



# BOOKS

BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

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# B E Y O N D



Baldwin Public Library is a popular destination for community members. The number of people visiting the library has increased 35 percent since 2000 and circulation has increased by an impressive 75 percent.

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## Growing with you

For over 80 years, Baldwin Public Library has grown along side you, our patrons. From a collection of 25,000 books in 1927 to our current collection of over 154,000 volumes, we've expanded to meet the needs of our patrons.

When patrons told us they wanted to be able to rent audio books, videos, and eventually DVDs, we listened and diversified our collections. As a result, circulation has increased 70 percent since 2002 and just last year our patrons checked out nearly 600,000 items. But our circulating collection is only one reason community members make Baldwin Library an integral part of their lives.

Patrons have also asked the library to help them learn new skills to go along with the new technology that is an ingrained part of our school, work and home lives. Baldwin is now the place to go for instruction in the latest computer technology or to brush up on a software skill to add to your resume. Some patrons even visit Baldwin Library without ever leaving their home or office. Small business owners can access comprehensive databases containing product, supplier and financing data, and job seekers can research potential employers.

After so many years of change and growth in response to patron needs, it's easy to see how the library has evolved from a passive, recreational reading institution to a dynamic, relevant and vibrant hub for our community. Even in these challenging economic times, we will do our best to continue to provide the level of service you expect.

For your suggestions and support over the years, we'd like to say thanks.

See you in the library,

*Marti*

Marti Custer  
Executive Director, Baldwin Public Library

## YOUR LIBRARY In the Spotlight

### Everyone needs friends like these

Since 1950, the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library have been supporters and advocates for Baldwin Public Library. Part cheerleader, part advocate, part fundraiser, the Friends focuses public attention on one of our community's most valuable resources, our library.

### The Friends support nearly all youth programs and many adult programs

Through private donations and the twice annual used book sale, the Friends have been able to contribute \$30,000 in each of the last two years. The donated funds are used to purchase books for adult, teen and youth book clubs, sponsor author visits and programs such as global warming, babysitting, and movie making. These funds also support the library's popular summer reading programs.

Friends of the Baldwin Public Library meetings are open to the public and generally take place on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the library in the John and Katherine Delos Board Room. Currently, the Friends are seeking volunteers to help with the November used book sale.

The book sale will be held from November 14 to November 17. Hours are as follows:

- **Friday, Nov. 14 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (preview night for members)**
- **Saturday, Nov. 15 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**
- **Sunday, Nov. 16 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**
- **Monday, Nov. 17 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. "Bag Day Sale"**

To learn more about the Friends of the Public Library or to volunteer to help with the November book sale, please call 248-647-1700.

### Baldwin Public Library Trust Donor List June 2008 - August 2008

#### Gift Donations:

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Mary Ann Smith-*In Memory of Clarice "Sally" Taylor*  
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#### *Marion G. Sweeney Endowment Fund*

Elaine Morse (*In Honor of Thomas Sweeney*)

#### Programming Donations:

Cottage Inn Pizza  
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# ADULTS In the Spotlight

## DTV Informational Program

Thursday, November 13  
at 7:00 p.m.

**No registration required**

Confused by the upcoming Digital TV conversion? Tim Redmond, Fox2 News TV Engineer, will help you unravel the mysteries of DTV and answer questions in preparation for the Digital Television conversion coming Feb. 17, 2009.

## A More Positive View of Globalization

Wednesday, January 14 at 7 p.m.

Gerry Doelle, a recent guest columnist for the *Birmingham Eccentric* and frequent moderator of Bloomfield Community Television's *Everyday People* will moderate a discussion with experts on both sides of this issue. In general, as economies become more connected to other economies, they have increased opportunity but also increased competition. As globalization becomes a more common feature of world economics, powerful pro-globalization and anti-globalization lobbies have arisen.

### Writers Live

Meet the author  
in person!

