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Special Insert
Annual Report to the Community
Services for the Job Seeker

The path to finding a new job can be littered with obstacles, and London Public Library is here to help. Visit our website at www.londonpubliclibrary.ca/work and explore our resources. You will find links to apprenticeship information, tips for writing résumés and cover letters, job posting boards, tools to access the hidden job market, and more.

Our expert staff can show you resources you may not have thought of using. For example, Career Cruising, a great tool for anyone interested in exploring a new career, can also benefit seasoned veterans who are looking for a competitive edge. With its assessment tools, in-depth descriptions of careers, résumé and interview tips, and a job board powered by Indeed.ca, it provides something for everyone.

In addition to our amazing online tools, we have the latest books and DVDs designed to improve your job search. From the ever-popular What color is your parachute, to new titles you see featured here, we are committed to providing you with what’s new in job search trends.

To learn more about these services, consider attending our Searching for Work program, which is held at the Central Branch on the first Wednesday of every month. Become familiar with what we offer and how to use the resources to your fullest advantage. Information sessions about additional resources in your neighbourhood are coming soon.

Where to begin

Résumés, cover letters, networking, & interviewing
Clifford and Lynn Eischen

Same-day resume: write an effective resume in an hour
Louise M. Kursmark

Step-by-step cover letters: build a cover letter in 10 easy steps using personal branding
Evelyn U. Salvador

Are you smart enough to work at Google?: trick questions, zen-like riddles, insanely difficult puzzles, and other devious interviewing techniques you need to know to get a job anywhere in the new economy
William Poundstone

The start-up of you: adapt to the future, invest in yourself and transform your career
Reid Hoffman and Ben Casnocha

How to find a job on LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter, and Google+
Brad Schepp and Debra Schepp

The 2-hour job search: using technology to get the right job faster
Steve Dalton

What color is your parachute?: a practical manual for job-hunters and career-changers
Richard N. Bolles (Electronic Book)

Welcome to our Mobile Site

Library Catalogue
Locations and Hours
Contact the Library
eBooks, eVideos, eAudiobooks
Library News

URL: m.lpl.ca

You can access the library’s Virtual Branch whenever and wherever you are. A world of information is at your fingertips when you browse the library with your mobile device or smartphone!

View your library account, place holds, renew items, catch up on library news or drop us a line.

Virtually Everywhere

Download these apps from the App Store for your device.

London ABCs app for IOS devices

Mango Mobile brings language learning everywhere. Sign up using your library card via our website. IOS and Android app available.

AccessMyLibrary. Get facts and information quickly from trusted databases. IOS and Android app available.

EBSCOhost convenient database for articles and magazine searching. IOS and Android app available.

OverDrive Media Console for eAudio and eBooks is available for many devices.

URL: lpl.overdrive.ca

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The Historic Sites Committee of the London Public Library Board

Plaque honouring 100 years of St. Peter’s Seminary

The 67th plaque of the Historic Sites Committee of the London Public Library Board will commemorate the founding of St. Peter’s Seminary by Bishop Michael Francis Fallon, OMI on 14th September 1912. St. Peter’s Seminary moved to its present location, the former Sunshine Park, in September 1926.

The public is invited to join St. Peter’s Seminary and the Historic Sites Committee to unveil the plaque at 11:30 am, Friday, September 14th at the Colborne St entrance (at Huron St) to the Seminary.

Library Settlement Partnership (LSP)

Celebrate Canada!
Celebrate Our Newcomers!
Celebrate Libraries!

London Public Library, in partnership with LUSO Community Services, South London Neighbourhood Resource Centre and London Cross Cultural Learners Centre funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada, provides information and referral services to newcomers to Canada to help with their settlement needs. The LSP service is provided at Jalna, Sherwood, Beacock and Central Library. London is one of several Ontario communities that provides LSP Settlement Services through Public Libraries. The library activities held between October 14th and 27th celebrate this partnership.
CITY SYMPOSIUM

Rediscover your city

Londoners had great things to say about the interesting and inspiring programs held at last season’s City Symposium. Audiences loved the dynamic presentations ranging from musical performance to the inside stories of London’s own scientific innovators.

This season City Symposium is kicking things off with a special event called How to make a city awesome! The event will be held in the Wolf Performance Hall at Central Library and broadcast simultaneously to four branch locations. A ReTHINK London facilitator will be on site at each location to engage participants. Plan to attend 7 pm, Wednesday, October 10, in the Wolf Performance Hall, Pond Mills, Jalna, Beacock, or Sherwood.

If you would like to discover (or rediscover) just how incredible London is, attend a City Symposium event. Another is planned for 6:30 pm, Thursday, December 13, in the Wolf Performance Hall.

http://citysymposium.com/

Culture Days is a national celebration of culture that promotes the participation and engagement of Canadians in the arts and cultural life of their communities. In London, free interactive activities will take place throughout the city and at all library locations.

Watch for Map guides with complete listings of these London events. Additional information can be found via www.londonarts.ca and http://culturedays.ca/en/2012-activities.

Refer to our program pages for details of the following Culture Days activities at the London Public Libraries

Beacock Branch
- stories from around the world

Byron Branch
- discover the significance of totem poles and create one of your own

Carson Branch
- help create a community collage

Central Library
- be enchanted by the music of different cultures with the Karen Schuessler Singers and the storytelling workshop, You Be the Writer. (London and Southwestern Ontario Chapter Professional Writers Association of Canada)

Cherryhill Branch
- release your inner doodle monster with Walter Sayers

Crouch Branch
- meet the Crouch Library Artists while visiting the Art & Culture display

East London Branch
- create a Koinobori, which is a Japanese carp windsock

Glanworth Branch
- drop in and make a craft to take home

Jalna Branch
- help create a community mural celebrating our diversity

Lambeth Branch
- drop in to participate in a craft session

Landon Branch
- 100,000 Poets for Change with Poet Laureate Penn Kemp

Masonville Branch
- explore the art of Ann van Meyl who will be on site for the event

Pond Mills Branch
- Sol & Luna Fusion Bellydance will be demonstrating the basics of bellydance

Sherwood Branch
- let your imagination go wild as you create a masterpiece!

Stoney Creek Branch
- June Cole and the Southern Ontario Ukulele Players

Westmount Branch
- experience Irish dancing with the Butler Fearon O’Connor Irish Dance School
Open House at Visiting Library

Central Library
251 Dundas St, Second Floor
Thursday, October 11th
Friday, October 12th
2–4 pm

We’re inviting our Visiting Library clients and friends to drop in for light refreshments and a closer look at our collection and what we do.

Visiting Library is a service for London residents who are unable to visit the library due to mobility issues. We deliver library materials to you every month. We are always happy to answer any questions about our service. Please call 519-661-6444 or drop in to our Central Library office (9 am–5 pm, Monday–Friday) to meet us. No appointment is required.

Senior Tea Talk at The Grand Theatre

The Grand Theatre, Grand Wood Apartments and Retirement Residence, Voyageur Transportation Services and London Public Library present Senior Tea Talk at The Grand Theatre. Your ticket includes the show, tea, baked good, talk, and transport via Voyageur. Complimentary buses depart from five Library locations. Book tickets at any London Public Library branch or through The Grand Theatre. All this for $40 per play. No refunds unless play is canceled.

My Fair Lady
Fall High School Project
Thursday, September 27, 2012

Calendar Girls
Wednesday, October 31, 2012

Miracle on 34th Street, The Musical
Wednesday, December 5, 2012

COLD RECALL

CELEBRATE CANADA AND NORWAY’S SHARED HISTORY OF POLAR EXPLORATION. An exhibition and related lectures about Roald Amundsen’s voyage and current Arctic issues.

PUBLIC LECTURES:
Thorleif Thorleifsson
Tracking Amundsen: global warming & the Northwest Passage
Wolf Performance Hall, Central Library
7 – 9 pm, Thursday, October 18

Professor Lisa Hodgetts
Arctic Sovereignty and HMS Investigator
Stevenson & Hunt Room, Central Library
7 – 9 pm, Wednesday, November 7

EXHIBITION:
September 29 – November 9, 2012
Daily 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Third Floor Citi Plaza (north side by the library)
http://www.ledc.com/coldrecall

Citizens’ Panel update

Have you had an opportunity to learn more about civic participation in London? Panels will be held at several branches, so check this list to find a location and time convenient for you. Get involved with your city.

