

USED BOOK SALE

Saturday, October 22
Sunday, October 23

Members Only: 9-10; Public: 10-5:30
Public: 1-4:00

Members get a free book! Come early for the best choices

FALL USED BOOK SALE

Leaves are falling, furnaces are creaking to life, and the Friends of the Trenton Veterans Memorial Library are getting ready to sell some books! On Saturday, October 22nd, and Sunday, October 23rd we'll have a wide variety of fiction, non-fiction, hardcover, paperback, movies and music for adults and children. Get ready for the long dark season with a stack of new (to you) books.



All proceeds from the book sale are used by the Friends of the Trenton Veterans Memorial Library to fund library programs and purchase library materials and equipment.

ANNUAL MEETING

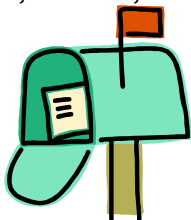
Our annual general meeting and the election of the Friends of the Library Board of Directors will take place on Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the library's Local History room. Everyone is welcome and members are encouraged to vote in the election.

If you are interested in being nominated for a position on the board, please submit a letter to the Election Committee by October 16th through the address listed below under "Contact Us".

Directors plan and organize activities, raise funds, and vote on the dispersal of those funds for the library. If you prefer not to commit to monthly meetings, we'd still love to have your help during our book sales twice a year.

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OCTOBER: TIME TO CELEBRATE BOOK CLUBS!

October is National Reading Group Month – the perfect time to revitalize the reading group you're in, join one for the first time, or start one yourself! Sponsored by the Women's National Book Association (WNBA, not to be confused with those really tall women dribbling balls), the month's purpose is to recognize the value of shared reading and promote reading groups.

It's also a perfect time to "get your nose out of that book" and see what else is going on in our area. The Detroit chapter of the WNBA is sponsoring a National Reading Group Month Celebration featuring authors Bonnie Jo Campbell and Samuel Park on Sunday, October 9th. For details, as well as other events that might make for a good book club field trip, visit www.wnba-books.org/detroit.

Check out www.nationalreadinggroupmonth.org for book lists for groups in need of a jump start or fresh material.



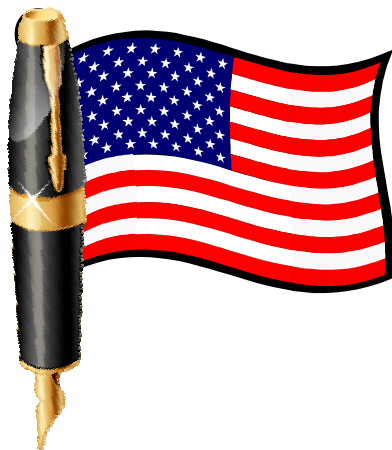
DID YOU WRITE THAT NOVEL YET?

Regular readers may remember that last October we notified you that November is National Novel Writing Month. If you didn't get around to it last year, you've got another chance! No pressure -- the philosophy of National Novel Writing Month (known to its devotees as NaNoWriMo) is quantity over quality. Just get 50,000 words out of your head and into the world between November 1st and 30th.

Use the www.nanowrimo.org website to get started. It offers community, pep talks from published authors, and tools to get you past the writer's block. If you upload your novel of at least 50,000 words by the end of the month, you'll be added to the official "winners" roster. And if you aren't on that list this year? We'll be sure to provide a gentle nudge in 2012, too!

BANNED BOOKS WEEK: FOCUSING ON OUR FREEDOMS

September 24 – October 1, 2011



"My mother and father were illiterate immigrants from Russia. When I was a child they were constantly amazed that I could go to a building and take a book on any subject. They couldn't believe this access to knowledge we have here in America. They couldn't believe it was free."

-- Kirk Douglas, actor

The American Library Association (ALA) sponsors Banned Books Week each year to remind us of the importance of intellectual freedom, access to information, and the meaning of the First Amendment. It's a call, in their words, to "think for yourself and let others do the same."

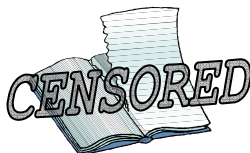
The ALA releases an annual list of the most frequently challenged books across the country. (Challenged means there were attempts to restrict or ban them, though the attempts may or may not have been successful.)

Top Ten List of Frequently Challenged Books in 2010

- And Tango Makes Three, by Peter Parnell and Justin Richardson
- The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian, by Sherman Alexie
- Brave New World, by Aldous Huxley
- Crank, by Ellen Hopkins
- The Hunger Games, by Suzanne Collins
- Lush, by Natasha Friend
- What My Mother Doesn't Know, by Sonya Sones
- Nickel and Dime: On (Not) Getting by in America, by Barbara Ehrenreich
- Revolutionary Voices, edited by Amy Sonnie
- Twilight, by Stephenie Meyer

(Source: American Library Association's Office for Intellectual Freedom)

For more information on these and other challenged or banned books, visit www.bannedbooksweek.org or www.ala.org.



KID STUFF

Budget tight? Luckily, there are plenty of free activities this fall for kids, teens and families at the library.

Super Saturday Movies

Join us for family movies on select Saturdays. We'll be showing fantastic recent releases FREE for the whole family. Due to our screening agreement, we can't advertise the titles, but we can give you hints!

October 8th: Adorable puppy friends are in a spooky situation...can these furball pals save the world?

November 12th: Talking automobiles, the sequel

December 10th: The final chapter in the saga of a certain well-known English wizard

Movies start at 2 p.m. Please note that all children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian during the movie.

Creepy Crafts

Children ages 4 and up can join us on Monday, October 17th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. to make an awesome paper plate pumpkin!

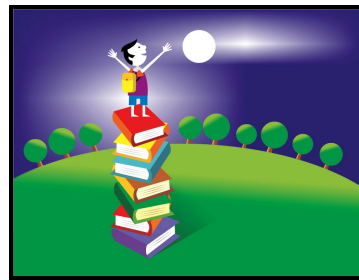
Registration is required and begins Monday, October 3rd. Registration accepted in person, phone or email: Suzanne Street, Youth Services Librarian ssstreet@trenton.lib.mi.us (734) 676-9777

This program is paid for by the Friends of the Trenton Library and children of all abilities are welcome.

Screams for Teens

A special Halloween craft session just for teens will take place on Monday, October 10th from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

On Thursday, November 17th, the Teen Advisory Council (YAC) will meet to help plan teen events throughout the year. All book-loving teens are welcome, and refreshments will be served. Event time is 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.



"The closest we will ever come to an orderly universe is a good library."

-- Ashleigh Brilliant, author and syndicated cartoonist

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