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Spring 2011 Newsletter

The library is a temple of learning, and learning has liberated more people than all the wars in history.

--Carl T. Roman

Youth Services at CPL : March Break



The Cobourg Public Library has prepared a host of entertaining programs for children, youth and families to enjoy this March Break. Among the line-up at the Cobourg Public Library is the return of the highly anticipated dinner theatre, "Pizza and a Play", "Music for Young Children", "St. Patrick's Day Scavenger Hunt", the wacky and wonderful entertainment of Doug Barr, children's entertainer extraordinaire, and "Art for Little Hands" with Barb Smith.

Our branch libraries have scheduled some exciting programs this year, as well. There will be bearded dragons at Gores Landing Library, and Heather Whaley will wow families at the Bewdley Library with her musical talent. Bewdley Library will

also host its first writing workshop with writer/lyricist Kim Williams in her program, "Build a Scary Story".

Registration begins Monday, February 28th at 10am at the Cobourg Public Library. Due to the popularity of our programs, registration is restricted to Library members until Monday, March 7th, after which time anyone may sign-up. Bewdley and Gores Landing programs are restricted to Library members from Hamilton Township until Monday, March 7th.

For more programming details and information, please take a look at the March Break schedule on page one or visit our website at www.cobourg.library.on.ca

What's Happening at the Cobourg Public Library during March Break

MARCH

14th at 12:00pm **Munch at the Movies.** FREE.

14th at 6:00pm **Dinner Theatre.** Family program. \$2/person.

15th at 10:30am **Children's Music Program.** Ages 4-6. FREE.

15th at 1:00pm **Legends of Lore.** Ages 8-12. FREE.

16th at 10:30am **Beach Party.** Ages 4-7. FREE.

16th at 6:30pm **What Happened in 2010?** Ages 13-18. FREE.

17th at 10:30am **St. Patrick's Day Scavenger Hunt.** Ages 8-12. FREE.

17th at 2:00pm **Doug Barr, Children's Entertainer.** Family program. FREE.

18th at 1:30pm **Art for Little Hands with Barb Smith.** Ages 4-10. FREE.

Gores Landing Branch

15th at 3:00pm **Dragons.** Ages 5+. FREE.

Bewdley Branch

16th at 3:00pm **Heather Whaley.** Family program. FREE.

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Meet the New Library Board

The Cobourg Public Library Board is comprised of nine trustees, appointed by Cobourg's Town Council. The Board includes a Councillor from Cobourg as well as one from Hamilton Township. Other trustees are citizen representatives from either Cobourg or Hamilton Township who apply to serve on the Board for the four year tenure of Council. This Board was appointed in December 2010 and will serve until December 2014.

Library Board meetings are open to the public and are held the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Cobourg Public Library Rotary Room.

Kevin Caldwell (Vice-Chair)

Kevin is originally from Timmins Ontario and moved to Cobourg in 2000 with his wife Kate. He has been a teacher for the last 15 years and has taught at Burnham Public School for 9 years. Kevin originally planned to be a librarian, receiving his Master of Library and Information Science degree at the University of Western Ontario. However, during a four month work placement as a Children's Librarian in the City of York he realized that, as enjoyable as working in a library was, he wanted to be in the classroom. This is Kevin's second term on the Cobourg Public Library Board and he served as Vice Chair in 2010. In addition to his community work for the Library, Kevin was a member of the Town of Cobourg's Environmental Advisory Committee for 6 years.

Councillor John Davison

John was born and raised in Cobourg and now lives in Hamilton Township. Retired from a policing career in 2004, he was elected as a councillor for Hamilton Township in 2010. The Cobourg Public Library provides library service under contract to the residents of Hamilton Township at the Bewdley and Gores Landing branches as well as the Cobourg location. John was appointed to the Library Board to serve as Hamilton Township Council's

representative. John believes that the Library Board and the Chief Executive Officer are committed to quality service and the needs of the ever changing electronic world we live in.

Patricia Fenner (Chair)

Patricia is a retired teacher and school-librarian who has lived with her husband Bob in Cobourg since 1999. Patricia has a distinguished record of volunteer service in Cobourg. In 2009 she was named Volunteer of the Year for her work on the Northumberland Hills Hospital Auxiliary and the Cobourg Public Library Board. She served as President of the Northumberland Hills Hospital Auxiliary from 2004 to 2008 and is again President of that organization. She has two previous periods of service on the Cobourg Public Library Board; one starting in 2001 and another in 2008. She was Chair of the Board from 2004 to 2005 and in 2010.

Jennifer Gillard

Jennifer is the Director of Communications and Community Engagement at Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH), responsible for the planning, organization and coordination of the hospital's communications and community engagement services, and for establishing strong collaborative working relationships among internal and external stakeholders. Jennifer was named the Ontario Hospital Association's Communicator of the Year in November 2010. Jennifer has been a resident of Cobourg since 1993. She is married to Stephen Della Casa and the couple has one daughter, Sophia, age seven, who attends public school in the community and enjoys regular use of the Library's children's collection and programs.

Leslie Gottlieb

Leslie, her partner and six-year-old twin daughters have lived in Northumberland County for the past six years. Leslie is managing director of Gottlieb & Associates which provides independent, specialized advice on insurance, employee benefits and

personal financial planning. As a busy mother, partner and business owner, she still has found the time and energy to be active in the community, serving on the Board of the Northumberland Chamber of Commerce, and currently, the Cobourg Library Board and Habitat for Humanity. She has also actively supported local charities including the Northumberland Hills Hospital, Northumberland Services for Women and the United Way.

