CPL Teen Librarian Best in Michigan

We know we have great staff at CPL but now the entire state of Michigan agrees! Our Teen Librarian, Anna Slaughter, has been awarded the Frances H. Pletz Award, an annual award given to a Michigan public library worker who has made a significant contribution to the field of library service for teens.

Anna was the driving force behind the video game collection and other librarians have asked her to speak at conferences about our collection. She also organized the National Honor Society tutoring program at the Canton and Plymouth libraries, which has been a huge success. Anna is a passionate advocate for teens in the library and she knows what’s hot. If you’re looking for a good teen book, she will have tons of great suggestions.

Since Anna started at CPL in March 2007, the library has seen a dramatic increase in teen programming and circulation statistics. We’re very proud to have her recognized by the Michigan Library Association. Great things are happening at your library because of great people like Anna on our staff. Please join us in congratulating Anna on her accomplishments.

Library Wins ARC Grant

The Canton Public Library is again the recipient of an Alliance of Rouge Communities grant to establish a rain garden in line with our Mott Drain Rouge River tributary. The grant project replaces part of a dry stream with wet pockets that help to reduce the flow of runoff and cut down on the library’s maintenance cost. Not only is this project good for the environment but it will help us reduce labor and water usage. Canton Township was instrumental in helping us submit the paperwork for this grant. Volunteers are needed help install the project. Email goldenl@cantonpl.org for volunteer information.

Michigan Military Moms Supply Drive

On May 29 the library will partner with the Michigan Military Moms to collect items for US troops. You can participate by bringing a package of bug repellent wipes, any size or brand, or pencils to donate to our military service people. Notes, cards and artwork for the troops are also appreciated and we will have a special mailbox to collect these items. Michigan Military Moms will arrange for the supplies to be deployed to our active troops. The Michigan Military Moms is a support group for moms with sons and daughters serving in the United States military. For more information about them, visit www.MichiganMilitaryMoms.org.
Adult Books & Reading Programs

Lunch and a Book
THIS LIBRARIAN-LED GROUP MEETS IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

The Leisure Seeker
by Michael Zadoorian
May 13, noon-1 p.m.
Recognizing that the final stage of their lives is upon them, an elderly couple sneaks away from their overprotective children and doctors to embark on an RV vacation along Route 66.

Three Cups of Tea
by Greg Mortenson
June 10, noon-1 p.m.
The author, having been rescued by Himalayan villagers after a failed K2 climb, builds schools that benefit the girls who are forbidden an education by Taliban restrictions, an endeavor for which his life has been threatened.

Adult Contemporary Evening Book Discussion Group
THIS SELF-DIRECTED GROUP MEETS IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM.

Easter Island
by Jennifer Vanderbes
May 17, 7-8:30 p.m.
The centuries-old mysteries and haunting past of Easter Island become catalysts for the parallel quests of two young women, separated by sixty years of history.

Light on Snow
by Anita Shreve
June 21, 7-8:30 p.m.
Nicky recalls her father’s efforts to escape society after a tragedy and a young woman’s struggles to live with her choices.

Busy Moms Book Club
Moms (and dads) gather for coffee, friendship and discussion while the little ones play nearby.

Handbags and Homicide
by Dorothy Howell
May 20, 11 a.m.-noon
Haley Randolph loses her accounting job in L.A. under a cloud of suspicion and takes on part-time department store work during the holidays. When Haley finds a corpse in a closet she turns to the handsome Ty Cameron to clear her name.

Canton Senior Book Discussion Group
BOOK DISCUSSIONS TAKE PLACE AT THE CANTON SENIOR CENTER AT THE SUMMIT FACILITATED BY CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY LIBRARIANS.

Peace Like a River
by Leif Enger
May 26, 2 p.m.
Two neighborhood bullies are killed after threatening a family, setting off a journey across Minnesota and South Dakota as the family is determined to stay together.

The Pearl Diver
by Jeff Talarigo
June 23, 2 p.m.
At the end of WWII, a 19-year-old Japanese pearl diver discovers she is sick with leprosy. She is banished to Nagashima, an island leprosarium, where she is told to change her name and forget her past.

