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Monday-Thursday.....9:30AM-9:00PM
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 Sunday 1:30PM-5:30PM

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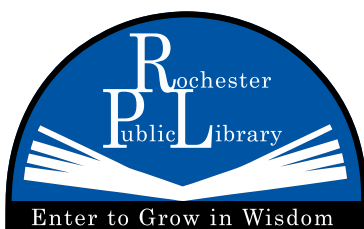
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Neighbors Read, Mini-Libraries

-by Heather Acerro

In 2013, RPL launched the Neighbors Read program in the Slatterly Park neighborhood with support from United Way of Olmsted County. Through the Neighbors Read program, the library connected with families of preschoolers, bringing them to the library for early literacy programming and then planting a mini-library in their yards. With continued support from United Way of Olmsted County, Neighbors Read expanded to the Eastside Pioneers neighborhood in 2014, and this year will be targeting Kutzky Park. RPL hopes to connect with eight families that include preschoolers in Kutzky Park to participate in the program. Interested families should contact Vicki at 328.2302 for more information. Families who have participated in the program have enjoyed hosting a mini-library, providing access to books in their neighborhoods and meeting new neighbors.

Community members who use the Neighbors Read mini-libraries also had many positive things to say on postcard surveys:

"My grandkids & I

haven't ever read this much, ever. Thank you!"

"We're very glad to have a few of these mini-libraries in our neighborhood!"

"Whenever we visit our friends, my kids drop off and pick up a book. This is great!"

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In addition, 76% of repeat mini-library users who responded to the postcard survey indicated that they read more in the previous month due to access to a mini-library. 75% of mini-library users visit a mini-library once a week or more.

Many other community members



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have purchased or built their own mini-libraries. These mini-library hosts were recently surveyed and the responses provide evidence that the libraries not only provide books to community members, but they are building stronger neighborhoods.

"I've found many people love stopping to talk about the books when they see us outside. I've been told families will use visiting 3-5 libraries as a goal for their evening

walks, thus encouraging them to get more exercise with the kids."

"This is a conversation piece that helps us get to know the neighbors better."

"Our neighborhood is economically diverse and the library provides books for kids who do not have books in their home. We have also met many neighbors because of the library, it give us things to talk about."

Through the generosity of the Friends of Rochester Public Library, RPL is able to support any mini-library host in Olmsted County by providing a stock of free books for the libraries. Hosts can register for this program at <http://www.rochesterpubliclibrary.org/neighborhoodlibraries> or by calling 328.2335.

Harry Potter

**Thursday, February 5
Harry Potter Book Night,
Youth Services, 6:30-8PM**

Celebrate the first-ever Harry Potter Book night with RPL's Teen Library Council! Get your acceptance letter to Hogwarts, practice your Quidditch skills and more. Costumes encouraged.

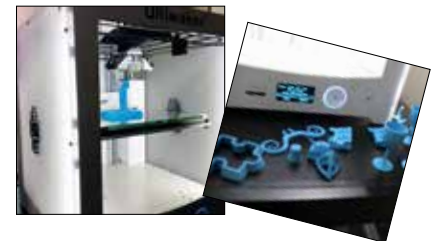


COMPUTER & EBOOK DROP-IN

Bring your computer and eBook reader questions to this drop-in class. Librarians will be there to answer your basic questions about computers (e-mail, internet, digital photos, etc.) and library eBooks. Our computer lab has 10 computers with access to the internet for you to use.

Please bring in your own devices (laptops, tablets, eBook readers, smartphones, etc.).

**Computer Lab - 2nd Floor
Mondays: 9:30-10:30AM &
Thursdays: 1-2:30PM**



TEEN & TWEEN MAKERDAY!

Thursday, February 24

**Teen Makerday (Ages 13-18)
Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 4-6PM**

**Tween Makerday (Ages 10-12)
Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 6-7:30PM**

Join us to get an introduction to 3-D printing and a chance to use the library's new 3-D printer. Register online or by calling 328.2303.



**FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
WINTERFEST
BOOK SALE
2015**

The huge three-day Friends' Winterfest Book Sale will be on

**Friday & Saturday
FEBRUARY 6 & 7
9:30AM - 5:30PM**

**Sunday
FEBRUARY 8
1:30PM - 4PM**

**Friends' Members
Special Preview
Sale**

**Thursday
FEBRUARY 5
5PM - 7PM**



If you are not yet a Friends' member, you may join by asking at the bookstore, filling out the online form found on the Friends' website or by calling 507.328.2341.

