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Welcome!

This calendar lists all the activities in the Youth Services Department for March - May. We hope you'll stop in and visit us. If you want reminders of upcoming events, "like" the Freeport Public Library page on Facebook. Teens can join us on tumblr at fplyouth.

EXPAND YOUR WORLD @ YOUR LIBRARY!



READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY

Thursday, March 2, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

March 2 is Dr. Seuss's birthday and has been named National Read Across America Day in his honor. We've got a celebration planned, so get ready to party! Come listen to stories, have some treats (green eggs and ham or something a little safer?), and make a silly hat.

For four- to ten-year-olds (and caregivers).

ONE BOOK ONE FREEPORT IN THE WILD WEST

March 4, 10 a.m., Living History visit from Douglas James Clayton, a lawman who worked with Bass Reeves. He'll talk about their adventures tracking down criminals together in Indian Territory.

March 9, 6:30 p.m. @ the The Boys & Girls Club, Meet the Author of *Gloryland!* Shelton Johnson talks about Yosemite National Park, African-American history, and his writing in this event for the whole community.

March 17, 3:30 p.m., Find out about the National Parks with Ms. Juliet. Nature and history meet modern science in the parks.

March 23, 2 p.m., "Native American Culture Through Oral Traditions, Music, and Food" presented by Kim Sigafus. What did kids eat back in the day? What did they do for fun?

April 1, 2 p.m., The Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club members share their motorcycles and African-American history. Learn about Buffalo Soldiers from modern day riders, then check out their bikes!

Watch for more programs (marked OBOF) during the next few months!



YOUTH SERVICES

FOR OUR YOUNGER FRIENDS



SING AND PLAY

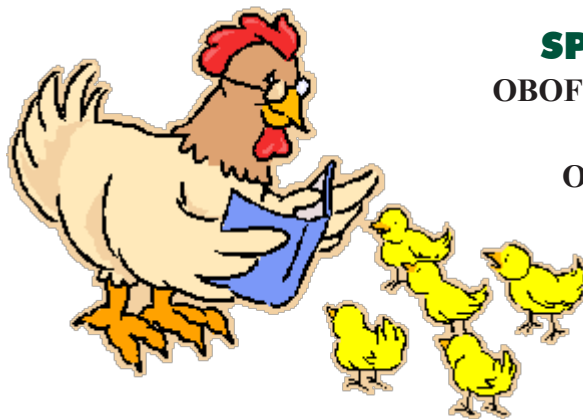
Mondays, 10:30 - 11 a.m.

Sing with us, dance with us, hear funny stories with us. Explore rhythm, sounds, and words as we brighten up Monday mornings at the library. *For 2- to 5-year-olds.*

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Wednesdays, 10:30 - 11 a.m.

Join us for books and activities every regular Wednesday morning. We meet in the Youth Services Program Room. *For 2- to 5-year-olds.*



SPECIAL SCIENCE STORY TIMES

OBOF National Parks: March 1, 10:30 - 11 a.m.

OBOF Horses: March 15, 10:30 - 11 a.m.

OBOF Wild Foods: April 5, 10:30 - 11 a.m.

Poultry: April 19, 10:30 - 11 a.m.

Baby Animals: May 3, 10:30 - 11 a.m.

Pollinators: May 17, 10:30 - 11 a.m.

Join us for special story times every first and third Wednesday with visitors from the Audubon Society and Ag in the Classroom. They'll take turns telling us all about animals in the spring, share interesting facts about science and nature, then finish with a special activity.

For 2- to 7-year-olds.

FOR ALL AGES

PAWS FOR READING

Saturday, March 4, 10 a.m.

Saturday, April 1, 10 a.m.

Saturday, May 6, 10 a.m.

Come visit the library and read a story to one of the sweet pooches from Therapy Dogs International. These friendly dogs love kids and books, so bring your favorite story or choose one of ours and practice your reading with a furry buddy on the first Saturday of every month. *For all ages.*



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MORE FOR **KIDS** EARTH MONTH EVENTS!