Byron Branch
Thursday, October 11, 2012
6:30–8:30 pm

Carson Branch
Saturday, November 3, 2012
1:30–3:30 pm

Beacock Branch
Saturday, November 24, 2102
2–4:00 pm

East London Branch
Wednesday January 23, 2013
6:30–8:30 pm

Sherwood Branch
Thursday, February 7, 2013
6:30–8:30 pm
This past August London Public Library and its patrons celebrated the 10th birthday of the new Central Library. It has been an exciting 10 years of evolution, innovation and growth.

When London Public Library bought the property that had been the old Bay store in the Galleria Mall, there was more involved than physically moving the Central Library two blocks. This was an opportunity for the Library to experiment and to challenge what a library could be. Margaret Mitchell, who acted as Project Manager for the build, remembers a planning process that involved professional guidance from our architects and tradespeople, strong public consultation and staff input, all with the focus on a long-term, sustainable future. “People told us what they wanted to see in the new library, and we took their suggestions seriously.” Near the end of the planning process the library’s building team sat down with the architects and went over the wish list of items submitted by staff and members of the public, and ticked them off the list one by one, to verify those wishes had been accomplished. The vision was for the new Central Library to be everything that Londoners wanted it to be.

The building’s brick and mortar front façade was transformed by huge glass windows that on the outside integrated the library with the Dundas streetscape and on the inside created a bright airy atmosphere throughout. Once inside, patrons discovered a library that had four times the active space that the old library had, space that included elegant wood features, edgy architectural lighting, comfy chairs and fireplaces. There was a host of display spaces and community meeting rooms, and seating for 1200 people scattered throughout a large, open and bright area that covered three floors and 181,000 square feet.

This new library wasn’t just a place to come to borrow books: it was a graceful inspiring space designed to encourage visitors to learn, to relax and to dream. Part of the planning included making sense of the placement of collections. With the enhanced new space came the ability to display the collection in thoughtful ways. For example, Literature and Fiction now resided side by side. No longer did staff have the space constraints of the old building where things were made to fit, including closed stacks accessible only with staff assistance. For the first time, the entire Lending Collection was available for anytime casual browsing. And today, the flexibility created from added floor space, an open concept, and up to date technology, continues to enable the Central Library to evolve with changing needs and opportunities.

Accessibility issues were also addressed with the new opening, and the design not only met but surpassed the building standards. Central Library was designed to be used and enjoyed by everyone. Lower shelving, wider aisles, elevators and escalators for easy movement between floors, more public Internet computers, community use rooms, and music practice rooms were just some of the prominent features of the new building.

The Children’s Library also took advantage of the fresh possibilities that

Celebrate Central Library

by Norma Gelinas

The Wolf Performance Hall is a world class venue for arts and culture in London. We feature music, author readings, plays and more. See the Program Listings for upcoming events.

photo credit: Stephen Ferry
the new location offered. The space is a back-to-the-future design, taking as its inspiration London's Children's Library of the 1940s. The Children’s Space in the Rotary Reading Garden is a safe and fun place to enjoy Storytimes and other activities. Children were asked what they imagined this garden might look like and they were keen to contribute and offered ideas for the design. (see illus.)

Central has also become an important contributor to the broader downtown neighbourhood. Through new partnerships it is recognized as a place offering services beyond what might have been considered traditional library services of the past. Emerging Leaders, Pillar NonProfit Network, London Arts Council, London Heritage Council, and the Library Settlement Partnership are organizations that now reside within the Central Library.

Central is also a welcoming and trusted destination for some of London’s most vulnerable and at risk citizens and has therefore become a vital meeting place for service providers and their clients. Community Justice Centre Services offers Pro Bono advice through Community Legal Services. Outreach workers from London InterCommunity Health Centre offer confidential help for those concerned about Hepatitis C. St Joseph’s Health Care offers one-on-one meetings with a certified Diabetes Educator/Registered Dietician. Grit Uplifted is a writer’s group that enables those touched by homelessness to express themselves in a positive way.

As we celebrate 10 years, Central continues to be a gathering place that offers cultural and rewarding experiences with a full range of musical concerts and live theatre, lecture series and art displays, quiet study areas and music practice rooms and much, much more. Central offers 323,500 browsable books, CDs, DVDs and magazines. The Ivey Family London Room offers a valuable resource for local and out-of-town historians and genealogists.

Inside the Children’s Library the same theme of bright and airy space exists in harmony with furniture of various sizes, low shelving and increased programming space. With this vision made reality one patron was heard to exclaim, “Wow, I can’t believe I’m in London!”

The Library’s teen users have also become empowered as never before. The Teen Annex is a space designed for teens, by teens. It is an interactive space that allows for socializing and shared homework time, computers and video games. It is a place for young musicians to perform to live audiences through the LOUD music program. And of course, it has a large collection of material of particular interest to this age group. The award winning space features an urban expressionist mural by local artist, Brian Jesney.

Your Central Library is at once a reliable old friend and a constantly evolving public space meant to surprise and delight. The first 10 years are only the beginning. London Public Library is dedicated to ensuring that Central Library will remain a cherished destination, built to grow and evolve, to welcome and engage all Londoners for many years to come.

(If you are interested in seeing how Central’s story unfolded ten years ago, visit the London Room to see the insert that appeared in the London Free Press introducing Londoners to their new Central Library and the Memory Book in which patrons and staff recorded their thoughts and said goodbye to the Queens Ave. location.)
October is “Breast Cancer Awareness Month”
October 21–27th is “Cervical Cancer Awareness Week”

During “Breast Cancer Awareness Month” the Tops & Bottoms Committee is planning activities to target under screened or never screened women who live in London and Middlesex.

- approximately half of all cancers can be prevented or detected early before becoming a serious health problem
- participation in breast screening is well below recommended rates and does not appear to be increasing
- that cervical cancer is the tenth most common cancer in Ontario females of all ages, but second most common among women under 50 years
- that immigrant women are less likely to participate in cancer prevention screening programs
- people from lower socioeconomic backgrounds have significantly lower participation in cancer screening programs

Canadian Library Month: Bookworm

Bookworm – 7 pm, Tuesday, October 23, Wolf Performance Hall, Central Library, Tickets, $5
In celebration of Canadian Library Month we bring you an exciting special presentation of Bookworm. Recently featured on Shelagh Rogers and winner of the London Fringe Theatre Festival Producer’s Award, Bookworm is a story that has comedy, drama, plenty of beauty and a climax no one could predict, wrapped into an hour. Following the performance, Corin Raymond will complement his show with a musical presentation with local musician, Joseph Phillips. A performance for book lovers, library lovers and music lovers alike!

Ontario Public Library Week is October 14–20.
Help us celebrate with these fantastic and diverse activities.
You’ll find details about all our programs inside this magazine and on our website.

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Programs

- Programs are FREE unless a fee is listed
- No registration is required unless noted
- Service dogs are welcome in the library and at programs

Register for programs:
- In person, by phone or online
- For online registration go to www.londonpubliclibrary.ca and click Program/Events tab

Pay for programs:
- In person, or by phone with a credit card number
- No charge for anyone accompanying a person who requires assistance
- Prices for programs include any taxes which may apply
- No refunds are given on program fees
- General Info: 519-661-4600

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## Computer Classes

Check out our great, hands-on computer classes. Registration is limited, so please sign up as early as possible. Each class is 90 minutes in length and is taught by one instructor.

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## Internet: Getting Started
Learn about the Internet, how to find and use websites and discover our top five favourite sites to explore! You will also learn about computers at your library. NOTE: We recommend you take the Computers: Getting Started class before taking this one. Class is 90 minutes.

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## Computer & Technology Help
Need help learning to use your computer or gadget? Library staff and volunteers are available to help you out! If you have a laptop or other device, you may bring it along.

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Downloadable eBooks Tutorial
Learn how to download and transfer eBooks from London Public Library’s web site onto an eReader. This is only a demonstration. FREE.

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Computer Help
Get help with your questions about the basics of using technology. Our volunteer will work with you in a small group to answer your questions about the basics of using a computer, email, the Internet and other areas. This is a great chance to ask questions, practice and to focus on those areas of interest to you.

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Internet Surfing for Adults
Explore the Internet with our knowledgeable staff. Learn the secrets of the library catalogue, online databases, library ebooks and more.

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# Storytimes @ the library

Storytimes encourage a life-long love of books and reading, promote early literacy, and introduce young children and their parents or caregivers to age-appropriate books, rhymes and songs in a fun and interactive setting. Find the one that works best for you, and join the fun!