Join our Email Book Club and read a small portion of a book in your email every weekday. Just click on Book Clubs in the left column of our website and follow the links to the Email Book Club. Try one genre or as many as you like, including current titles. At the end of a week, you have read a chapter or two of a book, which you may check out from the library to finish, or try a new title. You can also join in the discussion at the Book Club Forum or participate in many of the fun prize drawings offered on the site. This service is brought to you courtesy of the Friends of the Canton Public Library.

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**Programs for Adults**

**Michigan Month Programs**

**Up the Rouge**
May 2, 1-2:30 p.m.
Joel Thurtell and Patricia Beck, both formerly of the Detroit Free Press, take us on an unprecedented journey up the Rouge River in words and pictures. *Up the Rouge! Paddling Detroit’s Hidden River* was selected as a notable book for 2010 by the Michigan Library Association. It is a story of discovery, a tale of adventure and an informative study of the environment. Adults and teens, especially those interested in the environment and conservation, will appreciate this unique experience.

**Local Authors Night**
May 13, 7 p.m.
Our fourth annual event celebrating the talents of local authors. Authors will share the stage and their stories, followed by a book sale and autograph session.

**The History of the Daisy Rifle Factory**
May 19, 7 p.m.
Well known for manufacturing the Red Ryder BB gun, the Daisy Rifle Factory was once located in downtown Plymouth and employed many locals. Learn about the history of this famous factory, now The Crossings restaurant, from knowledgeable and entertaining Plymouth resident, Jack Grant.

**Key to Your Success**
May 3, 6:30-8 p.m.
at the Summit on the Park
Thinking about going back to school for retraining or certification? Come by our college and career night at the Summit Grand Ballroom and visit with local four-year, two-year and online schools. Get information from trade and technical institutions as well as other non-traditional schools. Learn about the college application process and financial aid from Christopher Tremblay, Executive Director of Enrollment Management at the University of Michigan-Dearborn and Judy Tatum, Wayne State University’s Senior Director of Undergraduate Admission and Orientation. School isn’t just for kids. See the many opportunities available for adults.

**Women in the Marines**
May 6, 7 p.m.
Debra Drummond, president of the Women’s Marine Association, shares stories of women serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. Be inspired by these heroic women and the challenges they face. She will touch on benefits available to women who have served in the military.

**Exchange Day**
Swap, share and exchange what you’ve got for what someone else has. We’ll provide the time and space, you bring your items to exchange. No sales or compensation allowed; all items “as is.” Two opportunities:

1. **Coupon Exchange**
   May 12, 10 a.m.-noon
   Bring your coupons and swap with other coupon clippers. Share tips and sources.

2. **Paperback Book Exchange**
   June 9, 10 a.m.-noon
   Got a pile of paperbacks? Trade them for fresh reads.

**Knit Night**
Drop in and join other handcrafters for an evening of sharing and learning. All ages and stages are welcome.
May 10 and June 14, 7-8:30 p.m.

**ELL Conversation Group**
Practice speaking English in an informal group setting.
May 14 and 28, June 11 and 25, 10 a.m.

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Computer Skills

Basic Computer Maintenance®
June 15, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Acquire basic maintenance skills to keep your computer in good working order. Lecture and some Internet use. Prerequisite: Computer proficiency

Digital Camera for Beginners®
May 22, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Find out how to transfer photos to computer, use MS Photo Editor, and email them. Visit print processing websites too. Please leave your camera and photos at home. Prerequisite: Mouse and keyboarding skills

Excel I®
May 5, or June 2, 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®
May 12, or June 9, 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 & Tricks®
May 19, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Learn the latest tips and tricks in MS 2007 version to improve your productivity. Prerequisite: Excel I or equivalent

Internet Basics®
May 14, or June 11, 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®
May 6, 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®
May 13, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Enhance a document by learning to add tables, headers and footers as well as symbols. Prerequisite: MS Word I or equivalent

MS Word III®
May 20, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Learn to create text boxes, multiple columns, column breaks, and manipulate paragraphs to make a newsletter. Prerequisite: MS Word I or equivalent

MS Word Exploded®
June 3, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
This fast-paced class offers many time-saving features such as format styles, drop caps, shortcuts, auto text, auto correct, breaks, borders/shading, and more. Prerequisite: MS Word I or equivalent

MS Word Templates®
June 10, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Get creative with MS Word templates and ready-made layouts to meet all your printing needs. Design greeting cards, letters, business cards, fliers, certificates, letterhead, invitations and more without having to do it from scratch. Prerequisite: Mouse and keyboard skills.