**Cash, check, and credit cards are accepted.*

February 2015

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

Wellness Corner Health Screening events are added daily. Check our online calendar to see upcoming events. www.rochesterpubliclibrary.org/wellness

Sunday, February 1

MNSure Enrollment Assistance,

Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 1:30-4:30PM

Certified MNSure Navigator will be available to answer questions, review health care coverage options, and assist with health care coverage enrollment.

Town Hall meeting with Tina Liebling, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2-4PM

Join Representative Liebling for a town hall meeting to discuss procedures by which Rochester elects school board members and if changes should be made.

Origami Club, Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 3PM-4PM

Interested in the Japanese art of paper folding? Join us for 1 hour on the first Sunday of the month. Whether you are a beginner or a master folder, all are welcome.

Monday, February 2

Computer & eBook Drop-In,

Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

Bring your computer and eBook reader questions to this drop-in class. Librarians will be there to answer your basic questions about computers (e-mail, internet, digital photos, etc.) and library eBooks. Our computer lab has 10 computers with access to the internet for you to use. Please bring in your own devices (laptops, tablets, eBook readers, smartphones, etc.,)

Introduction to Yoga,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2:30-3:30PM

Could yoga be the start to your year of good health? This introductory class will include breathing exercises, flowing movement, stretching, and relaxation. Please bring a yoga mat or beach towel. Yoga is done without shoes.

Intro to Photoshop Elements - Part 2, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 3:30-5PM

Learn how to edit, repair, enhance, and add effects to your digital photos. This second class of three we will look at specific ways to repair and enhance photographs. Feel free to bring your own digital photo to practice with. Register online or by calling 328.2309.



TeenScape Crafternoon - Embroidery, Teenscape - 1st Floor, 4-5:30PM

Learn the basics of hand embroidery including transferring an image to fabric and a handful of stitches to get you on your way to being a sublime stitcher!



Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

Not just for women or seniors! Strengthen your bones! Improve your balance! Have more energy! This program to prevent osteoporosis is led by RSVP volunteers. Please bring signed medical and consent forms to your first session, if possible.

Homework Help,

Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

Homework got you down? Don't stress--get help from our volunteers on school nights! All grades are welcome. Check the RPL calendar for scheduling changes.

Tuesday, February 3

Armchair Traveler Bookgroup,

Meeting Room A - 1st Floor, 11AM-12PM

Pick up a best-selling book that will take you to a different place or time. Book to be discussed - Pollyanna by Eleanor H. Porter. You are welcome to bring your lunch. Library staff will assist participants in obtaining books for the discussion groups. Sign up at the Fiction, Movies and Music Desk at the library, or call 328.2305.

Whistle While You Work, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

Workplace atmosphere has an impact on our productivity. Learn how to choose your attitude and embrace enthusiasm, joy, and fun. A career counselor will be available for one-on-one sessions afterwards.

Art Club for Homeschoolers, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2:30-3:30PM

Like the Art Room? Then you'll love Art Club! Dress to get messy as you explore art techniques and materials. In this session we will be using watercolor paint and pencils. Grades K to 5.

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See description above.

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Bedtime Stories,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6:30-7PM

Puppets, stories, songs, and rhymes to give you sweet dreams. Caregivers are asked to remain with their children.

Wednesday, February 4

Science Storytime,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-10:30AM

Join us for 30 minutes of stories and fingerplays based on a science theme, with hands-on activities after story time. Science fun for you and your 3 to 5 year-old child!

Tai Chi Easy,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 1:30-2:15 PM

A seven week class learning basic Tai Chi Chih movements - moving meditation practice, gentle and easy to learn. Taught by certified Tai Chi Chia instructor. Dress comfortably. Register by calling 328.2309.

Tai Chi Chih - Part 2,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2:30-3:20 PM

See description above.



A homeless outreach worker is available every Wednesday and Friday in the Wellness Corner from 9:30-10:30AM to assist with finding housing, food, and other services.

Wednesday, February 4

Computer & eBook Drop-In, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 3-5PM

See description on page 3.

Zine*O*Cide, Meeting Room A - 1st Floor, 4-6PM

Collaborate with other Rochester teens to make a zine to share your passions and interests! Bring your ideas and creativity - we'll provide the supplies and snacks. Can't make the meeting but want to contribute? Submit your original art, writing and ideas to zineociderpl@gmail.com.