Books will be available  
for purchase  
and signing

**Lisa Jander,  
Dater's Ed:  
The Instruction Manual  
for Parents**

Tuesday, November 18 at 7p.m.



Lisa Jander is a Certified Life Coach, public speaker, and former director of a dating service in California. As the mother of two teens and surrogate to hundreds more, "Mama J" shares her unique relationship insights. Her powerful seminars and workshops provide parents and students with creative tools to navigate the relationship highway.

## BOOK CLUBS

All book clubs welcome new members.  
Multiple copies of the books are available for check out.  
These books were purchased through the generosity  
of the Friends of Baldwin Public Library.

### Books at Lunch

1st Wednesday of the month at  
noon.

Join fellow readers and share great titles.  
Bring your lunch and the library will provide  
tea and coffee.

November 5

December 3

January 7

### Writers Rendezvous

Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

Here's where you can share editorial  
assistance, tips, and suggestions on getting  
published.

November 12

December 10

January 14

### Socrates Café

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 2 p.m.

Join others who enjoy a stimulating  
discussion.

November 16

December 21

January 18

### Wednesday Book Group

2nd Wednesday of each month at  
2:00 p.m.

November 12 *Digging to America* by  
Anne Tyler

December 10 *Dream When You're  
Feeling Blue* by Elizabeth Berg

January 14 *My Antonia* by Willa Cather

### Baldwin's Own Knitting Group



2nd and 4th Mondays  
of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Get started on those gifts before it's too late.  
All skill levels are welcome!

November 10, 24

December 8, 22

January 12, 26

### United States Postal Service

How to Sell on eBay and Ship  
Packages

Wednesday, November 12

from 6 to 8 p.m.

**Registration is required.**

This class will teach everything you need to  
know about selling, trading, and shipping  
on eBay. Postal experts experienced  
at selling on eBay and using the Postal  
Service's Click-N-Ship service will show  
attendees how to get started and make the  
most of the money-making opportunities  
available through online auctioning.

Learning in Retirement

### The History of the Middle East, Part II

Wednesdays,

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Orientation Session on January 14  
Program runs January 21 through  
March 25

**Registration required**

**(Fee \$50) Includes purchase of  
materials**

Join our group this winter and delve in  
to the vast and fascinating history of the  
Middle East, from mid-19th century to the  
present. You didn't have to participate in  
Part I to benefit! We will continue with  
Part II of our investigation of the Middle  
East studying the lands, the people, and the  
events that helped bring the region into its  
prominent position in world affairs.  
Our research and presentations (30 minutes  
by each participant followed by a 30 minute  
discussion) will help members gain insight  
and perspective into this vital and important  
region of the world.

### Genealogy: Chasing Your Elusive Ancestor On the Internet

Saturday, January 24 at 2:00 p.m.

**Registration is required and  
limited to 12.**

Karen Krugman, a local genealogist and  
researcher, will share new hints & ideas  
for chasing down information about your  
ancestors on the internet.

February Program

### Just in time for Valentine's Day...

Chocolate...how sweet it is! Fall in love  
with chocolate by attending a special  
chocolate program @ the Library.  
Mark your calendars for early February for  
chocolate fun, history, AND tasting!



# ADULT

# COMPUTERS In the Spotlight

Interested in learning a new computer skill? Ready to put the Internet to work for you by investing online or selling on eBay? We've got the perfect computer class for you.

Registration is required for all computer classes and is confirmed upon payment (cash, check or charge, NO REFUNDS). Space cannot be held until payment is received.

Contact the Adult Services desk at 248-554-4650 to register.

## Introduction to Microsoft Word

Wednesday, November 5  
at 7:00 p.m.

Registration required  
(FEE \$5.00)

This single-session class covers the fundamentals of word processing using Microsoft Word. You will learn how to create, modify, save and print a document. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows and use of a mouse.

## Building Websites

Thursday, November 6  
at 7:00 p.m.  
or Thursday, December 11  
at 7:00 p.m.

