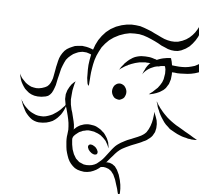


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Chinese New Year  
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## WHAT'S HAPPENING @ YOUR LIBRARY

### MEET OUR STAFF - MAURA D'AURIA

Maura D'Auria grew up on Staten Island, NY. After high school she worked in the World Trade Center - on the 87th floor!. She got her degree in Early Childhood Education at Staten Island Community College after she got married. In 1993 the family moved to the Poconos where she taught preschool for ten years.

Maura has lived in Burnt Hills since 2004. She and her husband Jimmy have five children, six grandchildren, two dogs (Bubba and Tank) and one cat named Stella.

Maura has been working at the Town of Ballston Community Library since September of 2007 and says "I feel like a kid in a candy store." Her favorite hobbies are reading (of course), knitting, and spending time with her family.

JANUARY 2009

### MAURA RECOMMENDS

**The Glass Castle,**  
by Jeannette Walls 92 Walls

**A Turkey for Thanksgiving,**  
by Eve Bunting JP Fict Bun

**Broken for you,**  
by Stephanie Kallos Fict Kal

**Tuesdays with Morrie,**  
by Mitch Albom 92 Schwartz

### FRIENDS MEETING

9 AM February 3  
in the Library Community Room  
We love to make New Friends!

### Fiber Fanatics -

social get-together for those who knit, crochet, spin, quilt, and so on and so forth. Knitting help available.

Next Meeting -

January 26th 7-9 PM

### Vinyasa Flow Yoga with Karen Muller

Tuesdays in January 2:30-3:30. Please bring a Yoga Mat.  
Free and Open to the Public. No registration required.  
Great for teens and adults alike.

Attorney Robert Wolff will present two informational programs at the library.

**Roth IRA's and other Hot IRA Topics -**  
Saturday, January 10th, from 10-11:30

**When to Collect Social Security.**  
Saturday, February 21st from 10-11:30

*Social  
Security*

Reminder: the library will be open from 10 AM to 2 PM on Saturdays in 2009. This reduces the hours the library will be open from 54 to 51 hours per week.

### Computer Classes

**Intermediate Computers -** Tuesday, January 13, 6:00 PM -7:30 PM

**Microsoft Word -** Thursday, January 15, 10AM-11:30 AM

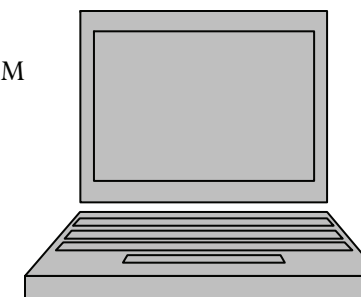
**Microsoft Excel -** Thursday, January 22, 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

**Email Basics -** Tuesday, January 27, 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

**PowerPoint -** Thursday, January 29, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

**Email Basics -**Monday, February2, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Free but Registration is required and Space is Limited (and of course, donations are always gratefully accepted). Call us at 399-8174 to register. One on One assistance is available by appointment.



### BOARD NEWS

The next library board meeting will be held on:  
**Wednesday, January 28, 2009 at 7 PM in the library community room.**  
The public is invited to attend.

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**Closings**

The Library will be closed:  
January 19, 2009  
in honor of  
Martin Luther King, JR. Day

**VISIT US ONLINE**

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HTTP://TOBLIBRARY.SALS.EDU  
E-MAIL: KDEANGELO@SALS.EDU  
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**Library Hours**

Monday -Thursday 10 AM - 8 PM  
Friday - Saturday 10 AM - 2PM  
Closed Sunday

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*Sculpture  
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*Oakroom Artists*

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**Downstairs**  
*New Year's Resolutions*  
**Children's Room**  
*Newbery  
&  
Caldecott  
Award Winners*

**The Book Club  
is reading:**  
*Harriet and Isabella by  
Patricia O'Brien*  
(for January 12th)

*The next meeting is  
February 9, 2009 at 7 PM*

**Teen Space**  
*Printz Award Winners*

**Library Programs January 2009**

**Toddler Time** - Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 10:30 AM. We'll use books, music, finger plays & the felt board to develop literacy skills while having fun, then stay and play! For kids three and under and their caregivers.

**Preschool Story Time** - Every Monday at 6:30 PM, Wednesday at 1:00 PM & Thursday at 10:30 AM. Books, songs, finger plays and a craft for 3 – 6 year-olds and their caregivers, followed by playtime!

**Music with Miss Mona** - Every Tuesday at 10:30 AM. A family sing-along aimed at the 3-6 year-old child, followed by playtime.

**Story Crafting** - A Read-a-loud with a longer picture book (or 2), followed by related crafts and activities. January 15th, 4:00-5:00 PM. Grades K-3.

**4th & 5th Grade Book Club** - A book club for kids who love to read! We'll talk about great books, choose what the

book club will read and, of course, have snacks! We will meet on January 15th, from 4:00-5:00 PM.

**Half Day Crafts** - Cool Crafts for grades 1-5. January 21, March 12, and March 27, from 1-2 PM.

**Valentine Crafts** - Make your own Valentines to give to someone special. Monday, February 9, at 4 PM.

**Wii Have Fun Together** - Family program Thursdays from 6-7:30 PM. Do puzzles, play games and try out the Wii (purchased by the Friends of the Library).

**Teen Advisory Board (TAB)** - The second Monday of each month from 2:30-3. Help plan teen programs and make suggestions for new books (and of course, eat snacks). January 12, February 9, and March 9. All other Teen programs will be planned by TAB members.

**Study Space** - Use the library as a study space and getting ready for all those midterm and regents exams. The community room has been reserved on Thursday January 15th, from 6-8 PM, Thursday January 2, 2:30-5 PM, and Saturday, January 24th, from 12 PM—2 PM

**MIND BODY FITNESS CLASSES**

The Greater Glenville YMCA and the Town of Ballston Community Library are pleased to present a series of programs to be held in the library community room. All programs are free and open to the public but registration IS required by calling 399-8118 one week in advance of the class. Classes begin January 12.

Monday	9-9:45	Pilates Mat	Linda
Monday	10-11	Tai Chi and Qi Gong	Denise
Wednesday	9-9:45	Pilates Mat	Linda
Wednesday	10-11:15	Kripalu Yoga Flow	Lisa
Friday	9-10	Kripalu Yoga	Lisa
Friday	5:30-6:30 PM	Kripalu Yoga rotating with	Lisa
		Yoga for Fitness	Allison

Please bring a mat to Pilates and Yoga classes. Yoga participants may also want a pillow and blanket. Class Participants must be at least 13 years old.

**SAVE THE DATE:** February 12, 7 PM Author Jack Rightmyer discussing **A Funny Thing about Teaching.** February 19, 7 PM, Ray Misiewicz presents **The Jennifer Project.**