

**Salem-South
Lyon District
Library**

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"Imagine the Possibilities"



**Winter
2010**

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Upcoming Author Events

Local Children's Author Event Saturday, February 20; 1:00-3:00 PM

Bring the whole family and enjoy refreshments while you mingle with local children's authors. The authors will give a brief reading and overview of their books that will then be available for sale and signing. Authors will include: Matthew Ball, Maria Dismondy, Ellen May Moody, and Phyllis Russell-Gilmer.

Alaskan Adventure Family Author Night Wednesday, March 3; 6:30-8:00 PM

Bring the whole family to meet and greet author Pam Flowers. This award winning author has written several books about her sled dog adventures across Arctic America. Come listen to her fascinating stories; books will be available for sale and signing. Please RSVP!

How do you spell P-a-s-s-i-o-n-a-t-e?

Ask any one of us at SSLDL and you'll discover what we have in common: We are passionate about library service! We truly love welcoming you into the library and we hope you'll join us as we *Imagine the Possibilities!* Your library is vital to the community. That is why I am asking you to include the Salem-South Lyon District Library on your annual giving list. Your contribution is particularly important at this time of economic uncertainty.

Your contribution, no matter what the amount, helps us continue SSLDL's tradition of cutting-edge technology, up-to-date materials and information to the residents of Salem Township, the City of South Lyon and Green Oak Township.

Here are some ideas:

- 💡 Buy an engraved brick for that special someone and support the library's Lasting Legacy Brick Campaign (\$100 or \$250)
- 💡 Purchase a 3-D Library Keepsake Ornament (\$10)
- 💡 Purchase a magazine subscription for a year
- 💡 Give a "Gift Tribute" toward purchase of a book, DVD, or music CD to recognize a special person or event
- 💡 Make a donation toward one of the library's big projects: 1.) Generator (to power the library during our many power outages) 2.) LED Road Sign (to advertise MORE of the cool things at SSLDL)
- 💡 Use the Amazon Associates link from the library webpage when purchasing items through Amazon.com- prices stay the same for you, and the library receives a commission.

Donations can be made in cash, check (made out to SSLDL), or conveniently charged online at <http://ssldl.info/?q=node/717> using VISA or MasterCard. Your donations are meaningful and lasting gifts that make a difference in our community.

Thank you for supporting your library,
Doreen Hannon, Library Director

The Library is located at:
9800 Pontiac Trail
South Lyon, MI 48178
(On the Southeast corner of
8 Mile Road and
Pontiac Trail)
Phone: (248) 437-6431
www.ssldl.info
Library Hours:

Monday—Thursday 9am-9pm
Friday-Saturday 10am-5pm
Closed Sunday

Please call (248)437-6431, register at www.ssdli.info/events, or stop by the library to register for any programs. All programs are pre-paid with your tax dollars.



COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

Computers 101: 3-Day Crash Course

This class is for true beginners. Please RSVP!
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
January 4, 5, 6 at 1:00 PM

Farewell to Floppies

Friday, January 8 drop in anytime between 10:00 AM-4:30 PM. Out with the old and in with the new. Let the library help you move your files from those fidgety floppy disks to a reliable USB Flash Drive. Bring in your own USB Flash Drive or purchase one from the library and let us take care of the rest.

eBay Basics

Thursday, January 14 from 6:00-7:00 PM
Presented by Jillian Essenmacher. Learn what eBay is, how to use it, what to look for in a buyer and seller, how to use PayPal and much more in this beginners eBay class.



Library Technology Sale

Used computer equipment will be on sale at the library from January 20th – 22nd. This includes: used computers, monitors, printers, routers and more. First come first served and all equipment is sold as is.

Introduction to Excel

Friday, January 22 from 1:00-2:00 PM
Friday, March 19 from 10:00-11:00 AM
Presented by Mary Kelly. Learn spreadsheet basics, such as using formulas, how to input data, and how to create charts. Please RSVP!

