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YORK COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTS

Wi-Fi now available at all York County Libraries

Good news for those with computers and other digital devices that use Wi-Fi connections — all York County Library locations now offer wireless Internet access! This includes our headquarters library in Rock Hill, as well as our branch libraries in Clover, Fort Mill, Lake Wylie, and York. This service allows users to access the Web and the features and content of our website, www.yyclibrary.org, including downloadable titles from OverDrive® they can enjoy on their own devices.

Users are still subject to the Library's Internet filtering and Internet Use Policy. Wi-Fi access is available daily, although hours vary based on library location. In Rock Hill and Fort Mill, Wi-Fi is available from 9:15 a.m. – 8:40 p.m.; and in York, Clover, and Lake Wylie, from 9:15 a.m. – 7:40 p.m.

To connect to our wireless network, simply look for "York County Library" in your list of nearby Wi-Fi connections, and connect to it. Then, open your web browser and accept our Wireless Internet Access policy. The rules of this policy are as follows:

- Wireless Internet Access will be provided to users during hours the library is open.



- All computer use policies will also apply to wireless Internet access. Federal and state statutes requiring Internet filtering will also apply to the Library's wireless network.
- The Library cannot guarantee that you will be able to establish a wireless connection, nor the speed or quality of the connection.
- The public may use personal laptops, PDAs, or other wireless devices within buildings or grounds of York County Libraries offering this service as long as access for others is not blocked and no safety hazard is created. Examples include, but are not limited to: electrical cords strung across walkways; patrons

standing or seated in areas blocking access for others.

- Printing is not available via the Library's wireless network.
- Due to liability issues, staff may not assist with configuration, installation, or troubleshooting of any wireless devices, software, or downloadable applications.
- Public wireless networks are not secure and can be intercepted by others. The sending of any personal and/or confidential information is at the sole risk of the user. This includes but is not limited to: name, address, phone number, e-mail address, user IDs and passwords, birthdate, social security number, credit and debit card numbers, and account numbers.
- The Library is not responsible for any theft or damage to a patron's wireless device, nor for any loss of data caused by viruses, power outages, power surges, brownouts, or any other damage or liability that may occur from the use of the Library's wireless network.

For more information, please contact the Systems Department at 981-5849.

Counting down to the 2012 Vacation Reading Programs

**Dream Big
READ!**

This summer, make reading a rewarding, fun activity! The library will offer four distinct vacation reading programs for all ages, June 4–July 27. This summer's themes include *Dream Big — Read!* for newborns and toddlers under age 3 and children ages 3–12; *Own the Night*, for rising 6th–12th graders; and *Under the Covers*, for adults 18 and up. Prize drawings and reading incentives will be offered to those who complete reading requirements, and special free programs will be presented by a variety of performing artists. Look for more information at your local library and at www.yyclibrary.org.

Calendar of events

May 2012

Family Story Time

Story time for children ages 12 and under, accompanied by an adult. No registration required.

Tuesdays, 6 p.m., York Public Library

Preschool Story Time

Story time for 3–5-year-olds and their caregivers. No registration required.

- *Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m., Main Library, Rock Hill*
- *Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m., Fort Mill Public Library*
- *Wednesdays, 10 and 11 a.m., Fort Mill Public Library*
- *Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m., Clover Public Library*
- *Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m., Lake Wylie Public Library*
- *Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m., York Public Library*

Toddler Time

Stories, songs, finger plays and movement activities for children 24–35 months and their caregivers. Please do not bring other children into the program room. No registration required.

Thursdays, 10 and 11 a.m., Fort Mill Public Library

Book Clubs for Adults

Discuss great books with other book lovers. Register to reserve a copy of the book.

- *Tue., May 1, 10 a.m., and Thu., May 3, 6 p.m., York Public Library. The History of Love, by Nicole Krauss. Call 684-3751 to register.*
- *Wed., May 9, 6:30 p.m., Fort Mill Public Library. Sweet By and By, by Todd Johnson. Call 547-4114 to register.*
- *Mon., May 14, 1 p.m., Fort Mill Public Library. The Book Thief, by Marcus Zusak. Call 547-4114 to register.*
- *Thu., May 17, 10:30 a.m., Clover Public Library. Blessings, by Anna Quindlen. Call 222-3474 to register.*
- *Thu., May 17, 3 p.m., Fort Mill Public Library. An Edible History of Humanity, by Tom Standage. Call 547-4114 to register.*

Laura Ingalls Wilder Gingerbread Social

Enjoy an old-fashioned *Little House* prairie party, with square dancing, crafts, and, of course, gingerbread. Ages 8–12. Call 981-5888 to register. Limit 20 per session.

