

Fun stuff just for kids

Ann Arbor District Library
Winter/Spring 2008



Polar Science Adventures

JANUARY 16 ... MARCH 29

FAMILY SCIENCE FUN WORKSHOPS

Presented by the UM Exhibit Museum of Natural History
Registration is requested two weeks before each workshop.
Ages 6-11 with an adult. No younger siblings please.

JANUARY 16 & 19 • ICE WORLDS: WHY ARE THE POLES SO COLD?

Pittsfield Wed. Jan. 16, 4:30-5:30 PM
Malletts Creek Sat. Jan. 19, 10-11 AM
Northeast Sat. Jan. 19, 2-3 PM

Where are the North and South Poles, and why are they so cold? How do layers of ice stack up? From ice cores to ocean currents, we'll learn about the coldest places on Earth.



FEBRUARY 20 & 23 • FROSTY LIFE: SURVIVING THE POLES

Pittsfield Wed. Feb. 20, 4:30-5:30 PM
Malletts Creek Sat. Feb. 23, 10-11 AM
Northeast Sat. Feb. 23, 2-3 PM

What animals live at the poles and how do they survive? Find out how polar bears swim in ice-cold water and other sub-zero animals live through extreme temperatures.

MARCH 8 • DISCOVERY DAY: MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

UM Exhibit Museum of Natural History 1109 Geddes Sat. Mar. 8, 10 AM-4 PM
Enjoy hands-on activities and fun crafts at the Exhibit Museum. No registration required.

MARCH 26 & 29 • MELTING AWAY: PROTECTING THE POLES

Pittsfield Wed. Mar. 26, 4:30-5:30 PM
Malletts Creek Sat. Mar. 29, 10-11 AM
Northeast Sat. Mar. 29, 2-3 PM

Explore the effects of the melting of land ice and sea ice. How will it affect polar animals or people? What can we do to help right now?



Programs and Special Events

JANUARY 15 • TWEENSACE: MAD BOWLING

Malletts Creek Tues. Jan. 15, 4:30-6 PM
Getting strikes and spares will be that much sweeter playing our wacky version of bowling. Gutterball pros welcome!

JANUARY 22 • TWEENSACE: CHECKERMANIA!

Malletts Creek Tues. Jan. 22, 4:30-6 PM
Work with your team to jump over opponents in a life-size game of checkers.

JANUARY 29 • TWEENSACE: CUP STACK ATTACK

Malletts Creek Tues. Jan. 29, 4:30-6 PM
How fast can you stack? Learn how to cup stack, or work at beating your best time.



FEBRUARY 3 • INDIA FAMILY CULTURAL CELEBRATION

Downtown MPR Sun. Feb. 3, 2-3:30 PM
A time to learn, share, dance, and enjoy traditional treats and crafts.

FEBRUARY 5 • TWEENSACE: MASTERS OF DISGUISE

Northeast Tues. Feb. 5, 4:30-6 PM
Construct a costume to wear in a silly skit or fool your friends.

FEBRUARY 8 • MUSIC & MOTION

Downtown MPR Fri. Feb. 8, 9:30-10 AM & 10:30-11 AM
Learn about the flute and piano, hear a story from Gari Stein, and dance to music from the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra.

FEBRUARY 9 & 10 • VALENTINE'S DAY CARDS

Pittsfield Sat. Feb. 9, 10 AM-12 PM
Northeast Sun. Feb. 10, 2-4 PM
Create a made-just-for-you Valentine for a very special person.



Storytimes & Playgroups

JANUARY 14 ... FEBRUARY 22
MARCH 17 ... MAY 2

PLAYGROUPS

15 minutes of stories, rhymes and songs followed by open playtime. No older siblings please.

Downtown YSC Mondays 10:30-11:30 AM (No playgroup Jan. 21)
Malletts Creek Tuesdays 10-11 AM & Thursdays 6:30-7:30 PM
Northeast Wednesdays 10-11 AM
Pittsfield Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 PM

PRESCHOOL STORYTIMES

Downtown YSC Tuesdays 10-10:30 AM & Wednesdays 11-11:30 AM
Malletts Creek Wednesdays 10-10:30 AM
Northeast Thursdays 10-10:30 AM
Pittsfield Thursdays 7-7:30 PM & Fridays 10-10:30 AM

SATURDAY STORYTIMES

Pittsfield Mar. 8, 11 AM-12 PM
Northeast Apr. 5, 11 AM-12 PM

KEY TO AGE GROUPS: ● BABIES 0-2 YRS ▼ PRESCHOOL 2-5 YRS ■ GRADES K-3 ◆ GRADES 4-5 ♥ ADULTS

Programs & Special Events • continued

FEBRUARY 12 • TWEENSACE: SOCK PUPPET THEATRE ◆

Northeast Tues. Feb. 12, 4:30-6 PM
Make your own sock puppet and perform skits with your friends.

FEBRUARY 16 • ANN ARBOR KIDS COOK ◆

Malletts Creek Sat. Feb. 16, 12-4 PM
Snickerdoodles! Learn how to bake these classic cookies. Youth must be accompanied by an adult.

FEBRUARY 22 • PUTTING TEETH INTO LITERACY ● ▼ ◆ ◆ ◆

Malletts Creek Fri. Feb. 22, 9 AM-5 PM
Ann Arbor District Library is partnering with the Head Start program to bring you expert information about oral health. Drop in to find out from local experts how to best care for your smile. While you're here, listen to special guests share tales about teeth.

FEBRUARY 23 • SHAKE-IT-UP STORIES ● ▼ ◆ ◆ ◆

Pittsfield Sat. Feb. 23, 10-10:30 AM
Is storytime too much sitting for your active listener? Come for stories with dancing for the energetic child.

