Monthly Meetings

Library Board of Trustees: Meets the last Wednesday of each month. February 27 & March 27, at 7PM. These meetings are open to the public and we'd love to see you there.

Trustees Needed:

If you live in the Town of Ballston outside of the Ballston Spa School District and would like to be a library trustee beginning July 2013, please see Karen DeAngelo for more information.

Friends of the Library:

Meets the first Tuesday of each month alternating between 9 AM and 7 PM in the library community room. We will meet at 9 AM on February 5th and at 7PM on March 5th. We are a volunteer organization dedicated to supporting the Library's mission and its programs and services. Membership is open to all individuals, families and organizations, whether regular or occasional users of the library. The Friends have been in existence for over 50 years! Volunteer now to help with the Library Mini Golf Fundraiser!

Would you like to receive timely messages about library programs in your email? We'll send you one (and only one) email each week highlighting the week ahead. Sign up on our website at http://toblibrary.sals.edu

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Friends of the Library 2nd Annual Mini Golf Fundraiser



Don't miss the chance to play 18 holes of miniature golf INSIDE the library!

Friday, February 15, 2013 5-7PM Saturday, February 16, 2013 9AM-5PM

- \$5.00/person for 18 holes
- Tee Time Café
- Mini Book Sale
- Fun for the whole Family
- Sponsored by Local Businesses



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Youth Program Information

The Town of Ballston Community Library provides programming for all ages. All programs are free of charge. Certain programs require registration and may have age or space limitations.

Registered participants must meet the age requirements for the program but siblings are always welcome. Please note when registering for a pre-school program, you are signing up for the entire session. Attendance each week is appreciated, but not mandatory.

To Register: Please stop at the library's circulation desk or call 399-8174 ext. 2.

Weather Delays: If the weather is bad, calling before you visit the library is a good idea. When Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Schools are closed, we cancel our programs. Please call ahead or check our website or facebook page.

Food Allergy Alert (FAA): Please be aware that a number of our programs serve refreshments or involve food. Contact Youth Services with questions before registering or attending.



Microsoft Excel 2010, Level 1

Monday, February 4, 4-6 PM Thursday, February 7, 5-7 PM Friday, February 8, 1-3 PM

Introduction to using Microsoft Excel. Topics will include creating and editing a spreadsheet. (Beginner Level)

Microsoft Excel 2010, Level 2

Monday, February 11, 4-6 PM Thursday, February 21, 5-7 PM

Emphasis will be on formatting worksheets, formulas and functions, and "what-if" analysis. An understanding of the topics covered in EXCEL Level 1 is requested . (Intermediate Level)

Microsoft EXCEL 2010 Level 3

Monday, February 11, 4-6 PM Thursday, February 21, 5-7 PM

Knowledge of Excel 1 and 2 topics is required. (Advanced Level)

Microsoft POWERPOINT 2010 Level 1

Thursday, March 14, 5-7 PM

A look at how PowerPoint can help you create slide shows and presentations.

A basic working knowledge of the computer is expected. (Beginner Level)

Microsoft Word 2010, Level 1

Friday, February 8, 1-3 PM

Introduction to using Microsoft Word for word processing tasks. An understanding of using the mouse and keyboard is expected prior to this course. (Beginner Level)

Picasa

Monday, February 11, 12-2 PM

Learn to use this FREE photo editing application. Bring some of your own digital photo files. A basic working knowledge of the computer is needed. (Beginner Level)

Google and The Internet

Monday, February 25, 12-2 PM Monday, March 18, 12-2 PM

We will start with a background synopsis of the Internet and how it "works". The class will also discuss "Googling" or searching on the Internet and how to find the information you are seeking in the safest and most efficient manner.

iCan Basics—i-Phone i-Pad, i-Pod

Friday, March 1, 1-3 PM

A look at the Mac Apps for newbies! From just turning it on, to texting, to gaming, to Skyping; see how the Mac World operates with hand held devices.
(Beginner Level Device Users)

Introduction to Computers for Absolute Beginners

Monday, February 4, 12PM-2PM Wednesday, February 13, 5PM-7PM Monday, March 11, 12PM-2PM

A very basic look at the PC designed for users just learning about computers. Hands on practice is emphasized. (Absolute Beginner Level)

Microsoft ACCESS 2010 Level 1

Monday, March 4, 4-6 PM

An introduction to using Microsoft Access to create, modify and update database tables. An understanding of computer use (keyboard and mouse) and word processing is needed prior to this course.

(Beginner/Intermediate Level)

Microsoft ACCESS 2010 Level 2

Monday, March 11, 4-6 PM

Using Microsoft Access to create, modify and run queries. An understanding of computer use and the topics covered in ACCESS Level 1 is requested for those attending this class. (Beginner/Intermediate Level)

Pre-School Programs Session 1

January 7 -February 15, 2013

Baby Bookworms

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Family Story Time

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM Fridays at 10:30 AM Join us while we read books, sing, do finger plays, and movement activities to promote early literacy. This program is designed for 2 and 3 year olds accompanied by a caregiver. This is a drop in program and siblings are welcome.

