVING SERIES

#### Get Fiscally Fit

March 31, 7-8:30 p.m.

Expert financial volunteer, John Badalamenti from the Society for Financial Awareness, discusses the principles of cash management,

accumulating wealth, maximizing discretionary income, building a financial blueprint and more.

## Earth Week Series

### Vegetarian Eating

April 18, 7-8:30 p.m.

Paul Krause, VP of VegMichigan, talks about how to promote health, peace and planet through a plant-based diet.

### Green Gardening

April 19, 7-8:30 p.m.

What you do in your garden impacts our environment. Learn how to be a responsible caretaker of our precious earth while gardening.

### Bob the Bee Guy

April 20, 7-8:30 p.m.

You know him from the Canton Farmer's Market. Come meet Bob the Bee Guy and learn about beekeeping and the environmental concerns about bee health.

### Craig Perdue, Naturalist

April 21, 3-4:30 p.m.

Dr. Craig Perdue presents a program for tweens, teens and adults on behavioral ecology. His birds of prey give us a glimpse of nature through their magnificent eyes, and a look at how our actions impact their world.

## All Ages Programs

See the back page for additional programs appropriate for all ages.

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## Ongoing Programs for Adults

### ELL Conversation Group

Practice speaking English in a relaxed group setting every Friday, 9:30-11 a.m.

### Knit Night

March 14 and April 11, 7-8:30 p.m. Join other handcrafters for an evening of sharing and learning. All ages and stages are welcome.

### Quilt Group

March 2 and April 6, 7-8:30 p.m. Share ideas, patterns and fabrics. All skill levels welcome.

### Senior Wii Bowling

March 1, 15, April 5 and 19, 11 a.m.- 1 p.m.

Seniors, have fun with Wii bowling. For information, call Marcia at 734-397-0999 x 1079

### Adult Fiction Writer's Group NEW!

March 24 and April 28, 6-7 p.m.

Interested in writing fiction, all types of mediums or genres, for an adult audience? Dave Richards, a library assistant and a freelance writer for the Eisner Award winning website, Comic Book Resources, moderates. Dave has completed an unpublished science fiction mystery novel and is currently writing a horror novel.

### Adults Writing Children's Lit Group NEW!

March 12 and April 9, 2-3 p.m. Writers, share your work, get feedback and discuss the craft of writing. This group is for adults interested in writing for children. Moderator Lisa Davis-Craig, a librarian and book reviewer



## Program Registration

Programs marked with ® require registration. See the program calendar at <http://catalog.cantonpl.org/iii/calendar/month> for details.



## Registration for Computer Skills Classes



Programs marked with ® indicate registration, which begins at 9 a.m. two weeks in advance of program date.

Adults must register with their own valid Canton Public Library card by logging on to <http://catalog.cantonpl.org/iii/calendar/month>.

A fee of \$5 will be added to your library account for no shows, or failure to cancel 24 hours prior to class time.

## Computer Skills

### Digital Camera for Beginners®

March 26, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Learn to transfer photo files to computer, use MS Photo Editor, email and print photos. Please leave your camera at home. Prerequisite: Mouse and keyboarding skills.

### eBay Selling®

March 15, 7-8:30 p.m.

An overview of selling on eBay by a frequent eBay seller and staff librarian. Learn tricks for success and start cleaning house of all those unneeded or newly crafted items today.

### eReader Users Meeting NEW!

April 25, 7-8:30 p.m.

Bring your eReader and share tips with other users.

### Excel I®

March 16 or April 13, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Want to create a spreadsheet, a family budget or manage a list? Learn how with Excel. Prerequisite: Mouse and keyboarding skills

### Excel II®

March 23 or April 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Learn to use data, graphics and charts, and how to customize toolbars. Prerequisite: Excel I or equivalent

### Excel Tips and Tricks®

March 30, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Learn the latest tips and tricks in MS 2007 to improve your productivity. Prerequisite: Excel I or equivalent

### Get Connected®

March 25 or April 1, 10-11:30 a.m.

Learn the basics of Facebook, Twitter, and other social networking tools. Prereq: Computer proficiency, existing email account.