Technology Overload

Thursday, February 11 at 1:00-2:00 PM
Presented by Garrett Hungerford. Learn how to manage email, pictures and other digital files along with tips and tricks when looking for information on the web.

FINANCIAL PROGRAMS

Portfolio Strategies: Stocks, Bonds, Annuities, and More

Please RSVP!
Tuesday, January 5 from 6:30-7:30 PM
Tuesday, February 2 from 6:30-7:30 PM
Tuesday, March 9 from 6:30-7:30 PM
NFI Advisors, Inc. will cover Portfolio Development Strategies with Guaranteed Principal, Historical returns above the S&P Indexes and a process that will ensure you a retirement income you can't live without.

Job Loss & Search

Wednesday, January 13 from 6:30-7:30 PM
Presented by H&R Block. This program provides an explanation of what expenses are deductible when searching for a new job and what unemployment benefits are taxable. Please RSVP!



H&R BLOCK

ROTH IRA Conversions: What You Need To Know

Thursday, January 21 from 6:30-7:30 PM
Thursday, February 18 from 6:30-7:30 PM
Tuesday, March 30 from 6:30-7:30 PM
Presented by Daniel Tacker of NFI Advisors, Inc. & America's IRA Centers. What's the difference between a traditional tax-deferred IRA and a Roth IRA? Learn how to determine if you should convert to a Roth IRA. Learn all these things and more in this comprehensive workshop. Please RSVP!

Weathering Stormy Investment Seas

Thursday, January 21 from 6:30-7:30 PM
Thursday, February 18 from 6:30-7:30 PM
Thursday, March 18 from 6:30-7:30 PM
Are you comfortable with your investments during these stormy times in the market? Kurt Ebel, of First Investors Corporation, will talk about investing during these rough economic times. Please RSVP!

7 Financial Habits of Healthy People

Thursday, February 4 from 6:30-7:30 PM
Discussion will include: financial priorities for men and women and how they differ, seven habits that can lead to better health, and getting started on a program that's right for you. The workshop will be conducted by Michael Mottes of Northwestern Mutual Financial Network.

Energy Efficiency

Please RSVP!
Tuesday, February 23 from 6:30-7:30 PM
Presented by H & R Block. Come learn all about home energy credits from the experts.

Michigan Greenspace Seminar: Save Money on your Utilities Now

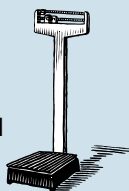
January 5 and 12 from 7:00-8:30 PM
February 2 and 23 from 7:00-8:30 PM
March 9 and 23 from 7:00-8:30 PM
Information on energy audits, and free tips on how to save energy will be provided. Please RSVP!

HEALTH RELATED PROGRAMS

Label Reading:

What do all those numbers mean?

Monday, January 4 from 6:00-7:00 PM
Presented by Dr. Paula Ruffin. Don't be duped into thinking a product is healthy! What you don't know CAN hurt you. Learning how to read food labels is essential to choosing the right foods for a healthy lifestyle. Please RSVP!



Lifelong Weight Management

January 7, 14, 21, 28 from 6:30-8:30 PM
February 4, 11, 18, 25 from 6:30-8:30 PM
March 4, 11 from 6:30-8:30 PM
Presented by Bob Benson. This ten-part program is based on current scientific research with two goals: a lifetime of weight management and improved health. Handouts reinforce each presentation and record progress. Please RSVP!

Real World Eating

Thursday, January 28 from 6:00-7:00 PM
Presented by Dr. Paula Ruffin. Learn how to eat for your health in restaurants, at work, or just about anywhere it seems impossible to have a healthy meal. Please RSVP!

**SIGN UP FOR PROGRAMS
ONLINE AT:
WWW.SSLDL.INFO/EVENTS
OR CALL 248-437-6431 TODAY!**

MISC. PROGRAMS

Breakfast & Learn Business Event

Wednesday, January 13 from 8:00-10:00 AM
Co-Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Breakfast will be served as you learn about the library's business resources, including online databases, reference books, and services provided to the business community. Let us help you with your business planning, budgeting, management, marketing, and other research needs, and learn about technology solutions that will make your business more efficient. You'll be amazed at what your local library has to offer. Please RSVP!