Registration required  
(FEE \$5.00)

In this single-session class, participants will be introduced to free online-hosted services that allow users to create, share, and edit customized web pages. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows, word processing functions, Internet navigation, and how to use a mouse.

## Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint

Wednesday, November 12  
or December 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Registration required  
(FEE \$5.00)

This single-session class will introduce users to PowerPoint. Learn the basic editing functions to create a slideshow. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows, Microsoft Word, and how to use a mouse.

## Become a Blogger

Thursday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Registration required  
(FEE \$5.00)

In this single-session class, participants will be introduced to free online-hosted services that allow users to create online journals with text and multimedia. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows, word processing functions, Internet navigation, and how to use a mouse.

## Basic Photo Editing and Sharing

Tuesday, December 2  
or Thursday, January 8 at 7:00 p.m.

Registration required  
(FEE \$5.00)

This single-session class provides a hands-on introduction to photo enhancement and sharing using free editing and email solutions. Photo sharing sites will also be discussed. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows, Internet navigation and use of a mouse.

## eBay For Beginners

Saturday, December 6 at 10 a.m.

(NO FEE)  
This single-session class will introduce new users to buying and selling on eBay. Get tips on searching for items to purchase and learn to sell on eBay in 6 easy steps. You will have the opportunity to set up an eBay account during the class.

## Computer Basics

Tuesday, December 9  
or Tuesday, December 16  
at 7:00 p.m.

Registration required  
(FEE \$5.00)

In this single-session class, learn the main components and functions of a computer including opening and closing programs and moving and resizing windows.

## Digital Photo Editing

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.  
January 15, 22 & 29

Registration required  
(FEE \$15.00)

This three-session class will cover the basics of photo enhancement and manipulation using Photoshop Elements. Crop, improve skin tone, whiten teeth, remove objects from pictures and more. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows and use of a mouse.

## Introduction to Gmail



Wednesday, January 21 at 7:00 p.m.  
(NO FEE)

In this single-session class, participants will set-up a Gmail email account and learn how to compose, send and read messages. Gmail is a fast, free and searchable email with less spam. It combines the best features of traditional email with Google's search technology. Pre-requisite: Introduction to the Internet or equivalent.

## Investing! Standard & Poor's

Monday, January 26 at 7:00 p.m.

(NO FEE)  
Investors, take advantage of this new database from S&P called NetAdvantage. This hands-on, single-session class will show you how to access stock reports, bond reports, company profiles, corporation records, industry reports, mutual fund reports, and more. This powerful tool can be used in the library or at home for Baldwin cardholders.

## Introduction to Excel

Wednesday, January 28 at 7:00 p.m.  
Registration required  
(FEE \$5.00)

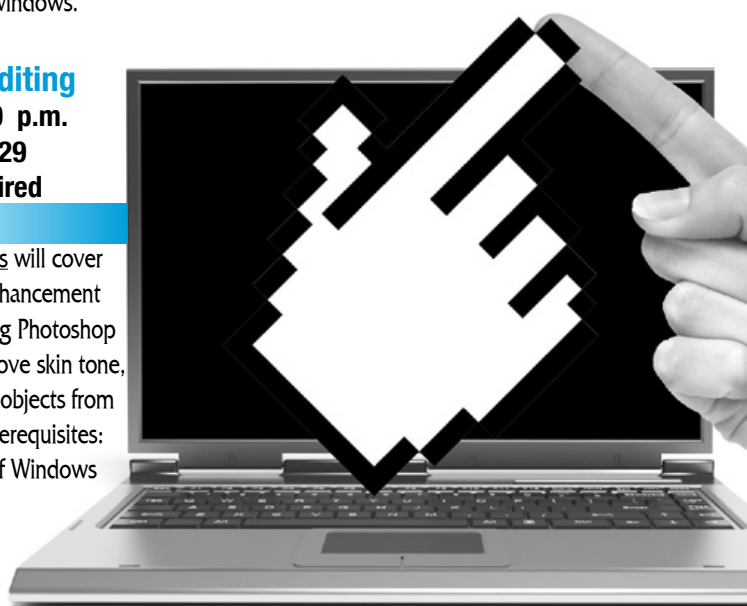
This single-session class covers spreadsheet fundamentals using Microsoft Excel. You will learn how to create, modify, save and print a spreadsheet. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows and use of a mouse.

