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Everything Canton

www.everythingcanton.org

Want to find a local restaurant for lunch? Looking for a Mom's club in Canton? Try the library's new community information resource, **Everything Canton**, at www.everythingcanton.org.

At this one-stop website for all things Canton you can search the database, use one of the subject links for quick access to items like schools and restaurants or find answers to frequently asked questions about Canton. Either way, over 300 community resources are right here at your fingertips, each containing essential contact and address information as well as links to relevant web resources.

Make **Everything Canton** your first stop when looking for information about the community because, whether you are new to the area or just checking up on what Canton has to offer, the hard work is already done for you.

Help us make **Everything Canton** even better. Share your suggestions and comments with reference librarian Laura Fawcett at (734) 397-0999, fawcettl@cantonpl.org or use our online form at www.everythingcanton.org.

CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

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HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday & Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Sunday 12 noon to 6 p.m.

AirPAC: Wireless Access to the Canton Public Library Catalog

There's a brand new way to use the Canton Public Library catalog. First we introduced wireless networking, and now we've taken the technology a little further by introducing AirPAC, which offers connection to our catalog in the library or at remote locations using wireless devices like mobile phones and personal data assistants (PDAs).

AirPAC allows you to search the catalog and view patron-related information through MyAccount just like you would using a regular computer. With your name and library card number you can access MyAccount to view current activity, including items checked out and holds, or choose a variety of other options, right from your handheld device!

Viewing with AirPAC is easy because this smart system displays information in a format that best fits your screen. For example, a mobile phone will receive a minimal display to accommodate the smaller screen area, while AirPAC will send a larger display to a PDA with more screen area available.

To begin using AirPAC and take your library experience to another level, simply connect to www.airpac.cantonpl.org.

Explore Our Internet Branch
www.cantonpl.org

Cover to Cover

Looking for lively conversation and great reads? Why not join our monthly book discussions? Brown Bag it during Lunch and a Book, or enjoy an Evening Book Discussion sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Lunch and a Book

May 12 at 12 noon

The Kite Runner

by Khaled Hosseini:

This novel traces the unlikely friendship of a wealthy Afghan youth and a servant's son in a tale that spans the final days of the nation's monarchy through the atrocities of the present day.



June 9 at 12 noon

The Quality of Life

Report by Meghan

Daum: Seeking to

escape her life of

superficial styles and

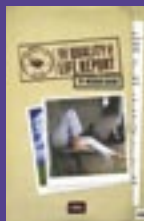
canned spirituality,

television lifestyle correspondent

Lucinda Trout moves to Prairie City,

where her conceptions about the

nation's heartland are put to the test.



Evening Book Discussions

May 16 at 7 p.m.

Empire Falls

by Richard Russo:

A Pulitzer Prize-winning

novel of blue collar life

in Empire Falls, Maine.

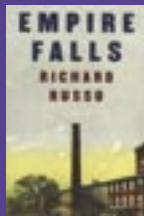
Miles Roby, a near-

owner of the Empire Grill, observes

the town's residents who occupy the

booths and stools of his small-town

restaurant.



June 20 at 7 p.m.

The Other Boleyn

Girl by Philippa

Gregory: Sibling rivalry,

greed and tragedy

unfold through the eyes

of Mary Boleyn, Henry

the VIII's mistress and Anne's younger

sister. Mary's children, born of her

love affair with Henry, become a

source of jealousy and manipulation.



A

ADULT

May is Older Americans Month

Many specialized services for older adults are available from the Canton Public Library, all designed for the unique needs and lifestyles of our older patrons. These are just a few of our many services for older adults — to see a complete list visit www.cantonpl.org/info/olderams.html.

BiFolkal Kits — These multi-sensory kits include touch cards, video presentations, music tapes and other fun activities. Ask at the Checkout Desk.

Wheelchair Accessible Internet Station — A 21-inch computer monitor with track ball mouse is located in the Web Express area.

