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History Buffs @ the Library

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Stan and Janet Schwarze receiving the Wisconsin Governor's Award from Lois Hagedorn, Clark Co., Wis. Register of Deeds, who nominated the website for the award.

My wife and I lead a volunteer group that built and maintains a historical website for Clark County Wisconsin, where we grew up. The information on the website includes obituaries, marriage notices, anniversaries, community and township histories, individual listings for cemeteries in the county, etc. We have had an active group collecting and transcribing material for this website for the past 12 years. The Rochester Public Library played a significant role in making the site one worthy of receiving the 2009 Wisconsin Governors Award when it was sited as the best historical internet collection for that state.

One of the major sources of material for the website is the collection of newspapers on microfilm

maintained at the Wisconsin State Historical Society in Madison. The library has supported us by ordering, via inter-library loan, hundreds of newspaper microfilms from Madison. We read these microfilms and make copies of the historical articles to transcribe

and display on the site. The library has provided excellent microfilm reading/printing equipment that has made our job manageable. We thank the library very much for the outstanding service they have provided.



Visit the Clark County website: <http://www.wiclark-countyhistory.org/>



There is still time to register for the 12th Annual Wit, Wisdom and Wine fundraising event.

- entertaining and informative speakers
- silent auction
- jewelry raffle
- wine & hors d'oeuvres

Tickets are \$75 per person if purchased by January 10 (\$85 after that date) and may be purchased online at <http://www.rochester-publiclibrary.org/supporting/foundation/WitWine.html> or by calling 507-328-2343.

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All events at Rochester Public Library are free and open to the public

Ongoing Events:

Tuesdays:

Bedtime Stories
Auditorium 6:30pm
 Puppets, stories, songs, and rhymes to give you sweet dreams.

Wednesdays:

Preschool Storytime
Auditorium 10am
 Join us for 30 minutes of stories, fingerplays, early literacy activities, and fun for you and your 3 to 5 year-old child! No registration required.

Thursdays:

Baby Time!
Auditorium 10am
 Bring in your baby for fingerplays, rhymes, songs and stories just right for little ones (birth to 18 months). No registration required. This program was funded by an IBM Centennial Grant.

Toddler Time!

Auditorium 10:30 & 11am
 Special stories and songs for active toddlers (ages 18 months to 3 years). No registration required. This program is funded by an IBM Centennial Grant.

Computer Basics Workshop
Meeting Room B 1pm

Do you have general questions about computers, using email, using the library website or the Internet? Come to the library to practice on our computers and ask a librarian your questions. No sign up for this session.

Wednesday, January 2

I Spy Nine and a Half Clues!
Children's Area
All Day

It's a race to spot the clues and beat the competition. Complete a

scavenger hunt between December 19th and January 2nd in Children's Services to win a cool prize and maybe save the world...or the library. Sponsored by the Friends of the Rochester Public Library.

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days
Meeting Room B 4pm

For one-on-one help setting up your eReader to check out Library eBooks, drop by the Library with your device (Nook, Kindle, iPad, Sony Reader, etc.), the card that came with it, your library card, (and if you have a non-tablet Nook your laptop computer, if you own one). We will sit down with you and walk you through the whole process. Even if you don't have your device with you (or don't own one yet), feel free to drop in with any questions you may have. Please call 507.328.2305 if you have any questions about these sessions.

Thursday, January 3

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days
Meeting Room B 9:30am

See description from January 2.

Friday, January 4

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days
Meeting Room B 9:30am

See description from January 2.

Saturday, January 5

Hooray for Saturday: Dinosaur Dancing! Story Time fun with Miss Kristin

Auditorium 10:20am
 Please join us for some musical story time fun presented by storyteller Miss Kristin!

Monday, January 7

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days
Meeting Room B 1pm
 See description from January 2.

Afterschool Adventure Time: Game On!

Auditorium 3:30pm
 Drop in for an afternoon of gaming. Challenge your friends (or the librarian) to games on the Kinect or battle them with a variety of card games and board games! Grades 2-6

Tuesday, January 8

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days
Meeting Room B 1pm
 See description from January 2.