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Meet the Cat in the Hat!

The sun did not shine. It was too wet to play. But we went to the Library for a Dr. Seuss Day! You are invited to a storytime to meet The Cat in the Hat and other characters from Musical Theatre Productions’ Seussical! The Musical playing at The Palace Theatre November 29-December 9. Don’t forget to dress as your favourite Dr. Seuss character. Nov. 10, Saturday, 2-3 pm.

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| Beacock
| 1280 Huron St.
| 519-451-8140

| Children

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Beacock Community Playgroup (birth-6 yrs, with caregiver)
Ongoing-Dec. 20, Thursdays, 9:30 am-3 pm
Parents, caregivers and children participate in interactive early learning activities.
Program is closed noon-1 pm for lunch.
Presented by Ontario Early Years Centre, London North-Centre at 519-434-3644.

Shared Beginnings (LUSO)-Where Adults and Children Learn Together (birth-6 yrs, with caregiver)
Ongoing, Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30 am
Enjoy crafts, play games, sing songs, hear stories and much more. Contact LUSO Community Services at 519-452-1466 for information.

Dog Tales (reluctant or shy readers 7-13 yrs)
Sept. 8, Oct. 6, Nov. 3, Saturdays, 1-3 pm
Register for a 15 minute session and read to a St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog in the library. St. John Therapy Dogs have been paired with LUSO. Register for a 15 minute session and read to a St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog in the library. St. John Therapy Dogs have been paired with LUSO. Contact Hind Omar at 519-452-1466. In partnership with LUSO Community Services and the London Intercommunity Health Centre.

I'm Home (10-12 yrs)
Oct. 13, Saturday, 9:30 am-2:30 pm
Register starting Sept. 11, $35.
A program designed to support parents in preparing their 10 to 12 year old child to move successfully from supervised before and after school care, to safe, home-based self care. Parent attendance is required for part of the program. Financial assistance may be available, please inquire at registration. Co-sponsor: London Children's Connection.

Spooktacular Halloween Storytime
Oct. 27, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Join us for some spooky stories and a craft! Costumes are welcome.

PA Day Movie
Nov. 16, Friday, 2:30-4 pm
Come in and watch a recently released movie on our big screen! Call the branch to find out what's playing.

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Walk With N.E.L.C.E.
Ongoing-Oct.11, Thursdays, 7-8 pm
A fun-loving, relaxed walking group for residents of North East London. Open to all ages, we meet at the Beacock library lobby. Led by the Northeast London Community Engagement. Call 519-659-1271 x500 to register and for more information.

Beacock Coffee and Games Fun!
Ongoing, Fridays, 10-11:30 am
Meet new people, enjoy a cup of coffee and play games here at the library.

Seniors Group in French (50+ yrs)
Ongoing, Tuesdays, 10:30 am-12:30 pm
Feel like you haven’t spoken French in a long time? You are certainly not the only one. This group is focused on educational and health prevention information sessions, sharing experiences, making friends and having fun in French! Contact Isabelle at 519-660-0875 x312.

Beacock Book Club
Ongoing, Wednesday of each month, 7-9 pm

Immigrant Seniors Group
Ongoing, alternate Thursdays, 11 am-1 pm
Are you an immigrant senior, are you caring for an immigrant senior? Come to Beacock for a bi-weekly get together! Activities include art classes, presentations on health, computer classes and short outings. Refreshments will be provided. Please call Sarah Patterson at 519-660-0875 x275 or Hind Omar at 519-452-1466. In partnership with LUSO Community Services and the London Intercommunity Health Centre.

Beacock Knitters
Ongoing, Wednesdays, 1-4 pm
If you want to learn how to knit or are an experienced knitter join this afternoon group. It’s a great way to meet new people and be creative!

What is LGBT, Really?
Sept. 12, Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 pm
Coming out LGBT can be a difficult and fearful process. This information session addresses homophobia, heterosexism and heterosexual privilege. Learn how to create safe space and promote inclusivity and respect. Refreshments will be provided.
Mystery Book Club
Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14, Wednesdays, 7-8:45 pm
Add a little mystery in your life! Join us as we discuss great mystery novels.

Northeast Community Conversations
Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20, Tuesdays, 7-8:30 pm
Organized by a group of Northeast London residents, this new initiative will interest anyone who loves to talk, discuss, share ideas and visions, cultural perspectives, and has a hunger for knowledge. Learn more about your community, neighbours, and hot topics that affect your daily living and lifestyle. Topics for discussion vary each month.

Culture Days 2012
Sept. 29, Saturday, 2-4 pm
Stories from Around the World (Family). Come with us on a magic carpet ride as we read stories from around the world. Enjoy making crafts that are inspired from cultures around the world. Everyone is welcome. www.culturedays.ca

City Symposium Special Event: How To Make A City Awesome
Oct. 10, Wednesday, 7-9 pm
Every day there are incredible people working hard to make London an awesome city. On October 10, you are invited to come and listen to some of these people share spectacular visions for the future of our city. The city-building initiative, named ReThink London, will set the goals and priorities that will influence the future of the city for years to come. This is your opportunity to help create the picture of what we would like our city to become, both now and in the future. The goals and directions we set as a community will determine how we live, grow, green, move, and prosper as a city. The event will be held at Central Library and broadcast to four branch locations, where ReThink London facilitators will engage participants. Together we can build a city that is second to none!

LSP Day Celebration
Oct. 20, Saturday, 1-3 pm
Come and celebrate the Library Settlement Partnership with refreshments, storytime and other fun activities.

| Byron |
| 1295 Commissioners Rd. W |
| 519-471-4000 |

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| Children |

Ontario Early Years Community Drop in Playgroup at the Byron Library

Bedtime Storytime
(all ages, with caregiver)
Sept. 12-Nov. 28, Wednesdays, 7-7:30 pm. No storytime Oct. 31
Put on your pyjamas, bring your favourite stuffed toy and join us for bedtime stories.

PA Day Craft
Sept. 21, Friday, 9 am-5 pm
Nov. 16, Friday, 9 am-5 pm
Make a craft to take home.

PA Day Movie
Sept. 21, Friday, 2:30-4:30 pm
Nov. 16, Friday, 2:30-4:30 pm
Come in and watch a recently released movie on our big screen! Call the branch to find out what’s playing.

I’m Home (10-12 yrs)
Sept. 26-Oct.10, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm $35
A program designed to support parents in preparing their 10 to 12 year old child to move successfully from supervised before and after school care, to safe, home-based self care. Parent attendance is required for part of the program. Financial assistance may be available, please inquire at registration. Co-sponsor: London Children’s Connection.

Orchestra London Cushion Concerts for Young Children
Oct. 27, Saturday, 10-11 am or 11:30 am-12:30 pm $8
Tricks, Treats & Trumpets. Wear your costume and have lots of fun at this spooktacular show featuring Shawn Spicer on trumpet! Bring your cushions and join Orchestra London musicians for a fun and interactive introduction to classical music at a special library price. Children must be accompanied by a caregiver. A three concert Family Pass for up to 4 people is $60. Single tickets are $8 per person per show. Order from Orchestra London Box Office by phone: 519-679-8778, or online: www.orchestralondon.ca/tickets/family-concerts/

Spooktacular Halloween Party (Family)
Oct. 27, Saturday, 2-4 pm
Goblins, ghosts and ghouls, oh my! Put on your costume and join us for our Halloween Bash. There will be games, snacks, stories and a craft!

Great Kids’ Books to Give as Gifts
Nov. 22, Thursday, 7-8 pm. and Nov. 24, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Join us as we explore the latest and greatest books for that special child in your life. Librarian Linda Ludke will have lots of suggestions to help with finding that perfect gift.

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Byron Book Club
Ongoing-Dec., last Thursday of each month, 7-8 pm
An informal book discussion led by staff and open to all. New members welcome! A different book is discussed each month. Contact the branch (519-471-4000) for the title.
Byron Creative Craft Circle
Ongoing, Thursdays, 9 am-noon
Come and join us as we work on our own projects. For more information, please contact the library.

Painting with Peter Lam
Sept. 5-Oct. 24, Wednesday, 1:30-3:30 pm
$70 non-refundable fee.
London artist, Peter Lam, provides guidance for artists of all levels. Bring your own materials.