### Internet Basics®

March 18 or April 15, 10-11:30 a.m.

Get acquainted with the basic features of Internet Explorer 7. Learn how to search the Web, the library catalog and online databases. Prerequisite: Mouse skills or equivalent

### MS Word I®

April 19, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Get introduced to word processing terminology. Learn to create text, format, print and save. Prerequisite: Mouse and keyboarding skills

### MS Word II®

April 26, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Add tables, headers and footers, and symbols to Word documents. Prerequisite: MS Word I or equivalent

### MS Word III®

March 10, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Learn to create text boxes, multiple columns, column breaks, and manipulate paragraphs to craft a newsletter. Prerequisite: MS Word I or equivalent

### MS Word Exploded®

March 17, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

This fast-paced class offers time-saving tips such as format styles, shortcuts, auto text, auto correct, breaks, borders and more. Prerequisite: MS Word I or equivalent

### MS Mail Merge®

March 19, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Create a mail merge template and data source; perform letter, envelope and mailing label merges. Create text for different size labels. Prerequisite: MS Word I or equivalent

### Power Point I®

April 2, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Learn to create multimedia presentations. Prerequisite: Mouse and Word skills

### Power Point II®

April 9, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Add motion, sound and other effects to your PowerPoint presentation. Prerequisite: PowerPoint I

### WordPress to Webpage®

March 11, 10-11:30 a.m.

Create a free WordPress blog page and convert it to a website. No HTML taught. Prerequisite: Existing email account, computer proficiency

## Teen Programs

Grades 7-12

### Board Gaming League of Canton

March 5 and April 2, noon-5:30 p.m.

Into games like Carcassonne, Settlers or Puerto Rico? We're breaking out the hottest board games; drop in for a chance to play with some new folks.

Ages 13 and up.

### Animanga Club

March 9 and April 13, 6:30-8:45 p.m.

Manga and anime fans can talk, watch, draw and enjoy japanophilia together.

### ACT Preparation Class with Sylvan Learning Center®

April 5, 6-8 p.m.

The staff from Sylvan Learning Center will help you build the skills you need on test day.

### ACT Practice Test with Sylvan Learning Center®

April 9, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

The staff from Sylvan Learning Center administer and grade a practice ACT test.

## Lunch & Learn at the Park

### How to Read Body Language

March 24, A & B Lunches

Canton High School

Convey what you mean and learn what others secretly think by taking clues from their body language.

Watch PCEP announcements for room location. Bring your own lunch.

### Fun and Games

April 28, A & B Lunches

Salem High School Room 2112

Chill out with video games, giant Scrabble and other games. Bring your own lunch.

## All Ages Programs

### Open Chess

March 13, 27 and April 10, 2-5 p.m.

Tim Heller, avid chess player, hosts informal open play while providing instruction and pointers on improving your game. Beginners welcome.

### 5th Grade and Up Book Discussion®

March 22, 7-8 p.m.

Savvy by Ingrid Law

Register online, then check out the book at the Children's Desk.

### NHS Homework Help

Mondays, Tuesdays and

Thursdays, 6-8 p.m.

Bring your assignments, textbooks and other materials to get help from National Honor Society tutors. Tutoring available on days when school is in session.

## Tween Programs

Grades 5 & 6 Only

### Stellar Science Saturday®

March 5 and April 30, 1-2 p.m.

Learn, explore and discover the excitement of science. For third through sixth graders.

### Family Science and Reading Program®

March 19, 1-2 p.m.

Children, ages 6-11 with a caregiver, are invited to explore science with students from the University of Michigan Exhibit Museum of Natural History.

### Make Your Own Memory in a Box®

March 26, 2-2:45 p.m.

Make your own scrapbook in a box. Bring a few photos, we'll provide

boxes and decorating supplies.

### Reading Assistance Dogs

March 28 and April 25,

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Improve your reading skills and make a new friend by reading aloud to a therapy dog. Sign up in the library for a 10 minute session on a first come, first serve basis, beginning at 6:25 p.m.