LEGO® Fun for Homeschoolers!
Auditorium 2:30-3:30pm

Do you like to build with LEGOs®? Build your own LEGO® creations using our challenge idea or your imagination. Share your great ideas! LEGOs® are provided by the library. This program is best suited for children in Grades 2 to 6. This program is sponsored by Friends of the Library.

LEGO® Fun!
Auditorium 4-5pm
 See description above.

Wednesday, January 9

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days
Meeting Room B 4pm
 See description from January 2.

iFilms: International and Independent Films
Auditorium 6pm
Corpo Celeste - Having recently returned to her native Italy after living in Switzerland for 10 years, quiet but curious 13-year-old

Marta is left to her own devices while her loving but worn-out mother toils away at an industrial bakery. Marta's only source of socialization is the local church, where she is told to attend preparatory classes for her confirmation. But the doctrines of Roman Catholicism offer little in terms of life lessons or consolation, and she quickly sees through the hypocrisy of the priest, who cares more about status than about his constituents. Eventually, Marta forges her very own way of the cross, which turns out to have much less to do with God than with her own climb towards adulthood.

The iFilm series is intended for mature adults. Please provide guidance to your children.

Thursday, January 10

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days Meeting Room B 9:30am
See description from January 2.

Documentary and Discussion - Lives for Sale Auditorium 6:30pm
Lives for Sale: Immigration & Human Trafficking, a one-hour investigative documentary that exposes the painful and rarely seen human side of illegal immigration.

Lives for Sale focuses on the exploding black market of human trafficking into the United States. The documentary explores human trafficking beyond the conventional political rhetoric and media coverage to explain the reasons immigrants will risk everything for the American Dream. The journey is filled with dangers that prey on hopes and exploit inexperience. Some people will provide their minimal life savings to "coyotes" (mercenary agents promising safe passage) while others unknowingly will become some of the almost 20,000 annual

victims of human trafficking who cross the Mexican-U.S. border and become modern-day slaves.

A panel discussion will follow the film.

Co-sponsored by Sisters of Saint Francis and Mission 21

Friday, January 11

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days Meeting Room B 9:30am
See description from January 2.

Saturday, January 12

History Hullabaloo Auditorium 10am-3pm
Minnesota Historical Society staff, University Mentors and librarians will be available to help middle school and high school students with History Day Projects. Mini-sessions presented on how to do a project, write a thesis or do research. Librarians will be available to help with research. Open to students, parents and teachers.

Hooray for Saturday! Celebrate Paul Bunyan Auditorium 10:30am
Join the hullabaloo by celebrating a Minnesota legend - Paul Bunyan! Visit Children's Services to create your own tall tale.

Monday, January 14

Afterschool Adventure Time: Game On! Auditorium 3:30pm
Drop in for an afternoon of gaming. Challenge your friends (or the librarian) to games on the Kinect or battle them with a variety of card games and board games! Grades 2-6

Tuesday, January 15

Chess Club for Homeschoolers! Auditorium 2:30-3:30pm
Learn the basics. Improve your game. Master strategies. Play other chess enthusiasts. It'll have you saying "Check, mate!" This program is best suited for chil-

dren in Grades 2 to 6.

Chess Club! Auditorium 4-5pm
See description above.

Wednesday, January 16

Rochester Issues Forum: Tax Reform Auditorium 7pm
The Rochester Issues Forum will sponsor a presentation focusing on tax reform and the MN Department of Revenue will help break down the key issues. The goal of the this event is to create an opportunity for dialog. Attendees will be encouraged to think critically about the issue and gain insights by listening respectfully to others' points of view.

Thursday, January 17

History Hullabaloo Auditorium 10am-3pm
See description from January 12.

Saturday, January 19

Hooray for Saturday! Art Room Extended Auditorium 10:30am
Love the Art Room? Then join us for Art Room Extended where you can try out more (and messier) art supplies. Dress to get messy!

