



*...in Youth Services*

## **William K. Sanford Town Library**

**March/April/May  
2011**

### ***MARCH PROGRAMS***



#### ***READ ACROSS AMERICA***

***Wednesday, March 2 @ 10:00 AM; 1:30 PM; and 6:30 PM***

*The more that you read, the more things you will know.  
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.  
~Dr. Seuss*

Celebrate the birthday of Dr. Seuss as we Read across America! Join us in the morning, afternoon, or evening for a family storytime, appropriate for all ages. We'll share some favorite Seussical stories, play goofy games, and sing silly songs together. Plus, enter our raffle to win a Dr. Seuss book and character doll! Fun, fun, fun! No registration necessary.

#### ***12th ANNUAL LIMERICK CONTEST***

***Deadline: Wednesday, March 16, 2011***



Previous Winner:

*There once was a boy from Cancun  
Who swallowed a helium balloon.  
He exclaimed in dismay,  
As he floated away,  
I'll see you on the dark side of the moon.*



Can you come up with a clever limerick? Enter our contest! Kids in grades 5-8 are invited to submit an original limerick to Youth Services by Wednesday, March 16. Please write your limerick on an 8 ½" x 11" piece of paper with your name, phone number, grade and school written on the back to be judged anonymously. Limit one entry per person. We will announce winners on Tuesday, March 22. All winners will receive an award certificate and a prize, and have their limericks published in our newsletter, online, and in Youth Services. Best of luck!

#### ***RIVERWAY STORYTELLING FESTIVAL***      ***Saturday, April 9***

Riverway offers a treat for you, whatever your age. Our Town Library is excited to be part of the festivities! We're hosting several events for children, teens, and families on Saturday. In the morning, young students from schools around the area will perform for audiences of all ages. The afternoon program "Passport to Adventure" showcases the talents of local professional tellers, while "World Stories for Families" features stories from many cultures and backgrounds. The evening events promise to be sell-out performances, so get your tickets early! Among the featured tellers are Joseph Bruchac and his son Jesse, as well as master storytellers Bill Haley and Lyn Ford. They'll share a humorous mix of stories to make you laugh out loud. So come join with us to laugh together, share a poignant moment or two, and surely recognize ourselves in the stories told by our masterful tellers. We look forward to welcoming you! Please stop in or call Youth Services for tickets and more information.

## APRIL PROGRAMS

### TWEEN NIGHT OUT

Friday, April 8 @ 7:00–9:00 PM

Don't sit home alone -- get your friends together for Guitar Hero, Wii, DDR, and dancing to the DJ! It's an after-hours party for kids in grades 5-8. Snacks, soda & pizza will be served. Since the building will be closed to the public, you'll use the staff entrance in the back and pick up will be promptly at 9:00 PM. Please sign up at the Youth Services Desk. A \$2.00 fee will be collected.

### NATIONAL POETRY MONTH

April is National Poetry Month and we have hundreds of humorous poems for you to enjoy! Browse our very clever collection of original limericks written by local students. Find out who won this year's competition while enjoying the talents of all our young writers.

### RIVERWAY STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

Saturday, April 9 (see story page one)

## SPRING BREAK PROGRAMS

Register in person starting Sunday, April 3.

### TANG TEACHING MUSEUM

Monday, April 18 @ 2:00 and 3:30 PM

It's a spring string thing! We will look at images of 3-D work by Lenore Tawney, who was one of the first fiber artists to be respected beyond the craft world. After looking at and talking about her sculptures that include real eggs balanced on string constructions, we will create our own sculptures using brightly colored pipe-cleaners that will hold up equally festive plastic eggs.

For children in kindergarten and up. Please register in-person only, starting Sunday, April 3 in Youth Services.



### PAJAMA-RAMA

Wednesday, April 20 @ 6:30 PM

Relax after a busy day! Put on your PJs and head to the library for bedtime stories, fun fingerplays, songs, a craft, and a yummy snack. Fun for everyone in the family. No registration is necessary.

