

Library Matters

The official newsletter of the Dearborn Public Library

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THIS ISSUE'S QUOTE

"And so with the sunshine and the great bursts of leaves growing on the trees, just as things grow in fast movies, I had that familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer."

— F. Scott Fitzgerald,
The Great Gatsby

SUMMER READING PROGRAM BEGINS IN JUNE

Summer is approaching and soon school will be out. What better way to spend a summer than in the company of great books, and the Summer Reading Program at the Dearborn Public Library is the most fun and enjoyable way to do so.

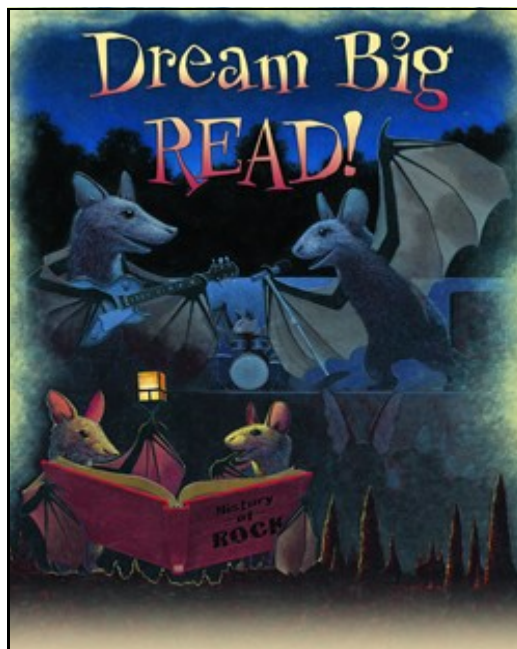


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Beginning June 18 and running through August 3, the library will offer various programs, events and

activities for children, teens and adults designed to enhance the enjoyment of reading during these special months of the year. Check out page 4 for currently-scheduled activities, and be sure to stop by the adult and children's reference desks for more up-to-date information.



The summer reading program will conclude with fun and games at the Summer Reading Wrap-Up Party at Henry Ford Centennial Library on Thursday, August 9 from 6-8 PM.



CLASSICS REVISITED WRAPS UP IN MAY

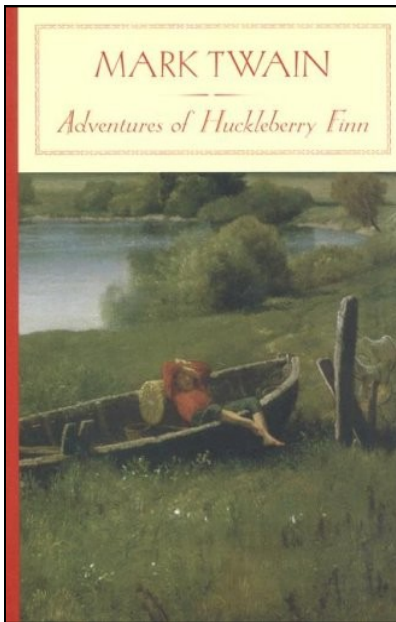
The free book discussion group “Classics Revisited” wraps up its current year on Wednesday, May 18 at the Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan Ave, with a discussion of Mark Twain’s *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*.

All meetings of this group are open to the public and no advance registration is required. The discussion will take place from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. in the Ford Collection Room. Multiple copies of *Huckleberry Finn* are available for checkout at all library branches. If interested, reserve your copy today! Further information on the book and its author is available through the Literature Resource Center database via the Online Resources page on the library’s website, dearbornlibrary.org.

And remember: even if you haven’t had a chance to read

the entire book, stop by anyway and there’s a good chance you’ll still get something out of the conversation. There will also be a prize raffle at the end of the session.

“Classics” will be on hiatus for the summer and will return in the fall.



FOLD BOOK SALES MAY-JULY

The regular monthly book sales sponsored by the Friends of the Library Dearborn (FOLD) will be held on the following upcoming dates:

Wednesday, May 2
(5 paperbacks for \$1!)