Wit, Wisdom and Wine Library Foyer 6-10pm
Rochester Public Library Foundation's longest-running fundraising event features entertaining and informative speakers, silent auction, jewelry raffle, and wine & hors d'oeuvres throughout the evening. Tickets are \$75 per person if purchased by January 10 (\$85 after that date) and may be purchased online at <http://www.rochesterpubliclibrary.org/supporting/foundation/WitWine.html> or by calling 328-2343.

Tuesday, January 22

Nook eBooks @ the Library Meeting Room B 10-11am
Bring your Nook to the library to

learn how to download free library eBooks in this class. This class will only cover Barnes & Noble Nook eBook readers (if you have another brand, check our calendar for other class offerings). To get the most out of this class, make sure your device is registered with Barnes and Noble prior to the class. This class is free and open to the public; however, space is limited. Register online, at the second-floor reference desk or by calling 507.328.2309.

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Wednesday, January 23

Kindle eBooks @ the Library Meeting Room B 10-11am
Bring your Kindle to the library to learn how to download free library eBooks in this class. This class will only cover Amazon Kindle eBook readers (if you have another brand, check our calendar for other class offerings). To get the most out of this class, make sure your device is registered with Amazon.com prior to the class. This class is free and open to the public; however, space is limited. Register online, at the second-floor reference desk or by calling 507.328.2309.

Friday, January 25

School's Out: Celebrate Happy Feet Week!

Children's Services Area All Day
Put on your happy feet and head to the library for fun, footy activities all day in the Children's Services division. You are also invited to create sock puppets in the auditorium at 10am & 2pm.

Sock Puppets for Happy Feet Week!

Auditorium 10am & 2pm
Celebrate Happy Feet Week as

you create an original sock puppet at 10am or 2pm. Grades K - 5.

Saturday, January 26

Hooray for Saturday! Fancy Footwork Family Story Time!
Auditorium 10:30am

Please join us for a fun-filled Fancy Footwork storytime to celebrate Happy Feet Week! Get your feet moving and grooving!

Footwear 101
Auditorium 12pm

Brock Quimby from TerraLoco will give an introduction on how to fit a shoe and answer questions.

Fitness Walking
Auditorium 2pm

Brock Quimby from TerraLoco will present on how to start Fitness Walking.

Sunday, January 27

Movie @ your library: Happy Feet
Auditorium 2pm

In Antarctica, the Emperor Penguin must attract his mate with his own distinctive heart song. Mumble is a penguin who is born without the ability to sing... however he is the best tap dancer at the South Pole! Toe-tapping may ensue in this sweet animated comedy. Rated PG.

Monday, January 28

Fitness Walking
Auditorium 7pm

Brock Quimby from TerraLoco will present on how to start Fitness Walking.

Tuesday, January 29

Diabetes Mellitus and Foot Care: Keeping Your House in Good Working Order
Auditorium 4pm

Why is foot care so important for Diabetics? How can you take care of your feet to avoid painful and costly issues? Dr. Martin Ellman is the Section Head of Podiatry in the Orthopedic Department at

the Mayo Clinic Rochester Campus. He has been on staff there for 19 years and has a general non-surgical foot practice with a focus on the evaluation and treatment of foot problems primarily in the adult population.

Wednesday, January 30

How to pick an athletic shoe
Auditorium 10:30am

Associates from Rogan's Shoes will be on hand to explain the differences in athletic shoes and demonstrate how to correctly size a shoe.

Foot pain and foot care
Auditorium 7pm

Maria Bonser from Olmsted Medical Center will address issues of foot pain, foot care - issues and concerns.

Thursday, January 31

Footwear 101
Auditorium 10:30am

Brock Quimby from TerraLoco will give an introduction on how to fit a shoe and answer questions.

Beginning Running
Auditorium 7pm

How to keep that New Year's Resolution and start a fitness program? Brock Quimby from TerraLoco will be on hand to give pointers on beginning running.

The Library will be closed on Tuesday, January 1, in observance of New Year's Day.

The Library will be closed on Monday, January 21 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr Day.