### Tween Advisory Board

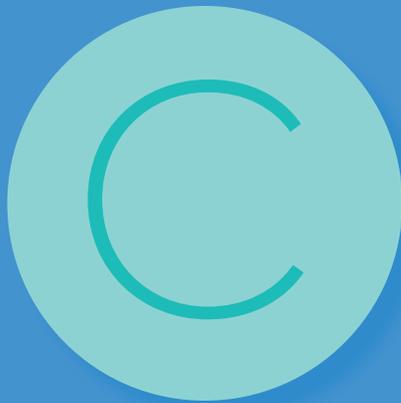
April 13, 5-6 p.m.

Help your library, make a difference in your community and earn service hours as a part of TwAB!




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## First Grade Round Up

To celebrate *March is Reading Month*, many Canton first graders visit the library with their classes for an exciting program. They'll see a puppet show, go on a tour and check out a book. For some kids, it's their first visit ever to the library. We love our first grade visitors.

## Thank You, Friends

The **Friends of the Canton Public Library** generously sponsor many library programs and donate so we may buy resources and equipment. Please support our Friends by shopping in Secondhand Prose, the used bookstore, or becoming a member.

## Storytimes

Storytimes are half-hour programs of activities, songs and stories. This session of storytime begins the week of April 25 and ends the week of May 30.

### **Babytime Storytime®**

Designed for babies up to 18 months.  
Tuesdays, 10-10:30 a.m.

### **Family Storytime**

Designed for children 5 and under with a caregiver.

Mondays, 10-10:30 a.m.

(No storytime May 30)

Tuesdays, 7-7:30 p.m.

Wednesdays, 10-10:30 a.m. and  
7-7:30 p.m.

Thursdays, 10-10:30 a.m.

Fridays, 10-10:30 a.m and 1-1:30 p.m.

Saturdays, 10-10:30 a.m.

### **Tamil Storytime**

March 3 and April 7, 7-8 p.m.

All ages can enjoy a storytime program in Tamil presented by Sivakami Rajendran.

### **Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss®**

March 2, 7-7:45 p.m.

Children, ages 3-6, with a caregiver, will hear stories and play games in honor of Dr. Seuss.

### **PCCS Early Childhood Storytime**

March 4, 1-1:45 p.m.

Teachers from Plymouth-Canton Early Childhood preschools will read some of their favorite stories.

### **March is Reading Month Celebration**

March 29, 7-7:45 p.m.

The Canton Public Library and Community Financial invite members of the Canton community to read their favorite children's books.

### **Kiwanis Storytime**

March 30, 7-7:45 p.m.

Members of the Kiwanis Club of Canton will read stories and complete fun activities.

## Book Discussions for Kids®

Register online, and then check out the book at the Children's Desk.

### **Chocolate Fever**

by Robert Kimmel Smith

March 15, 5-5:45 p.m.

### **Harriet the Spy**

by Louise Fitzhugh

March 16, 5-5:45 p.m.

## Mother Daughter Book Discussion®

The Canton Public Library is the recipient of a \$2,000 Giving Hope Women's Giving Circle Grant. Money from the grant is used for this Mother Daughter Book Discussion, a group for girls in grades 5-12 and their mothers or other significant women in their lives.

### **Otherwise Known As**

#### **Shelia the Great**

by Judy Blume

March 19, 4-5 p.m.

### **The Tail of Emily Windsap**

by Liz Kessler

April 30, 4-5 p.m.

## Childrens Programs

### ABC Activity Time

Drop in play for children ages birth through five years old, with a caregiver. This session begins the week of April 25 and ends the week of May 30.

Mondays, 10:30-11 a.m.

(No ABC Time May 30)

Tuesdays, 10:30-11 a.m., 7:30-8 p.m.

Wednesdays, 10:30-11 a.m.,  
7:30-8 p.m.

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Fridays, 10:30-11 a.m., 1:30-2 p.m.

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### Puppet Palooza®

April 2, 2-2:45 p.m.

Families with children 3-8 years old, learn about puppets, watch a puppet show and make a puppet of your own.

### Grandparent's Fun @ the Canton Public Library

April 12, 10-10:45 a.m.

