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Against the Odds: Making a Difference in Global Health

Spring Lake District Library will be hosting the traveling exhibition "Against the Odds: Making a Difference in Global Health" from October 22 through December 1, 2012. This exhibition is traveling to libraries and universities across the nation courtesy of The National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health. The exhibit highlights the role of communities in improving health at home and around the world. The basic shared needs of nutritious food and clean water, a safe place to live, and affordable health care are the central themes of the exhibit.



The exhibit incorporates historical and contemporary photos to tell the stories of individuals and groups who have taken up the challenges to prevent disease and improve medical care. The work of the Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee that teaches mothers about Oral Rehydration Therapy and the Landless Workers' Movement that empowers poor citizens in Brazil to begin subsistence farming are two of the stories included in the exhibit.

Spring Lake District Library will be hosting a special presentation in conjunction with the exhibit entitled *Water for Haiti* on Thursday, Nov. 15, at 7 p.m. Guest speakers Dr. Peter Wampler, Dr. Rick Rediske, and Dr. Azizur Molla of Grand Valley State University will talk about their interdisciplinary research project to improve the quality of drinking water for Haitians. The three professors combined their fields of expertise: geology, water resources, and anthropology, to tackle the issue of poor water quality in rural Haiti. The public is invited to attend this free presentation and learn more about the project.

An online version of the "Against the Odds" exhibition is available at http://apps.nlm.nih.gov/against_theodds/index.cfm. The site includes games and instructional resources designed for middle school and high school students that can be used to learn about the topics featured in the exhibition.

Community Partnership Formed

The Little Red House, Oak Crest, and Spring Lake District Library are partnering to provide community activities for individuals experiencing Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. The events are scheduled for the third Thursday of each month at 2:00 p.m.

The first program was held at the library on Thursday, Sept. 20. The *Sound Waves* barbershop quartet singers entertained those who attended with traditional barbershop songs from the 40s, 50s and 60s such as *Down by the Old Mill Stream* and *Hello Mary Lou*.

The *Grand Haven Strings* will be performing jigs, waltzes, and big band music at the next event on Thursday, Oct. 18 at 2:00 p.m. Members of the *Strings* are: Kathy Messenger playing hammered dulcimer, flute, penny whistle and recorder; Carol Kimball and David Jorgensen playing acoustic guitar; Janice Carlson playing fiddle; Laura Hollar playing autoharp; Carol and Phil Hollar playing hammered dulcimer.

iPads Available at Spring Lake District Library



Spring Lake District Library opened at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, September 24, and by 9:37 a.m. library patron Nancy Meekhof was already heading out the door with an iPad in hand. Nancy had the honor of being the first patron to take advantage of the new option to borrow an iPad from the library. She came prepared with her library card and photo ID, and was eager to have the opportunity to try an iPad to see if she liked it well enough to purchase one in the future.

Spring Lake District Library Director Claire Sheridan predicts the iPads will be a popular library resource. The library was already loaning Sony e-readers, Nooks and Kindles with great success. The iPads are even more versatile, as they have numerous apps, websites, and e-books already loaded on them. The devices were purchased through funds provided by the Spring Lake District Library Endowment Fund at the Grand Haven Area Community Foundation.

Spring Lake Public Schools introduced iPads to their K - 4th grade students this year and the library has worked with the school to support the initiative. The library and school coordinated their efforts to ensure both were using many of the same educational apps on their iPads. Library classes designed for parents of students who received the devices were scheduled in September. Parents were shown how to use the iPads as well as how to download additional educational apps and e-books.

Morningstar® Investment Research Center

 Unlimited access to Morningstar® Investment Research Center is available at the library and online as part of the resources offered by the Spring Lake District Library to promote investment education and financial literacy.

Morningstar® Investment Research Center is an online investment database with information on more than 30,000 stocks, mutual funds, and exchange-traded funds. Designed specifically for libraries and other academic institutions, it provides independent analysis, industry information, stock charts, portfolio building tools, and the Morningstar Investing Classroom(SM) series of web-based educational tutorials. This valuable investment information resource provides individual investors with data, research tools and analysis for greater access to information about their investments.

Library patrons have free access to this resource while at the library, and Spring Lake cardholders can log-in remotely to have the convenience and privacy of using it from home or work. Morningstar is a trusted resource used by thousands of investors, and we are proud to include it in the library's free online resources.

In addition to the tutorials always available at the Morningstar Investment Research Center, there are special monthly training webinars offered on the first Thursday of each month at 11:00 a.m. Central Time. Patrons can access Morningstar and these special training webinars at the library or log-in remotely using their Spring Lake District Library card.

December Book Sale

The Friends of Spring Lake District Library are hosting a book sale at the library. The sale will be held on Thursday, December 6 from 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Used book sales offer great bargains, and there will be a large selection of fiction and non-fiction books for adults and children, including hard cover and paperbacks.