### FROM SEED TO FLOWER

Thursday, April 21 @ 10:00 AM

April showers bring May flowers...and veggies, too. Young gardeners will plant flower seeds in a pot that they have painted and decorated complete with a plant poke so you "know what you grow!" They will also create an egg carton garden to care for at home so they can enjoy their own Vegetable Soup over the summer. Dress for a mess for this program. For children in kindergarten and up. Please register in-person only, starting Sunday, April 3 in Youth Services.



### PANCAKES FOR BREAKFAST

Tuesday, April 19 @ 10:00 AM

Pile your plate with piping hot pancakes while you enjoy stories, songs, and lots of laughs! We'll have all sorts of toppings for you to personalize your pancakes, too.

Scrumptious storytime fun for children ages 4 years and older with an adult. Please register in-person only, starting Sunday, April 3 in Youth Services.

### GAME CRAZE

Wednesday, April 20 @ 2:00 PM

Are the kids Sorry they are in Trouble? Don't sit in Frustration or let them have a Monopoly on your time... bring them in for new and classic board games like Chutes & Ladders, Candyland, a Checkers Tournament, and more! Get BOARD at the library! For kids and their friends from preschool through elementary ages. No registration necessary.

### BABY & ME

Friday, April 22 from 9:30- 11:00 AM

Children up to age 36 months and their caregivers are invited to join us on Friday morning anytime between 9:30 and 11:00. You'll find shelves of books to share, buckets of toys to play with, 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.

## MAY PROGRAMS

### **SUPERREADERS CLUB**

**Tuesday, May 3 @ 6:30 PM**

The Youth Services Department is proud to offer another Superreaders Book Club in the month of May. Join us for a fun "bonding" time with your child as we share and discuss a book that you have had the opportunity to read at home. Find connections within the story and your own life and share with our Superreaders. When you sign up, you'll get the book to take home and read together. Then you'll join us for a read-aloud, games, crafts, and activities on Tuesday, May 3. For kids in kindergarten & first grade, with a parent. Please register in-person only, starting Sunday, April 3 in Youth Services.

### **TWEEN SCREEN**

**Thursday, May 5 @ 4:00 PM**

The tale of Charlotte the spider and Wilbur the pig is terrific and wonderful, one that you will never forget. In it, Wilbur dreads the end of the season on the farm. He knows that when that time comes, he will wind up on the dinner table. So he hatches a plan with Charlotte, a spider who lives in his pen, to ensure that this will not happen. Pick up a copy of the book *Charlotte's Web*, read it at home, and come back to see the movie with your friends. For children in grades 4 and up. Please register in-person only, starting Sunday, April 3 in Youth Services.

### **MOTHER'S DAY CRAFT**

**Monday - Saturday, May 2-7**

Hey, Dads! Stumped for gift ideas? Bring the kids in to create a handmade Mother's Day surprise! And Moms, we won't mention what it is until you get here. Pick up free supplies at the Youth Services Desk anytime during regular library hours. For all ages, although younger children may need the help of an adult. No registration is necessary.

### **CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK**

**Monday - Saturday, May 2-7**

Make Mother's Day even more memorable while you're in to make a gift! Choose one of our picture books to read aloud together here or at home. You'll be celebrating Children's Book Week as well, a nation-wide event marking the importance of literature for the young.

### **MOTHER'S DAY DROP-IN STORYTIMES**

**Tuesday, May 3 @ 1:30 PM; Wednesday, May 4 @ 6:30 PM;  
Thursday, May 5 @ 10:00 AM**

Spend special time with your Mom or Grandma! We'll feature favorite titles all about your favorite somebody, with lots of music, motion, tasty treats, and a make-your-own gift, too. No registration is necessary.