Magnisight Reader — A machine that magnifies print to make it easier to read. Look for the reader in the Copy Center.

Audiobooks on Tape, CD, MP3 or Download from

www.cantonpl.org/ebook.html — Many of our older patrons enjoy listening to books; the library offers several different formats.

Computer Classes — Whether you're a beginner or have more advanced skills, the library has computer classes for every level. See page 6 for more information.

Learn to...With Friends

Learn to...Reduce Stress

Thursday, May 5 at 7 p.m.

The kids, the spouse, the in-laws, work, bills, deadlines — we all have stress.

Canton chiropractor Brian Brackney, D.C.

discusses the seven danger signs that

indicate when your body is under too

much stress. Dr. Brackney will also teach

“Trigger Point Therapy,” a natural method

of relieving tight, sore muscles, headaches,

back pain and stiffness. Participants will

have an opportunity to practice these

tension-reducing techniques.

Learn to...Cope With the

Kids Over the Summer —

Be Your Own Super Nanny

Thursday, June 2 at 7 p.m.

Debra Madonna, occupational therapist

and childbirth educator from St. Mary-

Mercy Hospital, presents the Love and

Logic approach to raising children. This

unique philosophy puts educators and

parents in control, and offers practical

ideas for empowering children so they

are prepared for everyday life. Spend

an evening discovering new, effective,

practical and fun strategies to raise

responsible, confident kids.

R

Adult Registration

Registration for Adult programs begins one week in advance of program date unless otherwise noted. Register in person or by calling (734) 397-0999.

All programs take place in the Community Room.

Friends, Authors & Others

The Orphan Train in Michigan

Thursday, May 19 at 7 p.m.

Over 12,500 orphans from New York and

Boston arrived in Michigan from 1854 to

1927. Historians and television producers

Al and David Eicher will present a moving

account of the orphans' adventures

through pictures and narratives depicting

their first arrival in Dowagiac through the

43 towns in Michigan that received the

trains until 1927.

Improving Your Memory:

How to Remember What You

Are Starting to Forget

Thursday, June 16 at 7 p.m.

Do you constantly forget birthdays, where

you put your keys or old acquaintances'

names? Lynn Stern, M.S.W., of UofM's

Turner Geriatric Clinic, will share tricks

to enhance your long and short-term

memory. She will also share her expertise

on aiding and coping with aging relatives

who experience these problems on a

daily basis. Don't forget to join us on June

16 for this practical advice!

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TEEN

2/4 Saturdays Open Mic

Open Mic at the Canton Public Library is an exciting new program for all poets, musicians, and performers. Plan to share your talents at this ongoing bi-weekly activity. The program runs from 2-6 p.m. every second and fourth Saturday, and you can come and go as you please. It takes place in our Community Room with coffee and snacks available for purchase in The Library Café. For more information contact Kevin Scanlon, teen librarian, at (734) 397-0999 or visit www.cantonpl.org/info/2-4satur.html. See you at 2/4 Saturdays!



Summer Reading 2005: Coming Soon!

Summer Reading doesn't start until the third week of June, but we're busy getting ready. Librarians will be visiting your school in May to talk about this year's exciting program. For details about Summer Reading 2005 visit the library, go to the Teen Place webpage at www.cantonpl.org/ya or check the next issue of *Connections*.

May Programs

- May 7** at 2 p.m. **Teen Advisory Board:** Join other teens to make a difference in Teen Place. This is a great opportunity to complete your volunteer hours for school.
- May 14 and May 28** at 2 p.m. **2/4 Saturdays Open Mic:** Calling all poets, musicians, and performers! Join us each second and fourth Saturday to show off your talents and exchange ideas with others. No registration or advance sign-up is necessary.
- May 26** at 7 p.m. **Make Relaxing Bath Salts:** Indulge yourself with a luxuriously silky bath that smells great.
- May 31** at 7 p.m. **Make a Busy Bee Summer Watering Can:** Celebrate the arrival of summer with this garden watering can.