PowerPoint I®
May 1, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Learn to create multimedia presentations. Prerequisite: Mouse and Word skills

PowerPoint II®
May 8, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Add motion, sound and other effects to your Power Point presentation. Prerequisite: PowerPoint I

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.
**Programs for Teens**

Teen programs are offered to 7th through 12th graders.

**Pokemon Tournament**
May 1, 1-5 p.m.
Children, tweens and teens ages 8 and up: here’s what you’ve been waiting for! Bring your Nintendo DS and your copy of Pokemon Diamond, Pearl or Platinum for a tournament style poke-throwdown the likes of which you’ve never seen. Must bring your own DS.

**Make a Mother’s Day Bouquet®**
May 8, 1-2 p.m.
Come decorate a vase and fill it with a bouquet for Mother’s Day.

**Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Celebration**
May 20, 6-8 p.m.
Celebrate the month with a virtual author visit with Mitali Perkins, the U of M Go Club, dancing and food.

**Make a Father’s Day Tasty Treat®**
June 12, 1-2 p.m.
Make a tasty gift for your dad.

**Key to Your Success**
May 3, 6:30-8 p.m.
at the Summit on the Park
Unsure of your school plans for the fall? Come by our college and career night at the Summit Grand Ballroom and visit with local four-year, two-year and online schools. Get information from trade and technical institutions as well as other non-traditional schools. Learn about the college application process and financial aid from Christopher Tremblay, Executive Director of Enrollment Management at the University of Michigan-Dearborn and Judy Tatum, Wayne State University’s Senior Director of Undergraduate Admission and Orientation.

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**Homework Help**
National Honor Society tutors visit CPL on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-8 p.m. and Plymouth District Library on Mondays and Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m. for homework help. For grades 3-12, please bring your assignment sheets, textbooks, calculators or other materials.

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**Programs for Tweens**

Tweens programs are offered to 5th and 6th graders.

**Pokemon Tournament**
May 1, 1-5 p.m.
Children, tweens and teens ages 8 and up: here’s what you’ve been waiting for! Bring your Nintendo DS and your copy of Pokemon Diamond, Pearl or Platinum for a tournament style poke-throwdown the likes of which you’ve never seen. Must bring your own DS.

**Family Lego Night®**
June 9, 7-8 p.m.
Children, ages 5-10, come to the library with your family and have fun with LEGOS.

**Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Celebration**
May 20, 6-8 p.m.
Celebrate the month with a virtual author visit with Mitali Perkins, the U of M Go Club, dancing and food.

**Tween Book Discussion®**
May 22, 1-2 p.m.
Register online, then check out the book at the Children’s Desk.

**Tween Advisory Board**
June 2, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
If you are interested in helping your library, making a difference in your community and earning community service hours, then TWAB is for you!
**Book Discussions for Kids**
For book discussion titles visit the online program calendar at http://catalog.cantonpl.org/iii/calendar/month. Register online, and then check out the book at the Children’s Desk.

**FIRST GRADE:**
May 17, 5-5:30 p.m.

**SECOND GRADE:**
May 18, 5-5:30 p.m.

**THIRD GRADE:**
May 19, 5-5:45 p.m.

**FOURTH GRADE:**
May 13, 5-5:45 p.m.

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**Family Reading Night Programs®**
Funded by the Target Store Early Childhood Reading Grant and Friends of the Canton Public Library. Programs include stories, games and snacks and are open to families with children ages 4-9. Each family receives a free book to take home.

**Dinofun®**
May 5, 7-8 p.m.
Join us for prehistoric stories, crafts and snacks.

**Who Wants to be a Superhero®**
June 8, 7-8 p.m.
Our action-packed superhero party will have us saving the world in no time.

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**Book Kits for Kids**
Book kits for children and tweens are now available in the Children’s Library. Make your own book club with friends or at school with popular children’s book titles. For information on starting your own club and a list of titles, visit www.cantonpl.org/blog/kids/want-start-you-own-book-club.