Wednesday, June 6

Wednesday, July 11

The sales will continue to take place in the lobby of the Henry Ford Centennial Library from 9:30 AM to 6 PM.



BLOCKBUSTERS, JR. SCREENING IN MAY

Join us on Monday, May 14 for the next in the “Blockbusters, Jr.” series of films that screen as part of the current Monday night Blockbusters schedule. The series encourages adult parents or caregivers to introduce young people to classic films by sharing a movie with their children. “Blockbusters Jr.” will consist of classics of various genres that are child-appropriate for ages 6 and up. The May film will be the classic musical *Singin’ in the Rain*.

This special screening will include popcorn and punch refreshment in the lobby along with free giveaways at the door. A craft related to the film will take place before the film, as well. Snacks must be eaten in the lobby; no food or drink is allowed in the auditorium or in the library.

The film begins at 7 PM in the Henry Ford Centennial Library auditorium. It is free and open to the public. The drop-in craft will be available from 5:30-6:30 PM. Although the event is focused on adults and their children, of course all are welcome to attend. Please see the spring Blockbuster schedule available at all Dearborn libraries for more information on this event and the rest of the spring series of free Monday night films.



MAY CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

All programming listed below will take place at the Henry Ford Centennial Library

Participants arriving more than 5 minutes after the scheduled program time will not be admitted. Due to space limitations, strollers may not be allowed inside the program room or the auditorium. Children must be the required age on or before the first date of the program. Residents and cardholders are given preference. Individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids, or services to attend or participate in these programs should contact their local library or TDD 313-943-2193. Reasonable advance notice is required.

STORYTIMES

Mother Goose Storytime / Ages 6-24 Months

Babies and toddlers are invited to their first literature experiences along with songs, fingerplays, and movement. One caregiver per child is recommended. Space is limited.

Registration begins April 27.
Please advise which session you wish to attend.

Fridays, May 11, 18, 25 @ 9:30am OR 10:45am

Tot Time / Ages 2-3 Years

Children with a caregiver are invited for stories, songs, and fun. Space is limited.

Registration begins April 26.
Please advise which session you wish to attend.

Thursdays, May 10, 17, 24, 31 @ 10:30am OR 11:30am

Preschool Storytime / Ages 3-5 Years / Thursdays, May 10, 17, 24, 31 @ 2:00pm

Join us for fun stories, fingerplays, and a craft. Caregivers must remain in the library. Space is limited. Registration begins April 26.

CRAFTS

Tween+ Craft: Recycled Book Flowers / Grades 4 & Up / Saturday, May 5 @ 2pm

"A rose by any other name..." Make your mom or yourself a bouquet of flowers from recycled books! Space is limited. Registration begins April 21.

Third Thursday Craft / All Ages / Drop-in-Craft / Thursday, May 17 / 11:00am – 7:00pm

Younger children may need adult assistance. Crafts are available while supplies last.

Flutterby, Butterfly... Come and make a colorful butterfly!

Golden Ticket Hunt / All Ages / May 7-11

We're taking a cue from Willy Wonka and hiding fifty Golden Tickets inside children's library books. Check out children's books during Children's Book Week for a chance to find a ticket. If you get lucky and find one, bring it to the Henry Ford Centennial Library Children's Help Desk and get a prize. To redeem your Golden Ticket, present your ticket and check-out receipt at the Henry Ford Centennial Library Children's Help Desk. Book must be checked out in order to redeem ticket. Tickets must be redeemed by May 18.

Lets Go to the Movies / All Ages / Saturday, May 19 / Craft @ 1:30pm, Movie @ 2pm

James and the Giant Peach (1996, PG, 79 min). No Registration, but space is limited. Join us for a craft in the Children's area & a movie in the auditorium.

EVENTS

KAPLAN Challenge Study Session / Grades 6+ / Saturday, May 5 @ 11:00am

Bring your calculator and a Ticonderoga No. 2 pencil to this 1-hour, 10-Question Challenge study session for the upcoming ACT. Registration begins April 21.