Fall Plant Exchange
Sept. 15, Saturday, 2:30-4:30 pm
Calling all gardeners! Bring in your extra seeds, bulbs, plants and cuttings to exchange with other gardeners. Master Gardeners will be on site to answer your gardening questions. Please label plants.

Prenatal Classes
Sept. 18-Oct. 16, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm; Nov. 6-Dec. 4, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Meet other families and learn about pregnancy, coping through labour and birth, physical and emotional changes after birth, infant feeding, infant safety and how to care for your new baby. Please register online early in your pregnancy, as classes fill quickly. Class times and locations are also listed on the MLHU website. To register, visit www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth $10. Fee can be waived. Co-sponsor: Middlesex-London Health Unit.

Culture Days 2012
Sept. 29, Saturday, 1-4 pm.
In North America, totem poles often served to proclaim a clan's status. The figures (often animal spirits) carved onto the poles symbolize a clan's history, as well as the rights and privileges it enjoys. Drop in to make your own totem to take home. www.culturedays.ca/en.

Tea Talk and Matinee 2012/2013
My Fair Lady
Sept. 27, Thursday, 11:15 am-4 pm
(Calendar by Sept 12)
Calendar Girls
Oct. 31, Wednesday, 11:15 am-4 pm.
(Calendar by Oct. 17)
Miracle on 34th Street
Dec. 5, Wednesday, 11:15 am-4 pm
(Calendar by Nov. 21)
$40 per play
The Grand Theatre, Grand Wood Park Apartments and Retirement Residence, Voyageur Transportation Services and London Public Library present Matinees for Seniors. Complimentary buses depart from five Library locations at 11:00 am from East London Library, and 11:15 am from Byron, Cherryhill, Masonville and Westmount Libraries for a pre-performance tea & talk, and a special matinee at the Grand. Buses return to those Library locations between 3:30-4 pm.

Abraham’s Cafe: Vatican II
Oct. 23, Tuesday, 7-8:30 pm
The Second Vatican Council addressed relations between the Roman Catholic Church and the modern world. It opened under Pope John XXIII on 11 October 1962, almost exactly fifty years ago. Did it really “throw open the windows of the church”? Fr. Murray Watson of St. Peter’s Seminary, London will look at its impact on the church generally and on inter-faith dialogue, in particular. Q&A to follow.

Prenatal Breastfeeding Class
Nov. 20, Tuesday, 6:30-8:30 pm
Register at www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth
Come and learn practical information about breastfeeding, getting started, latch & positioning, benefits of skin-to-skin, managing milk supply and much more! Taught by a public health nurse. Both Mom and partner/support person are encouraged to attend.
Carson Community Book Club
Oct. 11 & Nov. 8, 7-8 pm
Join us for lively discussions about great books. New members always welcome. Books will be available at Carson one month prior to each meeting. We meet the 2nd Thursday of every month from October to June.

Central
251 Dundas St
519-661-4600

Spriet Family Children’s Library
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Read with Gisèle (Family)
Sept. 8, Saturday, 11:30 am-12:30 pm
Share the magic of reading with TVOKids host Gisèle, star of Gisèle’s Big Backyard! Gisèle will read the book of the month from the Big Backyard Book Club and share her love of reading. Best for ages 2-5 years. Limited seating available. Book bags for the first 100 kids!

Do Re Mi & You Too (3+ yrs, with caregiver)
Sept. 18-Nov. 20, Tuesdays, 10:30-11 am
Share lively, interactive musical experiences with your child.

Dog Tales (reluctant or shy readers 7-13 yrs)
Sept. 17, Oct. 12, Nov. 19 & Dec. 10, Mondays, 6:30-7:30 pm & Sept. 6 & Oct. 11, Thursdays, 4-5 pm
Register for a 15 minute session and read to a St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog in the library. St. John Therapy Dogs have been assessed to read with children. Call the library to register for a session.

Blow The House Down Puppet Theatre: The Bog Prince (Family)
Sept. 21, Friday, 3-3:30 pm
An evil curse is afoot in the Kingdom of Bogscum. Join our hero, Thaddeus “Tad” Pole in this tale of romance, intrigue and all-things-green. Can Tad reverse the curse—or will he get bogged down?

PA Day Craft
Sept. 21, Friday, 9 am-6 pm
Drop in & make a craft to take home.

Fantastic Paper Collage Magnets (7-11 yrs)
Sept. 22, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Register starting Sept. 15
Use fun patterned paper and beads to create unique fridge magnets! Be creative and let your artistic side show!

Thanksgiving Day Craft
Oct. 6, Saturday, Library Hours
Gobble! Gobble! Drop in and make a craft to celebrate Thanksgiving.

Drop-in Craft
Oct. 20, Saturday, 10 am-4 pm
Celebrate Canada’s Citizenship Week and LSP Day. Drop in and make a Canada-themed craft.

Nos Encantan las Historias! We love stories! (Family)
Oct. 20, Saturday, 2:30-3 pm
Celebrate Canada’s Citizenship Week and LSP Day. Enjoy a storytime in Spanish and English.

Halloween ComicFest Hunt
Oct 27, Saturday, Library Hours
Find a “Super Halloween Hero” hidden in the library and win a prize.

Halloween Costume Party (Family)
Oct. 31, Wednesday, 9:30-11 am
Join us for our annual Halloween Bash! Wear your costume for crafts, stories, songs & trick-or-treating (non-food items) through the Central Library. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

I’m Home (10-12 yrs)
Nov. 3, Saturday, 9:30 am-2:30 pm
Register starting Oct. 8, $35.
A program designed to support parents in preparing their 10 to 12 year old child to move successfully from supervised before and after school care, to safe, home-based self care. Parent attendance is required for part of the program. Financial assistance may be available, please inquire at registration. Co-sponsor: London Children’s Connection.

Blow The House Down Puppet Theatre: Rumpelstiltskin (Family)
Nov. 16, Friday, 3-3:30 pm
A Grimm tale of silly names, spinning straw into gold, and learning why stamping your foot never helps to get your own way.

PA (Positively Awesome) Monster Day
Nov. 16, Friday, 9 am-5 pm
Drop in for monster themed activities.

Wii Play Wednesdays (12-15 yrs)
Ongoing-Nov. 28, Wednesdays, 3-5 pm
Looking for something fun and free to do? Chill out with your friends and play some games in the Central Library’s Teen Annex. Every Wednesday until the end of November we’ll have a gaming system set up for you from 3-5 pm.

Volunteer Fair for Youth (13-19 yrs)
Sept. 20, Thursday, 2:30-4:30 pm
Do you need to complete your volunteer hours for school? Are you looking for a job, but lack experience? Join us in the Teen Annex and talk to representatives from various volunteer organizations. Learn how to gain valuable experience while making a difference in the lives of others.
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<td>Are you new to Canada? Do you need help filling out a form or an application? If you have any questions about forms or documents, come in and visit our Library Settlement workers for assistance. We can help with work and study permits, interim federal health documents, protected person documents, permanent resident card applications and replacement, citizenship application, GST/HST and passport applications.</td>
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<td>This Job Search Information Session offers information on the job hunting resources at the library’s, current trends in resume and cover letter writing, how to create a list of potential employers and research a company, and provides an overview of the Career Cruising database.</td>
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| ESL Reading Group |
| Ongoing, Dec. 20, Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm |
| A place for adults to practice reading and speaking in English in a group led by a volunteer. Build English vocabulary and practice pronunciation. Newcomers always welcome. We provide free books and other interesting things to read. |

| English Conversational Circles for Newcomers to Canada |
| Ongoing, Dec. 17, Mondays, 7-8:30 pm |
| Register with London Cross Cultural Learner Centre at 519-432-1133 or by email at host@ciclcc.org. Celebrate diversity through friendship and cultural exchange. All newcomers are welcome. Co-sponsor: LCCLC. Funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-432-1133 x224 for information about volunteering for this program. |

| Science Fiction London Book Club |
| Ongoing, 1st Saturday of each month, 1:30-4:30 pm |
| Topics: Sept. 1—Wake by Robert Sawyer; Oct. 6—The Casitians Return by Michelle Murrain; Nov. 3—An Oblique Approach by David Drake and Eric Flint; Dec. 1—Falling Skies/Resisting the Aliens (TV Series) |
| Discuss books with other sci-fi enthusiasts. Book lists available at the library. |

| Spanish Mutual Aid Program for Parents |
| Ongoing, Mondays (No session Sept.10), 1-3 pm |
| The Spanish Mutual Aid Program for Parents (M.A.P.) is a non-profit professionally led self-help group committed to facilitating positive changes in the lives of parents and children. MAPP strives to empower families to increase their self-esteem through parenting, education, life skills development, leadership skills, and greater community awareness. Child care provided. Co-Sponsor Children’s Aid Society. |

| Socrates Cafe |
| Ongoing, last Monday of each month, 7-8:30 pm |
| Topics: Sept.—The Importance of Religion in Canada. Oct.—Responsible Journalism. Nov.—The Beginning of Language |
| An open forum in the Library’s cafe for anyone who enjoys listening, thinking and talking about life’s big questions. Teens and new English speakers welcome, too! |
Get to Target—Diabetes Drop In Sessions
Ongoing, 1st Wednesday of each month, 11:30 am-2 pm
Drop by to meet with a Diabetes Educator from St. Joseph's Primary Care Diabetes Support Program for a free and confidential talk about how to achieve your goals. Ask about nutrition, health, blood sugars, medications, physical activity and services available to you! Health Card not required.

