

Adult Services & Digital Literacy Programs @ The Library

The Week of January 5 - 10, 2015:

Joy Unleashed Workshop Series: Are you ready for a change? Learn and practice ten behaviors that can make your life happier and more satisfying. Sessions include a presentation, discussion and sharing. Bring a bagged lunch, if you wish. Beverages provided. Series is based on the book, *The Joy Diet: 10 Daily Practices for a Happier Life* by Martha Beck. Book is recommended but not required.

Note: Programs in this series will be held every Tuesday at noon through March 17.

Date & Time of Joy Unleashed Workshop:
Tuesday, January 6, 2015: 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Microsoft Word Basics Workshop: This workshop will offer new Microsoft Word users tips on how to use banners & templates, how to create and space text, how to insert photos and more!

Date & Time of Microsoft Word Basics Workshop:
Tuesday, January 6, 2015; 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

iPad Workshop (Basic & Intermediate): We're trying out something new! This iPad workshop includes a brief look at the material we usually cover in our iPad Basics Workshop and then...we jump into the more advanced material we will be covering in the future in our Intermediate iPad Workshops.

The intermediate subjects covered will include: Siri settings, keyboard layout options, renaming your iPad, enabling and using Bluetooth devices, how to make phone calls from your iPad, how to use AirPlay (in conjunction with an Apple TV box) to stream music and videos from your iPad to your TV and more.

Date & Time of iPad Combo Basics & Intermediate Workshop:
Thursday, January 8, 2015; 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Adults Creative Writers Group: Inject some socialization into your solo writing time by join the library's Adult Creative Writers Group for conversation, inspiration and feedback on writing projects. No sign up is required. This group meets every Thursday from 6-8 pm. On the third Thursday of the month the group meets in the library. On the other Thursdays the group meets at Soul Full Cup CoffeeHouse. For more information, please call Adult Services Director Michelle Wells at (607) 936-3713 ext 209 or email wellsm@stls.org.

Date & Time of Creative Writers Group Meeting: Thursday, January 8, 2015; 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Computer Security & Privacy Workshop: Computer Science expert D. J. Dates will host this program. Workshop attendees will gain insight on how to safely travel around their computer and the Internet. D. J. will also discuss Encryption and Script Blocking!

**Date & Time of Computer Security & Privacy Workshop:
Friday, January 9, 2015: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Monthly Technology Movie: Close Encounters of the Third Kind (1977): Richard Dreyfuss stars as cable worker Roy Neary, who along with several other stunned bystanders experience a close encounter of the first kind - witnessing UFOs soaring across the sky. After this life-changing event, the inexplicable vision of a strange, mountain-like formation haunts him. He becomes obsessed with discovering what it represents, much to the dismay of his wife and family. Meanwhile, bizarre occurrences are happening around the world. Government agents have close encounters of the second kind - discovering physical evidence of extraterrestrial visitors in the form of a lost fighter aircraft from World War II and a stranded military ship that disappeared decades earlier only to suddenly reappear in unusual places. Roy continues to chase his vision to a remote area where he and the agents follow the clues that have drawn them to reach a site where they will have a close encounter of the third kind - contact. MPAA Rating: PG. Run Time: 132 minutes. Technology Subjects: Extraterrestrial life.

**Date & Time of January Tech Movie Close Encounters of the Third Kind (1977):
Friday, January 9, 2015; 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

Reading and Workshop with Poet and Author Andrei Guruianu

Date & Time of *Reading and Workshop* with Poet and Author Andrei Guruianu program:
Saturday, January 10, 2015: Time: 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

**And also this week is the first program in the 2015 Friends of the Library Books
Sandwiched In series!**

Join us at 12:10 p.m. on Wednesday, January 7, 2015!

**Books Sandwiched In: Excellent Sheep: The Miseducation of the American Elite
and the Way to a Meaningful Life by William Deresiewicz**

Excellent Sheep: will be reviewed by Kate Douglas

Here's a overview of the book: A groundbreaking manifesto for people searching for the kind of insight on leading, thinking, and living that elite schools should be—but aren't—providing.

As a professor at Yale, Bill Deresiewicz saw something that troubled him deeply. His students, some of the nation's brightest minds, were adrift when it came to the big questions: how to think critically and creatively, and how to find a sense of purpose.

Excellent Sheep takes a sharp look at the high-pressure conveyor belt that begins with parents and counselors who demand perfect grades and culminates in the skewed applications Deresiewicz saw firsthand as a member of Yale's admissions committee. As schools shift focus from the humanities to "practical" subjects like economics and computer science, students are losing the ability to think in innovative ways. Deresiewicz explains how college should be a time for self-discovery, when students can establish their own values and measures of success, so they can forge their own path.

He addresses parents, students, educators, and anyone who's interested in the direction of American society, featuring quotes from real students and graduates he has corresponded with over the years, candidly exposing where the system is broken and clearly presenting solutions.

Join the Friends of the Southeast Steuben County Library for its popular series of lunchtime book talks held Wednesdays in January and February.