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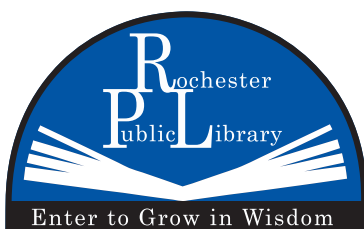
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March Millions!

We are excited to announce that every donation you make to the Rochester Public Library Foundation via GiveMN.org this March, will be doubled, up to \$100,000! This is how: During Otto Bremer Foundation's March Millions for Southeastern Minnesota, the Otto Bremer Foundation will match a dollar for every dollar given to us on GiveMN.org, up to \$100,000, until their \$1 million matching gift runs out.

Your impact on financially supporting the Rochester Public Library in our mission to strengthen the community and enrich lives by sparking imagination, creativity, engagement and learning can be bigger than ever if you plan your donation to us this March!



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for Southeastern Minnesota

Also, one donation will be randomly selected every day in March to have a \$1,000 Bremer Boost added to it. You can increase our chances of getting an additional \$1,000 and help us reach our \$100,000 goal by making a donation of \$10 or more to us any day or every day in March at <https://givemn.org/organization/Rochester-Public-Library-Foundation>.

14th Annual Wit, Wisdom & Wine

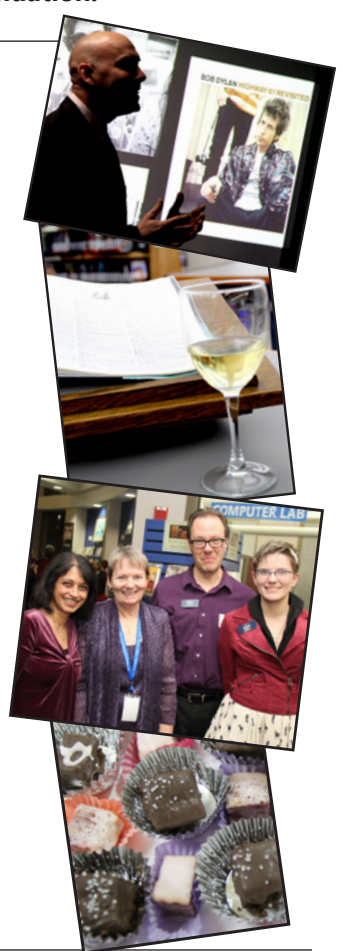
Great speakers, great wine & great food, all make for a great event! The 14th Annual Wit, Wisdom, Wine was a huge success! This special event is put on each year by the Rochester Public Library Foundation, and showcases the library and all we have to offer. Approximately 250 attendees plus 40 volunteers enjoyed a fun evening on January 17.

Starting with appetizers from Omar's Kitchen and wines from Apollo Liquors, attendees had a chance to mingle with friends during social time. At 7:00 the first speakers got rolling sharing insights on everything from travel to Rochester history to weird laws.

Following the first programs, there was a break for time to check out the fabulous food selections, bid on some auction items and buy a raffle ticket before heading off to a second class. The night ended with the announcement of silent auction and raffle winners and the eating of some outstanding desserts.

Having an after hour's event here at the library poses some challenges, but none that we couldn't overcome. It

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does take a small village of staff and volunteers to set up the rooms and transform the 2nd floor of the library into a space suitable for eating and drinking! Many hands make light work, which benefits all the attendees.

Many thanks to everyone for the tremendous help in making WWW 2015 a great success. Just over \$36,000 gross was raised that evening, which is \$5,000 more than the previous year! These dollars go to support the mission and goals of the Rochester Public Library. Last year's proceeds were used to pay for library collection materials, computer software

and training and wifi access in the library.

Here is a list of the awesome speakers and topics offered this year:

- Error Splitting: An Examination of Failure - Father Nick Mezacapa
- Ethics in Politics – Tim Penny
- Chapters of Europe - Shannon & Larry Larsen, Ed-Ventures
- More New Stories About Old Rochester - Alan Calavano
- CIA Cooking Boot Camp: The Experience and Tips - Elaine Case and Bill Wiktor

- Fine Wines of France - Kim Johnson, Michael Corso Selections
- Wit, Wisdom and Bob Dylan - Chad Israelson
- A Walk Through The History Of Cuisine And It's Evolution - Chef Jon Dykeman
- I'll take "Weird Laws" for \$400, Alex - Chris Wendland and Julie Nagorski of Wendland Utz, Ltd.
- What We Know About Alzheimer's Disease and What You Can Do To Reduce Your Risk – Angela Lunde

Special Thank You to our amazing sponsors!