WANTED: Teens ages 13-17 looking for volunteer opportunities preparing crafts, stuffing bags, and assisting young children with crafts during the Summer Reading Program (June & July) at Henry Ford Centennial Library. Interested teens must view the volunteer video and fill out a volunteer application at: dearbornlibrary.org/volunteer/volunteer.htm.



SUMMER READING PROGRAMS

Summer Reading Program events are scheduled throughout June and July. Please stop by or call the Children's or Adult Reference desks or visit www.dearbornlibrary.org for more up-to-date information on programs and events as they are added. **All events take place at the Henry Ford Centennial Library.**

Let's Go to the Movies: Summer Edition

All Ages 2PM
Mondays, June 18-July 30
Take a break from summer fun and enjoy a family movie. Space is limited. No registration.

June 18

Meet the Robinsons

June 25

Night at the Museum

July 2

Kung Fu Panda

July 9

Monsters Inc.

July 16

Ratatouille

July 23

Princess and the Frog

July 30

Wallace and Gromit and the Curse of the Were-Rabbit

Dream Big—Tween Crafts

Grades 4+ 2PM
No younger siblings. Space is

limited. Registration begins the Monday before the craft.

June 22 – Glow in the Dark Book Covers

June 29 – Candle Craft

July 6 – Recycled CD Disco Balls

July 13 – Alien Pet Rocks

July 20 – Sharpie Tie Dye (**YOU MUST PROVIDE YOUR OWN ITEM TO TIE DYE**)

July 27 – Pony Bead Fireflies

Storytime.

Ages 2-6. Weather permitting, we'll meet by the fountain for storytime. Join us for stories songs and rhymes that celebrate our wildest dreams! All family members are welcome, but storytime is geared for children 2-6 years old. In the event of rain, storytime will be held indoors.

Thursdays, June 21-28,
July 12-August 2 10:30am

Family Walkabout

All Ages
June 26 & July 31 6:00 pm

Meet us outside near the Michigan Avenue entrance for a strolling storytime and nature activity. Strollers are encouraged. In case of rain, the program will be cancelled. No registration.

Chalk Fun

All Ages
June 18, July 2, & July 16 1-2 pm

Drop by to help us decorate the sidewalks for Summer Reading. Write a poem, draw a picture, or just play hopscotch in the afternoon sun. Cool off afterward with our 2pm Monday Matinee in the library. In case of rain, the program will be cancelled. No registration.

Teen Star Wars Party

Ages 13-17 only
July 18 2-3 pm

In a far away galaxy... the teens have the best one-day event of them all! Join us, you will, as we undergo Jedi training; hunt asteroids that threaten to destroy; rescue the princess; and eat our fair share of carbonite to save Han Solo. Huh?!! That's right. A snack is included. Registration begins July 3rd.



LIBRARY FOUNDATION SPRING MAILING CAMPAIGN

The Dearborn Public Library Foundation is again seeking support from the Dearborn community as they continue their work to enhance and preserve our excellent library system. In existence since 2005, the Foundation is seeking donations to help fund current and future projects at the Dearborn libraries. Past projects include renovation at Henry Ford Centennial Library of both the Children's Area and the Program Room, as well as the purchase of computers loaded with educational software programs for young children.

The annual spring mail campaign will soon be underway asking Dearborn residents for their support. Donations also can be made by picking up a full-color, tri-fold brochure at any library location or by visiting www.dearbornlibraryfoundation.org and clicking on "Make a Gift".



MOVIES WE LOVE

Essays by library staff on their favorite films

**Chinatown**

1974, 130 min.

About fifteen years ago, I took a large group of friends to the Detroit Film Theatre. The film was *Chinatown*, and not one of them had yet seen it. During dinner before the show, I took care to explain a little about the film, its basic story and the fact that it is widely considered a classic. I took great care, however, not to even remotely hint at what they could expect from the ending, which for my own ghoulish pleasure I did not want to spoil in order to see how they reacted to it. When the lights came up after the screening, they were all both dutifully impressed and also anxious to strangle me for not preparing them for one of the great shocker climaxes of all

time. Mission accomplished, I thought to myself.