Community Justice Centre Services at the Central Library
Ongoing, Tuesdays, 3-8 pm
Community Legal Services provides free legal advice and representation to members of the community who qualify for their services. Western Law students advocate for clients under the supervision of experienced lawyers in the areas of criminal, landlord and tenant, Small Claims, and consumer protection law. The Small Claims Court Project helps people with drafting Small Claims Court forms. Law students and Pro Bono lawyers will be available by appointment to help with legal issues and court procedures. The Dispute Resolution Centre offers free mediation services to help parties resolve conflicts using a process that is fast, convenient, and confidential. Help is provided in finding solutions in disputes about small claims, co-op housing, car repair, noise, and more. For more information or to book an appointment call 519-661-3352.

Knitters Helping Knitters
Ongoing, Wednesdays, 9:15-11:30 am
Get together with other knitters to share knitting interests.

Listening and Speaking for ESL Learners
Sept. 5-Dec. 19, Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Register with the class instructor at 6 pm in the 2nd Floor Meeting Room. Improve your English! Practice listening, speaking, pronunciation and grammar. Suitable for beginner to intermediate learners, but all levels are welcome. Participants must provide recent Canadian Language Benchmark (CLB) scores in order to register. For an initial language assessment, call the LARS Centre at 519-432-1133. Requirements for FREE registration: permanent resident card or Canadian citizenship card. Non-permanent residents may attend for a fee of $14 per class and do not require an assessment. For more information, call 519-452-2000 x69674.

Literacy and Basic Skills Program
Sept. 6-Dec. 20, Thursdays, 5:30-9 pm
Register by calling 519-452-2660 x69712
Literacy London offers a part-time, one to one/small group adult literacy program.

Grit Uplifted Creative Writing Group
Sept. 8-Dec. 1, Saturdays, 2-4 pm
The London InterCommunity Health Centre in partnership with the London Public Library and the London Homelessness Outreach Network will be offering an open forum for learning, self-expression, and the building of trust and community for people who are homeless, at risk of being homeless or have experienced homelessness. Through weekly group sessions, participants will be provided with organized support for creative expression and skill development, a welcoming and respectful environment for positive social engagement and fellowship, as well as opportunities for self-reflection and the enhancement of one’s sense of self-worth.

Chinese Painting
Sept. 10-Oct. 22, Mondays, 6:45-8:45 pm
Register starting Aug. 13. $17.
This 6 week introductory course for adults and young people ages 12 and up uses traditional materials: rice paper, special brushes, inks, and water colours. Co-sponsor: Chinese Canadian National Council, London Chapter. There will be no class on Monday, October 8th.

The Inuit... Their Land, Their Lives and Their Art
Sept. 11, Tuesday, 7-8:30 pm
Come and explore the Canadian Arctic. Through a PowerPoint presentation of photographs and accompanying wall-hangings and prints, Miggs Wynne Morris will take you on a trip through much of the Arctic while reflecting on the resilience, creativity and sense of humour of the Inuit. She will share personal anecdotes from the years she spent living and working with the Inuit around Hudson Bay as well as mentioning the issues and environmental impacts they are facing today.

Paying for Your Child's Post-Secondary Education
Sept. 11, Tuesday, 6:30-9 pm
It's never too early to start saving! Meet with a consultant from the Canadian Scholarship Trust (C.S.T) Plan—one of Canada’s largest and most experienced group-education savings plan providers. Find out about various government grants that are available to families and how they are provided, how the RESP (Registered Education Savings Plan) works and the benefits of saving, how to apply for the child tax and universal child care benefits how the RESP (Registered Education Savings Plan) works and the benefits of saving, how to apply for the child tax and universal child care benefits. Register today.

Plan Draw for a chance to win $25,000 into the Canadian Scholarship Trust (C.S.T) Plan—one of Canada’s largest and most experienced group-education savings plan providers. Find out about various government grants that are available to families and how they are provided, how the RESP (Registered Education Savings Plan) works and the benefits of saving, how to apply for the child tax and universal child care benefits. Register today.

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MidMod Movies: Modernist Architecture & Design Film Series  
Sept. 12-Nov. 14, Wednesdays, 7-8 pm  
Join us for a series of documentaries on modernist architecture and design. This series will present six unique critically acclaimed films from around the world and one PowerPoint presentation that highlight a wide range of design-oriented topics from architecture and interior design to graphics and product design. Co-sponsor: “Mid-Century Modern London” (facebook group). 
Sept. 12: Regular or Super: Views on Mies van der Rohe  
Sept. 19: EAMES: The Architect & The Painter  
Oct. 3: Great Expectations: A Journey Through the History of Visionary Architecture  
Oct. 17: El Cerrito the story behind the house built in Venezuela by Italian architect & designer Gio Ponti  
Nov. 14: Paradise Regained: The Renaissance of Paradise Palms, a powerpoint presentation by Ralph Lemboke, Modernism Magazine Contributor & mid-century modern enthusiast

Fat, Sick and Nearly Dead, a documentary—Inspirational Films  
Sept. 19, Wednesday, 7 pm  
100 pounds overweight, loaded up on steroids and suffering from debilitating autoimmune disease, with conventional medicine unable to help him long-term, Joe Cross turns to the only option left, the body’s ability to heal itself. Come and see the outcomes of a 60 day fresh vegetables and fruit juice journey.

Prenatal Classes  
Sept. 19-Oct. 17 or Nov. 7-Dec. 5, Wednesdays, 6:45-8:45 pm  
Meet other families and learn about pregnancy, coping through labour and birth, physical and emotional changes after birth, infant feeding, infant safety and how to care for your new baby. Please register online early in your pregnancy, as classes fill quickly. Class times and locations are also listed on the MLHU website. To register, visit www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth  
$10. Fee can be waived. Co-sponsor: Middlesex-London Health Unit

Educating for Peace—with your sleeves rolled up—Attracting Peace 2012  
Sept. 20, Thursday, 7 pm  
Join us as we celebrate the International Day of Peace and non-violence. This year our guest Lee McKenna will be talking about her work with war-affected people in places like Sudan, Colombia and the Philippines. Come and learn about the economic, social and cultural roots of violence, the role of consciousness in combatting violence and oppression and how to organize for social and political change. The event will end with a guided meditation for peace.

Arts & Humanities Lecture Series  
Sept. 24-Nov. 28, 7 pm  
Join award-winning professors from Western’s Faculty of Arts and Humanities for some fascinating talks. Q&A to follow.  
Sept. 24: Dr. Samantha Brennan, Department of Philosophy on Thinking Philosophically about Family  
Oct. 30: Dr. Steven Bruhm, Department of English on The Counterfeit Child  
Nov. 28: Dr. Genevieve de Viverios, Department of French Studies on Sur la scène: adapting Balzac, Dumas and Zola on the stage.

Discover Canada—Canadian Citizenship Preparation  
Sept. 25- Oct. 23, Nov. 6-Dec 4 Tuesdays, 6-7:30 pm  
To register contact Fran at 519-639-0149 or fcarroll@ciclsp.ca, or Jenny at 519-639-1597 or jsager@ciclsp.ca.  
You can receive assistance to prepare for your Canadian Citizenship Test. Participants will learn about parts the test including: Canadian History, Government, Rights & Responsibilities, Geography, Economy, Elections. Materials will be provided including Discover Canada Guide and access to Citizenship test samples. This program runs in five week cycles, check with Library Settlement Partnership staff for future dates. Cosponsor LSP.