June Programs

- June 7** at 7 p.m. **Teen Advisory Board:** Join other teens to make a difference in Teen Place. This is a great opportunity to complete your volunteer hours for school.
- June 9** at 7 p.m. **Make a Summer Breeze Wind Chime:** Enjoy the peaceful sounds of a wind chime on your porch or deck.
- June 11 and June 25** at 2 p.m. **2/4 Saturdays Open Mic:** Calling all poets, musicians, and performers! Join us each second and fourth Saturday to show off your talents and exchange ideas with others. No registration or advance sign-up is necessary.

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Teen Registration

Registration for Teen programs begins one week in advance of program date unless otherwise noted. Register in person or by calling (734) 397-0999.

Book and Pizza Club

Join our monthly teen reading club for great books, lively discussion and a tasty pizza feast!

May 14 at 12 noon
A Child Called "It"
by Dave Pelzer: A boy struggles to survive in a world where he is no longer considered a boy, but an "it."



June 11 at 12 noon
Catalyst by Laurie Halse Anderson: Eighteen-year-old Kate, who sometimes chafes at being a preacher's daughter, finds herself losing control in her senior year as she faces difficult neighbors, the possibility that she may not be accepted by the college of her choice, and an unexpected death.



Teen Tuesdays

Hang out Tuesday afternoons from 3-5 p.m. for fun, games, crafts and snacks.

Chess Club

Join us every Thursday from 4-6 p.m. for open chess play.



CHILDREN

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Children's Registration

Register in person or by calling (734) 397-0999. Due to popular demand, the first three days of program registration are reserved for Canton residents only. Non-residents may register starting on day four. Programs not requiring registration are open to all children.

www.cantonpl.org

Summer Reading 2005: Dragons, Dreams & Daring Deeds

Educators consider summer a critical time for developing life-long reading habits, maintaining literacy skills and promoting reading for pleasure.

How can you motivate your kids to keep reading all summer long?

Have them join Summer Reading at the Canton Public Library, a unique and fun program that encourages participation from readers of all ages and abilities. This year's theme, *Dragons, Dreams and Daring Deeds*, will keep even the most reluctant reader excited all summer long by offering enticing rewards like games, crafts, prizes and special events. There's a reading level for everyone:

Listeners: a Read-To-Me program for children who enjoy reading together with parents and other caregivers

Readers: entering 1st-3rd grade

X-treme Readers: entering 4th-6th grade

For more details on Summer Reading please visit the Children's Information Desk. Registration begins June 20 and continues through August.



Books for Girls and Boys

Children develop most of their learning and reading habits at home where the best environment to encourage reading provides easy access to books and the time to enjoy them. When kids choose their own books reading becomes a pleasant and rewarding experience, but if your child needs help choosing something to read, a children's librarian is always glad to help. Here are some of our favorites:

For Boys

Ages 4-6

The Mysterious Tadpole

by Steven Kellogg

Billy Bean's Dream by Simone Lia

Froggy series by Jonathan London

Dogzilla by Dav Pilkey

The True Story of the Three

Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka

No, David! by David Shannon

Ages 7-9

Cam Jansen series by David Adler

Franny K. Stein, Mad Scientist series

by Jim Benton

Frindle by Andrew Clements

Stone Fox by John Gardiner

Homer Price by Robert McCloskey

The Reluctant Dragon

by Robert San Souci

Ages 10-12

Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer

The Watsons Go to Birmingham

— 1963 by Christopher Paul Curtis

Captain Underpants series

by Dav Pilkey

There's a Boy in the Girls'

Bathroom by Louis Sachar

Series of Unfortunate Events series

by Lemony Snicket

For Girls

Ages 4-6

Miss Nelson is Missing!