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

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Faith Talk Show: Where Religions Meet, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 7-8:30PM

Join Rabbi Werner and Regina Mustafa for the third interfaith dialogue presented by CIDI (Community Interfaith Dialogue on Islam). See cidimn.org for more information.

Thursday, February 5

Baby Time, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-10:25 AM

Bring in your baby for rhymes, songs and stories just right for little ones (birth to 18 months).

Toddler Time, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30 & 11AM

Special stories and songs for active toddlers (ages 18 months to 3 years).

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q club, Meeting Room A - 1st Floor, 4-5:30PM

A safe and welcoming meet-up for LGBTQ teens and allies. For ages 13-18! Hang out, make friends and have fun at this club just for you. In partnership with GLCS.

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Friends WinterFest Preview Booksale, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 5-7PM

Preview sale for Friends of the Library members. Memberships may be purchased at the door.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

Harry Potter

Harry Potter Book Night, Youth Services, 6:30-8PM

Celebrate the first-ever Harry Potter Book night with RPL's Teen Library Council! Get your acceptance letter to Hogwarts, practice your Quidditch skills and more. Costumes encouraged.

English Conversation Group, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 7-8:30PM

Practice speaking English in a relaxed, informal setting. The group is free and open to all non-native English speaking adults.

Friday, February 6

Friends WinterFest Booksale, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 9:30AM-5PM

All types of used books for sale!

Saturday, February 7

Friends WinterFest Booksale, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 9:30AM-5PM

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Fly Tying Group, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 9:30AM-12PM

Learn about fly tying. Bring your own supplies or stop in to learn about the art of fly tying.

MNSure Enrollment Assistance, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 10AM-3PM

Certified MNSure Navigator will be available to answer questions, review health care coverage options, and assist with health care coverage enrollment.



Hooray for Saturday! Make a Friendship Card!, Youth Services, 10:30-11:30AM

Roses are red. Violets are blue. This is a card I made for you. Join us in youth services to make your own card for a friend. Supplies are provided. This program will be held in youth services.

Acrylic Painting Club, Group Study - 2nd Floor, 2-4PM

Artist, Mary Lou Devlin, will lead a monthly club meeting in which participants can bring their own supplies to practice their acrylic painting skills.

Health for Humanity Yogathon, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 3-5PM

Stop by to learn and experience simple yoga postures and easy breathing techniques that can provide health benefits.

Sunday, February 8

Friends WinterFest Booksale, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 1:30-4PM

All types of used books for sale!

MNSure Enrollment Assistance, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 1:30-4:30PM

Certified MNSure Navigator will be available to answer questions, review health care coverage options, and assist with health care coverage enrollment.

Historical Craft Workshop: Wearable Floral Art, Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 2-4PM

Paper flowers have been created for thousands of years all around the world. During this workshop, participants will create beautiful headbands, wristlets and even a pin to wear into spring. Presented by the Minnesota Historical Society. Register online or by calling 328.2305.



Monday, February 9

Computer & eBook Drop-In, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

See description on page 3.

Introduction to Yoga, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2:30-3:30PM

Could yoga be the start to your year of good health? This introductory class will include breathing exercises, flowing movement, stretching, and relaxation. Please bring a yoga mat or beach towel. Yoga is done without shoes.

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Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

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Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

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Tuesday, February 10

Library Time, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-11AM

This program for disabled adults is an opportunity for participants to enjoy reading books, watching films, making crafts and other fun learning activities.

4 Corners of Leadership- Empower Yourself to Move On, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

Leadership can be found within you. Leadership does not always require a title. Define who you are and what you stand for. A career counselor will be available for one-on-one sessions afterwards.



Chess Club for Homeschoolers, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2:30-3:30PM

Learn the basics or improve your game! Chess enthusiasts of all skill levels are welcome. Grades K to 5.

Chess Club, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description above.

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

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Writing Group, Meeting Room A - 1st Floor, 6:30-8:30PM

Stuck on your first draft?
Not sure about your plot?

Join us to improve your writing in a friendly, supportive environment. Mike Kalmbach, a freelance writer and editor, will help to facilitate the meetings. If you have any questions for Mike prior to your first meeting, please email kstecher@rochester.lib.mn.us, or call 328.2313.



Bedtime Stories, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6:30-7PM

Puppets, stories, songs, and rhymes to give you sweet dreams. Caregivers are asked to remain with their children.

