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TOPEKA & SHAWNEE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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I didn't know the library did that!

The library can help you forge better friendships. When you have friends who like to read, Book Group in a Bag is the great unifier.

While reading is usually a solitary act, you should still be able to share your thoughts about a book after its completion. With Book Group in a Bag, check out 10 books at a time, plus discussion materials. There are over 100 titles to choose from. Plan Reserve books up to a year in advance. Our online reservation system makes it easy.


Find your tribe of bibliophiles and get started with Book Group in a Bag. You’ll be surprised how, yes, reading can become even more fulfilling when it’s done with friends.

Visit bgib.tscpl.org to get started.
Read right where you are

The story of how 3 Topeka peeps don't come to the library, they download instead

Let us introduce you to three library "power users" who don't have to come to the library to get books because they're so savvy about our downloads.

Andrea Hillebert is the principal of Mater Dei School, just blocks from the library on 10th Ave. But she doesn't actually have to come to the library to get what she wants.

"The library is a treasure!" she declares if you ask her about it. She never leaves home without her tablet, which is loaded with the OverDrive app and thousands of ebooks to choose from.

Russ Cobb does a lot of driving through Topeka to meet with clients. His schedule consists of meetings, networking breakfasts and attending his daughter’s volleyball games. He doesn't really have time to come to the library. Luckily, he doesn't have to come to the library to check out books.

"While I'm traveling, I listen to business books in the car," he says, and adds that he typically reads for pleasure on his iPad when he's at home.

Rob Peters is a husband, father and freelance illustrator and graphic artist. He's an avid consumer of graphic novels and comic books, and discovered that he could binge-read whole series on Hoopla without having to run out on his family or freelance duties.

"It has a great selection from most of the major publishers," says Rob.

When you download books, you can come to the library, whenever and wherever you want.

Download the Hoopla or OverDrive App to visit your library right now.

tscpl.org/downloads
Help for teachers, fun for kids

Lisa can guide you through the Make-It Lab & the fantasy genre.
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Brea is the art librarian. She can help you find your inspiration.
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Luanne is a storyteller. She can get your child excited to read.
lwebb@tscpl.org

Your classroom will erupt in lively smiles when you book a fun Kansas Connections program from the library. Students from Kindergarten through 6th Grade love it when librarians visit class to regale them with interesting science, history and art lessons.

Meet live animals in hands-on science demonstrations such as Break the Code: Interpreting Animal Language and Kansas Animals Endangered.

Find out about local history and events - stuff you can't get from textbooks. All the programs are designed to fit into the core curriculum.

Teachers, book a Kansas Connections event for your kiddos today. For a full list of programs and to sign up, visit tscpl.org/connections.

The Wilder Society is composed of generous people who love the library.

The Edward and Mary Wilder Society is the planned giving program of The Library Foundation. It recognizes library donors who have made a planned gift, a deferred gift or choose to make an annual lifetime gift to the Foundation or the library.

Friendship, laughter and discussions about books are the things that happen among members of The Wilder Society at its annual tea party in the spring. It’s easy to feel like you belong when everyone else has recognized their love of the library, too. Members’ planned gifts demonstrate an abiding commitment to the library’s mission and provide an enduring benefit to generations yet to come.

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Making history new

This past fall, the city was abuzz with the news of a boutique hotel opening up in downtown in 2017. Named for City of Topeka founder, Cyrus K. Holliday, the Cyrus Hotel and Holliday Public House will span across the former storefronts of 912-920 Kansas Avenue.

Edie Smith, director of marketing and membership at Downtown Topeka, Inc., says that the buildings are part of the South Kansas Avenue Commercial Historic District, and that the developer plans to maintain some of the buildings’ historical character.

With a wealth of local history resources available to me in the Topeka Room on the library’s second floor, I was able to locate a few snapshots in history of the commercial properties once housed in 912-920 Kansas Avenue and now slated to take on new lives as the Cyrus Hotel.

How I dug up the history of businesses that thrived on the 900 block of Kansas Avenue in the 1920s. Within the cozy capsule of the Topeka Room, I located the library’s collection of city directories. I searched by street name in the 1920s, when most storefronts on Kansas Avenue were brimming with life and commerce.

In 1926, early motorheads and tinkerers would have felt right at home in the buildings of 912, 916 and 918 Kansas Avenue. They housed the Sunflower Battery & Motor Company, the J.E. Ward Garage and Shrake Electric Co., respectively.

By 1929, businesses had changed. Montgomery Ward would occupy 912 for years to come, and 916 was Bill’s Barbeque Restaurant (incidentally, our modern-day 900 block also features a barbeque joint, HHB BBQ, at 906 Kansas Avenue).

While wading into the history of those buildings in the Topeka Room, I wondered if future occupants of the Cyrus’s 79 guest rooms would be able to sense that history, the lives played out – small business owners spending late hours balancing their ledgers during the financially perilous thirties; women in long gloves trying on hats at Montgomery Ward, drivers in Model T’s honking out a robust “ah-oo-gah” as they pulled into the mechanic’s garage.

That’s the beauty of spending time in the Topeka Room. You’ll discover stories beyond what you bargained for. And your life could become richer in the process.