## Digital Video Editing

Tuesday, January 20  
and Tuesday, January 27  
at 7:00 p.m.

Registration required  
(FEE \$15.00)

This two-session class will cover the basics of video editing using Premiere Elements. Edit footage, add titles, music and more. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows



# YOUTH In the Spotlight

## Election Party 2008 & Kooky Karly

Sunday, November 2  
at 2:00 p.m.

All ages

Registration required



It's Election Day at the Baldwin Public Library. Join the party and cast your vote. This election is truly for the birds with the contest between Doreen Cronin's *Duck for President* versus Mo Willems's Pigeon of *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus* fame. Live entertainment by Kooky Karly and her balloon and scissors art. Stories, games, and voting.

## Battle of the Books 2009 Launch

Monday, November 3

Books, audio books, downloadables  
available in Youth Room at 1:00 p.m.

Are you ready to Battle? Come in and get the list of books; pick up a copy of a great read; sign up for all of the great Battle Events. The Youth Department is able to continue its support for this community event through the continued generous sponsorship of The Friends of the Baldwin Public Library.

## Tween Dance Events



Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Grades 4-6

No experience needed; dancing  
done without partners; classes  
taught by professionals.

Registration required



### Move to the Groove

– Hip Hop

Tuesday, November 11

Join Hip Hop dancer and choreographer Travis Staton of the Troy Dance Studio and learn the latest in Hip Hop as well as the background of this popular dance.



### Spice It Up with Salsa

Tuesday December 9

Warm up a cold winter night with instructor Janice Redmond and some hot Salsa dancing.

## The Light Show

presented by Dynamic West

Tuesday, January 27 at 4:30 p.m.

Ages 4 and up

Registration required

Light up the winter sky and come to a professionally produced science demo of strobes, lasers, fiber optics, infrared, neon, and much more. Learn some exciting science and enjoy the show!

## BOOK CLUBS

All book clubs welcome new members. Multiple copies of the books are available for check out. These books were purchased through the generosity of the Friends of Baldwin Public Library.

Enjoy great discussion, activities  
and a snack. Registration required.

### Books Plus Book Club

Grades 2-3 and a favorite adult  
Thursday at 4:15 p.m.

November 13 – *Toys Go Out* by Emily Jenkins

January 15 – *Lowji Discovers America*  
by Candace Fleming

### Guys Only! Book Club

Grades 4-6 for boys with dads,  
grandfathers, uncles, brothers  
and friends

Monday at 7:00 p.m.

November 10 – *No Talking* by Andrew Clements

January 12 – *The Edge Chronicles:  
Beyond the Deepwoods* by Paul Stewart

### Mother/Daughter Book Club

Grades 4-6 young women  
and their Moms

Monday at 7:00 p.m.

November 3 – *Rules* by Cynthia Lord

January 5 – *Caddie Woodlawn* by Carol  
Ryrie Brink

## My First Math and Science

Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m.

November 4 – *Math: Patterns*

November 18 – *Science: Hibernation*

December 16 – *Math: Sorting*

January 13 – *Math: Weight and  
Measure*

January 27 – *Science: Chemistry of  
Cooking*

Registration required

Activities, concepts, stories and take-home  
material for ages 3 and up

## Kindergarten-First Grade

### Book Parties

Thursdays at 4:15 p.m.