Wednesday, February 11

Preschool Storytime, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-10:30AM

Join us for 30 minutes of stories, fingerplays, early literacy activities, and fun for you and your 3 to 5 year-old child!

Tai Chi Easy, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 1:30-2:15 PM

See description on page 3.

Nonfiction Readers Book Discussion, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 2-3PM

History through food - read 97 Orchard: An Edible History of Five Immigrant Families in One New York Tenement, by Jane Ziegelman.

Tai Chi Chih - Part 2, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2:30-3:20PM

See description on page 3.

Computer & eBook Drop-In, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 3-5PM

See description on page 3.

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

MyFreeTaxes Clinics, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 5-8PM

Tax coaches will be available to help with tax filing with online software MyFreeTaxes. Individuals & Families who made \$60,000 or less last year can file both federal and state online for free. Call specialists are also ready to assist MyFreeTaxes users with all of their tax and software-related questions by calling 1-855-My-Tx-Help (1-855-698-9435). It's safe, convenient and easy.

iFilms: International and Independent Films, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6-8PM

SALVO Directed by Fabio Grassadonia and Antonio Piazza Italy / 2013 / Italian with English subtitles SYNOPSIS A hitman for the Sicilian Mafia, Salvo is solitary, cold and ruthless. When he sneaks into a house on an assignment, he discovers Rita, an innocent young blind girl who must stand by powerlessly while her brother is assassinated. What follows is an intense exchange that changes their two lives in an instant. The iFilm series is intended for mature adults. Please provide guidance to your children. Admission is free.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

Rochester Spanish Conversation Group, Meeting Room A - 1st Floor, 7-8:30PM

Want to improve your Spanish conversation skills? Drop in, no matter what your skill level, and learn by doing.

Thursday, February 12

Baby Time, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-10:25 AM

Bring in your baby for rhymes, songs and stories just right for little ones (birth to 18 months).

Toddler Time, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30 & 11AM

Special stories and songs for active toddlers (ages 18 months to 3 years).

Computer & eBook Drop-In, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 1-2:30PM

See description on page 3.

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

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Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

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English Conversation Group, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 7-8:30PM

Practice speaking English in a relaxed, informal setting. The group is free and open to all non-native English speaking adults.

Friday, February 13

Petite Picasso: Preschool Art!, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-11AM

Calling all young artists: Dress to get messy as you explore art techniques and materials.

Saturday, February 14



Fly Tying Group, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 9:30-12PM

Learn about fly tying. Bring your own supplies or stop in to learn about the art of fly tying.

MNSure Enrollment Assistance, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 10-3PM

Certified MNSure Navigator will be available to answer questions, review health care coverage options, and assist with health care coverage enrollment.

Artist In Residence Program - Philip Taylor, Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 10:30-12:30PM

Artist, Philip Taylor, will share his knowledge of and talents for screen printing. Participants in this art program will work with different techniques to create their own original piece of art using paper materials and the screen printing process.

Saturday, February 14

Hooray for Saturday! Hans Mayer's Silly Concert for Kids!, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30-11AM

Children's recording artist, Hans Mayer, is back with original tunes that will tickle your funny bone and have you singing along! Join us for some musical fun!

Artist In Residence Program - Philip Taylor, Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 3-5PM

See description on page 5.

Sunday, February 15

MNSure Enrollment Assistance, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 1:30-4:30PM

Certified MNSure Navigator will be available to answer questions, review health care coverage options, and assist with health care coverage enrollment.

Artist In Residence Program - Philip Taylor, Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 2-4PM

See description on page 5.

Monday, February 16



Library Closed All Day - President's Day

Tuesday, February 17

Plain Readers, Meeting Room A - 1st Floor, 12-1PM

Join us to read books set in the Midwest or by Midwestern authors. Book to be discussed - River Wife by Jonis Agee.



Job Search Skills Needed for Success, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

The most successful job seekers develop, practice and utilize state-of-the-art job search skills. Discuss what can be done to put the odds in your favor. A career counselor will be available for one-on-one sessions afterwards.



LEGO® Fun for Homeschoolers,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 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. Grades K to 5.

LEGO® Fun,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description above.