How you can satiate your curiosity about your own history or property. Members of the extremely popular Facebook group, the Topeka History Geeks, recently came to the Topeka Room to explore its files, directories, maps, yearbooks and plethora of other resources on local history.

Donna Rae Pearson, local history librarian, entertained the Geeks with stories and information. Donna Rae, who is a skilled researcher with former ties to the Kansas Historical Society, admits that she, too, is a total history geek.

Donna Rae’s life work is to help people connect their personal histories to the wider history of a neighborhood, a city, a nation.

"If you understand the conditions people lived through, good and bad, you get a better idea of what you are capable of as a person," says Donna Rae. "And somewhere along the line, life just seems to make more sense."

Look up any property, person or moment in history with the help of our expert local history and genealogy research librarians. You can get started by visiting tscpl.org/history.

— Leah Sewell, Editor
Fierce girls in YA fiction

Yes, we all know the oft-cited girls of bestselling lit: the Katniss Everdeens and the Hermione Graingers. But what other great girl role models are we missing out on? We asked around, and here are a few of the B.A. girl heroines who make our teen, tween and kids librarians jump for joy. To see the full list, go online at tscpl.org/teens.

Cammie Morgan
Cammie Morgan is an elite spy in training. Her code name is Chameleon.
Gallagher Girls Series

Delilah Dirk
Fierce, take-charge, courageous Delilah travels the world, fights for what she wants and leads a life of adventure.
Delilah Dirk & the Turkish Lieutenant

Jacqueline Woodson
Introspective, resilient, passionate, Jacqueline follows her lifelong dream.
Brown Girl Dreaming

Tula Bane
Thirsty for revenge on the leader who took her family, Tula lives by her wits as the only human on the space station she calls home.
Tin Star

Mo LeBeau
Headstrong and determined, insatiably curious, and with a strong sense of justice, Mo sets her mind to solving a town mystery, and does it.
Ghosts of Tupelo Landing

Gamer paradise

All new games and consoles

If you’re a teen gamer, stop by the teen room, The Edge. We have what you want, because now all our video game equipment and games are brand new!

Not a teen, but still love gaming? Come to our Gaming for Adults event, held the first Saturday of every month, from 2-5pm.

Xbox One
Halo 5
Lego Jurrasic World
Lego Marvel Super Heroes
Forza 5
Forza 6
W2K16
Madden 16
Rare Replay

Wii U
Splatoon
Super Mario Maker
Hyrule Warriors
Yoshi’s Woolly World
Donkey Kong Country
Tropical Freeze
Mario Kart 8
Super Smash Bros.
Super Mario Bros. U

PS4
Dragon Ball Xenoverse
NBA 2K16
FIFA 16
Nobunaga’s Ambition
Need for Speed
Guitar Hero Live
Uncharted 1, 2 & 3
You may have heard the word "makerspace" being tossed around in the news and on the Internet recently. It's a buzz word because it's a movement picking up pace throughout the world.

Many libraries are now housing makerspaces - sites for the exploration of technology, manufacturing and educational opportunities. While our in-house makerspace, the Make-It Lab, focuses heavily on digital technology, there is a site in town for inventors and entrepreneurs to dig into some hands-on manufacturing: 712 Innovations at 712 Kansas Avenue in downtown Topeka.

712 is a makerspace and shared workspace housing equipment and technologies that startups and entrepreneurs usually don't have access to, things like a laser cutter, soldering equipment and industrial strength sewing machines. It's a membership-based organization, open 24/7. While members are finding hands-on resources at 712, they'll run into one of our embedded librarians, like Amber Bonnett, Digital Librarian.

Amber uses her research expertise to assist people at 712 in doing market research, finding small business resources, researching a patent and, once, even answering obscure questions about cotton candy-flavored grapes. Yum.

Visit 712innovations.com to find out how to become a member. And if you have a library card, you're welcome to reserve a 4-hour worktime at our tech-focused Make-It Lab. Visit tscl.org/make-it-lab for more info.

Meet your librarian at 712
Mon, Tue, Wed, 1-5 PM

Put your best face forward. When you meet someone, they'll try to figure out what kind of person you are by what you exude on the outside. If you’re a comedic romp, you might reconsider that button-up cover you’re putting on display. Some say “Never judge a book by its cover,” but those people aren’t selling books.

Go all in. No one ever called it “creeping into love” or “descending the ladder of love” because it’s supposed to feel like falling. Now think of a book that you fell in love with. Didn’t it suck you in right from the first page? When it starts to happen, don’t be shy. Go with it. Jump right off that cliff.

Read it again. When you read a really good book, sometimes you’re hesitant to send it back to the library. Maybe you want to hover over those poignant final pages. That’s what our renewal service is for! Read it again. Same goes for your new love endeavors. Go on that second date. Get a deeper reading. And if love is anything like a good book, you’ll soon find yourself transformed by its effects.

3 love lessons you can steal from books

Fresh salads
Crisp, colorful, light and packed with the stuff you need to put a bounce in your step. The Millennium Café has the fresh salads you crave.

