

Woodward Memorial Library News

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Food for Thought...Read for Life!



Food for Thought...Read for Life! is the theme for the 2009 adult winter reading program. Sign up beginning January 12 (or anytime during this six-week program) and receive a raffle ticket just for signing up! You will also receive a booklet of suggested books to read.

Displays of items to choose from are located around the Library. Then, all you have to do is read! Record each item in your booklet and receive a raffle ticket for each item read. The more you read, the better your chances of winning a prize.

Read a magazine, cookbook, or mystery. Listen to an audiobook or watch a movie. The theme for this program is food! Anything and everything relating to food earns a raffle ticket!

The reading categories are:

- Meaty Magazines
- Recipes with your Mysteries

- Edible Titles
- Savor a Cookbook
- Food for Thought
- Food for Your Eyes and Ears

January 12 - February 27

Read just three books and receive a **free** ticket to the program finale on Friday, February 27.

Program Finale *Make and Taste!*



Chef Susan Presher
demonstrates how to make
an easy and healthy meal
in less than an hour ...
YOU taste the results!

February 27, 2009

7:00 p.m.

Raffle drawing after the program!

Dessert in the Stacks

Dessert in the Stacks is Friday, February 13 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Mouthwatering desserts, appetizers, coffee, tea, music, and visiting with friends are some of the pleasures of this special evening. Local restaurants donate desserts and appetizers, and the library provides beverages, music, and atmosphere.

This year's menu will in-

clude some favorites, along with a sampling of new desserts and appetizers. Tickets for this adult-only event must be purchased in advance at \$5.00 each.



New DVDs

- * Beethoven's Big Break
- * Burn After Reading
- * The Dark Knight
- * The Duchess
- * Eagle Eye
- * Ghost Town
- * Horton Hears a Who
- * Lost: Season 4
- * Mama Mia
- * The Mummy
- * Prince Caspian



Favorite Books of 2008 by the WML Staff

Bonnie Amend's Pick:

Sweetheart by Chelsea Cain

Serial killer Gretchen Lowell escapes prison and is up to her old murderous tricks, and the only one who can catch her is Detective Archie Sheridan.



Regina Ashley's Pick:

The Blood of Flowers by Anita Amirrezvani

Amirrezvani's debut novel, *The Blood of Flowers*, is both a sweeping love story and a luminous portrait of a city. It is the mesmerizing historical novel of an ill-fated young woman whose gift as a rug designer transforms her life. Illuminated with glorious detail of Persian rug-making, and brilliantly bringing to life the sights sounds and life of 17th-century Isfahan, *The Blood of Flowers* has captured readers' imaginations everywhere as a timeless tale of one woman's struggle to live a life of her choosing.

Sue Border's Pick:

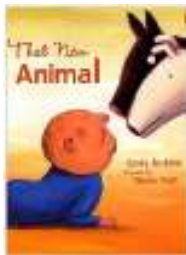
The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society by Mary Ann Shaffer

Shaffer's debut novel, written with her niece Barrow, is an original account of one writer's relationship with a member of a unique book club formed as an alibi to protect its members from arrest at the hands of the Nazis during WWII. In 1946 England, writer Juliet Ashton receives a letter from a man living on Guernsey, recently liberated from Nazi occupation. So begins a correspondence that introduces Juliet to members of this Guernsey reading group.

Cindy Frisch's Pick:

That New Animal by Emily Jenkins

That New Animal is told from the points of view of dogs Marshmallow and FudgeFudge. The two dislike the new baby in their home, whom they refer to as "that new animal." They have to do something about it, but what? *That New Animal* is a picture book that speaks with wise and knowing humor to every parent and child who has welcomed or resisted an addition to the family.



Julie Coleman's Pick:

The Dragon Tree by Jane Langton

Magical things continually occur at the Hall family's home on Walden Street. Now there's a terrible sound throughout the town - the buzzing of a chain saw. Only one thing is worse for Eddy and Georgie Hall than that noise: the man who causes it, Mortimer Moon. When all the trees in town are falling to his hand and he threatens the mysterious tree sprouting in the Halls' backyard, Georgie and Eddy will do anything to stop him.