- Each kit contains 10 books + discussion questions.
- Book kits can be checked out for 2 months.
- The book kits are locked, so they must be checked out at the Checkout Desk.
- Book kits will not fit in the Book Drop so they must be returned to the Checkout Desk.
- The replacement cost for each kit is $100.00.

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**Wait...Where’s Storytime?!**
Don’t panic. Storytime will be back in September but you can make every day into storytime by using story telling techniques at home with Canton Public Library’s online resources.

Start at the Parents section of the Kids page on our website. Under Storytime Success, you’ll find storytelling tips, as well as frequently used themes from storytime. Each theme contains books, songs and fingerplay suggestions. There are also fun learning activities to supplement a particular theme. Also in the Parenting section, you’ll find a Fingerplay list with the words to some of your favorites from storytime.

Another great resource for your summer storytime is Tumblebooks. You’ll find a link for that on the right hand side of the Kids page under Favorites. Tumblebooks is a collection of animated picture books read aloud. You can find books sorted by author, title, or topic. Some books even have related games that broaden literacy learning. And don’t forget about Summer Reading! Have fun and see you in September!
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Spring Fling®
May 12, 1-1:45 p.m.
Children, ages 3-5 with a caregiver, celebrate the joys of the spring season with stories, songs and crafts.

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Grandparent’s Fun @ the Canton Public Library®
June 2, 10-10:45 a.m.
Have fun with your grandchildren and make some new friends. You and your grandchildren will enjoy stories, songs and play together.

Family Lego Night®
June 9, 7-8 p.m.
Children, ages 5-10, come to the library with your family and have free play fun time creating with LEGO.

Jim Gill at the Cherry Hill Village Theater
June 24, 11 a.m.-noon
Does your family love to listen to the energetic rhythms of Jim Gill? Here’s your chance to experience the one-of-a-kind participation concert that has made Jim a family favorite. Through a partnership with the Cherry Hill Village Theater, the library presents Jim Gill, live in Canton. Tickets will be limited and distributed by a lottery system. Please see our website, www.cantonpl.org, for details.

19th Annual First Grade Round Up was a HUGE Success!

To celebrate “March is Reading Month,” many Canton first graders visited the library with their classes for an exciting program.

• 34 first grade classes attended our first grade program.
• Over 1,100 first graders toured the library, made a bookmark and saw a puppet show.
• 356 first graders received their first library card on this field trip.

Action for Earth Grant

Through the Erb Foundation, the Canton Public Library, along with four other area libraries, has been awarded a grant to work with Action for Earth and Project S.N.A.P. One of the outcomes of this grant will be a permanent mural installed in the library fitting with the environmental theme we chose as part of our application for the grant. Our theme is “Keeping our Rivers and Trails Clean.” The pictures that make up the mural were created during March and April by students of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools and children who participated in our art day, held this past April. Join us for the Mural Unveiling June 21, at 7 p.m.
Canton Public Library
1200 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, Michigan 48188-1600

Canton Center Construction Coming
Work to widen Canton Center Road to five lanes from Cherry Hill to south of Palmer will affect traffic to and from the library through November. Once the work is completed, visitors should find it easier to enter and exit the library from Civic Center Road but until the project is finished, expect delays and plan to use alternate routes. You will be able to access the library via Heritage Park, just north of Civic Center, and come down Veteran’s Way to enter the parking lot through Civic Center. For the most up-to-date information, check our Construction Updates at www.cantonpl.org/blog/canton-center-road-construction.

Volunteer Orientation Schedule
Are you interested in volunteering at the library? Volunteer orientation sessions are now held quarterly: June 9, September 20 and December 2, 2010. Complete and return your volunteer application form, available online at www.cantonpl.org/about-us/friends-library/volunteers or at all public desks, to be eligible to attend. Contact Kathie Gladden at gladdenk@cantonpl.org with any questions.

Summer Reading at the Library
Our very popular summer reading program kicks off on June 21. Watch your mailbox or subscribe to our RSS feed for the special Summer Reading issue of Connections for all the fun details.

Friends of the Library News
Secondhand Prose, the Friends of the Library’s used bookstore, will be holding a monthly bag sale. You can fill one of their bags for just $5, excluding children’s and AV materials. Bag sale dates are May 21, 22 and 24 and June 25, 26 and 28. Also, check the bookstore for monthly specials.