Need a place to meet?
We have space for small groups up to convention-sized crowds. Plus, the Millennium Café caters in-house. It's a win-win. tscl.org/meetings
Rescue Road: One Man, Thirty Thousand Dogs, and A Million Miles on the Last Hope Highway by Peter Zheutlin

These dogs are the lucky ones: rescued from high-kill shelters and animal impoundments, abandoned in dumpsters or the side of the road, they now are on the road trip of their lives. Greg Mahle drives thousands of miles transporting rescue dogs from the deep south to their new forever families in the north. Zheutlin joins Mahle on a rescue trip and discovers the backbreaking labor and heroic volunteers who work to give these deserving dogs a second chance at life.

— Julie Nelson, author of Lost in the Stacks, tscplo.org

Flood Girls by Richard Fifield

This snappy, sassy redemption story set in small-town Montana is “a wild and crazy debut novel by a talented young writer” filled with an uproarious and unforgettable cast of characters you won’t want to leave behind. In the spirit of Empire Falls and A League of Their Own, Richard Fifield’s hilarious and heartwarming debut will have you laughing through tears.

— Jennifer Jones, author of Fiction 5, tscplo.org

El Deafo by Cece Bell

Imagine if you lost one of your senses. How hard that must be! Cece Bell gives you a glimpse because it happened to her. She uses the graphic novel format so her story jumps off the page. And what does she do to cope? Recreate herself as a superhero, of course!

— Jason Lamb, tween librarian

Symptoms of Being Human by Jeff Garvin

Riley Cavanaugh is many things: Punk rock. Snarky. Rebellious. And gender fluid. Some days Riley identifies as a boy, and others as a girl. The thing is . . . Riley isn’t exactly out yet. And between starting a new school and having a congressman father running for reelection in uber-conservative Orange County, the pressure—media and otherwise—is building up in Riley’s so-called “normal” life.

— Becca Paquette, teen librarian
See the color spectrum! Come to this exhibit for an eyeful of color and the chance to get up close and personal with how we perceive hue on an emotional level.

Feb 12 - Mar 27
Alice C. Sabatini Gallery

See full schedule of library events online at tscpl.org/events.
February / March Schedule of Events ■ tscpl.org/events

**ADULT**

**Medicare Mondays**  
Senior Health Insurance Counseling for Kansas (SHICK) helps you navigate the complex web of Medicare.  
- Menninger Room 206  
  - Mon Feb 1: 1-3 p.m.  
  - Mon Mar 7: 1-3 p.m.

**League of Women Voters Tuesday Topics**  
Important topics of the day will be discussed. The public is invited. Luncheon for League members at 11:30 a.m.; program from 12-1 p.m. On Feb. 2, Beth Clarkson, Ph.D. Wichita statistician, will discuss examining voting records from the 2014 statewide election for perceived anomalies.  
- Marvin Auditorium 101BC  
  - Tue Feb 2: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.  
  - Tue Mar 1: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

**How to Start a Business**  
Interested in what it takes to start your own business? This event covers important topics such as business legal structure, writing a business plan, knowing your competition, and what to expect from being your own boss. Presented by Washburn Small Business Development Center.  
- Menninger Room 206  
  - Tue Feb 2: 6-8 p.m.

**More Altered Books Techniques**  
Altering an unwanted book allows you to express your creativity and recycle at the same time! Hands-on demonstrations and books provided. This workshop covers different techniques from the January session. Registration is required. Call 785-251-2960.  
- Crestview Community Center - 4801 SW Shunga Dr.  
  - Wed Feb 3: 1-2:30 p.m.

**Computerized Genealogy**  
Get started in genealogy and learn how to use the print and online resources your library offers. Receive a pedigree chart and other helpful forms for keeping records as you research your family tree. Registration required. Call 785-286-0676.  
- Shawnee North Community Center - 300 NE 43rd St.  
  - Thu Feb 4: 10-11:30 a.m.  
  - Thu Mar 3: 10-11:30 a.m.

**Gaming for Adults**  
If you love to play, need a challenge, or just want to socialize with fellow gamers, come enjoy some video games and tabletop games. Bring your own, or play ours!  
- Marvin Auditorium 101C  
  - Sat Feb 6: 2-5 p.m.  
  - Sat Mar 5: 2-5 p.m.

**Caregiver Support Group**  
Being a caregiver can be incredibly stressful, but you don’t have to do it alone. Come meet and talk to others who are in the same situation as you. Moderated by April Maddox, caregiver support specialist at Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging.  
- Anton Room 202  
  - Mon Feb 8: 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
  - Mon Mar 14: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

**Journaling with Words and Images**  
Explore personal writing and illustrated journals through creative prompts and art techniques around a monthly theme. Discover additional ideas through the works of others, in-session sharing and online sources.  
- Anton Room 202  
  - Tue Feb 9: 10-11:30 a.m.  
  - The Edge - Teen Room  
  - Tue Mar 8: 10-11:30 a.m.

**Create a Bird-Friendly Habitat**  
Learn about plants that provide food and shelter for birds, natural and artificial nesting options and various bird feeders. Presented by Jeff Hansen, member of Kansas Native Plant Society and Topeka Audubon Society. Co-sponsored by Topeka Audubon.  
- Marvin Auditorium 101C  
  - Tue Feb 9: 7-8:30 p.m.

**Tax Talk - 2015 Changes & Tips for Filing**  
Discuss concerns about filing your 2015 income tax with an experienced tax professional from H&R Block. Learn about any changes to the tax laws and do a quick checkup on your 2015 taxes.  
- Menninger Room 206  
  - Wed Feb 10: 7-8:30 p.m.