Oscar Trivia

Saturday, March 6 from 1:00-2:00 PM (grade 9-adult)
Test your film knowledge by playing our Jeopardy-style Oscar trivia game. Enjoy an afternoon of fun, excitement, prizes and refreshments. Please RSVP!

Vaccinations and Your Child's Health

Wednesday, February 17
from 6:00-7:00 PM Please RSVP!
Presented by Dr. Paula Ruffin. Are they really safe and effective? Do you have all the information regarding vaccines to truly make an informed decision? Are you aware of the toxic substances in vaccines? This lecture will offer you a range of information so you can be an educated parent in making decisions about your child's health.



ADD & Ritalin:

What every parent should know!

Wednesday, March 3 from 6:00-7:00 PM RSVP!
Presented by Dr. Paula Ruffin. In this seminar, you will learn five easy things you can do to eliminate ADD/ADHD. We will focus on: what three natural supplements can help control excited kids, how food allergies account for the majority of ADD/ADHD kids, how minerals can help calm and control your child all day long, and much more!

Headache Prevention

Tuesday, March 23
from 6:00-7:00 PM
Presented by Dr. Paula Ruffin. You don't have to live with them! This lecture will offer natural ways to reduce your frequency of headaches so you can live a headache free life. Please RSVP!



COLLEGE PLANNING

Parros College Planning Workshops

March 2 and 4 from 6:30-8:00 PM
Presented by Timothy C. Parros, CCPS-Certified College Planning Specialist. We will cover the FAFSA form and all other financial forms you need to maximize the amount of financial aid you are eligible for. In this workshop, you will learn how to increase your chances of getting "free money" through merit based aid and so much more! Please RSVP!



Educational Expenses:

Saving for Higher Education

Monday, March 15 from
6:30-7:30 PM Please RSVP!
Presented by H & R Block. Come learn all about the tax benefits for college students. Also learn how to plan and save for higher education.

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ONGOING PROGRAMS & ART PROGRAMS

Occasional Book Club

Presented by Mary Kelly.
Monday, January 18 from 7-8 PM
Year of Wonders by Geraldine Brooks



Monday, February 15 from 7-8 PM
Girl Who Played with Fire by Stieg Larsson



Monday, March 15 from 7-8 PM
Odd Thomas by Dean Koontz



South Lyon Writer's Group

Presented by local author, Rachael Perry. Share your stories with other local authors.
Second Saturdays: 1/9, 2/13, 3/13 at 1:00 PM.

Take Time to Heal

This grief support group is sponsored by Phillips Funeral Home. First Thursdays: 1/7, 2/4, 3/4 from 7:00-8:30 PM.

Tai Chi

Wednesdays in six week sessions at 6:30 PM:
MEET: 1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10
OFF: 2/17, 2/24, 3/3
MEET: 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31, 4/7, 4/14

One-Stroke Decorative Painting Classes

Presented by Donna Conrad-Roskamp.
Cost is \$9.00 per class. Limit 30. Please RSVP!
Tuesday, January 19 from 6:30-8:00 PM
Tuesday, January 26 from 10:30 AM-12:00 PM (Memory Pendant)
Tuesday, February 16 from 6:30-8:00 PM
Monday, February 22 from 10:30 AM-12:00 PM (Special Glass Etching Class)
Tuesday, March 16 from 6:30-8:00 PM
Monday, March 22 from 10:20 AM -12:00 PM (Special Clay Class)

Mono-Print Workshop

Saturday, February 20 from 2:00-4:00 PM
This program presented by The South Lyon Fine Arts Society, will allow you to make 3-4 multi color prints that you will be able to take home. Come dressed to get messy and bring a hair dryer to help speed the process. RSVP: Registration required! Limit 20!