Proceeds from the sale are used to support library services such as the reading programs for adults and children held throughout the year, the movie collections, and the children's bookmark contest. The Friends of Spring Lake District Library have provided funding for library materials and programs for over 25 years.

Fine Amnesty Week

It's a win-win situation! Library fines will be forgiven during Library Fine Amnesty Week at Spring Lake District Library. Donations of new personal care items and paper products like soap, toothpaste, toilet paper and shampoo will be accepted at the library from November 12 through November 18. Your generous donations will be given to The People Center in Spring Lake.

For each regular size item donated, \$1 of your library fines will be deducted. The maximum amount of fines that will be waived is \$10. Lost or damaged items still must be paid for. Consider donating even if you do not have library fines. The need for donated items is great. Please help if you are able to.

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Autumn Events

The arrival of autumn brings falling leaves and cooler days. Looking for more things to do indoors? Check out the schedule of upcoming fun and informative library programs. Events scheduled for this fall include:

Monday, Oct. 15, 7:00 p.m. – *What's All That Stuff on My Ballot?*

Political pundit Kyle Melinn shares his expertise about the candidates and ballot issues we'll be voting on this November. Melinn is the news editor for MIRS, Michigan Information & Research Service, which provides comprehensive news and analysis of state government.

Tuesday, Oct. 16, 7:00 p.m. – *The Art of Tombstone Rubbing*

Join Jane and Dr. Wally Ewing for an insightful look at the art of tombstone rubbing. There has been a resurgence of interest in recent years in this unique way to preserve history and family genealogies.

Sunday, Oct. 21, 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. – *Music by the Fireplace*

Live music by the Benje Daneman Jazz Trio. Benje Daneman on trumpet, Jeremy Siskind on piano and Andrew Rathbun on sax will be performing jazz originals for your listening pleasure.

Wednesday, Oct. 24, 7:00 p.m. – *Ghost Stories: Tales and Treats for Adults*

Spine tingling tales by Ghost Writers authors Keith Taylor, Anne-Marie Oomen, and Elizabeth Schmuhl. Treats provided by Chocolates by Grimaldi. Pre-registration is requested. Register online at www.sllib.org or call 616.846.5770.

Monday, Oct. 29, Noon to 1:00 p.m. – *Ask the Lawyer*

Attorney Cara Fisher answers your questions about landlord and tenant issues. On your lunch hour? Bring your lunch and your questions to the library.

Wednesday, Nov. 7 & 14, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. – *The Art of Carving: From Wood to Feathers*

Join Terry Kipling for this two-part class where students will learn to carve and paint wooden feathers. All tools and materials will be provided. Pre-registration is required as seating is limited. A \$5 materials fee is payable at the first class on Nov. 7. Register online at www.sllib.org or call 616.846.5770.

Thursday, Nov. 8, 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. – *Medicare Part D Open Enrollment Assistance*

The North Ottawa County Council on Aging will be at the library to assist individuals with the process of choosing their Medicare Part D prescription insurance. A Medicare Part D worksheet must be completed to schedule an appointment, and appointments are required. Worksheets are available at the library.

Monday, Nov. 12, 10:30 a.m. – *Veteran's Day Gathering*

Veterans are invited to the library to enjoy live music by the Spring Lake High School Jazz Band. 89th District Rep. Amanda Price will speak, and veterans can share stories of their experiences with one another while enjoying coffee and doughnuts.

Monday, Dec. 3, 7:00 p.m. – *Holidays are for Chocolate*

Chef Howard Norris of the Artisan Cooking School is back with another fabulous chocolate recipe you can learn to make for family and friends this holiday season. Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.sllib.org or call 616.846.5770.

Sunday, Dec. 16, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. – *Music by the Fireplace*

Harpist Mary Wagner, a holiday favorite, is back for an encore performance. Take a break and treat yourself to a soothing and relaxing musical interlude at the library.

New Bedtime Storytime for the Whole Family

This fall a new storytime has begun at the Spring Lake District Library. Bedtime Storytime takes place every Tuesday evening from 7-7:30 p.m. If your family is busy at work or school during our morning Preschool Storytimes, Bedtime Storytime is a great opportunity to gather together for stories, songs, and fun. And of course, those who already attend Preschool Storytime or Toddler Time are welcome to join us for this evening storytime session too. We'll have all new stories and activities!

Bedtime Storytime is open to children of all ages who enjoy stories and music. This is a family storytime, so the more the merrier! Participants are also invited to bring a stuffed animal to cuddle and dance with and wear pajamas to get in the bedtime spirit.

Preschool Storytime also continues this fall and winter with sessions on Thursday and Friday mornings from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Preschool Storytime is recommended for children 3-6 years old and includes stories, songs, fun activities, and an art project.