Vitality Health Series  
Vitality Health Network presents: four approaches to better health  
Sept. 25, Tuesday, 7 pm  
Come and meet four local holistic practitioners in an introductory lecture, followed by four weeks of programs.  
Oct. 2, Tuesday, 7 pm,  
Take the Itch out of Allergies...Naturally  
Oct. 9, Tuesday, 7 pm  
Healthy Aging-Naturally  
Oct. 16, Tuesday, 7 pm  
Shamanic Healing  
Oct. 23, Tuesday, 7 pm  
The Benefits of Bowen Therapy
**Sensible Strategies for On the Job Success**  
Sept. 26, Tuesday, 6-7:30 pm  
How to get a job and keep it! This dynamic seminar will provide you with essential interviewing tips to “Nail that Job” plus learn valuable strategies to be a successful and valued employee. Discover the top ten tips that potential employers are looking for that will set you apart from the competition.

**Culture Days 2012**  
**Mini Storytelling Workshops**  
Sept. 29, Saturday, 10 am-4 pm. Learn the basics of mini-storytelling. Six sessions, on the hour from 10 am to 3 pm, will focus on a different theme or aspect of story telling: pace yourself, whisper & wall, your body speaks, silence is golden, attention grabbing intros, and create a picture. Each session includes a brief overview of how to create a mini-story and tips about that hour’s theme.

**You Be The Writer**  
Sept. 29, Saturday, 10 am-4 pm. Interactive workshops presented by PWAC (professional Writers Association of Canada). Workshops covering: querying to get results, writing difficult messages for emails or letters, writing a good lead for a story, writing a family memoir, where to find stories, how to approach editors.

**Karen Schuessler Singers**  
Sept. 29, Saturday, 2-2:30 pm. All ages. Drop in to create music from different cultures through chants and cannons with the Singers. www.culturedays.ca/en

**Gentle Yoga For Seniors (60+ yrs)**  
Practice simple movements, breath awareness and relaxation. Suitable for complete beginners and for those with prior experience. Led by certified yoga instructor Angela Savory. Please bring a yoga mat or towel to class.

**Philosophy and Neuroscience**  
**Neuroscience and Meaning**  
Oct. 3, Wednesday, 7 pm  
Brain imaging technologies have not only shown that patients in the vegetative state may retain some awareness but also made it possible to communicate with them. Medical ethicists warn that the use of this technology is morally dubious. This talk will discuss the problem and suggest ways to integrate these technologies while following principles of ethics.

**The Ethics of Using Brain Science in the Medical Clinic**  
Oct. 10, Wednesday, 7 pm  
Brain imaging technologies have shown that patients in the vegetative state may retain some awareness and made it possible to communicate with them. Medical ethicists warn that the use of this technology is morally dubious. This lecture discusses the problem and suggests ways to integrate these technologies while following principles of ethics.

**Two Different Perspectives on Mind**  
Oct. 17, Wednesday, 7 pm  
Philosophy and neuroscience provide us with two alternative perspectives on the nature of the mind and its place in the physical world. The first aim of this talk is to sketch the basic features of each perspective. The second is to address whether they are mutually exclusive or complementary perspectives.

**Unraveling the Mystery of Pain**  
Oct. 24, Wednesday, 7 pm  
Pain disorders afflict tens of millions of people. The unique character of pain poses interesting challenges for ethics and for our understanding of the mind. Advances in the neurosciences are slowly helping to unravel the mysteries of pain, leading to the hope that we may someday be able to do away with the worst it has to offer, while still appreciating its biological significance.

**Milestones to Enlightenment**  
Oct. 4, Thursday, 7 pm  
Spiritual initiations are milestones of development in the soul’s long evolutionary journey. Every initiation indicates that the soul has taken control over an aspect of the personality (ego). This talk will focus on the prerequisites that guide an individual through this process. Each of the five steps (initiations) will be deeply considered.

**City Symposium Special Event: How To Make A City Awesome**  
Oct. 10, Wednesday, 7-9 pm  
Every day there are incredible people working hard to make London an awesome city. On October 10, you are invited to come and listen to some of these people share spectacular visions for the future of our city. The city-building initiative, named ReThink London, will set the goals and priorities that will influence the future of the city for years to come. This is your opportunity to help create the picture of what we would like our city to become, both now and in the future. The goals and directions we set as a community will determine how we live, grow, green, move, and prosper as a city. The event will be held at Central Library and broadcast to four branch locations, where ReThink London facilitators will engage participants. Together we can build a city that is second to none!

**Adventures With Bruce**  
Oct. 11, Thursday, 7-9 pm  
Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Bruce Trail Conservancy with Steve Hainsworth, author of Adventures With Bruce, for an 885 kilometre photo journey along Canada’s oldest and longest footpath—The Bruce Trail. Hainsworth’s slide show reveals a surprisingly wild adventure through Southern Ontario along Escarpment ridgelines, lonely laneways, bustling cities, dense forests and shoreline beaches. Explore the Bruce Trail... blister free! Book sale will follow.

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Journey of the Universe—in Thanksgiving for Creation, a documentary
Oct. 11, Thursday, 7 pm
Take the Journey! Journey of the Universe with Brian Swimme is an eye-opening new film about the origins of everything, the stardust that holds it all together, and the humans’ profound role in this intricate web of life.

The Sounds of Poland
Oct. 13, Saturday, 2-4 pm Advance tickets available at the Community Outreach & Program Services office, Central Library. $15 adults, $10 children (16 and under), at the door: $20 adults, $10 children.
An afternoon of live music presenting the wonderful melodies from Poland through a variety of genres including classical, folk, rock and pop. Come early and review a display of art work from local Polish artists in the library passageway.

Let’s Talk Home Ownership
Oct. 16, Tuesday, 6-7:30 pm
Is your family income between $24,000 and $50,000? Want to purchase a home, but worried about the down payment and mortgage payments? Then this session is for you! Join us at the Library for a free information session with Habitat for Humanity (Oxford Middlesex Elgin). Acquiring a NEW home may be well within your reach! Learn about the criteria for applying for a Habitat home. Find out about the affordable monthly payments, and income requirements for applicants. Discuss how your participation can become your down payment. Do you qualify for a Habitat home?

Thorleif Thorleifsson
Tracking Amundsen: global warming & the Northwest Passage
Oct. 18, Thursday, 7 pm
In 2011 Thorleif Thorleifsson, a Norwegian Naval Academy graduate, navigator and explorer, led a group of five which sailed 10,000 nautical miles, following the same route sailed by Roald Amundsen, who had conquered the Northwest Passage in 1906. Learn more about climate change and the Arctic from Thorleif Thorleifsson, in person. Part of the Cold Recall exhibit (Sept. 29-Nov.9) celebrating Canada and Norway’s shared history of polar exploration. Co-sponsored by Kongsberg, LEDC, Norwegian Embassy and Citi Plaza.

Social Media: Getting Started
Oct. 20, Saturday, 10-11:30 am
Register online, in person or by phone starting Sept. 30.
Frazzled by Facebook? Tormented by Twitter? Boggled by Blogs? Join us for a quick overview of these and other social media tools and try your hand at life on the internet.

Bookworm
Oct. 23, Tuesday, 7-9 pm
Tickets available at Community Outreach & Program Services Office, Central Library. $5.
Recently featured on Shelagh Rogers, winner of the London Fringe Theatre Festival Producer’s Award, Bookworm is a story that has comedy, drama, plenty of beauty and life-inspiration, and a climax no one could possibly predict, all wrapped into an hour. After a brief intermission, Corin Raymond will complement his show with a musical presentation with local musician, Joseph Phillips. Tuesday, October 23, 2012, 7 pm, Wolf Performance Hall. Warning: This show WILL open your heart!

Library Settlement Partnership Celebration
Oct. 23, Tuesday, 4-7 pm
Come celebrate LSP Day with us! Pick up your passport anytime between 4 and 7 pm, and discover the road travelled by newcomers and immigrants to Canada!