For the uninitiated, the film stars Jack Nicholson as an L.A. private eye who becomes entangled in a web of murder, politics and the family secrets of one Evelyn Mulwray, who hires him to discover the murderer of her husband, a prominent city water official. And that's as much as you need to know going in; one of the great joys of this film (and I've seen it more than twenty times) is watching it slowly unravel to reveal the many layers of the forces at work against our hero, and how powerless he is to stop any of it.

Nicholson is terrific in the film; at the time of *Chinatown* he was at the height of his legendary run of performances, beginning with *Easy Rider* in 1969 and culminating with his Oscar-winning role in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* in 1975.

During that time he also created indelible characters in *Five Easy Pieces* and *The Last Detail*, but of all these riches it's his performance in *Chinatown* that may be my favorite. He is alternately clever and clueless, tough and sensitive, ahead of the game and hopelessly behind the curve.

Chinatown is one of the very rare "perfect" films; there is not a flaw to be found in the performances, the brilliantly twisted script by Robert Towne, the atmospheric Jerry Goldsmith score or the impeccable direction of Roman Polanski. It is a film that is as haunting and unforgettable as its final line.

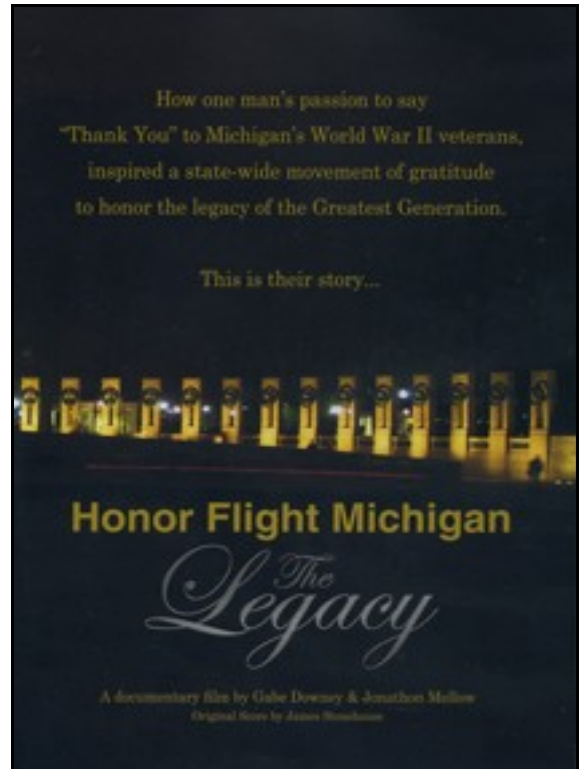
— Jeff Lelek

***Chinatown* will screen on Monday, July 16 as part of the regular Monday night Blockbusters free film series.**



HONOR FLIGHT FILM EVENT IN JULY

Join us at the Henry Ford Centennial Library auditorium on Monday, July 23 for a special screening of *Honor Flight Michigan: The Legacy*. The film, directed by Michigan natives Gabe Downey and Jonathan Mellow, follows the efforts of World War II veteran supporters as they work to arrange “Honor Flights” for vets to the war memorial in Washington, D.C. The screening will begin at 7:00 with a Q&A session with the filmmakers immediately following the screening. The film is family-friendly so be sure to bring the kids, grandkids and grandparents for this inspirational and moving event.



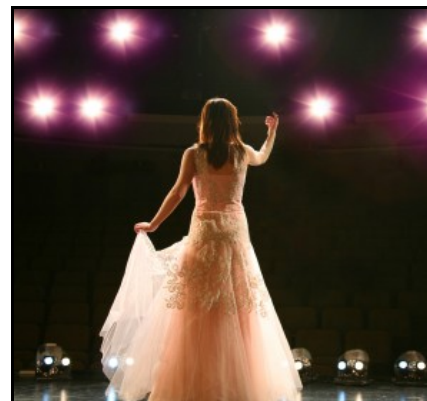
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BELLINI OPERA EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER

This summer, artists from the Bellini Opera Theatre will present the series “The Golden Age of Opera” at the Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium. These one-hour presentations featuring lecture and musical accompaniment will take place on Thursday, May 17, Thursday, June 14 and Thursday, July 19. All presentations begin at 7:00 p.m. and are free of charge. The lectures will cover more than 300 years of opera including composers such as Mozart, Rossini, Verdi and Puccini. The series is sponsored by the Friends of the Library-Dearborn (FOLD).



