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Town Library



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Friday

9 AM - 6 PM

Saturday

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At the Library

July 2011

Times Union Microfilm Online

In addition to having access to back issues of the *Times Union* on traditional microfilm, Colonie patrons can now access the complete papers from 2010 and 2011 from any of the library's Internet PCs. ProQuest's Digital Microfilm™ service allows multiple, simultaneous users to view full-image newspaper content, thereby overcoming the need to retrieve and load film onto a microfilm machine and then find the correct date and page. While it is not indexed, library users can retrieve and print any part of the paper including the ads, stock quotes, or anything else. For the rest of this year the library will continue to receive the microfilm as well as provide in-library online access. Currently patrons must visit the library to access the online film.

Does Your Book Group Need Books?

Are you a member of a book discussion group or are you thinking about starting one? If so, we have multiple copies of books for your group's use. Our new "Book Discussion Books" section is located across from our New Books area in the front of the library. We have multiple copies of well over 50 titles – everything from classic literature to modern novels to titles for teens to some nonfiction that you can check out. Authors include everyone from Jane Austen, Edith Wharton, E. M. Forster, and W. Somerset Maugham to Ian McEwan, Joyce Carol Oates, Toni Morrison, Chris Bohjalian, Anne Tyler, and Alice McDermott. If you need more copies than what's available on our shelves, we can always get more for you from other libraries in the Upper Hudson Library System. (In fact, we can get multiple copies of any title for you in our Upper Hudson Library System.) Also, we have several books about starting and running a book discussion group and selecting titles. And, don't forget to ask a librarian about books – after all, knowing about books is our business!

Photo Contest Deadline Nears

Amateur photographers who are residents of the Town of Colonie are invited to submit photos. Entries must feature environments typical of the Town of Colonie. In other words, no travel photos or scenes obviously not from Colonie. There are two categories of photographs, a Teen and an Adult category.

How to apply: up to three framed and hangeable photos may be sent or dropped off at the library. Prints must be either 8" x 10" or 11" x 14", matting is optional. Please provide on the back of each frame in block letters: Your name, address, eMail, phone number and, if under 20, your age. Each photo should also have a title. The deadline for entries is Friday, July 15th at 5:00 PM. Judging will be blind. Up to 30 photos will be chosen to be displayed in an exhibit at the William K. Sanford Town Library during August. There will be 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place certificates for both categories, as well as one Best of Show.

Holiday Schedule

The Library will be CLOSED Monday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

Join the Fun at the Summer Reading Club

**One World,
Many Stories**

Register Now!

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PROGRAMS

To register for programs requiring reservations please call the Information desk at 810-0314 (direct line).

- 7 **THURSDAY- EPIC Program Update-** Candy Rivera Whitehead will give a presentation on the EPIC program and the changes that will be forthcoming. She will also be answering any questions or concerns that there might be. From 10:00 AM-Noon.
- 9 **SATURDAY- John Secor Art Exhibit Reception-** The exhibit will be on display from July 2-28. The public is invited to the reception between 2:00 and 4:00 PM.
- 19 **TUESDAY- The Story Circle of the Capital District-** The Story Circle was established to provide members an opportunity to tell before a live audience; to hear stories told; to give the community a roster of active tellers; and to encourage beginning storytellers. Members of the group tell tales to all ages at a variety of events and locations. Members of the public interested in learning more about storytelling or listening to stories are invited to attend. Anyone desiring more information should call 786-1271. At 7:00 PM.
- 19 **TUESDAY- Colonie Tuesday Night Live Poets' Corner-** Local poets and writers of all ages are invited to present six to ten minutes of their original work at this open reading forum. The public is encouraged to stop in and listen. Hosted by William Robert Foltin (785-1252). Readings begin promptly at 7:00 PM. (Training/Conference Room)
- 23 **SATURDAY- Capital District Genealogical Society: Genealogy, Paths through Family Research-** Harry Taylor explores various basic steps in researching, organizing and analyzing family data, and explores some of the unusual areas of family research. The Computer Group begins at 1:00 PM followed by social time at 2:00 PM. The speaker/program begins at 2:30 PM.
- 26 **TUESDAY- The Road to Retirement Security-** Learn how you can maximize your retirement benefits and take care of inflation, market and longevity risks and develop a strategy to provide you with income that will last as long as you live. Presented by Metlife Financial Services. Reservations are required. At 6:00 PM.

AARP Safe Driving

Monday & Wednesday, August 15 & 17, from 9:30 AM-12:30 PM
Monday & Wednesday, September 19 & 21, from 9:30 AM-12:30 PM
Call Pat Latimer at 463-5221 for reservations.

Attendance is required at both sessions. There is a \$12 AARP member/ \$14 non member materials fee payable to AARP. Class size is limited and advance registration is required.

For information on other classes please call Pat Latimer at 463-5221.

Certain services and programs are adaptable to people with disabilities, upon request. Please contact our Outreach Librarian at 458-9274 to discuss your accessibility needs.