Forks over Knives, a documentary (96 min) – Inspirational Films
Oct. 25, Thursday, 6:30 pm
Can most of the degenerative diseases that afflict us be controlled by modifying our diet? Is it possible to prevent or even reverse heart disease, diabetes or cancer? Come and watch the personal journeys of a pair of researchers, Dr. T. Colin Campbell a nutritional scientist at Cornell University and Dr. Caldwell Esselstyn a top surgeon and head of the Breast Cancer Task Force at the world-renowned Cleveland Clinic and their patients.
Science Here and Now—In Search of Alternatives to Synthetic Pesticides: Eavesdropping on Mother Nature
Oct. 30, Tuesday, 7-9 pm
Join us as Professor Jeremy McNeil gives a presentation on how chemical cues insects use when making decisions about “what to eat”, “where to lay eggs” and “with whom to mate” has led to the development of effective and more eco-friendly means of managing certain pest species. London Public Library and the Faculty of Science at Western are excited to continue the new series of talks on all things Science.

Biking: prepare your bike for winter—to ride or store
Nov. 6, Tuesday, 7-8:30 pm
Preparing your bike for the winter weather is important whether you are going to continue riding or if you are storing your bike. Join us as a local bike specialist demonstrates and explains how to care for your bike as well as providing tips and easy to fix maintenance hints.

Lisa Hodgetts: Arctic Sovereignty and HMS Investigator
Nov. 7, Wednesday, 7 pm
HMS Investigator discovered the North-West Passage in 1850, only to be abandoned in the Arctic ice three years later. In 2010 it was found by Parks Canada underwater archaeologists, a discovery hailed as one of the top ten archaeological finds of the year. Professor Lisa Hodgetts of Western University will look at colonial attitudes towards the Inuit in the journals of the Investigator crew, as well as current debates about who controls resources under the melting Arctic ice. Q&A to follow. Part of the Cold Recall exhibit (Sept. 29-Nov.9) celebrating Canada and Norway’s shared history of polar exploration. Co-sponsored by Kongsberg, LEDC, Norwegian Embassy and Citi Plaza.

Author Reading: Anita Arvast
Nov. 8, Thursday, 7-9 pm
Dr. Anita Arvast is a professor of literature and humanities with Georgian College in Barrie, Ontario. She followed the largest murder trial in Canada’s history which was held in the London Courthouse and wrote the book Bloody Justice: The Truth behind the Bandido Massacre at Shedden. Despite a lengthy, highly publicized trial and the subsequent conviction of six men, Dr. Arvast outlines her startling premise that the Crown’s main witness, an informant, lied. Dr. Arvast will read from and discuss the book and sign copies.
Canada's Air War: World War II
Nov. 8, Thursday, 7 pm
During World War II, the RCAF’s small group of aging aircraft was replaced by thousands of the latest training and operational planes and its personnel increased to over 200,000. A vast training organization was formed to put over 80 squadrons in the field. Learn more about Canada’s air war from Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum guide Frank Creamer. Q&A to follow.

Classes Without Quizzes
Nov. 12, Monday, 7-9 pm. Doors open at 6:30 pm
To register or learn more visit classeswithoutquizzes.uwo.ca or call 519-661-2111 x 86863 or e-mail programs@uwo.ca

New Treatment Options for Parkinson Disease—From Virtual Reality to Reality
Patients with Parkinson disease can struggle with everyday activities putting them at high risk for falls and reduced mobility. Dr. Mandar Jog, Neurologist and Scientist at Lawson and Western University, will share his research including the use of virtual reality to help assess how patients with movement disorders perform everyday activities.

Children don't come with a manual!
Recent studies indicated 20 percent of children aged 4-17 struggle with a clinically diagnosable mental health disorder. That’s more than 800,000 Canadian children who are impaired in their ability to function well at home, school and in the community. WU’s Vicki Schwean, Dean of the Faculty of Education, explores the crucial role parents and educators play in ensuring the needs of these children are met.

Empower Creative Change with Art Therapy
Nov. 12, Monday, 7 pm
This presentation will demonstrate the visual diversity and effectiveness of Art psychotherapy as a creative learning process in the treatment of emotional, physical, spiritual and mental health issues.

Introduction to Meditation: reduce stress and experience inner peace
Nov. 15, Thursday, 7 pm
Feel stressed out or overwhelmed?
Learn how meditation can help you to move beyond the chatter of the mind, so you can relax, experience inner peace and calm, and enjoy your life.
Experience a guided meditation, get a little taste of how powerful meditation really is. This workshop is facilitated by Diane Yeo from Happy Monks.

Happy – Inspirational Film
Nov. 19, Monday, 7 pm
What makes us happy? Money, kids, work? Taking us from the bayous of Louisiana to the deserts of Namibia, from the beaches of Brazil to the villages of Okinawa, Happy explores the secrets behind our most valued emotion.

Your Amazingly Mysterious Thyroid Gland
Nov. 19, Monday, 7-9 pm
There is much misinformation about what the thyroid can and cannot do. An expert describes the mysteries of the thyroid and answers your questions.

Conflict Resolution through Conscious Communication
Nov. 21, Wednesday, 7 pm
Conscious Communication is a process to follow when communicating even at the height of anger, fear or despair. It helps you reach creative solutions and enhance relationships. Participants will have the opportunity to explore the theory and practice of conscious communication through instruction, group discussions, handouts and exercises.

Creative Transformation Playshop
Nov. 22, Thursday, 7 pm
Register starting October 29, $5
This workshop incorporates Biodanza, which helps to feel ones capacity for authentic movement while being in connection with others and Clay Works, the exploration of personal and collective feelings that co-creates harmonic resonance and spirit of community.

Enhancing Your Job Search Through Social Networking
Nov. 26, Monday, 10 am-noon
Register starting Oct. 22.
Learn how to set up and use the online networking sites LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter to boost your job search campaign. Workshops are led by professional career practitioners.

A Fine Balance: Fact-Based Fiction—with author Allan Stratton
Nov. 26, Monday, 10 am-noon
To celebrate World AIDS day, Allan Stratton an internationally award winning author, will be reading from his novels Chanda’s Secrets and Chanda’s Wars, both set against the HIV/AIDS pandemic in sub-Saharan Africa. Lively and engaging, Allan brings teaching and theatre skills to all of his events. In cooperation with the Regional HIV/AIDS connection.

Life Above All: Film Screening
Nov. 26, Monday, 1-3 pm
All are welcome to the free screening of the Oscar nominated film Life Above All, an emotional and universal drama about a young girl who fights the fear and shame of AIDS that has poisoned her community. This film captures the enduring strength of loyalty and courage powered by the heart. Directed by South African filmmaker Oliver Schmitz and based on the international award winning novel Chanda’s Secrets by Allan Stratton.
Message from the Board

As London Public Library continues to evolve, by being responsive and relevant to our community, the more essential we have become. By fostering literacy and life-long learning, providing support for newcomers and job-seekers, helping transition to a knowledge-based economy, reducing the digital divide and by connecting people to their community, we commit our passion for service, hard work and resources to continuing to be essential to the lives of individuals and the community of London.

In January of 2011, we celebrated the opening of a new community hub - the Stoney Creek YMCA, Community Centre & Library. The image on our cover, of young library users delightedly exploring their new home, captures the spirit of the event and reflects the feeling of the thousands of Londoners to whom our spaces, our services, our resources, and our staff are essential.

As you look through the images and figures in this report, you will learn more about what we worked so very hard to provide to Londoners in 2011: a Library system that is extremely well-used, highly valued by the community, operated with excellence and fiscally responsible.

We couldn’t achieve this without the great support of many, including our dedicated board and staff, our many community partners, the Friends of the London Public Library and our generous donors, and, of course, the taxpayers to whom we dedicate this report.

Josh Morgan
2011 Chair, London Public Library

Susanna Hubbard Krimmer
CEO & Chief Librarian

2011: Busier than ever

3.2 million in-person visits ↑ 10%
1.31 million reference questions asked ↑ 17%
4.25 million items borrowed ↑ 20%
192,000 program participants ↑ 24%
972,000 holds placed on materials ↑ 31%
567,000 uses of our computers ↑ 38%
4.5 million visits to our website ↑ 150%

% increase from 2007
Operating Revenue

City of London ................................................................. $18,323,133
Provincial Grants ............................................................. 598,829
Employment Resource Centres ....................................... 768,423
Fines .............................................................................. 503,291
Fees, Rentals & Sundry ..................................................... 413,183
Other .............................................................................. 71,048

Operating Expenditures

Human Resources .............................................................. $14,282,100
Collections* .................................................................... 2,083,365
Facility Services* ............................................................ 1,475,024
Utilities .......................................................................... 811,212
Technology* ..................................................................... 612,809
Purchased Services* ......................................................... 622,262
Furniture & Equipment* ................................................... 47,144
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance ..................................... 529,133
General .......................................................................... 256,450
Program Services .............................................................. 64,738

* Expenditures are shown before amortization of tangible capital assets. See Library website for the 2011 LPL Audited Financial Statements prepared according to PSAB sections 1200 Financial Statement Presentation and 3150 Tangible Capital Assets. The audited statements show amortization of $3,560,248 for capital assets such as buildings, computers, collections, library shelving, furniture, equipment and motor vehicles.

