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Sunday 1:30PM-5:30PM

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Rochester Public Library's English Conversation Group *-by Robin DeVries*

What's the hardest thing about moving to Rochester from another country? It's often the language. Studying English as a foreign language is entirely different from trying to manage your day to day interactions in a foreign language. Think of all the shortcuts, idioms and phrases that we, native English

speakers, use every day as we go about our business in Rochester. Think about how fast we talk. It can be overwhelming and frustrating for non-native English speakers. Enter the English Conversation Group at the public library.

Dan and Susan Crowell, two amazing volunteers, lead a weekly group at the library for non-native English speakers to practice their English. This is a relaxed, friendly and supportive group of people from

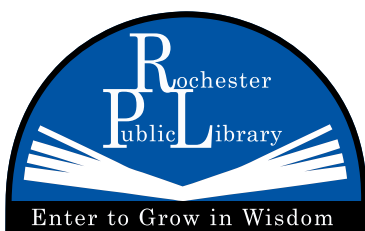
around the world – China, Spain, Syria, Hungary, the Netherlands, Somalia, Brazil, the Czech Republic, South Korea, Sudan, to name a few – who talk about all kinds of things and improve their English speaking skills at the same time. And, they also learn a lot about “how things are done” here in the U.S.

“It is much more comfortable to practice English with others who also need to practice English. There is no pressure. We are all in the same situation.”

One of the most memorable meetings was practicing how to use the telephone here. Yes, every country has its own phone etiquette. Dan and Susan brought in phones and the group learned how to use the phone in different situations. This was of great help for people applying for jobs — when should you call, what to say, who ends the conversation, and

how to do that. It's also difficult to understand what the person on the other end is saying when you can't

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see their face or observe their body language – universal cues that help non-native English speakers understand.

This group works hard on pronunciation. As one member said, "It is much more comfortable to practice English with others who also need to practice English. There is no pressure. We are all in the same

situation." Another said, "It is my only chance to practice and learn."

Literacy is so much more than being able to read and understand what you read. Literacy includes being able to communicate effectively with others, so that you understand them and they understand you. The Crowells are making that happen here at the library.

English Conversation Group

Practice speaking English in a relaxed, informal setting. These are not classes, but an opportunity to meet new people, share cultures and have fun.

The groups are free and open to all non-native English speaking adults.

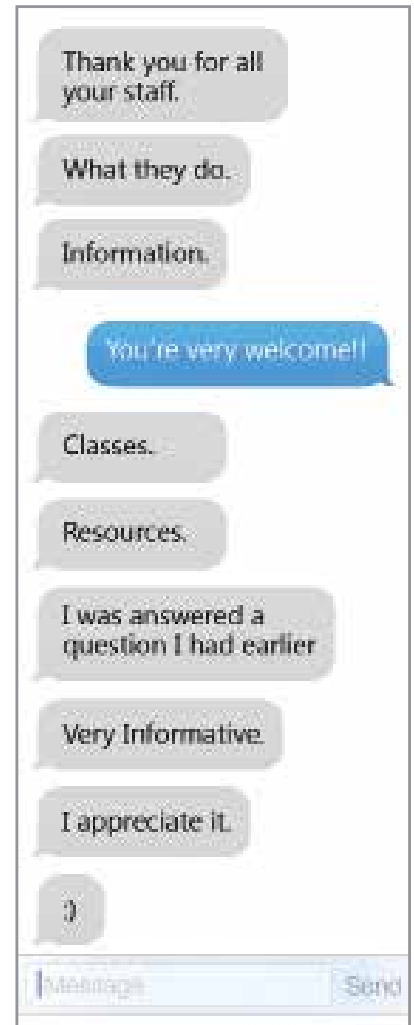
Thursday Evenings

7-8:30PM

Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor



Another Satisfied Patron



Wit, Wisdom & Wine 2015
Saturday, January 17 - 6:30-10PM
Tickets \$85

The annual Wit, Wisdom & Wine fundraising event, sponsored by the Rochester Public Library Foundation, is a fun-filled evening. There are delicious hors d'oeuvres to be eaten, delightful speakers to be enjoyed, and dreamy gifts to be auctioned.

