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Children’s Activities

Highlights

March

Storytimes on Monday or Thursdays at 10 a.m. and Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m.

Lullaby Lapsit program on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. or Fridays at 10 a.m. will resume sessions the week of March 14. Please register in the Children’s Room before then. Because we have limited space and because we have a waiting list from the last session, we can take only those people who have registered for our programs. We will have to cut off registrations when we are full.

Castles and Kings, March 1-4, is our school vacation program. Tuesday is a Castle Game all day long. Come in and pick up a sheet. Try to fill in the missing letters on the book titles by finding them on the shelves or looking for them on the computer. Wednesday at 10 a.m. we will have stories and a craft on knights in shining armor. Thursday at 10 a.m. we will be eating dragon stew and reading dragon stories. Friday at 10 a.m. we will have Fractured Fairy Tale Day. Hear about Cinderella, Big Foot, Goldilocks Returns, and Little Red Riding Hood as told by the wolf. We will be having a great time with Castles and Kings.

All-day seasonal craft, Saturday March 5 and March 19 in the Children’s Room.

Please call 886-6030 Ext. 24 for further information regarding program activities.

Director’s Desk

by Toni Weller

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Friends of the Library

Second Hand Prose

Sunday March 13 from noon to 3 p.m. at 49 Ferry Street annex. All children’s and adult media (audio books, cassette tapes, videos, CDs) will be half price. Pre-1940 copyright books will be half price. Sale proceeds will go to the Library Building Fund.

College Scholarship

Applications for the Leonard H. Smith Scholarship for an Alvirne senior going to college are available at the library and also at the Alvirne High School guidance office.

Free Computer Workshops

Pre-register during library visits or by phone, 886 6030 x21

March 16, Wednesday
Health Information Online 10:30 a.m.

March 17, Thursday
Computer Basics 10:30 a.m. (Mouse and keyboarding skills needed)

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Ongoing Programs

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**Reference & Information Department**

*by Gayle St. Cyr*

**Why Should I Go To The Library**

Join a book discussion group

Catch up on the world with daily newspapers

Join a story time group for your preschoolers

Check out the new best sellers

Read your favorite magazine

Surf the web

Check out a classic DVD or video

Look for a job

Free notary and fax service

Free computer workshops

Tax forms and publications

Discounted or free museum passes

Friendly faces

**Baa, Baa, Baa**

While the winds of March are blowing the last of the winter snows around, be sure to stop by the library for a breath of spring. Check out warm weather vacation spots, flip through a gardening book or two and plan your spring flowers, or take out that golf video you’ve been meaning to get to correct your slice. We’ll be here, looking forward to March’s lamb, April showers and May flowers with the rest of you.

**And Look What Just Blew In**

Fodor’s Caribbean 2005
Fodor’s Ireland 2005
Fodor’s Great Britain 2005
Cancun, Cozumel, Yucatan Peninsula 2005
Dark Star Safari: Overland from Cairo to Capetown
Bridal Bargains: Secrets to Throwing a Fantastic Wedding in a Realistic Budget

**National Women’s History Month**

by Carol Giffin

March is National Women’s History Month, celebrating the contributions of scientists, scholars, entrepreneurs, activists, queens, and presidents, and mothers, daughters and sisters everywhere. Stop by the library and check out these books:

- *Feminism and Suffrage*. Ellen DuBois.
- *Women in Middle Eastern History*. Nikki Keddie.
- *Holding Their Own: American Women in the 1930s*. Susan Ware.

The Congressional Quarterly Researcher contains articles on such current topics as women’s health, the music industry, college costs, mental illness and exporting jobs.

For those of us continuing with our new year’s resolutions, we have *Atkins for Life* by Robert Atkins, MD, for fitness; *Women’s Strength Training Anatomy* by Frederic Delavier; and Pilates Powerhouse by Mari Winsor, for exercise.

**Adult & Youth Services**

*by Amy Friedman*

**Make a Teardrop Bead Bracelet**

Adults and teens, join us at Hills Memorial Library in Hudson on Thursday March 10, 7 p.m. to make a beautiful teardrop bead bracelet. Annex II has a sample of what we will be making. There will be an $8 materials fee for this workshop. The workshop is at 49 Ferry Street (The second house past the library on 111/Ferry Street). Pre-register here or call 886-6030 extention 26.

**Book Discussion Group**

On Tuesday, March 22 at 7 p.m. we will discuss *Peace Like a River* by Leif Enger. A top ten pick of “book group favorites” in a survey of over 400 book groups, the book is described as “an exceptionally heartfelt and moving tale about the resilience of family relationships”. Copies of the book are available in Annex II.

**Hot New Films And Books**

**Films**

Ray

The Notebook
Cellular
Vanity Fair

**Books**

Come Spring
Tim Lahaye
Dragons of Pern
Anne McCaffrey
The Real Mother
Judith Michael
Honeymoon
James Patterson
Conviction
Richard North Patterson
Survivor in Death
J.D. Robb

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**… for these websites**

“Kids Count, a project of the Annie E. Casey Foundation, is a national and state effort to track the status of children in the U.S. By providing policymakers and citizens with benchmarks of child well-being, Kids Count seeks to enrich local, state, and national discussions concerning ways to secure better futures for all children.”