Mary Hadley's Pick:

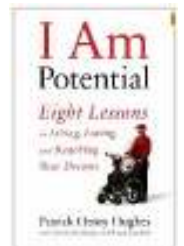
Broken for You by Stephanie Kallos

Margaret Hughes is living alone in a mansion in Seattle with only a massive collection of valuable antiques for company. Enter Wanda Schultz, a young woman with a broken heart who has come west to search for her wayward boyfriend. Both women are guarding dark secrets and have spent many years building up protective armor against the outside world. *Broken for You* is a testament to the saving graces of surrogate families and shows how far the tiniest repair jobs can go in righting the world's wrongs.

Roberta Kumro's Pick:

I Am Potential by Patrick Henry Hughes

Patrick Henry Hughes was born with a rare genetic disorder that left him without eyes and physically disabled. But he was also blessed with exceptional musical talent—able to play the piano as a toddler and now, at age 19, a nationally known pianist, singer, and trumpeter. In *I Am Potential*, Hughes recounts the eight critical lessons he has learned that are at the heart of his success.



Pat Marcus' Pick:

Firefly Lane by Kristin Hannah

Tully is one of the most popular girls in school. Kate has a stable family life, but feels she is an outcast with no friends. Though they couldn't be more different, Kate and Tully become best friends for life in 1974, when they are both in eighth grade. For thirty years, Tully and Kate support each other through life. They think they've survived it all until a single act of betrayal tears them apart and puts their friendship to the ultimate test.

Sam Bortle's Pick:

Invisible Monsters by Chuck Palahniuk

She's a fashion model who has everything: a boyfriend, a career, a loyal best friend. But when a sudden freeway "accident" leaves her disfigured and incapable of speech, she is transformed from the beautiful center of attention to an invisible monster, so hideous that no one will acknowledge she exists. Enter Brandy Alexander, Queen Supreme, who will teach her that reinventing yourself means erasing your past and making up something better. And that hides in the last place you'll ever want to look..



Kim Barber's Pick:

The Birth of Venus by Sarah Dunant

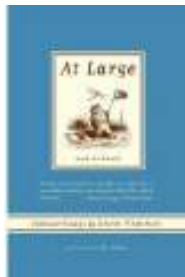
The tale of the fictional Alessandra Cecchi in Renaissance Florence, near the end of the 15th century. The city is in turmoil, under the grip of the fundamentalist monk Savonarola. Alessandra yearns to paint and studies with a young painter. To be able to stay in Florence, she has an arranged marriage at the age of 15 to Cristoforo, a wealthy older man, who has a secret that impacts their relationship.



Leslie Baker's Pick:

At Large and At Small: Familiar Essays by Anne Fadiman

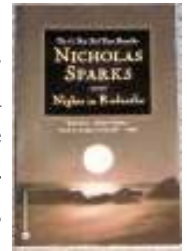
Fadiman writes about familiar, often mundane subjects with wit and a strong sensual enjoyment of everyday pleasures. Fadiman draws us into twelve of her personal obsessions: from her slightly sinister childhood enthusiasm for catching butterflies to her monumental crush on Charles Lamb, from her wistfulness for the days of letter-writing to the challenges and rewards of moving from the city to the country.



Laurel Presher's Pick:

Nights in Rodanthe by Nicholas Sparks

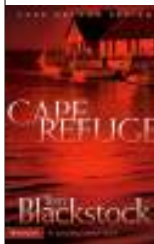
At 45, Adrienne Willis must re-think her entire life when her husband abandons her for a younger woman. She flees to the small coastal town of Rodanthe, North Carolina, to tend to a friend's inn for the weekend. An unexpected guest named Paul Flanner arrives, fleeing his shattered past. When a storm approaches, the two wounded people will turn to each other for comfort – and in one weekend, set in motion feelings that will resonate throughout the rest of their lives.