**I Want My 80s Crafts!**  
Create a nostalgic memento or revive old favorites with a new twist: this time we’ll be making Shrinky-Dinks! Warm beverages and pastries available for purchase from our partner.  
- World Cup Espresso, 1501 SW 21st St.  
  - Thu Feb 11: 6-8 p.m.

**Using Recycled Materials in Your Garden**  
Spring will be here again before you know it and there are so many great ideas out there for using fun and unique recycled items in your garden and landscape. Tips and tricks presented by the Shawnee County Extension Master Gardeners.  
- Marvin Auditorium 101B  
  - Thu Mar 3: 7-8 p.m.

**Picture This: Digital Photography Club**  
Get involved in a community of fellow photographers. Meet up at a different location each month to take pictures, share creative ideas and have fun. Anyone is welcome, whether you use the most expensive up-to-date camera or a simple cell phone.  
- 712 Innovations, 712 Kansas Ave.  
  - Mon Feb 15: 5:30-7 p.m.  
  - Cedar Crest (Governor’s Residence) parking lot, 1 Cedar Crest Rd.  
  - Mon Mar 14: 5:30-7 p.m.

**Celebrate Black History Month**  
African-American heritage and culture in all its richness will be told through music, performance and displays of genealogy and history. Get inspired to explore further, and leave with tools to help you connect with your own family roots.  
- Marvin Auditorium 101BC  
  - Sat Feb 20: 1-5 p.m.

**Fiction Writing Basics Workshop**  
Writing short stories and flash fiction requires a different approach than novel-length writing. Discuss tips and techniques for crafting effective short fiction in this community writing workshop.  
- Marvin Auditorium 101BC  
  - Tue Feb 23: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Upcycled Crafts: T-shirts**  
Bring in three old T-shirts and we’ll give one a fresh new look with bleach pens and sharpies, and use the other two to create something new: a no-sew grocery bag and a low-sew coaster. To register, call the Crestview Community Center, 785-251-2960.  
- Crestview Community Center - 4801 SW Shunga Dr.  
  - Wed Mar 2: 1-2:30 p.m.

**Washburn: Those Who Lead, Read**  
Engage in a timely discussion about literacy and leadership.  
- Marvin Auditorium 101B  
  - Thu Feb 25: 7-8:30 p.m.  

**Editing Your Novel**  
Writing the first draft of a novel is the first step on the journey to publication. To move toward a manuscript worth submitting, you have to sit down to edit. Discuss line editing and copy editing along with peer feedback.  
- Marvin Auditorium 101BC  
  - Thu Mar 2: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)**  
Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) is available at the library February 2 through April 14. The library distributes IRS forms 1040, 1040A, and 1040EZ. Tax forms, instruction booklets and supplemental forms are available online at www.irs.gov or can be requested at 1-800-829-3676. The Kansas K-40, Schedule S, and K-40H (homestead claim) forms will be available at the Customer Service Desk for 25¢ each. The library purchases these forms from the state of Kansas and the charge is to cover our costs. Kansas tax forms are also available at the Taxpayer Assistance Center located in the Docking state office building (901 SW Harrison). Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) is available at the library February 2 through April 14. Hours: Tuesdays, 6-8:30 pm | Thursdays, 3-8:30 pm | Saturdays, 1-4 pm
**ART**

**Roy G. Biv**
See the spectrum! Red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet - discover the beauty of Roy G. Biv. Travel through a rainbow of artworks and explore the wonder of color in this especially vivid exhibit.
- Alice C. Sabatini Gallery
  - Feb 12 - March 27

**Roy G. Biv Opening Reception**
Come to the gallery on the second Friday for colorful sustenance and a chance to get up close and personal with how we perceive color.
- Alice C. Sabatini Gallery
  - Sat Mar 19

**Art in Common**
Nurture your creative spirit through discussion, exploration and hands-on art-making. Discover new art media and techniques while connecting with other creative people. Find inspiration and resources in our community, gallery, library and online. Registration required.
- To scpl.eventbrite.com.
  - Lingo Story Room 121
  - Sat Feb 13, Sat Mar 12

**Foundations: Work by Founding Members of NCECA**
We all look to teachers and mentors for inspiration and guidance. Paul Soldner, Peter Voulkos, Rudy Autio, Warren Mackenzie and Nan McKinnell are some of the top innovative artists who provided guidance for countless ceramic artists in America. These artists and others on display were founding members of the National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA).
- Alice C. Sabatini Gallery
  - Feb 16 - May 1

**BOOKS**

**JOIN A BOOK CLUB | TSCPL.ORG/BOOKCLUBS**

**PostPublic Article Club**
"Bite-sized discourse in the Capital City." This is a public group that discusses interesting articles. Each month a curator is chosen to select an article for next month's discussion. Additional articles can be discussed in an unregulated bonanza at the end of the event. Email postpublic@tscpl.org.
- Blackbird Espresso Bar and Bistro
  - Mon Feb 1
  - Mon Mar 7

**Book, Book, Goose!**
Book, Book, Goose is a public book club providing a unique atmosphere for a lively discussion. Explore interesting literature, authors, fun people, good food and book-themed drink specials. Email bookgoose@tscpl.org for upcoming titles.
- The Dutch Goose
  - Thu Feb 4
  - Thu Mar 3