Literature/Writing Collections Reorganized

We are in the process of consolidating our literature and writing collections. By the beginning of the summer we should have the books in our Dewey Decimal 800s section reorganized. The new set up: writing (for school, work, and for publication) – 808.02; screen/play writing – 808.23; multiple author collections: poetry – 808.1; plays – 808.2; short stories – 808.3; mystery, detective, suspense, and spy stories – 808.32; horror stories – 808.338; science fiction stories – 808.362; and, western story collections are now shelved at the end of the Western section in the front of the library. Additionally, literature anthologies (of all kinds) will be located at 808.8. Finally, the American poetry, drama, and literature (works and authors) section (811 through 818) will also be revamped. We will be reorganizing the rest of the 800s this summer, too.



Book Nook Back in Operation

The Friends of the Library Book Nook is up and running at the Crossings every Saturday.



Sarah Syden of Latham who came to Book Nook last year found some interesting reading.

Drop off your old books and find new reading in the Nook, which is located near the gazebo by the duck pond. It will be open from 9:00 AM through 1:00 PM throughout the summer. Books are plentiful and cheap -- a quarter for children's books, 50 cents for paperbacks and \$1 for hardcovers. We usually have games and electronic offerings, too. You can pick up a Friends of the Library Tote Bag for \$10-- then fill it the first time for free and once a week after that for just \$5.

Come in and browse, talk with other avid readers about your latest find and chat with the authors we are bringing in to autograph and sell books. If you'd like to volunteer to work a shift, please sign up at the Book Nook any Saturday.

One World, Many Stories Summer Reading Club

Book a trip around the world this summer with our "One World, Many Stories" summer reading program! Summer Reading is a great way for preschoolers to learn early literacy skills, school age children to enrich theirs, and for families to enjoy time together. Plus, you'll get to enjoy lots of free events, earn weekly prizes, and help your team in the Amazing Race across the continents! **Registration begins Monday, June 20 in Youth Services and continues throughout the summer.**

KICK-OFF CONCERT: "Uncle Rock"

Tuesday, July 5 at 7:00 PM at Crossings Park

Uncle Rock, AKA Robert Burke Warren, dazzles audiences of all ages with his inspiring music. This fabulous, free concert will be outside near the gazebo, weather permitting. If it is raining or extremely hot, we will be inside the air-conditioned building next to the gazebo. So bring the kids, a blanket or chairs, and plan for a lively evening at beautiful Crossings Park on Albany-Shaker Road! **Free tickets for the kick-off concert are available at the Youth Services Desk.**

TRAVOL TEAM

Wednesdays, July 6-August 3, from 6:30-7:30 PM

Introducing our new "Tweens Read and Volunteer" (TRAVOL) Team! Kids entering 6th -7th grades now have the opportunity to earn volunteer hours AND complete some summer reading! Each week, we'll feature a different book and fundraising activity, from helping the Humane Society to assisting victims of the Japanese tsunami. When you sign up, just let us know which of the five weeks works for you, and we'll figure out a schedule. **Please register in-person beginning Monday, June 20 at the Youth Services Desk.**

Youth Services

ATRIUM CLUB VOLUNTEERS

Fridays, July 8 – August 5 at 2:00 PM

The holly bushes look beautiful, as do the tulips and mums we planted last year! If you take a closer look, you'll find the tiny gnomes, toadstools, stepping stones, and fairy cottages we built. The view is amazing from all sides of the atrium, thanks to the efforts of the 2010 Atrium Club Volunteers. If you'd like to help out this summer, we have plenty of new ideas to make the space even more special! Each week we'll do something different, and then celebrate our efforts with a party on August 5. For kids entering grades 6th-8th. **Please register in Youth Services beginning Monday, June 20.**



Summer Reading Club Program Highlights

Monday Programs...

MAKE IT MONDAYS

July 11 - August 1 10:00-11:30 AM or 2:00-3:30 PM

Take a tour of the world's cultures with crafts! Each week, we'll feature a new activity from another country. Doors will be open in the morning between 10:00-11:30, and again in the afternoon between 2:00-3:30. For all ages.

No registration needed.

PAJAMA-RAMA

July 11 - August 1 at 6:30 PM

Kids! Put on your PJs and bring mom & dad to the library for bedtime stories! Come when you can, no sign-up is necessary. It's a great way to end the day! **No registration needed.**

Tuesday Preschool Programs...

STORIES ON THE LAWN

July 12 at 10:00 AM

Following our theme of "One World, Many Stories," we'll share stories and songs from around the globe. We'll gather outside if the weather is nice, so be sure to bring a blanket for the lawn! **No registration needed.**

AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 MINUTES

July 19 at 10:00 AM

Let's travel the world without leaving the library! Take part in a game played by preschoolers in another country, sample their food, or learn how to say "hello" in another language. Make a craft or hear a tale from a land faraway. It's a fun way to introduce your child to cultures across the continents! **No registration needed.**

MUSIC & MOTION

July 26 at 10:00 AM

Everyone loves to sing and dance! Lisa Russo involves children of all ages with joyful music and movement in this engaging program. You'll be up on your feet, singing along! **No registration needed.**

STORIES ON THE LAWN TAKE 2!