November 6

December 11

January 8 – Miss Frizzle Party

Register now for after-school fun of stories,  
games, crafts & snacks!

## Baldwin Bookends

Fridays at 4:15 p.m.

Grades 4-6

November 7 – *Look Who's Talking:  
Point of View*

December 5 – *Nifty Narratives*

January 16 – *Writing the Hook:  
Not-so-Bad-Beginnings*

Registration required

Do you love to read? Do you scribble stories in your spare time? Have you ever wanted to continue the story after a book ends? Then you may be a writer! Join the Baldwin Bookends Writing Club. We'll look to our favorite books for inspiration, do a little doodling ourselves, and share what we're working on. And, of course, we'll have a snack!

## Join the Ruff Readers!

Back by popular demand!

Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon

Tuesday evenings from

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

November 18, 22

December 13, 16

January 17, 20

Ages 6 and up

Registration required

Read aloud to the best listener on earth – a specially trained dog from Therapy Dogs International.

## Baldwin Poetry Slam Team

Tuesdays after school except on

Slam Days

Starts Tuesday, November 4

Grades 3 and up

Registration required

Do you like to write? Perform in front of a group? Compete? Then sign up for the Baldwin Poetry Slam Team! Practice will continue in November with competitions to follow as determined.

## Poetry Slam-tacular!

Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.

November 18

January 13

Grades K – 8 and adults

Registration required for performers  
Audience welcome

Open mike and regular poetry slam. Perform or dramatize your poetry or someone else's with music, costume, or just your voice. Solo or in a group - memorize or read! Professional feedback on your original work available. Coached by Mr. Rick Joseph, Birmingham teacher and participant in the Oakland Writing Project.

## Story Times

### Babytime:

0 – 18 months  
**Monday & Tuesday,**  
**10:00 & 11:00 a.m.**  
**November 3, 4, 17, 18**  
**December 1, 2, 15, 16**  
**January 12, 13, 26, 27**  
**No registration required.**  
 Baby and a loving adult

### Mother Goose:

1 ½ - 2 ½ years  
**Tuesday & Thursday,**  
**10:00 & 11:00 a.m.**  
**November 11, 13, 25**  
**December 9, 11, 23**  
**January 6, 8, 20, 22**  
**No registration required.**  
 Child and a loving adult

### Sing & Tell:

2 ½ - 3 ½ years  
**Thursday & Friday,**  
**10:00 & 11:00 a.m.**  
**November 6, 7, 20, 21**  
**December 4, 5, 18, 19**  
**January 15, 16, 29, 30**  
**Registration required**  
 Child and a loving adult

### Just Me Stories:

3 ½ - 5 years  
**Wednesday,**  
**10:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.**  
**November 5, 19**  
**December 3, 17**  
**January 14, 28**  
**Registration required**  
 Independent listeners.

### Saturday Stories:

**Monthly weekend story times**  
**Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.**  
**November 15** - Native American Folk Tales  
**December 6** — Happy Birthday Walt Disney  
**January 24** — Caldecott Award Winners  
**Registration required**  
 All ages

### Prime Time Stories

**Monthly evening Story Times**  
**at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, November 12**  
 — Aviation History Month  
**Wednesday, December 10**  
 — Night Lights  
**Tuesday, January 6**  
 — National Hot Tea Month  
**Registration required**  
 All ages

### Tween Open Game Lab

**Thursdays from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.**  
**November 6**  
**December 11**  
**January 22**  
**Grades 4-6**

Enjoy playing online games in our computer lab. Share game tips with your friends. Staff available at all times.

### Turkey Visit with Karen Fenwick of Bowers Farm



**Saturday, November 8**  
**at 10:30 a.m.**

**All ages**  
**Registration required**  
 Learn all about these feathered friends, see some eggs-periments, and meet a real live turkey right here at the library.