**TALK About Literature in Kansas—So Long a Letter by Mariama Bâ**
In a lively letter to a childhood friend, the recently widowed Ramatoulaye reminisces about her husband’s devastating decision to take a second wife. Sponsored by the Kansas Humanities Council.
- Marvin Auditorium 101A
  - Wed Mar 9

**So Many Books**
Discuss *The End of Your Life Book Club* by Will Schwalbe. This memoir recounts how the author and his mother read and discussed books during her chemotherapy treatments, furthering their appreciation for literature and strengthening their bond.
- Perkins Room 201
  - Sun Feb 21
  - Sun Mar 20

**Bean There, Read That**
Join this book group for young intellectuals in their 20s and 30s who like to talk lit. Contact beanthere@tscpl.org for current titles.
- Classic Bean, Fairlawn Plaza
  - Tue Feb 23
  - Tue Mar 22

**CLASSIC MADE MODERN BOOK DISCUSSION**
*To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee won the Pulitzer Prize in 1960. Discuss themes of racism, small town living and what it means to put yourself into another person’s shoes when Scout’s father defends a black man in a small Alabama town during the 1930s.
- Marvin Auditorium 101C
  - Mon Feb 8
  - Mon Mar 14

**AFRICAN-AMERICAN WRITERS BOOK DISCUSSION**
Charles M. Blow’s *Fire Shut Up in My Bones* mines the compelling poetry of the African-American Louisiana town where he grew up - a place where slavery’s legacy felt astonishingly close, reverberating in the elders’ stories and in the near-constant wash of violence. Find more info about the group and the books at awb.org or vnomni@cox.net.
- Topeka Room
  - Thu Feb 18

**COMPUTER CLASSES**

**BEGINNING CLASSES**
Designed for new computer users and presented at a relaxed pace. Try taking the classes in the order listed for a good, basic understanding. Registration required.
- To scpl.eventbrite.com.

**Taming Your Mouse**
Learn the proper way to hold and move the mouse. Learn about check boxes, radio buttons and scroll bars. If you can’t make one of these sessions, register for a Computer & Gadget Help session to get started.
- Computer Training Center
  - Mon Feb 22
  - Mon Mar 21

**Need event registration help?**
Call 785-580-4400
**Windows for Beginners**
Having trouble with the new Windows programs and features? Here we will learn about tiles and other new features in Windows. Use of Windows accessories including the calculator, snapping tool and WordPad will be demonstrated as well.

- Computer Training Center
  - Wed Feb 10 1:20 p.m.
  - Tue Feb 23 1:20 p.m.
  - Thur Mar 3 7:30-8 p.m.
  - Tue Mar 22 9:30-11 a.m.

**Internet Introduction**
Learn basic Internet functions and visit a variety of sites for information and entertainment.

- Computer Training Center
  - Thu Feb 4 7:30-8 p.m.
  - Wed Feb 24 9:30-11 a.m.
  - Wed Mar 23 9:30-11 a.m.

**Google It!**
Learn to use this most-visited site on the web. Search for information and images on the Internet. See your house with Google Maps. Learn about even more Google apps and features.

- Computer Training Center
  - Thu Feb 25 1:20 p.m.
  - Mon Feb 29 1:20 p.m.
  - Mon Mar 28 9:30-11 a.m.

**BEYOND THE BASICS**
Take the following classes when you feel ready for more challenging projects. These are presented at a faster pace than beginning classes. All classes take place in the library’s Computer Training Center unless otherwise noted. Registration is required. Go to tcpl.eventbrite.com.

**Excel: Introduction to Spreadsheets**
Learn about cells, columns, rows, AutoSum, simple formulas and page setup features.

- Computer Training Center
  - Tue Feb 9 7:30-8 p.m.
  - Wed Mar 9 1:20 p.m.
  - Thur Mar 17 7:30-8 p.m.

**Excel: Lists**
Familiarity with basic Excel is required for this class. Learn to create field names, sort lists and link worksheets. You’ll learn lists that can also be used in our Word: Mail Merge class.

- Computer Training Center
  - Tue Feb 16 7:30-8 p.m.
  - Thu Mar 10 1:20 p.m.
  - Thu Mar 24 7:30-8 p.m.

**Word: Mail Merge & Mailing Labels**
Create mailing labels, envelopes, personalized letters and directories by combining a Word document and a data table created in Microsoft Excel.

- Computer Training Center
  - Thu Feb 25 7:30-8 p.m.
  - Thu Mar 17 1:20 p.m.

**Facebook for Beginners**
Sign up for a Facebook account and learn the basics of this popular social networking site. Be sure to bring your email address and password. If you already have a Facebook account, please bring your password.

- Computer Training Center
  - Fri Feb 12 1:20 p.m.
  - Tue Mar 8 7:30-8 p.m.

**Pinterest for Beginners**
Get started on Pinterest - a simple way to organize images, projects and ideas online. Open an account, create boards and start pinning! Be sure to bring your email address and password.

- Computer Training Center
  - Fri Feb 26 1:20 p.m.
  - Tue Mar 29 7:30-8 p.m.

**Editing Digital Photos**
Learn to crop, rotate, resize, reduce red eye, play with color and use special effects on your digital photos using Google’s Picasa, free online software you can download to your computer.