August 2 at 10:00 AM

If you didn't get a chance to join us last time, or would love to join us again, bring a blanket and we'll treat you to stories on the library lawn. For all ages. **No registration needed.**

Wednesday Program...

CLUB 1,2,3

July 6 - August 3 from 2:00-3:00 PM

Cool off from the hot summer sun at Club 1,2,3! Come in to play games, do crafts, hear stories, and have a snack. For kids entering 1st-3rd grades. **No registration needed.**

Friday Program...

ROMP & READ

July 8 – August 5, from 10:00-10:45 AM

Here's a chance to stay and play with your little one! Romp & Read is a 45 minute drop-in session for toddlers ages 12-36 months. We'll move to music, play with toys, engage in group games, share stories, and make new friends. **No registration needed.**

Computer Training Classes

All classes will meet in the Training/Conference Room.
Prior registration is required; come to the Information Desk or call 810-0314.

Introduction to Computers: Gateway to the World Wide Web- **Date: July 14 @ 2:00**

PM Are you a computer novice? This hands-on computer course is designed for individuals with little or no previous experience. The course will focus on developing skills in the following areas: 1) Basic understanding of the Windows environment. 2) Ability to use the computer mouse. 3) Ability to use the computer keyboard. 4) Ability to access computer programs and files. This 2-1/2 hour class is limited to 6 participants.

Introduction to the Internet- **Date: July 18 @ 1:00 PM** This class is designed for library patrons who have little or no experience with the Internet, but who are basically competent with using a computer. Learn Internet terminology and how to access the Internet from home, work, and at the library. Emphasis will be on browsing the Internet using an Internet browser's toolbars, menus, and hypertext links. The class lasts approximately two hours and is limited to 8 participants.

Intermediate Internet: Using Search Engines- **Date: July 18 @ 10:00 AM** This class is designed for library patrons who have experience using the Internet, and are very familiar with using the computer mouse, keyboard and the Windows environment. Learn the best methods of searching the Internet. We will explore the many search engines and directories available to aid you in your informational quest. **WARNING:** This is not an Introduction to the Internet. We ask that you have already spent time online and have a modest understanding of the Internet. Each class lasts 2-1/2 hours and is limited to 8 participants.

Basic Word Processing and File Management- **No July Class; call for Waiting List**

This class explores the basic features of the Microsoft Word 2007 Screen from top to bottom. The purpose of this class is to encourage students to perform basic editing functions on a prepared document, to create a folder in Windows Explorer, and to save the document to the folder. Students should have dexterity with the mouse, keyboard experience, familiarity with the Windows environment, and a sense of humor. The 2-1/2 hour class is limited to six students.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007- **Date: July 13 @ 10:30 AM** This class will explore the basic features of Excel. Students will learn how to create a worksheet and perform simple calculations and manipulations with data. Students should be familiar with the Windows environment, the keyboard and be able to use a mouse. Students may take this more than once if they feel they need more practice with the basics. This class will be two hours and is limited to eight students.

Visit Channel 17 This Summer

The Town of Colonie Government Station, available to Colonie residents via Time Warner Cable on Channel 17, features shows such as *Assembly Update with Assemblyman Bob Reilly*, *Benchmark with Judge Peter Crummey*, *Colonie Connect with Supervisor Paula Mahan*, *Focus on Health*, *Getting to Know You*, *Library Book Review*, *Meet the Author*, *The Money Factor*, *Parenting in the 21st Century*, *Real Conversations with Lisa and Susan*, *The Senior Resources Show*, *So Many Books*, *So Little Time* (a look at some of the new books arriving at the library) and *Story by Story* (a monthly storytelling special with Kate Dudding and Joe Doolittle). Check the schedule on the web at: <http://www.colonie.org/library/Channel17>



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Reference Stumper:

July 2011

1) Quote of the Month: "If social inequality is on the rise . . . then the attempt to close the gap between the rich and poor—the socialist tradition—is one of our greatest treasures. If corporate values are turning our citizens into mindless consumers, then the healthy "elitist" intellectual tradition of our civilization—history, philosophy, literature—is another treasure we have to fight for, and hand down. If the masses zone out on *Titanic* and *Wayne's World* at the Cineplex, there is the whole world of Truffaut and Kurosawa, which could conceivably inspire a new generation of filmmakers and moviegoers."

2) Brain Teaser: The first retirement community in the U.S. was a plan originated by this person. Where was this community and who originated the plan?

The winner chosen will be the first person to answer both parts of the "Stumper" correctly. Answer to "Quote of the Month" must include title AND author.

Participants may submit their responses in 3 ways: 1) E-mail to: info@colonielibrary.org 2) Telephone the Information desk at 810-0314 3) By stopping off at the Access Services Desk in the library.

May Winner: No winner.

May Answers: Quote: Albert Camus in his essay "Appeal for a Civilian Truce," in *Resistance, Rebellion, and Death*. **Teaser:** Jeff Fort, leader of the El Rukn Gang in Chicago, IL.