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Family Calendaring with Gmail, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 5:30-6:30PM

Learn about a few tips using Google Calendar to help make your busy life a little easier. Please come prepared with your Gmail account already set up, and some family events to post on a calendar. Register online or by calling 328.2309.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

Bedtime Stories,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6:30-7PM

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Night Owl Book Group, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 7-8PM

This monthly book group will be reading page turning books you just can't put down. Book to be discussed - A Week in Winter by Maeve Binchy.

Wednesday, February 18

Preschool Storytime 10am, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-10:30AM

Join us for 30 minutes of stories, fingerplays, early literacy activities, and fun for you and your 3 to 5 year-old child!

Tai Chi Easy,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 1:30-2:15PM

See description on page 3.

Tai Chi Chih - Part 2,

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Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

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Thursday, February 19

Baby Time,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-10:25AM

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Toddler Time,

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Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Recovery is Happening presents a Community Listening Forum,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 5-8:30PM

Recovery advocates (people in long-term recovery, family members, and allies) will share their stories of addiction recovery. Experts in addiction and mental illness recovery, drug court professionals, business leaders, and policymakers will be present. The Community Listening Forum will be conducted in an open dialogue/town hall meeting format.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

English Conversation Group, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 7-8:30PM

Practice speaking English in a relaxed, informal setting. The group is free and open to all non-native English speaking adults.

Friday, February 20

Dance Party!, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-10:30AM

Put on your dancing shoes for 30 minutes of non-stop dance madness.



Saturday, February 21

Fly Tying Group, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 9:30AM-12PM

Learn about fly tying. Bring your own supplies or stop in to learn about the art of fly tying.

Hooray for Saturday! Dance Party, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30-11AM

Shake off those winter blues with 30 minutes of non-stop dance madness.

Practice ACT,
Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 12-4PM
Take a free, proctored practice test to help identify your strengths and weaknesses before the real thing! Kaplan will provide analyzed results. Remember to bring two #2 sharpened pencils and an approved calculator. Space is limited. Register online or by calling 328.2303.



Film & Discussion: NOT MY LIFE, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2-3:45 PM

Filmed on five continents, in a dozen countries, Not My Life takes viewers into a world where millions of children are exploited, every day. The movie will be followed by a facilitated discussion.

Sunday, February 22

Rochester: Rocks, Water, Landscape, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2-3:30PM

Todd Osweiler and Barb Huberty will take you on a sojourn through geologic time and help you discover how Rochester's geology guides the City's storm water management and groundwater protection decisions.

Monday, February 23

Computer & eBook Drop-In, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

See description on page 3.

Mystery Book Group, Meeting Room A - 1st Floor, 1-2PM

Join us at the Mystery Book Group. Today we will be discussing - Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil by John Berendt.

Elder Network - Meet and Greet Your Advocates!, Meeting Room A - 1st Floor, 4-4:30PM

Meet the Olmsted County New Senior Advocates! We are excited to announce that Becky Maher and Missy Brenhaug, both Licensed Social Workers, have been hired as our Olmsted County Senior Advocates. You will have an opportunity to meet them and learn about the services they can provide to older adults in Olmsted County. Starting January, 2015, they will have office hours at both the Rochester Elder Network Office and the Rochester Senior Center.

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

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P-B Dialogues,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6:30-7:30PM

Post-Bulletin Dialogues are free public events at the library, Jay Furst leading conversations about an issue, and audience members asking questions and giving feedback. This program is free and open to the public. Check the online calendar for scheduling changes.

Tuesday, February 24

Finding Funders: Introduction to Foundation Directory Online, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 10:30-12PM

Is your nonprofit looking for funds? Learn how to use the Foundation Directory Online, the premier grantseeking database on the web. This session provides a hands-on introduction to the Foundation Center's database which is available to the public, free of charge, at the Rochester Public Library. Space is limited. Register online or by calling 328-2309.



You Are the Message, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 1:PM-2:30PM

Being a skilled communicator is a common job requirement. Employers look for job candidates who can deliver their message. Learn about the art of communication and how to improve your skills.

Literature into Film Bookgroup, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

Join us to read the book and/or watch the film of classic works of literature. Book and film to be discussed - A Prayer for Owen Meany by John Irving and the film "Simon Birch". Beverages are provided and members take turns bringing treats. Library staff will assist participants in obtaining books for the discussion groups. Sign up at the Fiction, Movies and Music Desk at the library, or call 328-2305.

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Join us for Science Club at the library! Grades K to 5.

Teen Makerday (Ages 13-18), Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 4-6PM

Join us to get an introduction to 3-D printing and a chance to use the library's new 3-D printer. Register online or by calling 328.2303.