Tue., May 1, OR Wed., May 2, 4–5:15 p.m., Main Library, Rock Hill

Basic Computer Skills

Become familiar with a computer by learning the parts of the computer, computer terms, and how to operate the mouse. No computer experience required. Call 981-5845 to register (starting May 7 for second class). Limit 19.

Tue., May 1, 6:30–8:30 p.m., and Tue., May 15, 9:30–11:30 a.m., Main Library, Rock Hill

Teen Advisory Board Meetings

Make a difference on the Teen Advisory Board! Help select Young Adult materials and plan teen events. 6th–12th graders. No registration required.

- *Thu., May 3, 5:30–7 p.m., Main Library, Rock Hill*
- *Mon., May 14, 5–6 p.m., York Public Library*
- *Mon., May 21, 4:30–5:30 p.m., Fort Mill Public Library*

Basic Internet Skills

Learn Internet terms, surf the Internet using web browsers, and learn to use search engines. Experience with Windows and mouse required or previous class attendance. Call 981-5845 to register (starting May 7 for second class). Limit 19.

Thu., May 3, 6:30–8:30 p.m., and Wed., May 16, 9:30–11:30 a.m., Main Library, Rock Hill

Steampunk Jewelry

Create Steampunk accessories, including goggles and jewelry, and enjoy Steampunk music. Share some of your favorite books and learn about more! 6th–12th graders. Registration required.

- *Mon., May 7, 4:30–5:30 p.m., Fort Mill Public Library. Call 547-4114 to register. Limit 25.*
- *Sat., May 12, 11 a.m.–12 p.m., Lake Wylie Public Library. Call 831-7774 to register. Limit 25.*
- *Tue., May 15, 5–6:30 p.m., Main Library, Rock Hill. Call 981-5830 to register, starting May 1. Limit 25.*
- *Thu., May 17, 5–6:30 p.m., Clover Public Library. Call 222-3474 to register, starting May 3. Limit 20.*
- *Mon., May 21, 5–6:30 p.m., York Public Library. Call 684-3751 to register, starting May 7. Limit 30.*

Library announces Employee of the Year

The Library's Applause Award Committee has announced that Donna Andrews, Employee Development and Public Programming Manager, is the 2011 Employee of the Year. Donna is a positive face of the library, remaining pleasant while under pressure and retaining a sense of humor while fulfilling many extra duties.

Donna always makes patrons and staff members feel important and respected, and has tirelessly worked one-on-one to tutor patrons on new technology and promote library programs and services. She supports staff by consistently sharing information affecting patrons, as well as filling in at a moment's notice for co-workers. Donna gives her all to everything she does, and it shows. Please join the committee in congratulating her for her accomplishment!

The Applause Award committee would also like to recognize the Bookmobile and Outreach staff for excellent customer service and patience during the closing of the Main Library for repairs in 2011: Dina Grant, Terri Hovis, Terri Jeffreys, Dabney Roberts, and Deana Warren. These ladies definitely deserve an honorable mention for going above and beyond! Please help us acknowledge exceptional customer service from Library employees by completing and submitting an award form, available at your library or on our website at www.yclibrary.org.



**Donna
Andrews**

May 2012

Calendar of events

Mothers and Daughters' Evening Out

The staff of Salon Naman will demonstrate hairstyles, makeup, and skin care tips with teens and their mothers! All participants receive a goody bag. 6th–12th graders. Registration required. Call 981-5830 to register. Limit 20 mother-daughter teams. *Mon., May 7, 6:30–8 p.m., Main Library, Rock Hill*

Summer Fun

Enjoy books, songs, and crafts as we get ready for the carefree summer ahead. Ages 12 and under, accompanied by an adult. Call 981-5888 to register. Limit 30. *Tue., May 8, 6:30–7:30 p.m., Main Library, Rock Hill*

Angelina Ballerina

Hear the book, *Angelina and the Royal Wedding*, make a princess crown and other crafts, test your Angelina Ballerina

knowledge, and win fun prizes. Ages 5–12. Call 222-3474 to register. Limit 20. *Tue., May 8, 6:30–7:30 p.m., Clover Public Library*

Kitchen Science Fun

What if your kitchen became a science lab? Join us for kitchen-inspired science. Ages 9–12. Call 684-3751 to register. Limit 20. *Thu., May 10, 4–5 p.m., York Public Library*

Fiction Frenzy

Hear about 5-star chapter books from Miss Amy and kids your age. It's like a book club, but with no required reading! Ages 9–12. No registration required. *Thu., May 10, 4:30–5:30 p.m., Main Library, Rock Hill*

Coupon Swap

Join us the third Tuesday of each month to trade coupons or donate expired ones.