Art Workshop

Saturday, March 20th from 2:30-4:30 PM
This program presented by The South Lyon Fine Arts Society, will allow you to make a beautiful piece of art you will be able to take home. Come dressed to get messy. RSVP: Registration required! Limit 20!

RECYCLING PROGRAMS @ YOUR LIBRARY

Abitibi Recycle Bins: Help support the library and the environment! Did you know the library receives money for every ton of recycled material collected in the green and yellow Abitibi bins located in the front corner of the library parking lot? The following items can be recycled: newspapers and inserts, magazines, catalogs, computer paper (staples are OK), mail, window envelopes and paperback books. Please do not place the following in the bins: cardboard, food boxes, phone books, hardcover books, wrapping paper, paper towel, tissue, sticky notes, receipts, or anything that has been contaminated with food. If you have any questions about what can and cannot be accepted please contact the library.

Campbell's Soup Labels: Bring in your Campbell's soup labels and we will get great items for the library. The whole label is not needed, only the barcode that is on the label. The bin is located near the Children's Reference Desk.

Recycle Batteries: Did you know you can bring your used batteries to the library for recycling? The bin is located in the copy room. Per the U.S. Department of Transportation, in order to ensure safe handling, please tape the ends of the batteries or place each battery in a separate plastic baggie. Unfortunately, if batteries are not deposited in this manner, we must throw them away. If you have any questions about this, please contact the library. Thank you for your cooperation.

Other: Also located in the copy machine room are: Cell Phone Recycle Bin, Eye Glass Recycle Bin and Inkjet Printer Cartridge Recycle Bin. Bring in these items and recycle them at the library. For more information on any of the library's recycling programs call us at 248-437-6431.

THE LATEST LIBRARY

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Children's & Teen Magazines

We carry twenty-one magazines for children and teens. New titles such as *Cricket*, *National Geographic Little Kids*, *M*, and *Shonen Jump* are recent additions to our collection. Find a cozy corner in the library and browse through some of the new issues or check out the older copies to take home. Magazines are also great for reluctant readers! Thinking of purchasing a subscription? Check some out to make sure the kids will like it first! Back issues are available for check-out and are located under the "current issue" shelf.

Cookies by the Pound Fundraiser

December 12 from 11:00 AM-3:00 PM

The Salem-South Lyon District Library has partnered with the South Lyon Center for Active Adults, to bring you the most scrumptious holiday cookies you'll ever taste. Come support these two organizations by purchasing some holiday cookies! The cookie station will be set up near the fireplace in the library. Cookies will be sold for \$4.00 per half pound or \$6.00 per pound.

Find out if your new holiday gifts are energy efficient: Check-out a Kill-A-Watt

Electricity bills are rising. Cut your costs by checking out a Kill-A-Watt from the library! This simple device plugs into any electrical outlet. Then, plug an appliance into the Kill-A-Watt to find out how efficient your appliances are. The screen displays the amount of energy the appliance uses by the Kilowatt hour, just like the electric company. Deciding which appliances to unplug between uses can cut your electric bill significantly! You can also monitor your power's voltage, line frequency, and power factor. This will help you decide if it's time to buy a new, more energy efficient appliance. Kill-A-Watts can be checked out for one week. Ask at the Information Desk next time you visit the library or call 248-437-6431 for more information!