by Harry Allard

Annie and the Wild Animals

by Jan Brett

Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman

Angelina Ballerina series

by Katherine Holabird

Babushka's Doll by Patricia Pollacco

Eloise by Kay Thompson

Ages 7-9

Ramona the Pest by Beverly Cleary

I, Amber Brown by Paula Danzinger

Judy Moody by Megan McDonald

Sarah, Plain and Tall

by Patricia MacLachlan

Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park

Ages 10-12

The True Confessions of

Charlotte Doyle by Avi

The Secret Garden

by Frances Hodgson Burnett

Because of Winn-Dixie

by Kate DiCamillo

Ida B: And Her Plans to Maximize

Fun, Avoid Disaster, and

(Possibly) Save the World

by Katherine Hannigan

May and June Programming

Storytimes

Children 18 Months & Not Yet 3 Years Old

A half-hour program of simple stories, fingerplays and songs for toddlers accompanied by a caregiver. No storytimes on Monday, May 30. Make up date is Monday, June 6. Registration begins Tuesday, April 26 after 9 a.m. in person or by phone.

Dates: **May 2 - June 2**
Times: Mondays, 10:30 a.m. or 7 p.m.
Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. or 7 p.m.
Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.
Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

Children 3 Years Old

A half-hour program of stories, fingerplays, and action songs for three-year-olds accompanied by a caregiver. No storytimes on Monday, May 30. Make up date is Monday, June 6. Registration begins Tuesday, April 26 after 9 a.m. in person or by phone.

Dates: **May 2 - June 2**
Times: Mondays, 9:30 a.m.
Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.
Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. or 7 p.m.
Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. or 7 p.m.

Reading Readiness Center

Come explore sensory activities, puzzles, nesting and matching games, alphabet cubes, flip books and the LeapPad Learning System with your young child. Registration not required.

Ages: Birth to age 5 and a caregiver
Dates & Time: **Fridays, May 6 - June 10**, 10 a.m.-12 noon

Internet Training for Kids

Beginner

During this half-hour session children learn the basics of the Internet, how to use it and how to stay safe. Registration begins Saturday, May 14 after 9 a.m. in person or by phone.

Ages: 7-9 years old
Dates & Times: **Saturday, May 7**, 2 p.m. or
Tuesday, May 10, 7 p.m.

Internet Training for Kids, Continued

Advanced Training

This half-hour session is designed for older children who use the Internet to research topics for school. Site evaluation and searching tips will be taught. Registration begins on Saturday, May 14 after 9 a.m. in person or by phone.

Ages: 9-12 years old
Dates & Times: **Saturday, May 21**, 2 p.m. or
Tuesday, May 24, 7 p.m.

Family Fun Night

Join us for an unforgettable night of puppets, songs, crafts and food. Registration begins on Wednesday, May 11 after 9 a.m. in person or by phone.

Ages: 5-11 years old and caregiver
Date & Time: **Wednesday, May 18**, 7-7:45 p.m.