No registration required.

Tue., May 15, 10–11 a.m., York Public Library

Fairyland Fun

Dress in your "fairy best" for fairy fun, games, and crafts. K–2nd graders. Call 547-4114 to register, starting May 2. Limit 24. *Wed., May 16, 4–5 p.m., Fort Mill Public Library*

Scholastic Book Fair

Specially-priced books for children and adults, educational products, and software from more than 100 publishers. For hours, visit www.yclibrary.org or call 981-5888. *May 19–31, Main Library, Rock Hill*

Star Wars @ the Library

Come to a galaxy not-so-far away, and enjoy light saber battles, trivia, and crafts. 3rd–5th graders. Call 547-4114 to register, starting May 9. Limit 24. *Wed., May 23, 4–5 p.m., Fort Mill Public Library*



Peeps-O-Rama!

In April, York County Libraries held unique *Peeps-O-Rama* and *Peeps-A-Palooza* programs for teens. Among some of the gooey, squishy crafts and activities enjoyed at the programs was a chance to create a diorama of a scene from their favorite book — using Peeps! Creatively arranged using a wide variety of craft supplies, the dioramas are now on display! Pictured are a few from the Clover and York programs.



All York County Libraries will be closed **Saturday, May 26**, through **Monday, May 28**, for **Memorial Day**. The Main Library in Rock Hill will also begin closing on Sundays during the summer, starting **Sunday, May 27**.

“Team Willie” cheers on Library’s Special Olympian

On April 13, York County Library’s own Willie Wylie participated in the Area 11 Special Olympics Games at Cherry Park in Rock Hill. He received a third place ribbon in the 100-meter walk for males 22+ years old and a fifth place ribbon in the male softball throw. A group of Willie’s friends and fellow staff members, “Team Willie,” cheered him on. As always, Willie was a true Olympian, competing with enthusiasm, a winning spirit, and a smile. Way to go, Willie! The Library is proud of you!

Team Willie members acknowledge that Willie might have finished the 100-meter walk faster had they not unknowingly stopped him before he finished to congratulate him. They thought they were at the finish line, but apparently Willie still had about 25 meters to go when his fan club surrounded him. Team Willie would like to blame this error on the educational system, which failed to teach



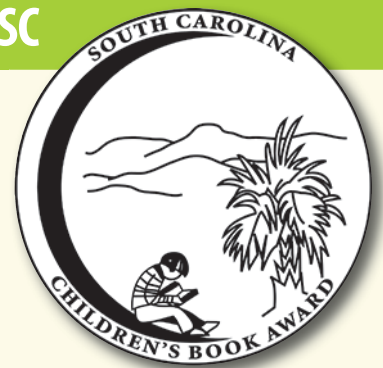
York County Library’s very own Special Olympian, Willie Wylie, surrounded by members of “Team Willie:” Page Hendrix, Ruth Canfield, and Abbie Townsend. Photo courtesy of Ruth Canfield and Michael Carnes.

them the metric system. Also in their defense, no one told them they weren’t actually at the finish line. Thankfully, Willie

forgave his overzealous supporters, but did ask for a “do-over.”

2012–2013 SC Book Award nominees featured at StudySC

StudySC, the State Library’s website for South Carolina-specific K–12 educational resources, now features the 2012–2013 South Carolina Book Award nominees. The purposes of the awards are to encourage students to read good-quality, contemporary literature, and to honor the authors of the books annually chosen as the favorites by student vote. The updated SC Book Award section can be viewed at www.studysc.org/sc-book-award/sc-book-awards. Each book features a picture of the cover, description, and links to online resources, such as book reviews, author websites and biographies, reader guides, and more. A list of these Book Award titles for each age group will also be available soon at your local York County Library.



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York County Main Library
138 East Black Street, Rock Hill
803-981-5858

Children’s Department: 803-981-5888
Young Adult Department: 803-981-5830
Reference Department: 803-981-5825

Clover Public Library
107 Knox Street
803-222-3474

Fort Mill Public Library
1818 Second Baxter Crossing
803-547-4114

Lake Wylie Public Library
185 Blucher Circle
803-831-7774

York Public Library
21 East Liberty Street
803-684-3751



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