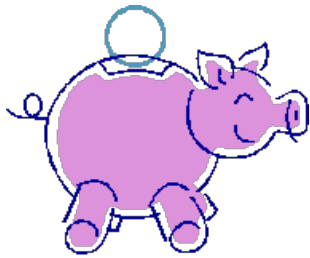
***Born to Be Wild* - Thursday, April 13, 5:30 p.m.**

Free Family Movie! Orphaned baby orangutans and elephants have a hard time. Meet them and the humans who help them get started in life. PG.

Library Cleanup Project - Friday, April 14, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Be a litter-busting hero. Help us pick up around Debate Square and keep our city clean.

For all ages.



MONEY SMART KIDS READ!

Saturday, April 22, 10 - 11 a.m.

How do you save your money? How do you turn pennies into dollars? Listen to a story, make a craft, learn about money, and take home a free book. This event is sponsored by the Money Smart Week Partners. *For all four- to ten-year-olds.*



FAMILY BOARD GAMES

Monday, April 17, 2 - 4 p.m.

Thursday, May 18, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Try some board games at the library with your friends and family. We've got the classics like chess and Monopoly, and newer things to try your hand at, like King of Tokyo and Apples to Apples.

For ages 6+.



SPRING PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT

Tuesday, May 23, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Come use our cameras or bring your own to take photos of all the things on the list for our scavenger hunt. Can you find all the signs of Spring?

For all ages.

MOTHER'S DAY CARD CRAFT

Tuesday, May 9, 3 - 5 p.m.

Make a special present for your mom, grandma, aunt, or anybody else who deserves it. We'll have the supplies, just bring your imagination!

For all ages.

LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP TIPS

Don't miss out on your chance to have your very own library card. You need a parent or guardian with you to sign up. They should bring an ID and something official (water bill, driver's license, etc.) with your address on it to the circulation desk. It only takes a couple of minutes!



EVENTS FOR **TWEENS** AND **TEENS**

FREE MOVIE NIGHTS!

OBOF Magnificent 7 - March 16, 5:30 p.m., PG-13

Nausicaa of the Valley of the Wind - April 20, 5:30 p.m., PG

Fantastic Beasts & Where to Find Them - May 11, 5:30 p.m., PG-13

Are you ready for some fun? Bring your friends and enjoy free snacks and a movie on the library big screen. From the Wild West, to a dystopian bug-land, to early magical New York, you'll have something to look forward to at the library. Snacks provided.



OBOF TEEN ART CONTEST

Entries accepted through March 15

Create a piece of original art or creative writing (poetry/music/short fiction) on any of the themes in the One Book One Freeport titles and you could win an Amazon Fire tablet! Complete rules and sign up form available at the library or online at: tinyurl.com/OBOF17.

MONEY SMART BINGO

Sat., April 22 - Sat., April 29

Pick up a BINGO card at the beginning of the week and earn treats by completing Money Smart Tasks and showing proof at the end of the week. If you get a bingo (fill in a whole row), your name will go in the drawing for a bigger prize.



FREESTYLE & DOODLE ART

Friday, May 26, 4 - 5 p.m.

Come chill out at the library and work on your own art meditation therapy. Create complicated patterns to help focus and calm your mind. All you need to bring is the ability to hold a pencil. We'll provide the materials and the ambience.

LIBRARY CLOSURES

The library will be closed for these holidays:

Easter
Sunday, April 16

Memorial Day
Monday, May 29



MORE THAN BOOKS ON A SHELF

Monday - Thursday	9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Welcome! The Freeport Public Library is open all week. We have books, magazines, movies, and music, a computer lab for people 13 and younger, games, and special programs every week. Teens 14 and older may use the adult computers upstairs. Stop by the Youth Services desk on the ground floor of the library to find out more.