You and your grandchildren will enjoy stories, songs, play together and make some new friends.

### Going Batty®

April 13, 7-7:45 p.m.

Children 3-6, with a caregiver, will read some great bat stories and make a bat to take home.

### Old Fashioned Sing-Along®

April 28, 7-7:45 p.m.

Families with children 3-8 years old, join us as we sing old classics and some newer storytime favorites. We'll have the words posted so everyone can join in the fun!

## Earth Week Programs

### Everything Green®

April 18, 11-11:45 a.m.

Attention first through third graders, wear your favorite green clothes to this program where everything will be green.

### Scrapbox Fun!

April 19, 1-3 p.m.

Use recycled materials from the Scrapbox to make unique projects. All ages welcome!

### Recycled Crafts

April 20, 2-3 p.m.

Have fun reusing and recycling everyday items you might find around the house. All ages welcome!

### Craig Perdue, Naturalist

April 21, 3-4:30 p.m.

Dr. Craig Perdue's birds of prey will give us a glimpse of nature through their magnificent eyes, and a look at how our actions impact their world.

## Family Reading Night Programs®

Funded by the Target Store Early Childhood Reading Grant and the **Friends of the Canton Public Library**. Programs include stories, games and snacks and are open to families with children ages 4-9. Participants receive a free book.

### The Magic of Music®

March 21, 7-8 p.m.

Gather with others to learn more about instruments and the joys of making music.

### Let's Go Fly a Kite®

April 12, 7-8 p.m.

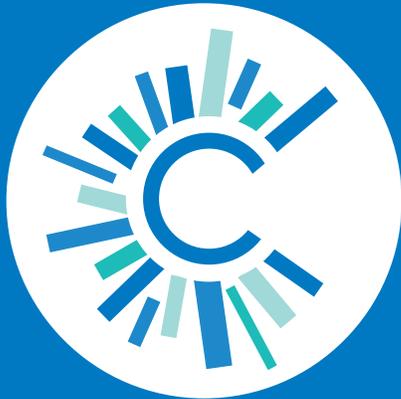
April is National Kite Month and we want to share this spring fun with you. You will be able to make a simple kite to take home and fly on those windy spring days.

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For programs requiring registration, use the program attendee's library card to register online at [catalog.cantonpl.org/iii/calendar/month](http://catalog.cantonpl.org/iii/calendar/month). Registration opens two weeks in advance of program date, unless otherwise noted. Questions? Please ask.



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**LIBRARY CLOSINGS**  
April 24 Easter

**IRS Tax Forms**

To assist with your tax form needs, the library has dedicated two computers at our Web Express for tax form look up and printing. Also, all library computers have a link to tax forms. Copies of Publication 17 (the Federal Income Tax Guide for 2010-Instruction Book) are provided for in library use only and are available at the Reference Desk. We also have a binder of reproducible tax forms from which copies can be made. Printing is 10 cents per page.

The IRS is no longer mailing paper income tax pages to individuals or businesses. The library does not have copies of these federal forms, and very limited copies of the Michigan forms.

**All Ages Programs**

These programs are open to library patrons of all ages, unless otherwise noted in the description.

**Board Gaming League of Canton**

March 5 and April 2, 12:00-5:30 p.m.

Into games like Carcassonne, Settlers or Puerto Rico? We're breaking out the hottest board games; drop in for a chance to play with some new folks and maybe win some prizes courtesy of Comic City! Ages 13 and up.

**Irish Fun!**

March 10, 7-8:30 p.m.

The O'Hare School of Irish Dance in Plymouth will get us in the spirit of St. Patrick's Day when dancers, ages four and up, entertain us. We are also pleased to present an Irish story that will delight the entire family!

**Celebrate Bobby Fisher's Birthday**

March 13, 1-2 p.m.

Celebrate the birthday of noted chess player, Bobby Fisher, with stories and exhibitions of his winning ways.

**Open Chess**

March 13, 27 and April 10, 2-5 p.m.

Tim Heller, avid chess player, hosts informal open play while providing instruction and pointers on improving your game. Beginners welcome.