Book Buddies

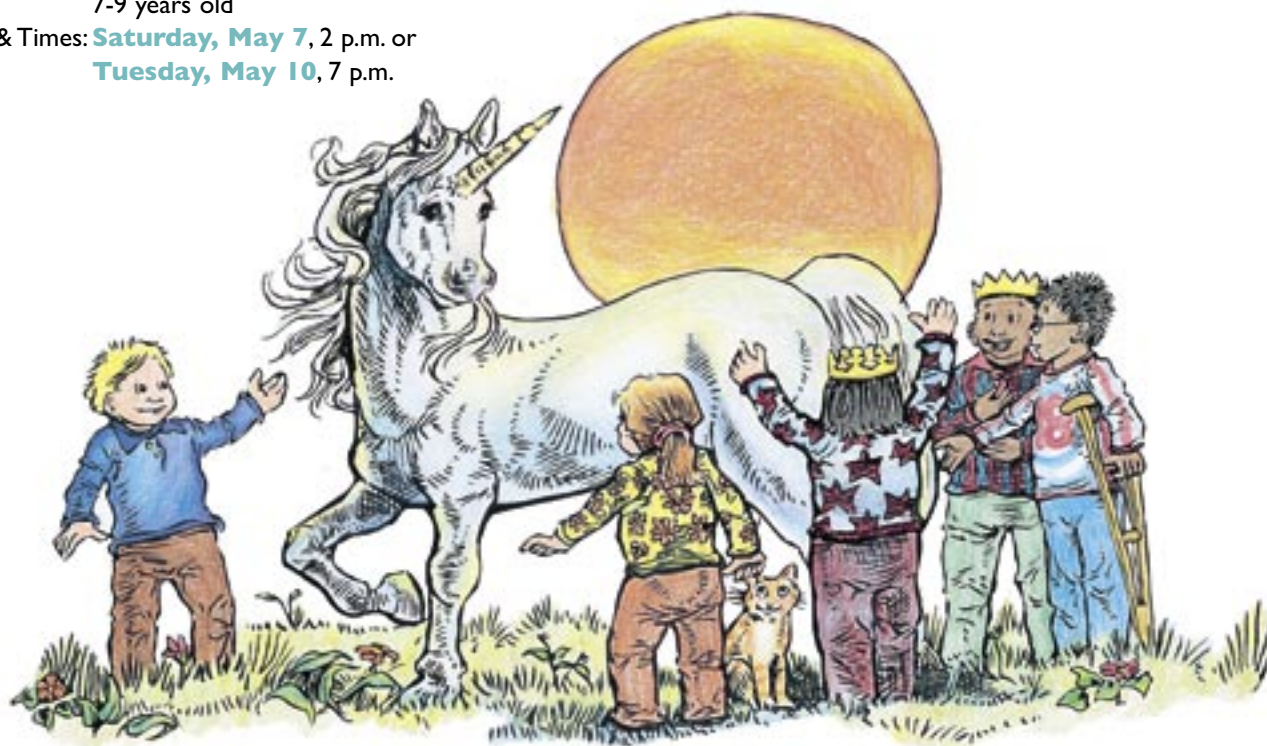
Get together with other kids, enjoy a snack and talk about the book *Landry News* by Andrew Clements. Register and pick up a copy of the book at the Children's Information Desk beginning Monday, May 2.

Ages: 4th & 5th graders
Date & Time: **Thursday, May 19**, 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Kid's Club

Share ideas about good books, play games and work on other fun activities. A snack will be provided. Registration begins Saturday, May 28 after 9 a.m. in person or by phone.

Ages: 4th & 5th graders
Date & Time: **Saturday, June 4**, 2-3 p.m.



R**Computer Class Registration**

All classes are for adult Canton library card holders only. Register in person or by calling the library at (734) 397-0999. All classes are free. However, a \$5.00 fee will be assessed if you register for a class but are unable to attend and do not contact the library 24 hours prior to the class time. Registration begins Monday, May 2.

Computer Classes**Excel I****May 21**, 9:30-11 a.m.

Learn the basics of Excel including how to navigate the Excel environment, formatting text and numbers, and creating a basic spreadsheet. Prerequisite: Mouse and keyboarding skills.

Excel II**June 4**, 9:30-11 a.m.

Expand your Excel skills and learn about formulas, charts, and printing. Prerequisite: Excel I or equivalent.

Internet I**May 18**, 7-8 p.m. or**June 10**, 10-11 a.m.

This class focuses on the basic features of Internet Explorer. Prerequisite: Mouse skills or equivalent.

Internet II**June 1**, 2-3 p.m.

Unearth a wealth of information by learning how to better search the Web, the library catalog and online databases. Prerequisite: Internet I.

Mouse Skills**May 20**, 10-11 a.m.

If you have never used a computer mouse before, this beginners-only class will guide you in mastering basic skills.

MS Word Tricks**May 11**, 7-8:30 p.m.

Discover how to create envelopes and labels and how to mail-merge a list of addresses using MS Word. Prerequisite: MS Word (Beginning) or equivalent.