"Keep In Touch" Free Phone Service

This program allows you to make a free call to a friend or family member, located in one of the many countries listed below, from the library! Call the library to reserve a time slot today! Countries available for free calling are listed below. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Argentina	Germany	Norway
Australia	Greece	Poland
Austria	Guam	Portugal
Belgium	Hong Kong	Puerto Rico
Bulgaria	Hungary	Russia
Canada	Ireland	Singapore
China	Israel	Slovakia
Chile	Italy	Spain
Colombia	Japan	Sweden
Croatia	Korea	Switzerland
Czech Republic	Luxembourg	Taiwan
Denmark	Malaysia	Thailand
Estonia	Mexico	United Kingdom
Finland	Netherlands	USA
France	New Zealand	

Make Every Gift Count

Please make every gift count! More than 1,300 top stores including Amazon, Toys R Us, Best Buy, Apple, Gap and more will donate a percentage of virtually every sale to the "Salem-South Lyon District Library". Just go to GoodShop.com, designate us as the cause you support and then click over to your favorite store. You pay nothing extra and you can even save money as GoodShop lists thousands of money-saving coupons and free shipping offers. Add their toolbar to your browser at www.goodsearch.com/toolbar and your purchases will count even if you forget to go to GoodShop first! There's no easier way to support your library, so please spread the word.

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CHILDREN'S STORYTIMES

3 Year Old Independent Story Times

Wednesdays, 10:00-10:30 AM

Session One: January 20-February 10

(registration begins January 4)

Session Two: March 10-31

(registration begins February 22)

Limit 20 per session for independent listening—caregivers are encouraged to join the children for a craft project at the end of each story time!

4 & 5 Year Old Independent Story Times

Tuesdays, 2:00-2:45 PM

Session One: January 19-February 9

(registration begins January 4)

Session Two: March 9-30

(registration begins February 22)

Limit 20 per session for independent listening—caregivers are encouraged to join the children for a craft project at the end of each story time!



Baby Bounce

(Ages 0-2 with caregiver)

Fridays, 10:30—10:50 AM No registration!

Session One: January 22-February 12

Session Two: March 12-April 2

Drop-in for fingerplays, stories, and songs!

Two-rrific Story Times

(For 2 year olds and caregiver)

Thursdays, 10:00-10:20 AM

Session One: January 21-February 11

(registration begins January 4)

Session Two: March 11-April 1

(registration begins February 22)

Limit 20 children per session for stories, songs, and rhymes.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Discovery Days @ the Library (ages 4-10)

First Thursday from 5:00-6:00 PM

Please RSVP for each workshop.

Limit 15 per workshop.



January 7: "Discovering the Miracle of a Seed"

We'll experiment with our own seed this month as we plant it and watch the miracle unfold right before our eyes. We'll examine various kinds of seeds, snack on some seeds, and create our own seed book to take home.

February 4: "Discovering the Treasures of Trees"

Come discover the gifts that trees give us each and every day. We'll learn the difference between Evergreens and Deciduous trees and we'll be able to identify some as we take a nature walk (if weather permits). We'll read a tree book and do some leaf rubbings.

March 4: "Discovering the Beauty of Birds"

Birds are fascinating creatures with their vibrant colors and unique sizes. We'll identify some of the birds that live here in our region. We'll make some bird calls, talk about how birds help us, and make a bird feeder to take home to attract birds to our own backyard.

Snowman Stories (all ages)

Saturday, January 9; 10:30-11:00 AM

Join us for cozy stories about snowmen and a craft.

Please RSVP.

Feathery Friends Feeder (all ages)

Monday, January 11; 6:30-7:00 PM

Make a shortening and seed pinecone bird feeder for our chilly feathery friends.

Please RSVP.

Classic Crafting: Pet Rocks (all ages)

Tuesday, February 16; 2:00-2:30 PM

Come to the library and make a friend—a Pet Rock.

You can name him and get to know him. He'll always listen! Please RSVP.

Movie Night (all ages)

Thursday, February 25; 6:30-8:00 PM

Bring your pillows and blankets to watch *G-Force*, rated PG. We'll provide the juice and popcorn. Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Please RSVP!



Favorite Book Character Trivia (Grades 3-5)

Saturday, March 20; 1:00-2:00 PM

Celebrate "March is Reading Month" with our special book character trivia game! We'll have questions about all of your favorite characters that you've encountered as you've been growing up! Please RSVP.