- Computer Training Center
  - Thu Feb 11 7:30-8 p.m.
  - Wed Mar 2 1:20 p.m.

**Ebooks & Digital Music, Movies & Magazines**
Access the digital library anytime on your home computer or device using our free apps. Get a quick tour of our Digital Branch and learn how to use ebooks with Overdrive, magazines with Zinio, and movies and music with Hoopla.

- Computer Training Center
  - Tue Feb 2 7:30-8 p.m.
  - Thu Mar 10 7:30-8 p.m.

**iPad Workshop**
Bring your iPad and your library card. Staff and participants share tips and tricks, iPad features and favorite apps, including our suite of digital offerings.

- Anton Room 202
  - Wed Feb 17 1:30-3 p.m.
  - Wed Mar 16 1:30-3 p.m.

**Library Ebooks for Android & Nook Tablets**
Bring in your Android and Nook tablets & library card and learn how to get free ebooks anytime! Email address and app store login required.

- Computer Training Center
  - Tue Feb 23 7:30-8 p.m.
  - Thu Mar 31 1:20 p.m.

**Library Ebooks for Kindle Tablets**
Bring in your Kindle tablet and library card and learn how to get free ebooks anytime! Email address and app store login required.

- Computer Training Center
  - Mon Mar 7 1:20 p.m.

**Computer & Gadget Help**
A dedicated time to focus on your technology questions. Bring your laptop, tablet or other device. Practice new computer skills or learn to use the library catalog while trainers are available. Provide a description of the help you need when registering.

- Computer Training Center
  - Tue Feb 2, 9, 16, 23 3:30-5 p.m.
  - Thu Feb 11, 18 1:30-3 p.m.
  - Tue Mar 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 3:30-5 p.m.
  - Sat Feb 6 9:30-11 a.m.
  - Sat Mar 5 9:30-11 a.m.

**KIDS**

**Preschool Storytime** [3-5 years]
Stories, songs and fingerplays that encourage a love of reading and help develop early learning skills for children.

- The Story Zone
  - Thu Feb 2, 9, 16, 23 10-10:40 a.m.
  - Wed Mar 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 10-10:40 a.m.
  - Wed Mar 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10-10:40 a.m.
  - Thu Mar 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 10-10:40 a.m.

**tWiIn Xgaming Station** [8-12 years]
Come hang out and play awesome games on the Wii or XBox. Impress your friends with your stellar hand-eye coordination. Beat your enemies using your limitless courage. Now’s the time to show your stuff! (Games will be rated E for everyone).

- The Story Zone
  - Tue Feb 2, 9, 16, 23 4-5 p.m.
  - Sun Feb 7, 14, 21, 28 2-3 p.m.
  - Sun Mar 6, 13, 20, 27 2-3 p.m.

**Amazing Animals** [5-12 years]
Take a walk on the wild side with our naturalist librarians. Marvel at our featured creatures, get up close and personal with our amazing animal guests and make a memento of your encounter to take home.

- Lingo Story Room
  - Mon Feb 8 4-5 p.m.
  - Mon Mar 14 4-5 p.m.

**Minecraft® @ Your Library** [8-12 years]
Enter the library’s Minecraft® world on our own server and build, build, build. Each time we meet, we’ll have a new mission to construct and complete new parts of the library’s landscape. Then, we’ll unleash creepers.

- Computer Training Center
  - Wed Feb 10, 24 4-5 p.m.
  - Wed Mar 9, 23 4-5 p.m.

**Community Storytime** [3-5 years]
Stories, songs and fingerplays that encourage a love of reading and help develop early learning skills.

- Crestview Community Center - 4801 SW Shunga Dr.
  - Thu Feb 11 10:30-11 a.m.
  - Thu Mar 10 10:30-11 a.m.
**Musical Storytime** [Birth - 5 years]
Shake off your sleepiness with some fun songs and crazy dancin’ with Kyler. Occasional surprises and guests!
- **The Story Zone**
  - Sat, Feb 13, 27: 10-10:30 a.m.
  - Sat, Mar 12, 26: 10-10:30 a.m.

**Guys Read** [8-12 years]
Read awesome books dudes will dig – explosive action and farts! Then talk ‘em over with the guys, play games, wolf down some food and meet new friends. Receive books on a first-come, first-served basis. For more info, call Jason at 785-580-4565.
- **Lingo Story Room**
  - Sat, Feb 13: 2-3 p.m.
  - Sat, Mar 12: 2-3 p.m.

**Factual Fun** [5-8 years]
Explore the world of Black American Art. Jump into learning with fun hands-on activities. You will also find out where to find awesome books to investigate the topic. Come learn more about your favorite thing or learn about something totally new to you.
- **Dinosaur Zone**
  - Thu, Feb 18: 4:30-5:15 p.m.

**Musical Storytime for Everybody** [All ages]
Bring the whole family, daycare or preschool for some guitar picking music, dancing, whimsical books and great big smiles with Kyler.
- **The Story Zone**
  - Fri, Feb 19: 10-10:30 a.m.
  - Fri, Mar 18: 10-10:30 a.m.