Bookmobile Electrical Fire

The Rochester Public Library's bookmobile experienced an electrical related fire at approximately 7:45PM Wednesday, February 25th. It had returned from its scheduled run to Eyota and had been parked in the garage and connected to the internal power source. A maintenance employee smelled smoke, checked, noticed flames and the Fire Department was notified. The building was evacuated, the fire controlled and people re-admitted after the Fire Department declared it was safe.

The bookmobile was taken to the Public Works garage where it has been examined by insurance adjusters and clearance has been given for repairs to begin. At this time there are issues that will need to be addressed. Parts will need to be ordered and a cost estimate will not be available until a reliable damage estimate is completed.

RESERVES

- All reserves that are available for bookmobile patrons are now in the building. They will be available for pick-up at the main library while the bookmobile is out of service.
- We do recognize that most of our bookmobile patrons are not able to come to the main library. We will hold their reserves for them until we are back on the road.

Items that are on the actual bookmobile are currently not available to pull for reserves at this time. As we continue with the repair process, this may change if staff is able to get to the materials on the vehicle.

BOOKMOBILE CHECK-OUTS

- All items that are checked out to bookmobile customers have been renewed.
- We will continue to renew them until the bookmobile is back on the road. The March 12th date that is listed on our web-page is still just an estimated date at this point. We will continue to renew items as needed. The library's web-page will be updated as more information is available.
- Those that want to return their bookmobile material to the main library are welcome to do so. However, they will not be fined if they can't.



March 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, 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.

Monday, March 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. Get answers to e-mail, internet, digital photos, and library eBooks.

Bone Builders, Mtg Rm 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.

Homework Help, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

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

Tuesday, March 3

Armchair Traveler Bookgroup, Mtg Rm 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 - Burial Rights by Hannah Kent.

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

Some job seekers get stuck carrying around specific barriers to employment. Learn to reclaim the fact that all of us apply for employment as individuals. We may have concerns, but those concerns can be overcome.

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.

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.

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

Wednesday, March 4

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.

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 is finished. Ages 3-5.

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

Learn Tai Chi Chih movements - moving meditation practice, gentle and easy to learn. Register by calling 507-328-2309.

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

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See description on this page.

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. Register by calling 507.328.2309.

Homework Help, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on this page.

Thursday, March 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).



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.

Thursday, March 5

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

See description on page 3..

q club, Mtg Rm 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,

Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

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Homework Help,

Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

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Faith Talk Show: Where Religions Meet,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6:30-8PM

Learn about world religions in an informal setting. See cidimn.org for more information.

English Conversation Group,

Mtg Rm 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, March 6

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

See description on page 3.

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, March 7

Fly Tying Group,

Mtg Rm 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! Ballet Preview of Hansel and Gretel!,

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

The Children's Dance Theatre presents an introduction to ballet and retells the classic fairy tale of Hansel and Gretel. Costumed dancers will perform excerpts of this enchanting production.

Inspired Art Project,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2-4:30PM

Local artist, Bobby Marines will be here to present a two part art workshop. During the workshop, participants will create a piece of art inspired by a common theme.

Acrylic Painting Club,

Group Study - 2nd Floor, 2-4PM

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

Master Gardeners Pruning Trees and

Shrubs, Mtg Rm B - 2nd Floor, 2-3:30PM

Learn the right way to prune.

Sunday, March 8

Inspired Art Project,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2-4:30PM

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Monday, March 9

Computer & eBook Drop-In,

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

See description on page 3..

Digital Scavenger Hunt,

Teenscape, 4-5PM

Challenge yourself during Teen Tech Week and complete our digital scavenger hunt! Pick up a copy of the scavenger hunt and an iPad in TeenScape. Complete the list within an hour and win a set of ear buds.

Bone Builders,

Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3..

Homework Help,

Mtg Rm B - 2nd Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3..

Tweens Write!,

Mtg Rm A - 1st Floor, 6-7PM

Do you enjoy journaling, writing poetry or stories or even drawing comics? Meet up with other tweens for fun writing activities to spark your imagination and to hang out and create together. Registration online or by calling 507.328.2303.

