



Princeton Public Library

Opening the world, one book at a time

March/April 2010 Newsletter

the Director's desk...Brenda Williams

I am hoping that March will bring milder weather. We only closed one day due to the weather. When the library closes, WRAY is notified and no fines are incurred.

Libraries will have to meet new standards in 2011. The new standards require libraries to have so many programs including a summer reading program of six weeks and so many computers per population served, and to be open a certain number of hours per week including evenings and weekends. I am happy to announce that Princeton exceeds the number required for programs and computers per population served. There are only two things that are required that we do not have: a scanner for public use and either voice mail or an answering machine stating our hours.

We have had requests for documents to be printed in color from the public computers. You can now print in color, but in order to do this the library installed a print management program. The program allows you to choose whether you want to print in color or black and white, and it will tell you the cost of the print job.

There is an extra step involved in that you have to put in a name for the print job and notify the circulation desk that you want to print a document named _____. They will take your payment and release the document from the print queue and it will print. The cost of colored copy is \$.70 compared to \$.15 for black & white. Some people have thought they were only printing one page when that page was in a file with other pages and they printed 20 pages. You will now know the cost in advance and if you want to print only the one page, you can ask the staff for assistance in printing that one page. In everything that is new, there can be problems, let the staff know if you encounter a problem in printing.

LIBRARY CLOSED ON EASTER SUNDAY

NEW Library Service! Family Computer Time!

Tuesdays in March

1:30-3:30PM

Meeting Room, Level One

The staff has seen a need for parents/caregivers of young children to be able to use the computers while caring for their children.

We will be allowing parent/caregivers with young children to use the 4 computers in the meeting room from 1:30pm to 3:30pm on Tuesdays in March for a trial run. Sign up for a computer in the genealogy room.

**EVERGREEN INDIANA
Training Session
Monday, March 29
1:30-2:30pm & 6:30-7:30pm
Learn how to search for materials,
place holds, and renew your materials
online!**

AARP Tax Help Dates

Monday, March 8, 11am-4pm

Thursday, March 11, 11am-4pm

Monday, March 22, 11am-4pm

Thursday, March 25, 11am-4pm

Monday, April 5, 11am-4pm

This tax assistance program is geared for senior citizens and low income families. Please bring your 2008 tax returns and your 2009 earning statements (W-2s) with you.

*After February 5, may register in advance for the following week's session(s) only!

Youth Services by Ronda Colbert

Maybe our cold weather is over and we can all look forward to SPRING!!!!YEAH!!! Spring officially begins on Saturday, March 20th. Story Times for ages 3 months up to 5 years continue until May. The last classes will meet on May 11 and 12th. Upcoming parties for these ages are St. Patrick's Day and Easter.

Reminder that Dr. Seuss has a birthday on March 2nd. "THE READING FUN NEVER ENDS WITH CAT AND THE HAT AND HIS FRIENDS!"

March 8th and April 12th we will be having Crafty Critters in the Youth Room. We will be making Springtime crafts. Come and have some fun with us. March 22nd and April 19th will be Family Movie Night.

Please come in and check out our new Spring and Easter books. *Fancy Nancy's Elegant Easter* is a must for every little girl to read.

Preparations are going on for our Summer Reading Program. I can't wait!!!! "LUAU AT THE LIBRARY" is going to be great- Water, Splash, Wet & Wild fun!

A new historical novel for teens and young adults is *Alone the Journey of the Boy Sims*. This was written by Alan K. Garinger, who is a past recipient of the Indiana Outstanding Young Educator Award. This novel is about pioneer Joshua Sims who was orphaned at 13 and joined a survey crew. His travels are detailed in the book along with many adventures that helped establish and evaluate his beliefs about the people of his home.

Genealogy Corner by Bonnie Johnson

Not all research can be done on the internet; but there are a few good websites out there to help you in your family research. Here are a few: www.rootsweb.com, www.usgenweb.org, www.familysearch.org, www.cyndislist.com, www.in.gov/library/2306.htm, www.gencircles.com and www.findagrave.com.