

## **March Happenings**

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#### **2016 TAX FORMS**

The Auburn Hills Public Library will be receiving both federal and state tax forms, typically in the January-February time frame. However, because more and more people are filing their taxes electronically, the IRS has greatly reduced the number of paper tax products available to libraries. The Library will make every effort to direct patrons to appropriate resources so that they can obtain the forms they are looking for.



## BARNES AND NOBLE BOOK FAIR SATURDAY, MARCH 18

The Auburn Hills Public Library will be at the Rochester Hills Barnes and Noble, 2800 South Rochester Road in Rochester Hills, from approximately 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Come visit our table and help the Library as you shop. We will be there as part of a "Beauty and the Beast" event, with a reallife "Belle" coming to read a story, as well as crafts available for children. We look forward to seeing you there!



#### CONVERSATIONS WITH THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

You are invited to an informal social with Library Director Stephanie McCoy. Come share what's on your mind, your thoughts and ideas, or just say "Hello!" There are two different

dates: Saturday, April 29, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., and May 20, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Please register in advance on our Events Calendar.

#### LIBRARY ADDS SECOND STUDY ROOM

The Library now has a second study room available for Auburn Hills Public Library cardholders in good standing, to be used for informal not-for-profit, non-commercial purposes with the intent to do research, study and reading. It is located near the Adult Services desk, on the opposite side of the existing small study room. It will accommodate up to four people. The existing Study Room Policy will apply to both rooms. To review the policy, click here. The



room can be reserved up to one week in advance by calling 248.364.6706.

#### LIBRARY RETAINS SERVICES OF COLLECTION AGENCY

The Auburn Hills Public Library Board of Trustees decided at its December 8, 2016 meeting to contract with Unique Management Systems, a collection agency specializing in working with libraries to collect unpaid debts, beginning January 1, 2017. It is our goal to be able to provide equal access to the Library's shared collection to all patrons, and to be good custodians of tax dollars.

# OPTIMISTS' CLUB BOOK DRIVE

From March 1-17, the Auburn Hills Public Library is partnering with the Noon Optimist Club to collect new or gently used children's books for children at Will Rogers Elementary (grades K-6). Chapter books, adventure, mystery, early reading, etc. are good options. There will be a collection box near the Circulation Desk. Books can also be taken to the Community Center in care of Brian Marzolf.



#### **ADULT**

Book Bingo Wednesday, March 8 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Auburn Hills Writers' Group Thursday, March 16 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

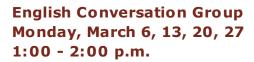
Murder by the Book Discussion Group



Harbour Street: A Vera Stanhope Mystery by Ann Cleeves Saturday, March 18 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

### Technology One-on-One Appointments

Wondering how to add an attachment to an email? Send someone a photo from your phone? Start a Facebook account? Save a Word document as a PDF? Have another specific technology question that you would like help with? You can schedule a half-hour session with a computer assistant. Call 248.364.6706 for availability.



Practice speaking English in a friendly group setting with other ESL students and new English speakers. No registration. All levels welcome. Free. For additional information, contact the Adult Services Department at 248.364.6706.



Explore your creative side for an evening of coloring in a relaxed setting. We'll supply coloring pages and supplies, or you may bring your own. For additional information, contact the Adult Services Department at 248.364.6706.

## Getting Started With Microsoft Excel Saturday, March 11 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Join us to learn the basics of Microsoft Excel. See how you can use Excel to organize information and create a chart. You are welcome to bring your device if it has Microsoft Excel installed. Register by calling 248.364.6706, or go to our Events Calendar to register online.

Paper Tole Craft Monday, March 13 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.









background. This technique is often used to create unique and special greeting cards, or the 3-D image can be framed in a shadow box.Register by calling 248.364.6706, or go to our Events Calendar to register online.

## Heartfulness Meditation Series Monday, March 20 and 27 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

The Heartfulness Meditation Program offers a simple set of relaxation and meditation exercises, which when practiced daily, help restore balance in life, manage stress, better your health, and most of all will lead you to inner calm and peace. The relaxation and meditation techniques. are taught over a free 6-week course. You may register for all six sessions or each session individually. Participants will be meditating in chairs. Those wishing to meditate while sitting on the floor may bring their own floor cushions. The entire program will be conducted by certified Heartfulness trainers who have been meditating and training for several years. Register by calling 248.364.6706, or go to our Events Calendar to register online.



#### **TEEN**

Mystery Night Friday, March 10 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. (For Grades 6-12)

Put your sleuthing skills to work at our annual Mystery Night. Visit the crime scenes, examine the evidence and interview the suspects! Register by calling 248.364.6712, emailing teens@auburn-hills.lib.mi.us, or go to our Events Calendar to register online.

SAT Practice Exam Saturday, March 18 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. (For Grades 9-12)

Prepare for the new SAT exam by taking a free practice exam at the Library, courtesy of Above Grade Level in Oakland County. Bring No.2 pencils and a calculator. Register by calling 248.364.6712 or visit the Youth Services Department.

On Wednesday, March 22 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., there will be a follow-up session for students (and parents) who took the exam on March 18. This meeting will go over results of the SAT practice exam.





## Anime Club (For Grades 6-12) Tuesday, March 21 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Our anime/manga club meets on the third Tuesday of each month. Meet other teens like you who love watching anime and reading manga. We'll watch anime and do other fun activities. Register by calling 248.364.6712,emailing teens@auburn-hills.lib.mi.us, or go to our <a href="Events Calendar">Events Calendar</a> to register online.

