

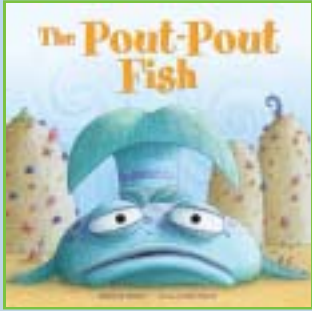
HAPPENINGS



2010

A COMPASS TO THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Get hooked on *The Pout-Pout Fish*
2009 Michigan Reads! Winner



Monday, March 22, 4:15PM
Story Room
Preschool - 2nd Grade

Former Midland resident, author **Deborah Diesen** shares her stories in a special story time program. Book sale and signing to follow.



Friday, March 19, 4-7:30PM

Join us for the Art Open House. Enjoy the unique creations entitled "My Art" provided by our community's Preschool through 5th graders. Refreshments will be served. Enjoy the Art display through April 30.

Take a Spring Tour of
Whiting Forest



Wednesday, April 28, 4:15PM
For Grades 3-6

Space is limited.
Sign-up begins March 1.

We'll explore the forest and identify how it is changing through the spring season. This free program will include a snack, tour, and an activity. Sponsored by the Library.

A Workshop on Writing a Memoir

with Michael Steinberg

Tuesday, March 23, 7-9PM

Library Lounge

Registration begins Monday, March 1. Call 837-3449



The Ultimate Geocaching Experience in City Forest!

Sunday, April 18 – Sunday, May 2

To participate, simply visit the library's website between April 18 and May 2. Click on the **Geocache Challenge** and print the list of coordinates. Using a GPS (Global Positioning System) receiver, locate the hidden caches within City Forest. Collect a token from each box, return them to the library, and enter a drawing to win a new GPS receiver. Don't have a GPS receiver or a smart phone equipped with one? Come to the library and check one out.

Co-sponsored with Midland City Dept. of Parks and Recreation.

Grace A. Dow Memorial Library

837-3430 www.midland-mi.org/gracedowlibrary



Picnicking with Chef Theo



Tuesday, April 6

7PM

Library Lounge

Sign-up required and begins March 1.

Need some new ideas? Bored with your old recipes?

Executive Chef Theo of the H Hotel will share some fun ideas to perk up your picnic. There will be some taste testing as well! Please call the Reference Desk to sign up at 837-3449. Seating is limited.



Merry Music Maker Concerts

Wednesday, April 7

10AM AND 1:30PM

Auditorium

Sign-up required and begins March 1.

Preschool age children are invited

to sing, dance, and laugh with the Merry Music Maker in this delightful, interactive musical concert. Paula Doak is a songwriter, storyteller, entertainer and educator who specializes in teaching children with music. Call Youth Services at 837-3466 starting March 1 to reserve a space for yourself and your preschooler. Seating is very limited.

Make Art at the Library!

Week of April 11-17

Children can create a work of art during their Library visit. Supplies will be available during Library hours.

Michigan's National Parks:

Jewels of the Great Lakes



Tuesday, April 20

7PM

Auditorium

Author Jim Dufresne provides a photographic journey of Michigan's National Parks including Isle Royale, Sleeping Bear Dunes & Pictured Rocks.

Mr. DuFresne is a Michigan native and author of more than 20 wilderness, travel, and hiking guidebooks including *Isle Royale National Park: Foot Trails and Water Routes* and *Backpacking in Michigan*.

Visit our website and click on



then click **National Parks**.

National Library Week Annual Tea



Wednesday, April 14

2PM

Tickets \$5.00



Featuring Jewel Richardson, owner Wetlands Nursery, Saginaw. Tickets available beginning March 22. Advanced purchase recommended.

Rain Gardens In Your Yard

Along with refreshing tea and light refreshments, learn how rain gardens can make your yard more attractive and environmentally friendly. You will see how to direct your storm water runoff to help prevent water pollution and create beauty. Anyone can make a rain garden!

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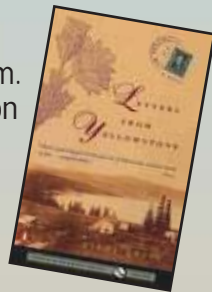
Thursday, April 15, 7PM

Wednesday, April 28, 2PM

Conference Room A

Letters from Yellowstone by Diane Smith

Set in 1889 and told entirely through correspondence, the book recounts the journey of amateur botanist A. E. Bartram. Bartram, the lone woman in an expedition of scientists to explore the pristine wilderness of Yellowstone, experiences the prejudices of her male colleagues and struggles to be taken seriously as a scientist and as an equal.



Tai Chi Introductory Class



Thursday, April 29, 6:30-7:30PM

Kevin King, director of the Mid-Michigan Tai Chi Center, will conduct an introductory class in Tai Chi on the lawn behind the library portico. If weather is inclement the class will be in the Library Lounge.

Visit our website and click on



then click **Tai Chi**.