MUSIC WE LOVE

Essays by library staff on their favorite sounds

The Moody Blues

By Sarah Kalmoni



The Moody Blues is a great British rock band that has been making music since the 1960s. Their music style is unique because it brilliantly blends the pop, rock, classical and psychedelic genres creatively well. The Moody Blues is comprised of three essential members; Graeme Edge, Justin Hayward and John Lodge. The band was formed in 1964 and derived their name from a Duke Ellington song, called "Mood Indigo." There was also an M&B brewery at the time, whose initials inspired the Moody Blues' name.

We currently honor this wonderful band by carrying six of the following albums in our collection: ***On The Threshold Of A Dream***, ***In Search Of The Lost Chord***, ***Long Distance Voyager***, ***Voices In The Sky***, and ***Days of Future Passed***. ***On The Threshold Of A Dream*** has many great songs such as "Send Me No Wine", "Lovely To See You", "Dear Diary" and "Never Comes A Day". ***In Search Of The Lost Chord*** has nice songs such as "Ride My See-Saw", "Om", and "Voices In The Sky". ***Long Distance Voyager*** and ***Voices In The Sky*** also have special songs such as "Driftwood", "I'm Just A Singer (In A Rock and Roll Band)", "The Voice", "Question", and "Isn't Life Strange".

One of my favorite Moody Blues album, ***Days Of Future Passed***, is a masterpiece. We're

talking about an orchestra of beautifully arranged music with a theme taking us from dawn to twilight. Another special element to this album is the harmony of the back-up vocals. I can't imagine how long it took the band to complete this album, but it was well worth the wait. This album took a lot of work to accomplish, and they did it astonishingly well. The final song concluding this great album is the classic love ballad, "Nights In White Satin." You can feel the emotion in Justin Hayward's voice as he declares his love out to the world, with the passionate sounds of flutes in the background as well as the whole orchestra. It's one of the Moody Blue's most breathtaking compositions.

The Moody Blues is another gem in the river of gold. Once you see it and hear it for yourself, you can truly appreciate it. So the next time you want to enjoy some wonderful music, check out ***On The Threshold Of A Dream*** and ***Voices In The Sky***, located at Bryant Branch Library in the CDE section. ***In Search Of The Lost Chord***, ***Long Distance Voyager*** and ***Days of Future Passed*** are also available at Henry Ford Centennial Library in our CDE section.

Source:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moody_Blues



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VISION STATEMENT

“The Dearborn Public Library fosters the spirit of exploration, the joy of reading, and the pursuit of knowledge for all ages and cultures starting with the very young.”

MISSION STATEMENT

“The Dearborn Public Library provides a broad range of effective, courteous, quality services and a balanced collection of materials for the educational, informational and recreational needs of the community.”

LIBRARY HOURS

The libraries are now open regular hours throughout the month of May with summer hours beginning the week after Memorial Day according to the schedule below.

Henry Ford Centennial Library

16301 Michigan Ave. (313) 943-2330

Mon-Thurs 9:30-8:30

Friday 9:30-5:30

Saturday 9:30-5:30

Sunday 1-5

SUMMER HOURS: HFCL is closed on Saturdays and Sundays from June-August. Monday-Friday hours are unchanged.

Branch Libraries

Monday 12:30-8:30 Tuesday 12:30-8:30

Wednesday 10:30-5:30 Thursday 12:30-5:30

Friday CLOSED

Saturday 12:30-5:30

Sunday CLOSED

SUMMER HOURS: Branches will be closed on Saturdays and Sundays from June-August. Branch libraries will be open on Fridays from 12:30-5:30 during those months.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS:

The library will be closed on Sunday, May 27 and Monday, May 28 for Memorial Day.

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