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Newsletter of the Rosemary Garfoot Public Library

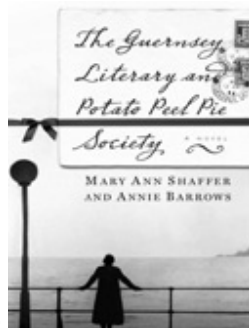
BOOK CLUBS

Monday Night Book Group

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows

Monday, Feb. 28 - 6:30 PM

Join the library book club on Monday, February 28 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows' vivid and delightful book about an exclusive book club known as *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society*. Find out why the book club formed and how writer, Juliet Ashton, discovers the group and sets out on a journey to meet this unique and charming bunch. For more information, please call 798-3881.



Eco Talk Book Discussion

Wednesday, February, 23 - 5:30 PM

In a departure from our regular book club selections, the Eco-Talk Cook Club will be reading a collection of online materials about **hydraulic fracturing (fracking)**, the process by which natural gas is extracted from the earth. Following our discussion, we'll screen the academy award nominated documentary, *Gasland*. In 2009, filmmaker Josh Fox learned his home in the Delaware River Basin was on top of the Marcellus Shale, a rock formation containing natural gas that stretches across New York, Pennsylvania and huge stretches of the Northeast. He was offered \$100,000 to lease his land for a new method of drilling developed by Halliburton and soon discovered this was only a part of a 34-state drilling campaign, the largest domestic natural gas drilling boom in history. Part mystery, part travelogue, and part banjo showdown, Josh travels across 24 states to interview families, EPA whistleblowers, congressmen and scientists in vast drilling areas,

and unearths a shocking story about a practice that is understudied and inadequately regulated.

The reading list may be obtained by calling Kris at 798-3881. **Dinner will be provided so please be sure to sign up!**

BASIC COMPUTER CLASSES

Sign up for these free basic classes on a variety of computer topics. Classes are held in the Community Rooms. Please register at the Circulation Desk or by calling 798-3881.

Basic Computers – class size 6

Tuesday, March 29, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Learn the basic operation of a Windows PC including keyboard, mouse use and desktop features. Some typing skills required.

Internet Basics – class size 6

Tuesday, March 29, 12:30-2:00 p.m.

Discover the Internet and the World Wide Web (WWW) using the Internet Explorer browser. Participants must have basic computer skills and keyboard experience.

Word Processing Basics (Word 2007) – class size 6

Wednesday, March 30, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Learn to edit a document with cutting, copying, pasting, inserting, deleting, bolding, italicizing, and underlining. A general understanding of computer operation is required.

Word Processing II (Word 2007) – class size 6

Wednesday, March 30, 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Learn about line spacing, text alignment, text sizing, fonts, bullets, WordArt, and borders. Word Processing Basics or a general knowledge of word processing is a prerequisite.

E-mail Basics with E-mail Setup – class size 4

Friday, April 1, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Learn to check, read, compose, delete, spell-check and send electronic mail using Google's free service. Knowledge of Internet Basics and Basic Computers is required.

Library Hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday: 9am-8pm, Tuesday & Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 10am-2pm
Rosemary Garfoot Public Library, 2107 Julius St., Cross Plains, WI. 53528 - 608-798-3881 - www.rgpl.org

MORNING MOVIE

Thursday, Feb. 10th at 9:30 AM

Community Rooms

SECRETARIAT

Join us for this pulse-pounding film that chronicles the spectacular journey of the 1973 Triple Crown winner, SECRETARIAT, and the moving story of his unlikely owner, housewife and mother Penny Chenery Tweedy (Diane Lane), who risked everything to make him a champion. Also starring John Malkovich and Dylan Walsh. Please call the library at 798-3881 to sign up. Run time. 123 minutes.



Storytime News

Join us this winter for . . .

My Own Special Self

Wigglers and Gigglers - Tuesdays @ 10

For babies and toddlers. We will learn finger-plays, sing songs, and read very simple books.

Mark the following Tuesdays on your calendar: 2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8 and 3/29.

Big Kids' Booktime - Thursdays @ 10

Designed for preschoolers (3-5 year olds). At Storytime we sing, read stories and occasionally have a craft project, snack or a special activity based on our theme. These programs are designed for children who are ready to sit and listen to stories. Please bring younger siblings out of the room during the storytelling portion of the program.

2/17 - I Play and Learn

2/24 - I Eat and Sleep

3/3 - Coming Home

3/10 - My Neighborhood

3/31 - My Own Backyard

Please go to our website, www.rgpl.org, for more information.

TERRARIUM MAKE AND TAKE

Saturday, March 5th, 10:00 AM

Community Rooms

Fee \$10 (collected at sign-up)



Please join members of the Cross Plains Garden Club learning how to garden in miniature! The fee covers the cost of a container, soil, and starter plants that you will plant. When you're all done take it home, add personal details, minimal water and PRESTO! Your very own terrarium!

Please sign-up at the library by March 1st. All are welcome, but children under 12 need to be accompanied by an adult.

Not interested in taking home your own miniature garden? You're welcome to watch and learn for free!

FROM THE DIRECTOR - 2010 IN BRIEF

Thank you for showing how important your public library is to the Commons and your quality of life.

Last year, an estimated 57,000 visits were made to the library. You checked out almost 99,000 items and participated in 180 library programs and events including storytimes, summer library program, environmental presentations, book discussions and volunteer activities.

The library staff looks forward to meeting your informational, educational and recreational needs in 2011.