Science Club,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

Join us for Science Club at the library! Grades K to 5.

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Tween Makerday (Ages 10-12), Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 6-7:30PM

Join us to get an introduction to 3-D printing and a chance to use the library's new 3-D printer. Register online or by calling 328.2303.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

Bedtime Stories,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6:30-7PM

Puppets, stories, songs, and rhymes to give you sweet dreams. Caregivers are asked to remain with their children.

Wednesday, February 25

Preschool Storytime, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-10:30AM

Join us for 30 minutes of stories, fingerplays, early literacy activities, and fun for you and your 3 to 5 year-old child!

Computer & eBook Drop-In, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 3-5PM

See description on page 3.

Meet the Author - Derek Sullivan, Meeting Room A - 1st Floor, 4-6PM

Debut author & Post Bulletin reporter Derek Sullivan will talk writing and read from his forthcoming teen book, *Biggie*.

Wednesday, February 25

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

MyFreeTaxes Clinics, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 5-8PM

See description on page 5.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

Thursday, February 26

Baby Time,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-10:25 AM

Bring in your baby for rhymes, songs and stories just right for little ones (birth to 18 months).

Toddler Time,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30 & 11AM

Special stories and songs for active toddlers (ages 18 months to 3 years).

Computer & eBook Drop-In, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 1-2:30PM

See description on page 3.

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

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Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

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Sensory Storytime, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6:30-7:30PM

An interactive and educational program that can be enjoyed by all children, but is especially designed for children with sensory integration challenges or those on the Autism spectrum. Librarians will use preschool-level materials, including books, songs, and activities to stimulate all five senses. During this six week program, sensory storytime format will be posted online prior to each session. Registration is required, and children must attend with a caregiver. We hope to provide a welcoming, encouraging and supportive place for you and your child. Register online or by calling 328.2303.

English Conversation Group, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 7-8:30PM

Practice speaking English in a relaxed, informal setting. The group is free and open to all non-native English speaking adults.

Friday, February 27

Petite Picasso: Preschool Art!, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10-11AM

Calling all young artists: Dress to get messy as you explore art techniques and materials.

Citizenship Legal Assistance, Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 10:30-2:30PM

Drop in to see if you qualify for free citizenship legal services.

Saturday, February 28

Fly Tying Group,

Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 9:30-12PM

Learn about fly tying. Bring your own supplies or stop in to learn about the art of fly tying.

Hooray for Saturday! Family Storytime!, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30-11AM

Special guest readers from PAIR will join us for Family Storytime!

March 2015

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

Sunday, March 1

Origami Club,

Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 3-4PM

Interested in the Japanese art of paper folding? Join us for 1 hour on the first Sunday of the month. Whether you are a beginner or a master folder, all are welcome.

Monday, March 2

Computer & eBook Drop-In, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

See description on page 3.

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

Tuesday, March 3

Armchair Traveler Bookgroup, Meeting Room A - 1st Floor, 11-12PM

Pick up a best-selling book that will take you to a different place or time. Book to be discussed - *Burial Rights* by Hannah Kent. You are welcome to bring your lunch. Library staff will assist participants in obtaining books for the discussion groups. Sign up at the Fiction, Movies and Music Desk at the library, or call 328.2305.

Developing Good Answers: Overcoming Any Concerns or Barriers to Employment, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

Some job seekers get stuck carrying around specific barriers to employment. These barriers might revolve around ex-offender status, high school dropout, age discrimination, etc. Learn to reclaim the fact that all of us apply for employment as individuals. A career counselor will be available for one-on-one sessions afterwards.

Art Club for Homeschoolers, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2:30-3:30PM

Dress to get messy as you explore art techniques and materials. In this session we will be drawing from a fun still life. Grades K to 5.

Art Club,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

Like the Art Room? Then you'll love Art Club! Dress to get messy as you explore art techniques and materials. In this session we draw from a fun still life. Grades K to 5.

Bone Builders, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Intro to Photoshop Elements - Part 1, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 5:30-7PM

Learn how to edit, repair, enhance, and add effects to your digital photos. This first class of three will introduce you to the basic functions of Photoshop Elements. Feel free to bring your own digital photo to practice with. Register online or by calling 328.2309.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

Homework got you down? Don't stress--get help from our volunteers!

Bedtime Stories,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6:30-7PM

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