### Baldwin's Readers Theatre

**Performance Sunday, November 9**  
**at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Grades 4-6**  
**Registration required**

Lights! Camera! Action! Are you ready for your acting debut? Tweens are invited to join Baldwin's Readers Theatre for a chance to be in the spotlight without memorizing any lines. We will perform scenes from the book *Poppy's Return* by Avi on November 9. All ages are invited to the show.

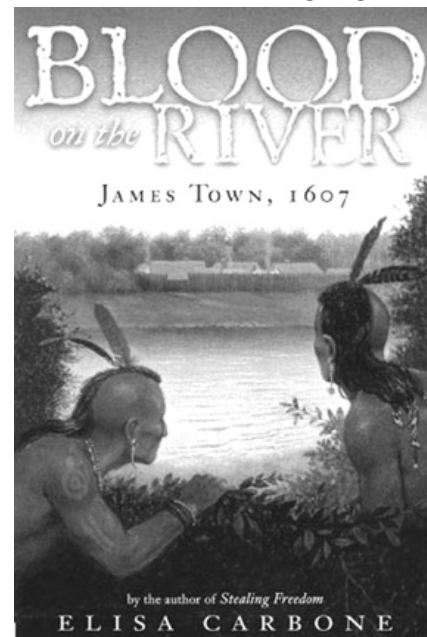
### Preschool Information Night

**Monday, November 10**  
**from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.**  
**The Community House**  
**300 South Bates, Birmingham,**  
**Jointly sponsored by the Baldwin**  
**Public Library, Bloomfield Township**  
**Library, and The Community House**  
**No Registration required**

Bring all of your questions and concerns during this special opportunity to meet with area preschool representatives. Find out about various curricula, options, and programs.

### Elisa Carbone,

**Award-winning Youth Author**  
**Monday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Presentation and book signing**



Meet and hear a multi-media presentation by the author of the award winning *Blood on the River: James Town 1607*, which has been called "the best book on Jamestown for young readers." It is a gripping story about Samuel Collier, a page for Captain John Smith, and is peopled with real life characters, including Pocahontas. Elisa Carbone has written many other works of historical fiction as well. Using a combination of research and imagination Elisa brings the past to life for her readers. Don't miss this rare chance to meet an author and learn about the creative process. Books will be available for purchase.

### Produce People, Edible Art



**Thursday, November 20 at 4:15 p.m.**  
**Session I: Grades K-2**  
**Session II: Grades 3-6**  
**Registration required**  
 Here is your chance to play with your food! Design produce with personality and create a unique centerpiece for you Thanksgiving table. All supplies provided.

### Thanksgiving Family Fun

**Friday and Saturday,**  
**November 28 & 29**  
**from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.**  
**in the Youth Room**  
**All ages welcome**  
**All supplies provided**  
 Thanksgiving crafts, treats, and games. Family Stories at 2:00 p.m. Bring your weekend guests, family and friends to enjoy the afternoon at the library.

## Tween Thanksgiving Online Games

Friday and Saturday,  
November 28 & 29  
from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.  
in the Computer Lab  
Grades 4-6

Registration required –  
space limited

Staff available at all times

Enjoy playing online games in our  
computer lab. Share game tips with your  
friends.

## Handcrafted Hobbies

Thursday, December 4  
at 4:15 p.m.

Session I: Grades K-2

Session II: Grades 3-6

Registration required.

Warm up with a mug of hot cocoa  
and make a gift for a friend or a family  
member—or simply discover a new  
hobby! All materials supplied for  
the projects.

## Winter Break 2008: December 22 – January 2



### Family School Break Storytime

Monday, December 29  
at 10:00 a.m.  
and 2:00 p.m.

All ages

Join our friendly youth staff for  
seasonal stories and songs.



### Award Winning Ventriloquist Vikki Gasko

Winter Holidays  
Variety Show  
Tuesday, December 30  
at 2:00 p.m.

All ages

Registration required

Enjoy an energetic, fun-filled  
performance that includes  
Vikki's puppet friends, magic  
moments, and audience  
participation.