Lego Race Cars

Monday, January 18; 6:00-8:00 PM (Ages 8-12)

Build a motorized race car with a partner from scratch using very advanced LEGO parts and pieces from LEGO kits. Discover the science behind the cars and race them! Limit 30. Please RSVP.

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PROGRAMS

Grades 6-12

Got Game?

Saturday, January 23 from
1:00-3:00 PM Please RSVP!
Shake off your winter blues by
joining us for an afternoon of
board games. Bring your own or
play one of ours. We'll
provide the snacks and drinks.

S.L.A.P.S. (South Lyon Area Paranormal Society)

Tuesday, January 26 from
7:00-8:30 PM Please RSVP!
Presented by Jennifer Redfern.
Join us as the group discusses their
investigations of spirits and ghosts
in the South Lyon area! They will
be presenting all new material with
new pictures and EVP's.

Movie Night

Thursday, February 11 from
6:00-8:30 PM Please RSVP!
Bring your pillows and blankets to
watch *Transformers: Revenge of the
Fallen*, rated PG-13. We'll provide
the pop and snacks. Co-sponsored
by the Friends of the Library.

**Mario Kart Tourney**

Thursday, February 18 from
1:00-3:00 PM Please RSVP!
Test your Mario skills on our Wii!
Snacks will be provided.

Spa Ahhhh

Wednesday, February 24 from
7:00-8:00 PM Please RSVP!
Make your own relaxing bath salts
to enjoy!

Oscar Trivia

Saturday, March 6
from 1:00-2:00 PM
(grade 9-adult) RSVP!
Test your film knowledge
by playing our Jeopardy-
style Oscar trivia game.
Enjoy an afternoon of
fun, excitement, prizes
and refreshments.

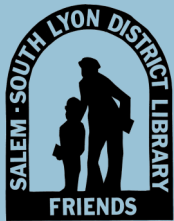
**Scraps-n-Pics**

Saturday, March 13 from
1:00-2:00 PM Please RSVP!
Bring some pictures and we'll help
you create a fun folding scrapbook.

**FUN FACTS:**

- A newborn kangaroo is about one inch in length.
- Starfish don't have brains.
- TYPEWRITER is the longest word that can be made using the letters only on one row of the keyboard.
- Abraham Lincoln faces to the right on a penny while all the other presidents face to the left on US coins.
- Every year, kids in North America spend close to half a billion dollars on chewing gum!
- A snail can sleep for three years.
- Google's name is a play on the word googol, which refers to the number 1 followed by one hundred 0's.
- There are over 58 million dogs in the United States.
- The reason firehouses have circular stairways is from the days when the engines were pulled by horses. The horses were stabled on the ground floor and figured out how to walk up straight staircases.
- In 1933, Mickey Mouse, an animated cartoon character; received 800,000 fan letters.
- The human eye blinks an average of 4,200,000 times a year.

[Source: <http://www.randomfunfacts.com/>]

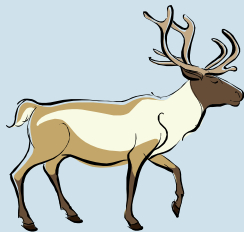


FRIENDS OF THE SALEM-SOUTH LYON DISTRICT LIBRARY



Friends Mini Book Sale

March 25-29 in the front half of the meeting room! Come find great bargains on gently used books, CDs, DVDs and more!



Reindeer Visit

Thursday, December 10 at 7:00 PM. This fun filled program will be all about reindeer. Come early and stick around afterwards to see a live reindeer. Please RSVP! All ages are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Membership Form

Friends of the Salem-South Lyon District Library,
9800 Pontiac Trail, South Lyon, MI 48178

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Check desired Membership:

Friend \$10 _____ Senior (62+) \$5 _____ Patron \$25 _____ Contribution _____

*Contributions over and above membership fees are tax deductible under 501c3 status.

Interested in Volunteering? Check interest below.

Garden Programs Book Sale Friend's Board Other

New members will receive a \$1 off coupon to be used in the Friends Book Room



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