**Anyone Can Cook** [All ages]
For anyone who loves to eat but can’t cook. Learn to follow a recipe, plan healthy and delicious meals and snacks and explore different styles of cooking.
- **Tweens Area**
  - Fri, Feb 19: 4-5 p.m.
  - Fri, Mar 18: 4-5 p.m.

**Gathering STEAM** [9-12 years]
Investigate art and science, technology, engineering, and/or math as you collaborate and create in this hands-on, problem solving program. Registration required. Go to tscpl.eventbrite.com.
- **Lingo Story Room**
  - Sun, Feb 21: 2-3:30 p.m.
  - Sun, Mar 20: 2-3:30 p.m.

**Read Across America** [3-8 years]
Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you, happy birthday Dr. Seuss, happy birthday to you! Celebrate Dr. Seuss’s birthday and the fun of reading. We will read, play games and make something special to take home.
- **Marvin Auditorium 101C**
  - Wed, Mar 2: 6-7 p.m.

**Family Place Learn & Play** [Birth-3 years]
Play together and participate in activities that focus on healthy child development and early literacy. Learn about your role of being your child’s first teacher. Local partners will be present to share resources available to the community. Registration required for the 5-week program. Go to tscpl.eventbrite.com.
- **Marvin Auditorium 101B**
  - Mon, Mar 7, 14, 21, 28: 10-10:45 a.m.
  - Mon, Mar 7, 14, 21, 28: 6:30-7:15 p.m.
  - Mon, Apr 4: 10-10:45 a.m.
  - Mon, Apr 4: 6:30-7:15 p.m.

**Toddler Time 2** [24-36 months]
Share stories, songs and crafts with your toddler. This 6-week program transitions children from lap-sitting to independent storytimes. Registration for the classes on Tuesdays from 3/22-4/26 begins 9 a.m. March 8, 2016. Registration required. Go to tscpl.eventbrite.com.
- **Lingo Story Room**
  - Tue, Mar 22, 29: 9:30-10 a.m.
  - 10:30-11 a.m.
  - 6:30-7 p.m.
  - Tue, Apr 5, 12, 19, 26: 9:30-10 a.m.
  - 10:30-11 a.m.
  - 6:30-7 p.m.

**MOVIES**

**INTERNATIONAL FILM SERIES**

**The Lunchbox**
Can you fall in love with someone you have never met?
© Sony Picture Classics | India | 2013 | PG | 103 minutes
- **Marvin Auditorium 101B**
  - Mon, Feb 2: 6:30-8:45 p.m.

**Searching for Sugar Man**
Two fans search for their music idol from the 70s. Documentary.© Sony Picture Classics | Sweden | 2012 | PG-13 | 87 minutes
- **Marvin Auditorium 101B**
  - Tue, Mar 1: 6:30-8:45 p.m.

**CLASSIC FILM SERIES**

**Pride and Prejudice**
The story of the five Bennet sisters living in early 19th century England whose mother is scheming to make prestigious marriages for them. 1940 | bw | 118 minutes
- **Marvin Auditorium 101B**
  - Fri, Feb 12: 2-5 p.m.

**Heaven Can Wait**
A newly deceased playboy arrives at the outer gates of Hades where he asks Satan for permission to enter the Underworld. Though the Devil doubts he will qualify, the playboy proceeds to recount a lifetime wooing and pursuing women. 1943 | color | 112 minutes
- **Marvin Auditorium 101B**
  - Fri, Mar 11: 2-5 p.m.

**ANIMATED HEARTS FILM SERIES** [All ages]

**Coraline**
A hidden door reveals a parallel world where Coraline has everything she desires — until she isn’t allowed to leave. Based on the book by Neil Gaiman. 2009 | PG | 100 minutes
- **Marvin Auditorium 101B**
  - Fri, Feb 5: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Persepolis**
A coming-of-age story of a precocious and outspoken young Iranian girl that begins during the Islamic Revolution. Based on the graphic novels by Marjane Satrapi. 2007 | Rated PG-13 | 95 minutes
- **Marvin Auditorium 101B**
  - Fri, Feb 12: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Inside Out**
Inside Riley’s head, she is guided by her emotions: Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness. Growing up is hard, and learning that there’s more than just happiness in life is a big lesson for her to learn. 2015 | Rated PG | 94 minutes
- **Marvin Auditorium 101B**
  - Fri, Feb 26: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**MUSIC**

**Kelly Werts & Friends**
Come see a joyful celebration of American Folk Music. Singer and finger style guitarist Kelly Werts celebrates the release of his latest CD, *Crawdad*, as he appears in concert at the library. He will be joined by his trio, Tiny Flowers, which includes accordionist Diana Werts and percussionist Allan Winkler, to play an acoustic, eclectic mix of vintage Americana.
- **Marvin Auditorium**
  - Sun, Mar 13: 3-4 p.m.
**TEEN TECH WEEK**
**MARCH 6-12**

**Books Into Movies: Warm Bodies** [12-18 years]
Zombies are everywhere. Life seems hopeless. That is, until a zombie boy saves a human girl's life. What? Can zombies be cured or even fall in love? Check it out, and you could win a free book!
- The Edge - Teen Room
- Wed Feb 10
- 4-5:45 p.m.

**Connect Four Tournament** [12-18 years]
Make a connection! Battle other teens in a Connect Four Tournament. Become a connection champion and earn a sweet prize.
- The Edge - Teen Room
- Wed Mar 9
- 4-6 p.m.