Code Club (For Grades 6-12) Tuesday, March 28 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Do you want to learn how to program an animation or create a game? We can teach you the basics of scratch coding through fun interactive projects, regardless of your programming background. Laptops are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. We meet the fourth Tuesday of every month. Registration is required. Register by calling 248.364.6712,emailing teens@auburn-hills.lib.mi.us, or go to our Events Calendar to register online.





#### YOUTH

Preschool Story Time (For Ages 3-Pre-Kindergarten) Tuesdays, beginning March 7, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. OR Wednesdays, beginning March 1, 7:00 - 7:45 p.m.

Children must be able to go into the storytime room without a parent. This is a good introduction to being in a group, practicing listening skills, and following directions. The program features books, music, finger plays and movement. Join us each week to help build your child's literacy. The theme is Ready, Set, Grow: STEM for Preschoolers. Registration is required. Register by calling 248.364.6712, or go to our Events Calendar to register online

Rock 'N Rhyme (For Ages 1-18 Months) Thursday, March 2, 16, and 30 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.



Bring in those little babies for a special time

just for them: sharing books, rhymes, songs, and interactive fun. All storytimes are based on literacy research, and include tips and information for parents and caregivers. They're never too young to begin with books! Free play with other children will follow each session. Register by calling 248.364.6712, or go to our Events Calendar to register online.



## Jr. Library Explorers (For Grades 2-3) Thursday, March 2, 16 and 30 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.



Our theme is Full Steam Ahead! Each session will explore a different STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics) concept through story, craft, experiments, or activity. The goal is to get students thinking and asking questions. Register at the Youth Services desk, call 248.364.6712, or go to our Events Calendar to register online.

## Little Explorers (For Ages 1-5 Years with Caregiver) Friday, March 3 and 31 10:45 - 11:30 a.m.

What do you get when you combine a story, free-play, and sensory activity stations with you and your child? A sensory sensation! We'll have lots of fun as we explore, create, and make new friends! Sensory stations may get messy, so dress accordingly. Must be accompanied by caregiver. Registration for each session separately! Register at the Youth Services desk, call 248.364.6712, or go to our Events Calendar to register online. Attendees must give 24 hours cancellation notice to allow others on the waiting list to attend.



## LEGO Literacy Club (For First Grade and Up) Saturday, March 4 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Come enjoy our LEGO Club: we will have a different theme each session. Come build an original LEGO creation based off the monthly theme using either Duplo or LEGO. Books will be supplied to read and inspire. You may also check them out afterwards! The creations will be displayed at the Library until the next club meeting.

After School Stories (For Grades K-1) Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21 and

## 28 5:00 - 5:45 p.m.

Join us after school for this 45-minute session that will help to strengthen your child's early literacy skills while having fun! Each week we will focus on ageappropriate activities, interesting stories and discussion of a selected theme. Registration is required for each session! Register at the Youth Services desk, call 248.364.6712, or go to our Events Calendar to register online.



10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

Toddlers and their parent/caregiver can enjoy interactive stories, action songs, finger plays, and more while spending time with other toddlers. All sessions are based on early literacy research, and include tips and information for parents and caregivers. Free play with other children follows each sessions. Registration for each session separately! Register at the Youth Services desk, call 248.364.6712, or go to our Events Calendar to register online. Attendees must give 24 hours cancellation notice to allow others on the waiting list to attend.

## Library Explorers (For Grades 4-5) Thursday, March 9 and 23 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Our theme is Make It Or Break It. In each 45-60 minute session, we will either build something up or tear something apart to see what we might learn. Registration required for each session. Register at the Youth Services desk, call 248.364.6712, or go to our <a href="Events Calendar">Events Calendar</a> to register online.

Dr. Seuss' Birthday Celebration (For All Ages With a Parent) Saturday, March 11 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Did you know that Theodore Geisel, a.k.a. Dr. Seuss, wrote 46 books? As part of "March Is Reading Month," join us for a







birthday celebration of this beloved children's author. Activities include crafts, games, and birthday cake!



Family Sensory Storytime (For Ages 1-5 with caregiver. Siblings welcome) Saturday, March 25 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Storytime for the entire family--stories and more! Join us as we combine our favorite stories with sensory activities and crafts. Registration required required for each session. Register at the Youth Services desk, call 248.364.6712, or go to our <a href="Events Calendar"><u>Events Calendar</u></a> to register online.

#### **Therapy Dogs**

Read with a furry friend! Children of all ages will love to practice with a well-behaved, non-judgmental, certified therapy dog. Children of all ages are welcome! Sign up in person or call the Youth Services Desk at 248.364.6712 for 10-minute reading blocks. Drop-ins are welcome too! The dogs will be here on the following dates:

Select Saturdays, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Select Tuesdays, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.



#### LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustees Meeting, Thursday, March 23 7:00 p.m.

Library Board Members

Richard Siepielski, President

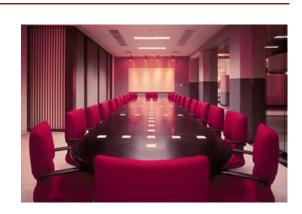
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Library Director

## FRIENDS OF AUBURN HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Friends' Monthly Meeting: Thursday, March

2, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

E-Mail: FAHPL3400@gmail.com

Friends' Used Book Sale Room March Special: Books by Mary Higgins Clark, John Grisham, James Patterson, and Danielle Steel: Buy one at regular price, get a second same type of book for half-price.

Visit the Friends' Used Book Sale Room in the Main Floor Alcove, with featured books. Clean out your house by donating books, etc. to the Library. The donation is tax deductible. We are in need of non-fiction and children's books.

Before doing your shopping, remember to go to Smile Amazon.com, and choose the Friends of Auburn Hills Public Library. They will donate 0.5% to us.



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Friday-Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Sunday, Closed

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