Brad Pickering

Brad is the founder and president of Innovate Advisory, a management consulting firm that helps executives improve the profitability and sustainability of their businesses. Brad's MBA qualification and experience as a Professional Engineer offer a unique blend of technical and business acumen. He has lived and worked in Mexico for 4 years, has traveled to over 30 countries and speaks fluent Spanish. In 2009, Brad moved to Cobourg with his wife, Candace, and their twin boys, Andrew and Alexander. Brad enjoys running, kitesurfing, snowboarding, reading and spending time with his family.

Christine Sharp

Christine Sharp relocated to Cobourg in 2008, leaving behind a successful career in the music industry, as Vice President of The Frederick Harris Music Co., Limited, Canada's leading print music publisher, and Director of Marketing for RCM Examinations, positions that she held concurrently. Christine has also served as member of the Board of Directors of Access Copyright (formerly CanCopy). Christine graduated with an MBA from University of Western Ontario and an Honours BA in Creative Writing from York University. She enjoys live theatre and recently directed "The Trouble with Richard" for the Northumberland Players. She also recently received her ARCT in Voice Performance from The Royal Conservatory of Music.

***Bios for Councillor Donna Todd, and Trustee Pat McCourt will appear in the next newsletter*

E-Books and Audiobooks are Here!

Last year e-book sales in North America almost doubled, bringing the grand total of titles purchased close to one billion. This latest statistic means that e-books now make up more than 9% of total consumer book sales. If popularity and progression patterns are any indication, it is safe to say the digital book is here to stay. So what are e-books and what do they make possible?

An e-book is the exact same as a printed book the key difference is that it is read on a screen. The main advantage that digital text offers us is convenience. For the first time we have the ability to choose how we would like to read. The e-book is liberating in that the reading experience can now be personalized to suit our needs or whatever setting we find ourselves in. We can now change font size, hold hundreds of books on a device that fits in our hand, and we can take all of our favourite titles anywhere. Also, using the library you can sign out e-books from the comfort of your home for free!

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Cruz Reader

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iPad, wifi and 3G

Kobo Ereader

Sony Ereader

And others, including Blackberry and Windows Mobile Devices.

go to the Cobourg Public Library's website and click on the Overdrive link. In the right-hand corner there is a Quick Start Guide that will tell you what application you need to install to get e-books or audiobooks on your device. To login, you need your library card number and PIN.

Your PIN is the last four digits of your phone number. Help is available at the Library Tuesdays and Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., and Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. until the end of March.

Homework and Reading Help for Kids on the Web



The Cobourg Public Library offers access to a large variety of online databases for children through the

library's website. Library members can use these resources within the Library or at home, simply by going to the Library's website at www.cobourg.library.on.ca. From our main page choose Search a Database then click on Electronic Resources. You will need your library card and PIN number (usually the last 4 digits of your telephone number). E-resources are great tools for homeschoolers, for homework help or simply to support the inquisitive mind. Here is a sampling of some exciting

new databases that we have added to our children's collection.

Grzimek's Animal Life is an exciting online wildlife encyclopedia that covers more than 4,000 species, and includes more than 11,000 images, videos, illustrations, and maps. It is easy to use and offers the ability to download, print, bookmark, and share through popular social networking.

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Help for Small Business

The Cobourg Public Library and the Business Advisory Centre are in business! When it comes to your small business, we have a wealth of resources to help you succeed.

At the Library, you'll find our collection of business related books, magazines and directories. You can access databases for market research and business planning. You can use our computers with high speed Internet and MS-Office software, as well as high speed wireless if you arrive with your laptop. There are printers and photocopiers, large and small meeting rooms for rent. The Library is also an official "Ontario Services to Business" site, giving you access to a wealth of business and government information at



their websites www.ServiceOntario.ca and www.CanadaBusiness.ca. We are open 55 hours a week and provide 24-hour access to electronic resources through our website www.cobourg.library.on.ca.

At the Business Advisory Centre you can benefit from the knowledge, experience and advice of people who know and understand business. They can help you with business plan development, networking and mentoring opportunities, educational workshops, and navigating government requirements. They sponsor the Business Success Program and the Summer Company Program for students. And they are familiar with the business resources at the Cobourg Public Library to help you on your way. The Cobourg Public Library in partnership with the Business Advisory Centre are here to help you make your small business the best it can be!

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Kids InfoBits is developed especially for beginning researchers in Kindergarten through Grade 5. This database covers geography, current events, the arts, science, health, people, government, history, sports and more.

Pebble Go is an excellent tool for the emergent reader and a great resource for children from Kindergarten to Grade 3. The database is easy to navigate and visually appealing for

young users. Choose from either the "PebbleGo Animals", or the "PebbleGo Earth and Space" database for research and information, and games that support learning.

TumbleBooks, created from existing picture books, converts static images into moving pictures, enhanced by sound. The TumbleBook format is an alternate way to promote stories and reading through a total reading experience.

Tumble Readables range from early readers to Shakespearean plays,

These Read Alongs are a great way to develop oral reading skills, guiding readers to identify sounds and words visually while they're listening!

Tumble Talking Books offers selections for all ages. This database has text available in 3 sizes and downloadable audio books, too!

The Library continues to offer Novelist K-8, Worldbook online for Kids, and Teen Health and Wellness. If you haven't explored these yet, take a minute to see all that they have to offer.

Can You Help?

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