

BOOKMARK CONTEST WINNERS

Winning bookmarks will be shown in our newsletters throughout the year and on the library's website. Each month, we will have free copies of the bookmarks available to patrons at the Youth Services Desk.



March
Grace, Age 8

March
Audrey, Age 12



April
Joshua, Age 12

May
Kaitlyn, Age 11



May
Shashaank, Age 7



April
Ryan, Age 8



FACEBOOK: WIN MOVIE TICKETS!

Become a Fan of the Youth Services Department during the months of January and February, and be entered in a raffle to win 4 movie tickets! Drawing will be held March 1.

SCRAPBOOKING

Friday, January 13 at 6:00 PM & Saturday, January 14 from 9:00-5:00 PM

Whether a novice or a pro, you are welcome to join us! We have loads of tools to use, including: Sizzix & Ellison Machines; paper punches; special scissors & stencils; and much more. Open to adults and children ages 12 & older. To register, please stop in or call Youth Services at 810-0315.

MOTHER & DAUGHTER BOOK TALK

Saturdays at 2:00 PM

We're very excited about the number of girls in grades 5-8 and their moms who love to read! Our next get-togethers are set for Saturdays, February 4 and March 3 & 31. Bring your books, your ideas, and of course, your appetites! The Book Talk will continue through April 2012 and begin again in the fall. Registration required. Please check in Youth Services for openings.

JOKE OF THE YEAR

Who's the funniest of them all? Stop in Youth Services to see who won our Joke of the Year contest!

THANKS EVERYONE!

We appreciate those families who donated food for our Bountiful Basket! We collected 222 pounds of food for local food pantries to help families in need. Thank you to all of you who donated Mitten Tree items for the children of St. Catherine's Center in Albany; they will keep little hands warm all winter!

A LOOK AHEAD

Celebrate the National Read across America event, coming up on Friday, March 2, 2012. Details to be announced!

HAPPENINGS ...in Youth Services

William K. Sanford Town Library

January/February 2012

BOOKAPALOOZA!

New for 2012! Introducing a series of Book Clubs for parents and children. Each Book Club meets once a month in the Activity Room. Mark your calendars! Registration for the February session begins Saturday, January 21 in Youth Services. For the March session, registration begins Saturday, February 18.

SUPERREADERS BOOK CLUB (K and 1st grades)

Thursday, February 2 at 6:30 PM

Join us for special one-on-one time with your son or daughter! When you register, you'll get a book to take home and read together. Then we'll meet to talk briefly about the book and enjoy some fun activities. The Superreaders will meet the first Thursday of each month; the next session will be March 1. For K & 1st graders with a parent. Please register in person only, beginning Saturday, January 21.

BOOK BUSTERS (2nd and 3rd grades)

Thursday, February 9 at 6:30 PM

Climb into the Magic Tree House series and travel back in time to the land of dinosaurs! When you register, you will get a book to read together at home. Then we will meet in the "Magic Treehouse" for fun activities and a lively book discussion. The Book Busters will meet the second Thursday of each month; next session will be March 8. For 2nd & 3rd graders with a parent. Please register in person only, beginning Saturday, January 21.

RADICAL READERS CLUB (4th and 5th grades)

Thursday, February 16 at 6:30 PM

Can you imagine not talking for a whole day? Find out what happens when fifth graders challenge each other to be quiet for TWO days in Andrew Clements' *No Talking*. Parents and kids will not be able to put down this page turner! Pick up your copy, be sure to take turns reading it, and come back to share your thoughts, play games, and have a blast! The Radical Readers will meet the third Thursday of each month; next session will be March 15. For 4th & 5th graders with a parent. Please register in person only, beginning Saturday, January 21.

SPECIAL EVENTS 2012

NURSERY SCHOOL FAIR

Saturday, January 28 at 10:00 AM

Parents of toddlers and preschoolers are invited to meet representatives of preschools in the Colonie area. It's the perfect opportunity for you to preview what's available, all in one place at one time! The Fair will be held in the Stedman Room. Open to adults only; no registration needed. Nursery School and Pre-School providers, please register your program with Youth Services by Friday, January 20.

TWEEN NIGHT OUT

Friday, February 17 from 7:00-9:00 PM

Call your friends and come after-hours for pizza, soda, & snacks; DJ music & dancing; Wii games & more! \$2.00 will be collected at registration. For tweens in 5th-8th grades. There will be another Tween Night Out in April. Check the next newsletter for the date. Please sign up in person at the Youth Services Desk.

William K. Sanford Town Library, 629 Albany Shaker Road, Loudonville, NY 12211

Monday-Thursday, 9 AM-8 PM; Friday, 9 AM-6PM; Saturday, 9 AM-5 PM; Sunday, 1 PM-5 PM

Call the Youth Services Department at 810-0315 for information.

Web Page Address: <http://www.colonie.org/library>

e-mail us at: info@colonielibrary.org

WINTER STORYTIMES 2012

Winter Storytimes begin the week of January 30 and continue through March 30, 2012.
NO STORYTIMES during **SCHOOL BREAK** from February 20 - 24.
Registration begins Saturday, January 21 in Youth Services.