Register at rochesterpubliclibraryfoundation.org or call 507.328.2387



January 2014

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

Friday, January 2

Outreach Worker for the Homeless Available, Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

Staff from Zumbro Valley Mental Health Center will be available to answer questions and provide information on homelessness, mental health and chemical dependency issues.

Saturday, January 3



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

The Hiawatha Chapter of Trout Unlimited will be hosting weekly Saturday meetings (January-March) for its members and anyone else interested in tying flies. Bring your own supplies or stop in to learn about the art of fly tying.

Hooray for Saturday! Marshmallow Building, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30-11AM

Marshmallows are not just for eating anymore! Build a skyscraper, a constellation, a car, or anything else you can think of.



First LEGO® League Research Symposium!, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 1-3PM

Join First LEGO® League teams for creative LEGO® demonstrations and skits! Hosted by Robot Squad FTC Team 7152 and Tech Monkeys FLL Team 3180.

Sunday, January 4

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

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

Monday, January 5

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30 AM

One-on-one help setting up your eReader to check out Library eBooks. Drop by the Library with your device, the cord that came with it, and your library card. We will sit down with you and walk you through the whole process. Please call 507-328-2305 if you have any questions about these sessions.

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

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.

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 6-8:30 PM

See description above.

Tuesday, January 6

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 - *The Boy From Baby House 10* by Alan Philips. 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 328-2324.

Bingo, Bango, Bongo: Goal Setting & Accountability, Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

It's a NEW YEAR! Take specific actions toward goal setting and accountability in your job search. A career counselor will be available after for one-on-one sessions.

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 making collages with maps. Grades K to 5.

Drop In for Career Counseling Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 2:30-3:30PM

Need help with an application? Resume? Job Search? A career counselor will be available for one-on-one assistance with employment issues. No appointment needed.

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

Dress to get messy as you explore art techniques and materials. In this session we will be making collages with maps. Grades K to 5.

Bone Builders - Not just for women or seniors!, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

Strengthen your bones! Improve your balance! Have more energy! This free twice-a-week activity 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

See description to the left.

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, January 7

Outreach Worker for the Homeless Available, Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

Staff from Zumbro Valley Mental Health Center will be available to answer questions and provide information on homelessness, mental health and chemical dependency issues.



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, January 7

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

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!

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days, 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. Submit your original art, writing and ideas to zineociderpl@gmail.com.

Homework Help,

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

See description on page 3.

Faith Talk Show: Where Religions Meet Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6:30-8PM

Join Pastor Elizabeth Macaulay and Regina Mustafa for the second discussion, entitled Salt of the Earth. See cidimn.org for more information.

Thursday, January 8

Baby Time

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

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).

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 1-2:30PM

See description on page 3.



Make-N-Take: Duct Tape Projects Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 3-8:30PM

Learn techniques for creating fun projects from duct tape that you can take home with you. Duct tape has been used to secure and cover things for more than 70 years. This durable tape is more popular than ever with its bright rainbow of colors and patterns. Class sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Bone Builders - Not just for women or seniors!, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Homework Help, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6PM-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, January 9

Outreach Worker for the Homeless Available, Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

Staff from Zumbro Valley Mental Health Center will be available to answer questions and provide information on homelessness, mental health and chemical dependency issues.

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, January 10

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

See description on page 3.

Artist In Residence Program - Mary Lou Devlin, Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 10AM-4PM

Mary Lou Devlin will share her talents as an artist of traditional acrylic painting. Learn how to make a canvas, sketch a design, transfer that to your canvas and paint the design using a variety of acrylic painting techniques. Participants in this 2 part class should bring a photo or picture that they would like to use for creating their painting. This project was funded by Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund and the Friends of the Rochester Public Library.

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-Three Little Pigs Building Challenge, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30-11AM

We'll huff, and we'll puff and we'll (try to) blow your house down! Can you build a house strong enough to withstand the big bad wolf?

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 507.328.2303.

Sunday, January 11

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 - Mary Lou Devlin, Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 2-4PM

See description to left.

Monday, January 12

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

See description on page 3.