## ONGOING PROGRAMS

### **WINTER STORYTIMES**

**Family Drop-In: Mondays @ 4:00 PM; Tuesdays @ 1:30 PM;  
Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM; and Thursdays @ 10:00 PM  
Romp & Read: Fridays @ 10:00 AM**

Our winter session of storytime runs through April 15. In addition to our registered storytimes, we offer two programs for which you do not need to sign up. Our Family Drop-In is a 45-minute program with stories, songs, flannelboards and fingerplays, followed by a snack and a craft, for children of all ages with an adult. If you have children too young to sit still, you'll love our Romp & Read program for ages 12-36 months, with an adult. Here, the kids can play, make new friends, and enjoy group games and activities.

### **CHESS CLUB**

**Tuesdays @ 6:30 PM; March 1 & 15 and April 5**

Enjoy a challenging game of chess while you strengthen your skills and strategies. Matthew Rienhardt instructs kids in second grade & older. Please check at the Youth Services Desk for availability.

### **SCRAPBOOKING**

**Weekend of March 18 & 19; Tuesday, April 12 @ 6:00; and  
Friday, May 13 @ 6:00**

Whether you are a novice or a pro, get those photos printed and come in to scrapbook with us! Bring your paper, albums, and whatever materials you may have. We'll supply tools, punches, and other gadgets. Weekends include Friday night (6-10) and all day Saturday (9-5). This program is free of charge and open to adults and children over the age of twelve years. Please register in Youth Services or call 810-0315.

### **MOTHER & DAUGHTER BOOK TALK**

**Saturday, March 19 @ 2:00 PM;  
Saturday, April 30 @ 1:00 and 2:00 PM**

Our year of reading together is drawing to a close. We have two more dates to remember. On March 19, the author of *Rocky Road*, Rose Kent, will be our guest. Both groups will meet together in the Stedman Room at 2:00. Then, we will meet again on April 30 at 1:00 and 2:00 in the Activity Room. At this time, both groups are full, but we will begin a new session in September. Registration starts on Thursday, September 1, 2011 for 5th-8th grade girls and their mothers. If you have any questions, please stop in Youth Services or call 810-0315, and ask for Mrs. Growney.

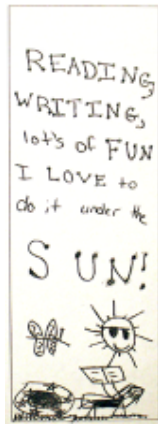


## BOOKMARK CONTEST WINNERS

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.



June  
Rachel, Age 9



July  
Cathleen, Age 8



August  
Elaina, Age 9



June  
Anum, Age 12



July  
Allegra, Age 12



August  
Liz, Age 10

## DISPLAY CASE COLLECTIONS

Show off your favorite things in our display case! Do you collect Thomas the Tank engines, Webkinz, Happy Meal toys, or Hot Wheels? Whatever it may be, we'd love to display your collection! Schedule a time at the Youth Services Desk.

## ONE WORLD, MANY STORIES

The wheels are turning in Youth Services as we plan for the summer reading program. The theme for 2011 is "One World, Many Stories!" and we have many exciting events in store for the summer! Look for sign-up times and a full schedule in our next newsletter.

## JOKE OF THE WEEK CONTEST

Announcing the weekly winners for January 2011!

What did the Burgers name their daughter? *Patty*. Submitted by Molly Maron

What did the Apple Company make specifically for pirates? *Eye Pad*. Submitted by Ahmed Bawla

What does Obi-Wan Kanobi say to Luke Skywalker at breakfast? *Use the fork!* Submitted by AJ Horton

Why did the football player go to the bank? *He wanted his quarterback*. Submitted by Rebecca Simmons

The Joke of the Week Contest continues throughout the year. One overall winner will receive a prize at the end of the year, so be sure to enter each week! Winners are selected on Saturdays in Youth Services.

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Monday-Thursday, 9 AM-9 PM; Friday, 9 AM-6PM; Saturday, 9 AM-5 PM; Sunday, Noon-5 PM  
Call the Youth Services Department at 810-0315 for information.  
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