Trisha Riggi's Pick:

Cape Refuge: Book One by Terri Blackstock

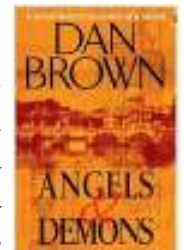
When Thelma and Wayne Owens are found murdered in the warehouse where they held their church services, their son-in-law Jonathan is arrested for the crime--but his wife Morgan and her sister Blair, Thelma and Wayne's daughters, are confident that he didn't do it and set out to find the real killer. This is the first book in the Cape Refuge series.



Tyler Ward's Pick:

Angels and Demons by Dan Brown

World-renowned Harvard symbologist Robert Langdon is summoned to a Swiss research facility to analyze a cryptic symbol seared into the chest of a murdered physicist. What he discovers is unimaginable: a deadly vendetta against the Catholic Church by a centuries-old underground organization — the Illuminati. Langdon joins forces in Rome with the beautiful and mysterious scientist Vittoria Vetra. Together they embark on a frantic hunt to the most secretive vault on earth — the long-forgotten Illuminati lair.



More Staff Picks!

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On the home page, click on
“What the Staff Are Reading”



January, February & March Library Programs

Adult Programs

WML is closed Jan. 19
& Feb. 16.

Adult Winter Reading Program - *Food for Thought, Read for Life!*

January 14 - February 27 (See page 1 for details)

Ingham Book Discussion Group: Meets monthly on Thursday evenings. New participants are welcome! Books are available to check out at the Library.

Thursday, February 5 - *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks (6:00 p.m.)

Thursday, March 5 - Tale for 3 Counties 2009 choice - *Separate From the World* by P. L. Gaus (6:00 p.m.)

Identity Theft Protection: Wednesday, January 28 at 1:00 p.m. Free and open to the public.

Learn how to protect your identity and not fall victim to fake charities and other scams! Presented by the State of New York Attorney General's Office.

Dessert in the Stacks: Friday, February 13 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. (See page 1 for details)

Adult Winter Reading Program Finale : February 27, 7:00 p.m. (Free to reading program participants, see page 1 for details)

Build a Bluebird Nest Box and learn "All About Bluebirds" with John Rogers:

Saturday, March 21 from 12:00-1:30 p.m.

Watch an informative slide presentation on bluebirds and how to properly place nest boxes, then build and take home a bluebird box. This program provides an opportunity to help birds and the environment. There is a \$5.00 program fee. Registration is required.

Children's Programs

Junior Friends of the Library Meeting

For children in grades 4-6. Thursday, January 15 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Assist with Library programs and events, decorate bulletin boards, design book displays, and work on craft preparations for storytimes! Registration is required for new participants.



***Dancing the Story with Rebecca Rabideau**

For children in grades K-2. Saturday, January 17 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Integrating dance technique and creative storytelling through movement, this workshop encourages children to express their creativity through the group composition of a short dance based on a children's book. Children have the opportunity to choreograph their own dance using words and music to inspire them! Registration is required and begins on January 5. Limited to 30 children.

***Water Color Painting with Kristen Crossen**

For children in grades K-2. Saturday, February 14 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

For children in grades 3-6. Saturday, February 14 from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Registration is required and begins on January 31. Limited to 25 children.

Explore your creativity while learning basic water coloring skills!



***Build Your Own Bluebird Box with John Rogers**

For children in grades 2-6. Parents/caregivers are encouraged to attend.

Saturday, March 21 from 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Build and take home a bluebird nest box! Watch a slide presentation on bluebirds and how to properly place their box. This program provides an opportunity to help birds and the environment. Registration is required and begins on March 7. Limited to 30 children.



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A Tale for Three Counties



A Tale for Three Counties is an area-wide book discussion presented by the 20 public libraries of Genesee, Orleans and Wyoming counties and Genesee Community College in Western New York State.

This year's book selection is *Separate From the World: An Ohio Amish Mystery* by P.L. Gaus. The author will visit Genesee, Orleans, and Wyoming Counties, on March 12, 13, and 14.