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

Keep yourself warm this winter with a scarf you make using your arms as knitting needles. Bring your own arms - we'll provide the yarn.

Homework Help

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

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Tuesday, January 13

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.

Games People Play: Family, Friends, Acquaintance, and Employers Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 1PM-2:30PM

Sometimes when it comes to friends, families, acquaintances, and employers, we might wonder if we are getting the runaround. Retreating into isolation will leave you unhappy and unproductive.

Tuesday, January 13

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.

Drop In for Career Counseling

Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 2:30-3:30PM

See description on page 3.

Chess Club

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

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

Bone Builders - Not just for women or seniors!, 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, 6PM-8:30PM

Stuck on your first draft?

Not sure about your plot?

Let's get together and help each other out. Once a month we will meet to read and critique member's writing. If you have any questions 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, January 14

Outreach Worker for the Homeless Available, Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

Staff from Zumbro Valley Mental Health Center will be available to answer questions and provide information on homelessness, mental health and chemical dependency issues.

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

A seven week class of qigong and tai chi movements. Benefits may include stress reduction, increased creativity, heightened energy and improved physical and emotional well-being. Taught by certified Tai Chi Chia instructor. Dress comfortably.

Nonfiction Readers Book Discussion

Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 2-3PM

Let's talk about nonfiction books at the library.

Tai Chi Chih - Part 2

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

A seven week class of qigong and tai chi movements. Benefits may include stress reduction, increased creativity, heightened energy and improved physical and emotional well-being. Taught by certified Tai Chi Chia instructor. Dress comfortably.

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader)

to the Library Days, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 3-5PM

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Homework Help

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

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

FOR A WOMAN Directed by Diane Kurys Canada / 2013 / French with English subtitles SYNOPSIS Anne has a very active imagination, only natural for a writer. But in her mid-thirties, she still knows practically nothing of her own family's past. Anne discovers old photos and letters that convince her to take a closer look at the life of her parents, Michael and Léna. The young couple met in the concentration camps during World War II. The iFilm series is intended for mature adults. Please provide guidance to your children. Admission is free.

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, January 15

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).

BYOE (Bring Your Own eReader) to the Library Days

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

See description on page 3.

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 - Not just for women or seniors!, 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

Group Study - 2nd Floor, 7PM-8:30PM

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

Friday, January 16

Outreach Worker for the Homeless Available, Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

Staff from Zumbro Valley Mental Health Center will be available to answer questions and provide information on homelessness, mental health and chemical dependency issues.

Dance Party!

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

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

Saturday, January 17

Hooray for Saturday! Theatre Storytime

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

Join us for an interactive storytime where kids can participate in a performance of Maurice Sendak's "Where the Wild Things Are." We will be creating costumes, using props, and memorizing parts!

Wit, Wisdom & Wine - 14th Annual, 6:30-9:30PM

Annual fundraiser for the Rochester Public Library Foundation. Entertaining and informative speakers, silent auction, jewelry raffle, wine and hors d'oeuvres. Registration required.

Fly Tying Group

There will be no fly tying meeting today.

Sunday, January 18

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.

Monday, January 19



Library Closed All Day - Martin Luther King Jr Day

The library will be closed all day in observance of Martin Luther King Jr Day

Tuesday, January 20

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 - *Z: a novel* of Zelda Fitzgerald by Therese Anne Fowler.

J.U.M.P. to Land That New Job

Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

Job Retention / Understanding / Motivation / Problem Solving... – J.U.M.P. to land that new job and reach higher for the next job opportunity.

LEGO® Fun for Homeschoolers

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

Build your own LEGO® creations using our challenge idea or your imagination. LEGOs® are provided by the library. Grades K to 5.

Drop In for Career Counseling

Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 2:30-3:30PM

See description on page 3.

LEGO® Fun

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

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.

Bone Builders - Not just for women or seniors!, 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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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 - *The Engagements* by J. Courtney Sullivan.

Wednesday, January 21

Outreach Worker for the Homeless Available, Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

Staff from Zumbro Valley Mental Health Center will be available to answer questions and provide information on homelessness, mental health and chemical dependency issues.