TODDLERTIME

Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 9:30 & 10:30 AM

A 45-minute program for children up to 36 months with an adult. We offer educational toys during free play; then books, songs, puppets, and fingerplays during a short storytime. Each caregiver should plan to make this a special time with his/her child and make other arrangements for older siblings. We offer a program for ages 3 & up, called "On My Own," at the same time as Toddler time. **Please register in person only, beginning Saturday, January 21.**

ON MY OWN STORYTIME

Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 9:30 & 10:30 AM

A 30-minute program for children ages 3 years & older who are ready to attend "On My Own." Stories, songs, flannelboards and fingerplays will be featured. Children who have siblings in the Toddler time program will be brought in to join his/her family there. **Please register in person only, beginning Saturday, January 21.**

FAMILY DROP-IN STORYTIME

Mondays at 4:00 PM; Tuesdays at 1:30 PM; Wednesdays at 6:30 PM; Thursdays at 10:00 AM

A 45-minute program for children of all ages with an adult. We'll share stories, songs, flannelboards, fingerplays, and crafts. Enjoy homemade snacks if you wish; Thursdays are snack-free. Choose a time slot that works best for your family, and join us once a week when you can! **No registration necessary.**

ROMP n READ

Fridays at 10:00 AM

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. Just drop-in and stay to play! **No registration needed.**

TREEHOUSE CLUB

Wednesdays at 4:00 PM

Treehouse Club is a 45-minute after-school program for children in grades 1-4. Join us for stories, crafts, games, and snacks. Bring a friend, or meet a new one! **Please register in person only, beginning Saturday, January 21.**

NEW CLUBS

ILLUSTRATORS' CLUB

Thursdays at 4:00 PM

Create a book with friends to be circulated at the library! We will brainstorm a theme, make a "flip" movie book, and illustrate the cover of our masterpiece. For kids in 4th grade & up. Thursdays, February 2 through March 1. **Please register in person beginning Saturday, January 21.**

KNITERS' CLUB

Thursdays at 4:00 PM

If you'd like an introduction to knitting, this is the workshop for you! You will create your own needles and use them to make a simple knitted project. Please bring a skein of yarn (Red Heart works well for starters). For kids in 4th grade & up. Thursdays, March 8 through March 29. **Please register in person beginning Saturday, February 18.**

WINTER BREAK 2012

MAMMALS OF NEWYORK STATE

Tuesday, February 21 at 2:00 & 3:30 PM

Look up close at a bobcat skull, feel coyote teeth, or handle white-tailed deer antlers! Discover New York State's marvelous mammals, hands-on. Retired Five Rivers educator Anita Sanchez will lead you as you explore fascinating facts about our animal neighbors. For kids in grades K & up. **Please register in person only, beginning Monday, January 30.**

BABY & ME

Wednesday, February 22 from 9:30-11:00 AM

Children up to age 36 months and their caregivers are invited to stay and play Wednesday morning anytime between 9:30-11:00. You'll find shelves of books to share, buckets of toys to enjoy, and plenty of room to move around. Please make other arrangements for older siblings, as this is a special program just for the little ones. **No registration is necessary.**

CABIN FEVER!

Wednesday, February 22 at 6:30 PM

Diary of a Wimpy Kid Party! Come to a winter wonderland, where you'll build a snow fort, have a snowball fight, audition for the band, and visit the cafeteria...all indoors! For kids in 3rd grade & up. **Please register in person only, beginning Monday, January 30.**

MARLEY & ME: THE PUPPY YEARS

Thursday, February 23 at 10:00 AM

Fall into puppy love with the world's worst dog, with his frisky voice and attitude to match! Marley outwits Dobermans, Shepherds and Collies at the dog show, while he steals hearts in a most lovable way. Get your paws on this endearing movie and fetch big laughs for the whole family! Rated PG. 86 minutes. **Pick up free tickets beginning Monday, January 30.**

MINUTE TO WIN IT

Thursday, February 23 at 6:30 PM

Think you have what it takes to win it in a minute? Put your team to the test! You loved it this summer, so now we have new challenges for your family! Each team will have 60 seconds to complete a challenge involving common household objects. Experience the excitement of beating the clock! Fun for kids of all ages with a parent. **Pick up free tickets beginning Monday, January 30.**

SONGS BY RYAN COONEY

Friday, February 24 at 10:00 AM

Multi-talented, singer songwriter Ryan Cooney of Rhode Island brings his lively and silly songs for all the family to enjoy. He'll share some classic childhood favorites and others for you to sing-along and dance to. **No registration needed.**

ONGOING CLUBS

LEGO CLUB

Thursdays at 4:00 PM

Are you a Lego-maniac? Bring a friend and your imaginations! We have lots of Legos for you to use. Each week, we'll display your buildings in Youth Services for all to enjoy. For kids in grades 2-5. Thursdays, February 2 through March 29. **Please register in person beginning Saturday, January 21.**

CHESS CLUB

Tuesdays at 6:30 PM

Learn to play or improve your skills through friendly games of chess! Led by Matthew Rienhardt, the group plans to meet January 3 & 17 and February 7. For kids in 2nd grade & up. Registration required. **Please check in Youth Services for openings in the club.**