Mission to Gaza: A Surgeon's Journey,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6:30-8:15 PM

Dr Ahmad Nassr, an orthopedic surgeon, will share his team's vital work in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank. Dr. Nassr will describe the conditions in which they work to treat children with severe scoliosis.

Tuesday, March 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.

Walk a Mile in My Shoes,

Mtg Rm B - 2nd Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

Walking through the stages of unemployment or an unexpected transition in your life can be a lonely process. You are NOT alone.

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

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Homework Help,

Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

Writing Group,

Mtg Rm A - 1st Floor, 6:30-8:30PM

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.

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, March 11

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

See description on page 3.

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!

Nonfiction Readers Book Discussion,

Mtg Rm B - 2nd Floor, 2-3PM

The Speckled Monster: A Historical Tale of Battling Smallpox, by Jennifer Lee Carrell. It goes back, way back.

Wednesday, March 11

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

See description on page 3.

MakerDay - Pixel Press Floors, Mtg Rm A - 1st Floor, 4-6PM

Celebrate Teen Tech Week! Doodle a game map and turn it into a video game using iPads and Pixel Press Floors.

Bone Builders, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

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

See description on page 3.

Homework Help, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

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

TO KILL A MAN, Directed by Alejandro Fernández Almendras, Chile, 2014. Jorge gets mugged by Kalule, a neighborhood delinquent. Jorge's son decides to confront Kalule, only to get himself shot in the process. The iFilm series is intended for mature adults. Please provide guidance to your children.

Rochester Spanish Conversation Group, Mtg Rm 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, March 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.

TeenScape Crafternoon - Sashiko Buttons, Rochester Public Library, 101 2nd St SE, Teenscape, 4-5:30PM

Experience Sashiko stitching to decorate and make your own button! This session is for teens to experience the traditional Japanese embroidery with the artists from Tohoku.

Bone Builders, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Homework Help, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

Rochester Issues Forum: Planning 2 Succeed, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6:30-8:30PM

Using the CrowdGage process, provide your input on the Rochester Comprehensive Plan. Staff from the county planning agency will facilitate the process.

English Conversation Group, Mtg Rm 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, March 13

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

See description on page 3.

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

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

Saturday, March 14

Fly Tying Group, Mtg Rm 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.

Scan Day, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10AM-2PM

Bring in photos, documents, scrapbook, slides, or artifacts that tell your family or Rochester/Olmsted stories. Items will be scanned and saved in a digital format. You will receive a free CD with your images.

Hooray for Saturday! Tabletop Crafts, Youth Services - 1st Floor, 10:30-11AM

Enjoy a variety of tabletop crafts in the children's area.

Artist In Residence Program - Bernadine Jax, Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 2-5PM

During this residency, Bernadine Jax will share her knowledge about the creation of Mandalas. Participants in her classes will have the opportunity to create colorful hand-drawn interior designs within fixed circles.

Master Gardeners Composting, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 2-3:30PM

Learn how to make and use compost in your garden.

Sunday, March 15

Artist In Residence Program - Bernadine Jax, Maker Space - 2nd Floor, 2-5PM

See description above.

Telling Your Own Story: Visiting Author SARA MANSFIELD TABER, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2-3PM

Sara Mansfield Taber was raised in Asia, Europe, and the United States as the daughter of a covert CIA operative. Presentation will be followed by a book signing.

Monday, March 16

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

See description on page 3.

The Dear You Letter Writing Project, Mtg Rm B - 2nd Floor, 2-4PM

Spend an afternoon writing inspiring notes of encouragement that will be delivered to people in the Rochester area who are struggling to overcome challenges. Register online or by calling 507.328.2305.

TLC - Teen Library Council, Mtg Rm A - 1st Floor, 4-5PM

Help us plan awesome teen programs and activities throughout the year. What would make the library even more fun? Join TLC and let your opinions be heard! TLC meets on the third Monday of the month.

Bone Builders, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

Homework Help, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

Movements and Meditations, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6-7PM

Michelle and Markie from Winona State Nursing program will demonstrate techniques for stress reduction and relaxation.

Tuesday, March 17

Plain Readers, Mtg Rm A - 1st Floor, 12-1PM

Join us to read books set in the Midwest or by Midwestern authors. Book to be discussed - Waking: a Memoir of Trauma and Transcendence by Matthew Sanford.