Preschool Storytime

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

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Tai Chi Easy

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

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Computer & eBook Drop-In

Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 3-5PM

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.,) and we will be there to help answer your questions.

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.

Homework Help

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

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Thursday, January 22

Baby Time

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

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

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Computer & eBook Drop-In

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

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English Conversation Group

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

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Friday, January 23

Outreach Worker for the Homeless Available, Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

Staff from Zumbro Valley Mental Health Center will be available to answer questions and provide information on homelessness, mental health and chemical dependency issues.

Citizenship Legal Assistance

Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 10:30AM-2:30PM

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

Saturday, January 24

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

See description on page 3.

Saturday, January 24

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! Shadowbox Puppets, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30-11AM

Join us for a few stories using a shadowbox theater, and then it will be your turn to create your own shadowbox puppets! Families are welcome, and supplies will be provided.



Sunday, January 25

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.

Monday, January 26

Computer & eBook Drop-In

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

See description on page 6.

Mystery Book Group

Meeting Room A - 1st Floor, 1-2PM

Join us at the Mystery Book Group. Today we will be discussing - Nordic Mysteries

Intro to Photoshop

Elements - Part 1

Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 3:30-5PM

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 507.328.2309.



Homework Help

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

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Tuesday, January 27

Solutions to Overcome Employers

Objections (SOLAR), Meeting Room B - 2nd Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

Come and find out what these simple 5 letters (SOLAR) are all about, and how to overcome barriers to employment.

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 - *The Snow Walker & Walk Well, My Brother* by Farley Mowat. 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.

Science Club for Homeschoolers

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

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

Drop In for Career Counseling

Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 2:30PM-3:30PM

See description on page 3.

Using your iPad

Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 3-4PM

Have you just gotten an iPad? Interested in getting one? Or want to learn more about the one you have? We will explore how iPads work and some of ways to use and maintain an iPad to it's fullest capabilities. Feel free to bring your own iPad to the class.

Science Club

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

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

Bone Builders - Not just for women or seniors!, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Homework Help

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Bedtime Stories

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Wednesday, January 28

Outreach Worker for the Homeless

Available, Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

Staff from Zumbro Valley Mental Health Center will be available to answer questions and provide information on homelessness, mental health and chemical dependency issues.

Preschool Storytime

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Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 3-5PM

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Homework Help

Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 6-9PM

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Vegetarian Information Group of Rochester (VIGOR)

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Come join us for our monthly Vegetarian Information Group of Rochester's potluck. Please bring a vegan dish (no meat, dairy, eggs, nor honey) to share as well as your place setting and a drink.

Thursday, January 29

Baby Time

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

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 6.

Thursday, January 29

Bone Builders - Not just for women or seniors!, Meeting Room C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

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Sensory Storytime

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

Sensory Storytime can be enjoyed by all children, but is especially designed for children on the Autism spectrum. Preschool-level materials will be used to stimulate all five senses.

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, January 30

Outreach Worker for the Homeless

Available, Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM

Staff from Zumbro Valley Mental Health Center will be available to answer questions and provide information on homelessness, mental health and chemical dependency issues.

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, January 31

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

See description on page 3.

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! Family Storytime : Groundhogs and Shadows

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

Stories and rhymes all about shadows and groundhogs.

February 2015

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

Sunday, February 1

MNSure Enrollment Assistance

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Origami Club

Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 3-4PM

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

Monday, February 2

Computer & eBook Drop-In

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

See description on page 6.

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 507.328.2309.

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Tuesday, February 2

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 328-2324.

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

The atmosphere in the workplace has a direct impact on our productivity. Positive energy that allows you to refresh, renew, and recharge between bouts of concentrated effort can be invigorating. 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.

Drop In for Career Counseling

Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 2:30-3:30PM

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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.

SOCK COLLECTION YOU can help!

Bring in NEW, white socks (cotton/poly blend preferred) in men, women, and children's sizes. Donated socks will be handed out to those in need at Project Community Connect event. Donation bin will be in the lobby. Please donate by January 16th.



Tai Chi Chih Starts January 14 1:30 & 2:30PM

A seven week class of qigong and tai chi movements.