**Copy Center Resources**

At the Canton Public Library you have convenient access to many business and computing services, and a helpful Library Assistant is always there to assist you.

Fee

Photocopiers:

black/white \$.10, color \$.50

Computer printer:

black/white \$.10, color \$.50

Fax service:

\$1.00/page to send, \$.10/page to receive

Microform machines

(to print from back issues of magazines and newspapers): \$.10/page

Free

Scanner

Computers with various memory devices:

floppy discs, CDs, flash drives and Zip drives

Computers with Microsoft Office software:

spreadsheets, word processing, databases and presentations

Typewriter

Change machine

Tax forms available during tax season

Magnisight magnifying reader for the visually impaired

New Technology @ the Library**View Library Events Online****www.calendar.cantonpl.org**

Now you can find out exactly what's going on at the library at any time by visiting the library's new online calendar.

USB Ports for Flash Drives

Bring your flash drive to the library, plug it in, and you're ready to go. It's that easy!

Download Audiobooks Online**www.cantonpl.org/ebook.html**

Get audiobooks from the library when and where it's convenient for you — all you need is an Internet connection and your library card number. With the library's new Overdrive audiobooks collection you can download and listen to audiobooks on your computer, most PDA and MP3 devices or even burn to a CD. Listening to audiobooks has never been so convenient.

Worth a Click**www.npr.org**

National Public Radio: NPR celebrates its 24th anniversary on May 3. This highly regarded source for news and entertainment includes audio reports, plus online "extras" and extended interviews.

www.allfood.com

All Food: Browse hundreds of recipes, including many in its "20 Minute Meals" section. Also, there are reviews of the best food sites on the Internet, organized according to food and meal types.

www.soulfuldetroit.com

Soulful Detroit: Spotlighted here are record companies from the soul music scene in Detroit dating back to the late 1950s. There's Motown, of course, but so many more.

www.straightdope.com

The Straight Dope: While it may not be your first stop when seeking reference help, The Straight Dope is certainly entertaining. And now we know how peanuts can be salted while they're still in their shells.

Calendar of Connections

May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 April showers bring... May flowers! Find green-thumb resources at www.cantonpl.org/special/garden.html .		3 Teen Tuesday 3pm	4	5 Learn to... Reduce Stress 7pm [®] Chess Club 4pm	6 Reading Readiness Center 10am	7 Internet (beg.) 2pm [®] Teen Advisory Board 2pm
8 Closed for Mother's Day	9	10 Teen Tuesdays 3pm Internet (beg.) 7pm [®]	11 MS Word Tricks 7pm [®]	12 <i>The Kite Runner</i> 12 noon Chess Club 4pm	13 Reading Readiness Center 10am	14 <i>A Child Called "It"</i> 12 noon 2/4 Saturdays Open Mic 2pm
15	16 <i>Empire Falls</i> 7pm	17 Teen Tuesday 3pm	18 Family Fun Night 7pm [®] Internet I 7pm [®]	19 Chess Club 4pm Book Buddies 4:30pm [®] <i>The Orphan Train</i> in MI 7pm [®] Library Board 7:30pm	20 Reading Readiness Center 10am Mouse Skills 10am [®]	21 Excel I 9:30am [®] Internet (adv.) 2pm [®]
22	23	24 Teen Tuesdays 3pm Internet (adv.) 7pm [®]	25	26 Chess Club 4pm Make Bath Salts 7pm [®] Library Tour 7pm	27 Reading Readiness Center 10am	28 2/4 Saturdays Open Mic 2pm
29 Closed for Memorial Weekend	30 Closed for Memorial Day	31 Teen Tuesdays 3pm Make Watering Can 7pm [®]	1 Internet II 2pm [®]	2 Chess Club 4pm Learn to... Cope With the Kids Over the Summer 7pm [®]	3 Reading Readiness Center 10am	4 Excel II 9:30am [®] Kid's Club 2pm [®]