FEBRUARY 24 • GO! ◆ ◆

Downtown MPR Sun. Feb. 24, 1-4 PM
Learn to play the board game Go or test your skills against enthusiasts from the Ann Arbor Go Club.

FEBRUARY 25 • POKEMONCON ◆ ◆

Malletts Creek Mon. Feb. 25, 1-3 PM
Watch Pokémon anime and bring your Nintendo DS for impromptu battles.

FEBRUARY 25 • PIGGYBANKS AND BEYOND ◆ ◆

Pittsfield Mon. Feb. 25, 4-5 PM
What do you do when your piggybank is full? Financial advisor Amy Doyle will present a variety of activities to help you decide how best to make your money grow. This session is best suited for Grades 2-5.

FEBRUARY 26 • CHESSTASTIC ◆ ◆

Downtown MPR Tues. Feb. 26, 1-4 PM
Play one of the world's most popular sports with players of all ages.

FEBRUARY 26 • WINTER SEASON CRAFT ▼ ◆

Northeast Tues. Feb. 26, 2-4 PM
Keep warm indoors while creating art that celebrates winter.

FEBRUARY 27 • GO! ◆ ◆

Northeast Wed. Feb. 27, 1-4 PM
Learn to play the board game Go or test your skills against enthusiasts from the Ann Arbor Go Club.

FEBRUARY 27 • PUPPET POTPOURRI ◆

Downtown MPR Wed. Feb. 27, 2-3 PM
Put on a puppet show for friends with the amazing Library puppet collection and your own handmade puppets.

FEBRUARY 28 • WILDLIFE SAFARI ▼ ◆ ◆

Pittsfield, Thurs. Feb. 28, 10-11 AM
The Animal Guy will take you around the world with his strange and fascinating live creatures.

MARCH 18 • TWEENSACE: WACKY OLYMPICS ◆

Pittsfield Tues. Mar. 18, 4:30-6 PM
Build the ultimate obstacle course, and master our goofy relay races.

MARCH 22 • PLAY AND POSITIVE PARENTING ● ▼ ◆ ◆ ◆

Downtown MPR Sat. Mar. 22, 10-10:30 AM
Bring the children to play while Dr. James Plunkett from the University of Michigan Center for the Child and the Family discusses the principles of positive discipline, and the importance of developing a trusting relationship by playing with your child.

MARCH 25 • TWEENSACE: BALLOON BUILDINGS ◆

Downtown MPR Tues. March 25, 4:30-6 PM
What can you build using only balloons and tape?

APRIL 1 • TWEENSACE: DANCE DANCE REVOLUTION ◆

Downtown MPR Tues. Apr. 1, 4:30-6 PM
Show off your DDR skills, or hang out and learn new moves.

APRIL 6 • FESTIFOOLS ▼ ◆ ◆

Downtown MPR Sun. Apr. 6, 2-3 PM
Create a loud and wacky noisemaker and then join the community parade of giant puppets down Main Street at 4:00 pm!

APRIL 7 • PAPER MACHE PIZZAZZ ◆ ◆

Malletts Creek Mon. Apr. 7, 2-3 PM
Discover your artistic side and make a sticky creation out of paper.

APRIL 8, 9 & 10 • KIDS OPEN PLAY ◆ ◆

Downtown MPR Tues., Wed. & Thurs. Apr. 8, 9 & 10, 12-3 PM
Play on eight gaming stations and Cobalt Flux DDR pads. Stop by with your Nintendo DS or Game Boy Advance and play impromptu tournaments.

APRIL 8 • LEAP INTO SPRING CRAFT ▼ ◆

Pittsfield Tues. Apr. 8, 2-4 PM
Come and create something springy.

APRIL 10 • FLYING ACES ▼ ◆ ◆

Pittsfield Thurs. Apr. 10, 3-4 PM
Be amazed at the spectacular athletic Frisbee skills of the Flying Aces.

APRIL 11 • EDIBLE ARCHITECTURE ◆

Malletts Creek Fri. Apr. 11, 2-3 PM
Who can build the highest building using only food as building materials?

APRIL 13 • READING DRIVE-IN ● ▼ ◆ ◆ ◆

Malletts Creek Sun. Apr. 13, 2-4 PM
Park the whole family for read-aloud time, then create your own family storybook to take home and read together.

APRIL 20 • WILD SWAN THEATER PRESENTS TRAMPAS Y PICAROS ▼ ◆ ◆

Downtown MPR Sun. Apr. 20, 2-3 PM
In celebration of National Library Week, Wild Swan Theater shares funny trickster tales from South America performed in English and Spanish.

APRIL 25 • MUSIC & MOTION ● ▼

Downtown MPR Fri. Apr. 25, 9:30-10 AM & 10:30-11 AM
Learn about the violin and piano, hear a story from Gari Stein, and dance to music from the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra.

APRIL 27 • EL DÍA DE LOS NIÑOS CULTURAL CELEBRATION ● ▼ ◆ ◆ ◆

Downtown MPR Sun. Apr. 27, 1-4 PM
Join in the celebration of children, books and Hispanic heritage. There will be music, dancing and traditional treats and crafts.

MAY 3 & 4 • MOTHER'S DAY CARDS ▼ ◆

Malletts Creek Sat. May 3, 10 AM-12 PM
Downtown YSC Sun. May 4, 2-4 PM
Do you need a card for that special someone for this May 11th holiday? Come and make a really special one.

KEY TO DOWNTOWN LIBRARY (DT): MPR / MULTIPURPOSE ROOM • YSC / YOUTH STORY CORNER • YD / YOUTH DEPARTMENT • ALL LIBRARY VENUES ARE ACCESSIBLE TO THE PHYSICALLY DISABLED.

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