For children 18-36 months, join us for Toddler Time on the first, fourth, and fifth Wednesdays of the month from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Enjoy a short session of stories, movement, and songs, followed by playtime and the opportunity to socialize with other toddlers and caregivers.

Brave @ Spring Lake District Library

Recover from your Thanksgiving feast by enjoying a free movie at the Spring Lake District Library. The library will be showing *Brave* on November 23rd starting at 2:00 p.m. Find out what happens when Merida, a skilled archer, causes chaos in her kingdom by defying an age old marriage custom. After consulting a witch for help, her family becomes cursed and Merida must find out how to break the spell before it's too late. *Brave* is rated G and runs 100 minutes. Children age 7 and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information about *Brave* or other movies at the Spring Lake District Library, visit our website at www.sllib.org.

Celebrate Halloween at the Spring Lake District Library

Spring Lake District Library will be celebrating Halloween with two special programs for kids. On Thursday, October 25th @ 4:00 p.m. children of all ages are invited to paint a pumpkin just in time for trick or treating. Pumpkins and paint will be provided and there is no pre-registration (limit 70).

On Saturday, October 27th @ 2:00 p.m., Darrin Brege and Karen Bell-Brege, the creators of some spooky children's books, will visit the library for a special Halloween author visit. Come meet the author and illustrator of the Mick Morris Myth Solver and Ghost Board Posse series and learn what it was like to create the cover art and illustrations for the original Michigan Chillers and American Chillers books. Participants will also get an opportunity to draw along with the Breges and learn to sketch some Halloween creatures of their own. Recommended for children ages 7-12.



Teen Read Week 2012

Spring Lake District Library will celebrate Teen Read Week (October 14-20, 2012) with special events and programs centered on this year's theme: It Came from the Library.

In honor of Teen Read Week, the Spring Lake District Library will be hosting a Book Spine Poetry Contest. Teens 10 and up can stack books using the titles on the spine to create a poem. Library books or books from home can be used, and theme, length, and format are entirely up to the creator. Need inspiration? Examples can be found in Youth Services.

A photo of each poem should be submitted to Youth Services either by emailing it to spleg@llcoop.org or tweeting it to @sldlibrary. Participants can also create their poem at the library and take a picture at the Youth Services desk. Name, age, and phone number should be included with each entry. Participants may enter once a day.

Each participant will receive a candy bar. Poems can be turned in October 8-20th. Entries will be displayed October 22 – 28 in Youth Services. Voting will take place during that time to determine the winning poem. The winner will be announced October 29 and will receive a \$30 gift card to Subway.

Other Teen Read Week events include the following:

October 14-20th – *Trivia Contest.*

Answer a library trivia quiz and get a sweet treat! (Working together is allowed.)

October 17th @ 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. – *Teen 'Escape.*

Show your library card and enter to win a Bookman gift certificate (ages 10 and older).

Teen Read Week is the national adolescent literacy initiative of the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA). Teen Read Week is sponsored by the Friends of the Spring Lake District Library. If you have questions about Teen Read Week or any other youth programs, please contact the library at 616-846-5770 x134, or visit our website: www.sllib.org.



You're Invited to an Elephant & Piggie Party

On December 27th, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., you are invited to a party – an Elephant and Piggie party! Join other fans of Mo Willems' popular early reader series to get silly at a party inspired by these two great friends.

Party-goers will hear a few favorite Elephant and Piggie stories, participate in goofy Elephant and Piggie activities and even enjoy a delicious treat. This program is recommended for children age 4 through 8 years old. Not familiar with the Elephant and Piggie books? We have them all in Youth Services and you still have plenty of time to prepare. Check one out and join the fun!

19th Annual Bookmark Contest at Spring Lake District Library

Show off your artistic talents and let everyone know how reading makes your world a brighter place! The Friends of the Spring Lake District Library are sponsoring the 19th annual Bookmark Contest for children in preschool through 8th grade from Oct. 1, through Oct. 27.

Children are invited to create a bookmark based on the theme, "Color Your World – Read!" or any theme related to books or reading. This year for the first time bookmark designs will be submitted and printed in full color so get out your markers and crayons! Entries are due by Saturday, October 27th at 5 p.m.

A panel of local artists will judge the entries, and prizes will be awarded for each of the grade levels. All bookmarks will be featured at the Spring Lake District Library during the month of November, and first place winners' bookmarks will be available at the library throughout the year.

Children's book author and illustrator Amy Young will give a short presentation at the bookmark awards party on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 2:00 p.m. Spring Lake Village Manager Christine Burns will also be present to help congratulate the winners.

Entry forms and contest rules are available at the library and at the local Spring Lake schools. For more information about Amy Young's books and illustrations, visit her website, amyyoungart.com.