**Introduction to Code** [12-18 years]
Learn the basics of programming, and earn a sweet prize.
- The Edge - Teen Room
- Wed Mar 9
- 4-6 p.m.

**Teen Performers’ Place** [12-18 years]
If you sing, dance, read poetry, tell jokes, act or play an instrument, we have the place where you can practice onstage with a mic in front of a real audience. If you are not a performer, stay and enjoy the performance. Must be 18 or younger. Registration required. Go to tscpl.org/eventbrite.com.
- The Edge - Teen Room
- Wed Feb 24
- 4-5:30 p.m.
- Wed Mar 30
- 4-5:30 p.m.

**Fidget With It** [12-18 years]
If you like to learn by doing, then stop by The Edge during Teen Tech Week. You will find a hands-on experience with our techie toys. There will be a new technology item to fidget with each day.
- The Edge - Teen Room
- Mon Mar 7
- 4-5 p.m.
- Tue Mar 8
- 4-5 p.m.

**Books Into Movies: Ender’s Game** [12-18 years]
A hostile alien race attacked Earth, and Fleet Commander Rackham has saved everyone for now. In preparation for the next attack, a brilliant boy is discovered and named the next great hope for the world. Can he save everyone with the weight of this title on his shoulders? You could win a free book!
- The Edge - Teen Room
- Wed Mar 9
- 4-6 p.m.

**Anime Kurabu** [12-18 years]
Kon’nichiwa! Do you love all things anime and manga? If you answered “Hai,” then plan on coming to this fun kurabu where we will play, watch, read, write, draw and imagine all things anime.
- The Edge - Teen Room
- Mon Feb 15
- 2:30-3:30 p.m.

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- The Edge - Teen Room
- Mon Feb 15
- 2:30-3:30 p.m.

**Teen Tech Fair** [12-18 years]
Do you love technology? Have you designed something awesome you want to share with everyone? Email jgrammer@tscpl.org, and you can present it at our Tech Fair. Or just show up! There will be presentations, demos and a tutorials, you will leave with an experience in beginning technology that is changing our world. Using self-guided tutorials, you will leave with an experience in beginning code, the language of computers.
- Computer Training Center
- Thu Mar 10
- 4-5 p.m.

**Board Game Day** [12-18 years]
Learn new board games and play old favorites. Including Ticket to Ride, Monopoly, Settlers of Catan, Checkers, Stratego, Chess, Sorry, Battleship, Connect Four and many, many more.
- The Edge - Teen Room
- Thu Mar 17
- 2-4 p.m.

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**MONDAY**
- 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM
  - Community Action Head Start, 2410 SE Highland
- 10:15 AM – 12:00 PM
  - Pine Ridge, 1100 SE Highland
- 12:30 PM – 2:30 PM
  - Wal-Mart, 1301 SW 37th
- 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM
  - Educational & Quest Credit Union, SE 29th & Croco
- 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM
  - Avondale East, 455 SE Golf Park Blvd
- 3:00 PM – 7:30 PM
  - Fairlawn Plaza Shopping Center, SW 21st & Fairlawn
- 3:30 PM – 7:30 PM
  - Tecumseh United Methodist Church, 334 SE Tecumseh

**TUESDAY**
- 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM
  - Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 3625 SW Wanamaker
- 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM
  - Brookwood Shopping Center, SW 29th & Oakley
- 2:15 PM – 7:30 PM
  - Dillons, SW 29th & Urish
- 2:30 PM – 7:30 PM
  - Shawnee Heights United Methodist Church, SE 45th/Shawnee Hts

**WEDNESDAY**
- 9:30 AM – 7:30 PM
  - Villa West Shopping Center, SW 29th & Wanamaker
- 9:30 AM – 7:30 PM
  - California Crossing Shopping Center, SE 29th & California

**THURSDAY**
- 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
  - Casey’s General Store, 4441 SE California Ave.
- 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM
  - Hunter’s Ridge, NW 46th & Hwy 75
- 11:45 AM – 1:15 PM
  - Quincy Street Station, 820 SE Quincy
- 2:30 PM – 7:30 PM
  - Brookwood Shopping Center, SW 29th & Oakley
- 2:00 PM – 7:30 PM
  - K-Mart North, NW Lyman & Tyler

**FRIDAY**
- 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM
  - Fairlawn Plaza Shopping Center, SW 21st & Fairlawn
- 9:30 AM – 12:45 PM
  - Dillons North, 800 NW 25th St
- 2:00 PM – 7:30 PM
  - Mike’s IGA, NE Sardou & Forest
- 2:30 PM – 7:30 PM
  - Velma Paris Community Center, 6715 SW Westview

**SATURDAY**
- 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM
  - Educational & Quest Credit Union, SE 29th & Croco
- 9:30 AM – 12:15 PM
  - Auburn Community Center, 121 W. 11th
- 12:45 PM – 3:00 PM
  - Hunter’s Ridge, NW 46th & Hwy 75
- 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM
  - Villa West Shopping Center, SW 29th & Wanamaker

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There's NO Such Thing as a Dragon
Hand, Hand, Fingers, Thumb
Mustache Baby
Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?
Slinky Malinki
Sheep in a Jeep

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