Online Job Searches, Mtg Rm B - 2nd Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

Discuss tips, techniques, and follow-up strategies to avoid being swallowed up by the big dark hole of online job search.

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.

Tuesday, March 17

**Drop In for Career Counseling,
Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor, 2:30-3:30PM**
See description on page 3.

**Eat your veggies! Have Less Wedgies.,
Library Foyer - 1st Floor, 3-4:30PM**
Stop by a table on the first floor for ideas on how you can eat healthier. Presented by Winona State University Nursing students.

**LEGO® Fun,
Auditorium - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM**
See description above.

**Bone Builders,
Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM**
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**Intro to Photoshop Elements - Part 3,
Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 5:30-7PM**
This third class of three we will look at some of the more advanced features of Photoshop Elements. Feel free to bring your own digital photo to practice with. Register online or by calling 507.328.2309.

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Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM**
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**Night Owl Book Group,
Mtg Rm 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 Power of Myth by Joseph Campbell.

Wednesday, March 18

**Outreach Worker for the Homeless
Available, Wellness Corner - 2nd Floor,
9:30-10:30AM**
See description on page 3.

**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!

**Telling Your Own Story: MEMOIR
WRITING with JENNIFER KOSKI,
Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 12-1PM**
Students will participate in writing discussions and generate new work through writing exercises, with take-home assignments. This is a four-part series; please register for all sessions. Register online or by calling 507.328.2309.

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**Homework Help,
Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM**
See description on page 3.

**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.

**English Conversation Group,
Mtg Rm B - 2nd Floor, 7-8:30PM**
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Friday, March 20

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Saturday, March 21

**Fly Tying Group,
Mtg Rm 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! LEGO® Animation
Studio, Auditorium - 1st Floor,
10:30-11:30AM**
Bring your LEGO® creations to life through the power of stop-motion animation! We will work in teams to create our very own LEGO® movies.

**Practice ACT,
Mtg Rm 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. Register online or by calling 507.328.2303.

**Master Gardeners Conscious Gardening,
Mtg Rm B - 2nd Floor, 2-3:30PM**
Gardening techniques for those with differing abilities, and for those who are environmentally minded.

Saturday, March 21

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

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

Sunday, March 22

Telling Your Own Story: Bookbinding with Pam O'Hara, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 2-4:30PM

You will create your own journal in which to tell your stories. Supplies and tools will be provided. Everything will be pre-cut and ready to assemble. Bring your patience and creativity. Register online or by calling 507.328.2305.

Monday, March 23

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

See description on page 3.

Mystery Book Group, Mtg Rm A - 1st Floor, 1-2PM

Join us at the Mystery Book Group. Today we will be discussing - "Classic" Authors of the 1930-40s.

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

See description on page 3.

Homework Help, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

Movements and Meditations, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6-7PM

Michelle and Markie from Winona State Nursing program will demonstrate techniques for stress reduction and relaxation.

Tuesday, March 24

The 4 Prove Its and 4 Steps to an Employer Saying Yes!, Mtg Rm B - 2nd Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

The easiest way to convince an employer to hire you is proof by example. This discussion puts forth the premise that job seeker controls what information must be shared with employers.

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

See description on page 3.

Teen Makerday, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 4-6PM

Have you ever seen a 3-D printer in action? Would you like to use one? 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 507.328.2303.

Bone Builders, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

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Homework Help, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

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Telling Your Own Story: WRITING IN ENGLISH WHEN YOU ARE NOT A NATIVE SPEAKER,

Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6-7PM

Shanthi Siva will share from her own experience of writing in English and how she uses her first language as an aid to communicate clearly in English.

Wednesday, March 25

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

See description on page 3.

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!

Telling Your Own Story: MEMOIR WRITING with JENNIFER KOSKI, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 12-1PM

Students will participate in writing discussions and generate new work through writing exercises, with take-home assignments. This is a four-part series; please register for all sessions. Register online or by calling 507.328.2305.

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

Learn Tai Chi Chih movements - moving meditation practice, gentle and easy to learn. Register by calling 507-328-2309.

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

Learn additional Tai Chi Chih movements - moving meditation practice, gentle and easy to learn. Register by calling 507-328-2309.