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays at 1:30 PM Thursdays at 9:30 AM Share early literacy skills with your child. 30 minute program with a craft. For children ages 3, 4, or 5, accompanied by a caregiver. Registration is required and siblings are welcome.

Art & Movement

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM Explore your world through movement and creative activities at this thirty minute program. For children ages two to five, accompanied by a caregiver. This is a drop in program and siblings are welcome.

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February 26 –
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Toddler Yoga

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM Join us for toddler friendly yoga poses at this fun interactive program designed for kids ages two, three and four. This is a drop in program.

Computer Classes

Computer Lab

Thursday, February 28, 5-7 PM Thursday, March 21, 5-7 PM

This class is for any patron that has taken a class with the library and either wants to practice tasks previously learned, or has questions on any previous classes. The Lab is an excellent opportunity to bring in a question/file relevant to your work or personal use that you would like to troubleshoot. (All Levels)

E-Books

Tuesday, February 19, 7-8 PM Tuesday, March 19, 7-8 PM

Bring your E-Reader or i-Pad and learn how to borrow e-books from Overdrive with librarian Karen DeAngelo. (All Levels)

Facebook Introduction

Monday, March 4, 12-2 PM

Thinking of joining the most popular social network in the world? Not sure where to start and what to do without the whole world knowing your business? This basic overview will give you the insight you need to set up a basic, safe site to communicate with friends and family. A basic working knowledge of the computer is expected. (Beginner Level)

File Management

Monday, March 18, 12-2 PM

Introduction to arranging your files on the computer and other storage devices through the Windows 7 Operating System. We will look at naming files, folders and libraries and the differences between them. An overview of "where" things on your computer are or can be stored will be discussed.

(Beginner/Intermediate Level)

Computer Class Information

Classes are free unless otherwise noted. Hand outs may be available for a small printing fee. Registration is required and space is limited. To register, please stop by or call 399-8174

Course Levels

Absolute Beginners – Individual has not used mouse or keyboard or personal computer; someone who needs a refresher in a particular topic; someone looking for a slow-paced class; someone looking for one-on-one assistance during the class; class sizes are kept smaller.

Beginners – Individual has used a personal computer, mouse, and keyboard but is not completely comfortable with the topic being covered; preparation for Intermediate or Advanced level classes; less one-on-one assistance during class but more direct hands-on practice.

Intermediate – For those who have been using computers for some time and are looking to enhance their current skills or learn new ones; has understanding of opening/closing applications and saving/retrieving files. Knowledge of the Internet and basic typing skills already in place.

Advanced – User is comfortable with using computers and printers; user has understanding of computer terminology including menus, commands, ribbons, managing files and working online. Advanced courses will be designed to provide users with specific, in-depth aspects of various applications (particularly for Microsoft Office Applications).

Elementary Programs

Scribbles & Tales

February 13 at 4 PM Listen to stories and do crafts! This is an inclusive program for children of all levels of ability in grades K-3. Please sign up in advance.

2, 3, 4 Book Club

February 7 at 4 PM March 14 at 4 PM

A theme book club for kids in grades 2, 3, & 4. We play with Legos while we talk about books. Please sign up in advance.

Simple Science

March 7 at 1:30 PM Join us for simple science experiments and make a catapult! For grades K-5, please sign up.

Creative Crafts

March 22 at 1:30 PM We'll provide the materials, you bring the imagination. Express yourself and create anything you'd like. For grades 1-5, please sign up.

February Break Programs

Lego Playtime

February 20 at 1:30PM Bring your friends and play with Legos! For Grades K-5. Please sign up.

Hair Creations

February 20 at 1:30PM Decorate headbands and make your own hair accessories. For Grades K-5. Please sign up.

Soapy Snowmen

Use soap flakes to make snowmen and snow pictures. For Grades K-5. Please sign up.

Programs for Tweens & Teens

5th & 6th Grade Book Club

February 8 at 4PM March 15 at 4PM Read great books and do crafts! Sign up and pick up a copy of the next book. For Grades 5 & 6.

Programs for Adults

Memoir Writing Workshop

8 week session, March 21 & 28, April 4,11,18, &25, May 16 & 23 10AM-12PM in the library community room.

Presented by Mary Sanders Shartle. Please bring a writing utensil and paper or journal. Made possible by a gift from Fred Baum in memory of Helen Baum. Please register by calling 399-8174, ext. 2

NR-1: America's Inner Space Shuttle

March 12, 2013 at 7PM in the library community room.

Join Ray Misiewicz to hear the story of the NR-1, the world's only nuclear powered deep submergence ocean engineering and research submarine. No registration needed.

Book Club:

2nd Monday of each month at 7PM. Reading: <u>Defending Jacob</u>, by William Landay on February 11 and <u>The Sisters</u>, by Nancy Jensen on March 11. Please see Judy Kaplan for more information.

Knitting Social Group: February 25 and March 18, from 7-9PM. All knitters and other fiber fanatics are welcome, but only knitting help is promised.



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