Separate From the World is a story of a rift between two Amish factions, one that favors the use of medicine and that participates in a college study of genetic traits particular to the Amish community, and the other that rejects any outside influence. Gaus takes us inside a separate culture and highlights the complex relationship of the Amish and the "English" as they live inside or outside each other's orbits.

A book discussion will take place at WML on Thursday, March 5 at 6:00 p.m. Books are available for checkout at the Library. For more information visit www.taleforthreecounties.org.



BookLetters

Woodward Memorial Library wishes to introduce you to a new service, *BookLetters*, an email newsletter and reader's advisory service on books, authors and what's new at the library. Go to www.woodwardmemoriallibrary.org and click on the *BookLetters* icon to view this service. This icon is located at the bottom of the home page screen.

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BookLetters offers lists of new items at WML. Check out the new DVDs the Library has purchased and watch a movie trailer. View lists of new book arrivals at WML, including audiobooks, fiction, non-fiction, Christian fiction, mysteries, teen and children's books. All of these book titles are linked to the library catalog, so once you find a book you like, requesting it is a snap!

Have you ever wondered what the staff at WML read for pleasure? Check it out by looking at the list "What the Staff Are Reading." Perhaps you will find something that appeals to you.

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Saturday Programs for Children!

Go-Art* awarded the Library a grant to fund six Saturday workshops intended to give children hands-on experience in the arts. Visiting artists from areas throughout New York State lead each program.



Designed for children in kindergarten through sixth grade, the programs are scheduled once a month on Saturdays beginning in January and ending in March, then continuing in September through November. Registration is required and begins two weeks before the date of each program. See page

3 of the newsletter for details about the January, February, and March workshops.

Programs are:

- * Dancing the Story—Jan. 17
- * Watercolor Painting—Feb. 14
- * Build Your Own Bluebird Box—March 21
- * Origami Basics—Sept. 26
- * Halloween Dance Steps—Oct. 24
- * Cookie Songwriting—Nov. 14

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Genealogy Tools

Trace your family history with new resources. *HeritageQuest* and *Ancestry* are databases that allow you to start exploring your roots by searching a surname. Anyone with a WML card can log on to *HeritageQuest* through the Library website, or come into the Library to access *Ancestry's* millions of records — as far back as the 1700s.

Logging on to *HeritageQuest* at home (or at the Library if you choose) you'll find several paths to information - the U. S. Federal Census collection, over 20,000 family and local history books, an index to nearly 2 million magazine articles with genealogical information, and a database of Revolutionary War era records.

Ancestry is available on the Library's internet stations. Key in a name you are interested in searching and *Ancestry* scans its vast selection of census data, birth, marriage, and death records, World War I draft registration information, Social Security death records, and immigration lists.

In the spring of 2009, the Le Roy Gazette will be added to the *Ancestry* database and you will be able to search the archives of this local newspaper.

Go to www.woodwardmemoriallibrary.org and click on Databases on the left side of the home page to access these services.



Preschool Room Update

The Preschool Room on the main floor of the Woodward Memorial Library is designed for preschoolers to listen to a story, attend a storytime, put together a puzzle, and put on a puppet show in our mini-theater.

Thanks to a generous grant for children's educational materials from Five Star, WML has been able to purchase new educational toys for the Preschool Room. The Library has added new puppets, new puzzles, and a bead maze game.

Pictured are: James Blake, Jacob Marcello, Elana Blake, and Anna Long playing with puppets in the mini-theater.



Community Mondays

Eat at the D & R Depot on any Monday in January and choose the Library as your favorite non-profit. Each week Depot customers will be asked to indicate their favorite non-profit from the four listed for January.



The non-profit with the most votes for the month will receive a check for \$500. Second place is \$100, third is \$50 and fourth gets \$25.

Support this local Le Roy restaurant and the Library and get out to eat in January!

Automated Handicapped Accessible Door

Woodward Memorial Library has recently added an automated handi-capped accessible door at the back of the library. The automated door is located near the elevator for easy access into the library.