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

See description on page 3.

Teen Stop-Motion Animation Workshop, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 4-6PM

Learn the art of stop motion animation. Design sets, characters, and stories, then film your creations using iPads.

Bone Builders, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

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

See description on page 3.

Homework Help, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 6-8:30PM

See description on page 3.

Thursday, March 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, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 4:30-5:30PM

See description on page 3.

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

Sensory Storytime is 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. Register online or by calling 507.328.2303.

English Conversation Group, Mtg Rm 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, March 27

Telling Your Own Story: CIRCULAR DOCUMENT, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, All Day

Jon Allen and Tom Erickson present an exhibition of their mixed media installation "Circular Document". The exhibit shows the importance of vernacular architecture and how it impacts an individual's daily life and experiences.

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.

Spring Break at the Library: Game On!, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30-11:30AM

Drop in for a morning of gaming fun! Challenge your family and friends to cool board games and card games.

Practice ACT,

Auditorium - 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. Register online or by calling 507.328.2303.

Spring Break at the Library: Game On!, Youth Services - 1st Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

Drop in for an afternoon of gaming fun! Challenge your family and friends to cool board and card games.

Saturday, March 28

Telling Your Own Story: CIRCULAR DOCUMENT, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, All Day See description on this page.

Fly Tying Group,

Mtg Rm 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! Boss of Cakes, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30-11AM

Use cardboard, paper, and other recycled materials to create your own cake! (In celebration of RPL's 3rd annual Edible Book Festival)

3rd Annual Edible Book Festival, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 12:30-1:45 PM

All community members and businesses are welcome to submit their most creative - and edible - literary work of art. Entries must be made primarily of edible materials with the subject pertaining to books in shape or content.

Sunday, March 29

Telling Your Own Story: CIRCULAR DOCUMENT, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, All Day See description on this page.

Telling Your Family Story with Collage, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 2-4PM

Collage provides a way to share family stories through the creation of an easily displayed assemblage. Susan Weinberg's talk addresses materials and design of family history collage.

Monday, March 30

Telling Your Own Story: CIRCULAR DOCUMENT, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, All Day See description on this page.

Computer & eBook Drop-In, Computer Lab - 2nd Floor, 9:30-10:30AM See description on page 3.

Spring Break at the Library: Create a Picture Postcard!,

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

Are you celebrating spring break with a "staycation" in Rochester? Create a picture postcard to share with a friend! Supplies provided.

Teen Jigsaw Puzzle Challenge, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 1-3:30PM

Assemble your team of up to four friends to compete in our first-ever spring break puzzle challenge! Teams will have 2 hours to complete a 500 piece jigsaw puzzle.

Bone Builders,

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

See description on page 3.

Movements and Meditations, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 6-7PM

Michelle and Markie from Winona State Nursing program will demonstrate techniques for stress reduction and relaxation.

Telling Your Own Story Artist Talk: JON ALLEN & TOM ERICKSON, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, 7-7:45 PM

Jon Allen and Tom Erickson will discuss their mixed media installation titled "Circular Document," which shows the importance of vernacular architecture and how it impacts an individual's daily life and experiences.

Inspired Art Project, Teenscape - 1st Floor, 7-8:30PM

The artwork created during our early March Inspired Art Project will be exhibited throughout the library's Teenscape, Makerspace and Skyway. A small reception will be held for everyone to enjoy as they view the exhibit.

Tuesday, March 31

Telling Your Own Story: CIRCULAR DOCUMENT, Mtg Rm C - 1st Floor, All Day See description on this page.

Spring Break at the Library: LEGOS® at the Library, Auditorium - 1st Floor, 10:30-11:30AM

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.

You're In or You're Out - Why Employers Might Screen You Out, Mtg Rm B - 2nd Floor, 1:30-2:30PM

The objective of the employer is to find the best qualified candidates to interview for open positions. Paperwork, brief phone interviews, reference checks may be all part of the process.

Literature into Film Bookgroup, Mtg Rm A - 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 - short stories The Maison Tellier, The Mask, The Model by Guy de Maupassant and the film "Le Plaisir".

Spring Break at the Library: LEGOS® at the Library!,

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

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

See description on page 3.

Bone Builders,

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

See description on page 3.

Bedtime Stories,

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

Puppets, stories, songs, and rhymes to give you sweet dreams.