### Family School Break Movie

Friday, January 2  
at 2:00 p.m.

All Ages

Free

Visit our craft table anytime all  
week and make a winter friend  
to take home.

## Miss Frizzle Party

Thursday, January 8 at 4:15 p.m.  
Ages 4 and up  
Registration required

Hop on board the Magic School Bus and  
join Miss Frizzle for stories, songs, science,  
crafts and more!

## TEENS

# In the Spotlight

## So You Want to be a Millionaire?

Saturday, November 8  
at 2:00 p.m.

Ages 13 and up

Registration required

What would you do with \$100,000?

Do millionaires drive Fords or Porsches?

Do all millionaires make \$100,000+ incomes?

Teens will learn ways to build a healthy financial future. Students will then have the opportunity to improve their investing savvy in a real-life simulated investment environment, complete with portfolio managers and investment research.



## Pizza and Pages

First Thursday of the Month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Grades 6 and up, Registration required

November 6, *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-time Indian* by Sherman Alexie

December 4, *The Nature of Jade* by Deb Caletti

January – no meeting

Join us for free pizza and great reads! Stop by for your free copy of the “book of the month” at the Adult Services Desk. This program is co-sponsored by Cottage Inn Pizza. Books are generously donated by the Friends of Baldwin Public Library.

## Teen Advisory Council

Third Wednesday of the Month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Grades 6 and up

November 19

December 17

January 21

Teen Consultants plan and promote exciting new teen programs, participate in special projects, and discuss books, movies, music and websites. Come to a meeting and let your voice be heard!

## Teen Open Study Lab

Sunday – Thursday, December 14-18 from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Grades 6 and up

Our 8-person computer lab will be open just for teens as you prepare for finals. No time limits, no sign on, just a quiet place to work with access to the computers.

## Gaming @ the Library

Thursdays, November 14 & 28,

December 11, January 8 & 22 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Come by the library and sharpen your Wii skills. You can bring your own console and games and play with your friends. DDR will also be set up.



## Martin Luther King Day Celebration

Monday, January 19  
at 2:00 p.m.

All ages

Registration required

Join our professional staff for a very special story time to celebrate this great American. Activities also available at the craft tables all day.



**Library Board Members**

Ann Conigliaro  
Michael Earl  
Ileana Thal  
Seth Chafetz  
David Underdown  
Andrew Harris

# TEENS get a place of their own



## Meet Lisa Jander

Author of a parent's guide to teens, more on page 3.

## Prepare to do battle!

Battle of the Books 2009 kicks off on Nov. 3. Details on page 5.

## Teen millionaires in the making

Money management workshop for teens, more on page 7.

Pumpkin and spruce are all over the walls in the library's new teen section, pumpkin and spruce paint that is. New colors on the walls are just the tip of the iceberg in the newly "spruced up" teen section.

The teen reading section, located to the left of the main entrance past the oversize print books, now feels more like a cool café and a place for teens to call their own. A counter top, with funky stools and ports to hook up a laptop, looks out the windows toward Shain Park. Snazzy chairs in pumpkin, mint and fuchsia provide ample room to lounge with a graphic novel or the latest Stephanie Meyer novel.

The teen section also gained more shelf space to make room for the expanding teen collection. Thanks to a high demand from our teen readers, our circulation among teen readers has increased 66 percent in the last year.

The next time you're at the library be sure to check out the new teen digs. Remember though, this section is reserved for patrons whose age ends in t-e-e-n.



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Youth Services 554 4670

2 Hours FREE Parking  
in the Chester Street Deck

### Library Hours

Monday/Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday/Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 12:00 noon - 5:00 p.m.

### Library Closings

Thanksgiving, Nov. 26 (at 5:30 p.m.)

& Nov. 27

Christmas, Dec. 24 & 25

New Years, Dec. 31 (at 5:30 p.m.)

& Jan. 1, 2009

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