June

5	6	7 Teen Tuesdays 3pm Teen Advisory Board 7pm	8	9 <i>The Quality of Life</i> Report 12 noon Chess Club 4pm Make Wind Chime 7pm [®]	10 Internet I 10am [®] Reading Readiness Center 10am	11 <i>Catalyst</i> 12 noon 2/4 Saturdays Open Mic 2pm
12	13	14 Teen Tuesday 3pm	15	16 Chess Club 4pm Improving Your Memory 7pm [®] Library Board 7:30pm	17	18 Closed for Liberty Fest
19 Closed for Father's Day	20 <i>The Other Boleyn Girl</i> 7pm	21 Teen Tuesday 3pm	22	23 Chess Club 4pm Library Tour 7pm	24	25 2/4 Saturdays Open Mic 2pm
26	27	28 Teen Tuesday 3pm	29	30 Chess Club 4pm		

Summer Reading

**Dragons, Dreams
& Daring Deeds**

**Registration
Starts
Monday, June 20!**

[®] Registration Required

- Internet
- Adult
- Teen
- Children

Program Registration Information

For more information on all programs listed on the calendar, please refer to the corresponding Adult, Children, Teen or Internet sections of the newsletter. You may register in person or by calling (734) 397-0999. Only program start times are listed on the calendar.

Children's Storytimes

Due to space limitations, children's storytimes are not included on the calendar. Please refer to page 5 of the newsletter for dates, times and registration requirements for children's storytimes.

Wal-Mart of Canton recently made a generous \$1,000 donation to the Canton Public Library Endowment Fund.

— Thank You!

The Library is Closed — Where is My Child?

For their safety, children left at the library after it closes are taken to the Canton police station located north of the library at 1150 S. Canton Center Road. If they need to call you when they're ready to be picked up, there is a pay phone located in the library lobby, so be sure to provide them with money to place the call. Please help us keep your kids safe by planning to pick up your children before the library closes.

Canton Public Library Board of Trustees

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Library Closings

Sunday, May 8 Mother's Day
Sunday, May 29 Memorial Weekend
Monday, May 30 Memorial Day
Saturday, June 18 Liberty Fest
Sunday, June 19 Father's Day

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FRIENDS

Secondhand Prose Monthly Specials

May
Hardback Fiction
Buy Two, Get One Free!

June
Unbook Sale
CDs, Tapes, Videos, DVDs and CD-ROMs are 1/2 price!

What Do We Do With All Those Books?

Thousands of books are donated to the Friends of the Canton Public Library each month. Stop by the sheltered book drop-off area at the back of the library and you will often see dozens of boxes filling the shelves. Friends volunteers spend hours sorting through these boxes and deciding which books can fill gaps in the library's collections, or more often, can be resold in the library's used bookstore, Secondhand Prose.

After making allocations to the library shelves and the Secondhand Prose inventory, there are often many excellent books that need a good home. Any leftover paperback books are donated to "Books for Troops," a nonprofit group that boxes and ships books to U.S. military troops stationed overseas.

By simply adding your box to the Friends donation shelves, you help support a number of Friends programs. Through sales in Secondhand Prose, the Friends provide library programming for adults, teens and children, as well as artwork for the building, technical equipment for patrons and enhancement of the Michigan history, multicultural and women's special collections.

The next time you clean out a bookshelf or organize the basement, consider donating those books to the Friends of the Canton Public Library and take pride in the far-reaching effect of your contribution.

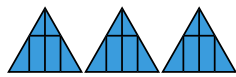
What donations do we accept for the library?

We can accept:

- Hardback and Paperback Books
- Videos
- CDs
- DVDs
- Audiotapes
- Computer Software
- Puzzles and Games (intact)

We are unable to accept:

- Magazines
- Records
- Reader's Digest Books
- Books with Covers Missing
- Dirty, Moldy, Buggy or Smelly Books
- Computer Hardware
- Text Books Older Than 5 Years
- Encyclopedias Older Than 8 Years



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