Measuring our efficiency

Ontario municipalities, through the Ontario Municipal Benchmarking Initiative (OMBI), measure this with a figure called “cost per use”.

According to the most recent OMBI report, London Public Library had the greatest number of in-person library uses per capita and the lowest cost per use of Ontario municipalities. London Public Library’s cost per use has continued to drop each year and is significantly lower than that of other municipalities in Ontario.

In 2010 (OMBI’s most recent reporting year), London Public Library had an average cost per use of $1.19. 2011 figures will be released by OMBI in November 2012 and we expect them to be similar. We believe this is an excellent return on investment for Londoners.

Ontario’s Public Library Act

The Public Libraries Act (PLA) is key legislation that helps ensure free, equitable access to public library service in Ontario.

“...We have an extraordinary library system. The best I’ve used in all my 64 years.”

One of the ways in which literacy can add new "heights" to one's life is through upward social mobility. A person can find opportunities and take advantage of the opportunities to have a better life because of what they know and not who they know. This is what makes literacy a powerful tool.
We were honoured to receive a City of London 2011 Race Relations Recognition Award honouring our Volunteer Program and its initiatives to foster and build positive race relations.

“I came to Canada 9 years ago and the library was one of the most wonderful things I loved about my new country. I’m still in love with it.”

In the summer, 5,752 children participated in the TD Summer Reading Club, visiting our libraries 20,358 times.

“As I am on a limited income the library is my life line for books, DVDs, computers and programs.”

In 2011, we welcomed 19,227 new library card users to our system.
On weekdays, an average of 545 young people visited a library location after school.

“The staff are extremely important people! I feel like a valued human being when I’m in the Library. Thank you for all the learning, and for your friendliness, humour, and marvellous expertise.”

“...the London Public Library is a great system. I love all the small branches and how they integrate into the cultures of the communities they are in.”

The Stoney Creek YMCA, Community Centre & Library was packed with people and also managed to achieve a 44 per cent energy cost savings in its first year. Built to achieve LEED® Gold certification, the building is a partnership between the YMCA of Western Ontario, the City of London and London Public Library.

As part of the Old East Village Community Association’s Greening the Common project, funded through the Urban League of London, community and library volunteers and ReForest London staff planted trees and shrubs at Carson Library.

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We were leading partners in the coordination of the All Our Sisters Nation Forum, the first Canadian forum addressing security of housing, homelessness and safe communities for women living in Canada.

“There is no other institution that provides service so uniformly to all patrons regardless of their circumstances.”

More than 17,000 children and adults attended storytime sessions at our locations.

New in 2011, our Gadget Clinics, Technology Fair for Seniors and volunteer Computer Coach programs were overwhelmingly popular with Londoners looking for basic help using technology.

Our new mobile site and improved catalogue made our online services easier to use and more relevant. m.lpl.ca (mobile website) www.londonpubliclibrary.ca

“LPL is one of the best things about London. It makes our lives better, fuller and richer. Thank you.”
On weekdays, an average of 545 young people visited a library location after school.

“The staff are extremely important people! I feel like a valued human being when I’m in the Library. Thank you for all the learning, and for your friendliness, humour, and marvellous expertise.”

“The London Public Library is a great system. I love all the small branches and how they integrate into the cultures of the communities they are in.”

The Stoney Creek YMCA, Community Centre & Library was packed with people and also managed to achieve a 44 per cent energy cost savings in its first year. Built to achieve LEED® Gold certification, the building is a partnership between the YMCA of Western Ontario, the City of London and London Public Library.

As part of the Old East Village Community Association’s Greening the Common project, funded through the Urban League of London, community and library volunteers and ReForest London staff planted trees and shrubs at Carson Library.

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“We visit the library at least once a week and as seniors with limited incomes could not buy all those books. We would be lost without their services.”

Hundreds of photos, postcards, posters and maps of local places and people were added to our digital Image Gallery making London’s history more accessible and easily shared while protecting the Ivey Family London Room collection for future generations.

479 children benefitted from weekly one-on-one support to improve literacy skills over the summer and throughout the school year.
LONDON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board 2011
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Councillor Nancy Branscombe, Councillor Matt Brown,
Jerry Colwell, Scott Courtice, Jan Lubell, Tamara Nugent,
Joe Swan, Donna Vachon

Board Meetings
The public is always welcome to attend London Public Library
Board meetings which take place on Thursday evenings once a
month in the Board Room at Central Library. Find meeting dates,
agendas and reports on our website.

Vision
London Public Library is the Community Hub that
strengthens individuals, families and neighbourhoods by
connecting them to people and to relevant information,
collections, programs and resources.

Mission
We are passionate about making a difference in our
community, one person at a time, by enriching lives and
empowering people through relevant, accessible, high
quality library services.

www.londonpubliclibrary.ca
519-661-4600
Exposing Injustice: Positive Women
Nov. 27, Tuesday, 6-9 pm
Women’s voices have rarely been heard on this important issue. What happens if a woman does not disclose her HIV-positive status to a sexual partner? How does criminalization impact HIV-positive women in Canada, who are trying to live their lives in the shadow of stigma and fear? Does the law actually protect women’s health?
Positive Women: Exposing Injustice takes the audience into the hearts and minds of four positive women bravely speaking out on this important issue. A staff member from the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network will be available for a Q&A period session following the film.

Cherryhill Book Club
Ongoing, 2nd Wednesday of each month, 7-8:30 pm
Read each book in advance and join a lively, informal discussion. Phone Cherryhill Branch Library at 519-439-6456 for upcoming titles. Books are available at the meeting. New members welcome.

ESL Reading Group
Ongoing, Thursdays, 3:30-5 pm
A place for adults to practice reading and speaking in English in a group led by a volunteer. Build English vocabulary and practice pronunciation. Newcomers always welcome. We provide free books and other interesting things to read.

ESL/LINC Class for the Older Adult
Ongoing, Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9:15-11:45 am
Register with the instructor or by calling 519-452-2000, x69674.
Classes specially designed for the older immigrant focus on the language necessary for use in everyday living with an emphasis on Canadian customs and culture. Lots of opportunity to talk with English speakers. Partially funded by the Federal Citizenship & Immigration Ministry.

Exercise with Style (55+ yrs)
Sept. 7, 14, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 16, 26, Nov. 2, 10, 11 am
Register by calling Sarah, 519-675-1355 x225, at VON Community Support Services.
Creative flair in movement for older adults! Try Zumba in September, resistance training in October, and yoga in November. End your week on a natural high by joining the VON for these classes. Co-sponsor Cherryhill Healthy Ageing & Goodlife Fitness.

Art for Tots
(2-4 yrs)
Oct. 4-25, Thursdays, 10:30-11:15 am
$5 for all 4 sessions.
Join a local artist as you and your toddler use imagination and eco-friendly supplies to create unique art projects.

Fall Craft
Oct. 6, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Make a fall craft to take home.

Ventriloquism with Sue!
(Family)
Oct. 13, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Pick up free tickets at Cherryhill starting Sept. 25.
Sue’s show is lively, upbeat, and full of humour, singing, and fun. Sue VanDuynhoven uses ventriloquial magic to bring her puppet “stars” alive!

Just Beginning
(Middlesex-London Health Unit Series)
Oct. 23-Nov. 13, Tuesdays, 1:30-3 pm
Register by calling the Health Unit at 519-663-5317 x2378.
Just Beginning is a free 4-week program for first time moms with a baby 0-6 months of age. Bring your baby to a relaxed and supportive setting and meet other new moms. Talk about the ups and downs of motherhood. Discuss infant feeding, safety, sleep, growth and development and play. Ask questions and learn about community resources. Co-sponsored by: Middlesex-London Health Unit and Ontario Early Years Centres.

Pumpkin Decorating
(Family)
Oct. 27, Saturday, 2:30 pm
Register starting Oct. 3.

Cherryhill Community Playgroup
(birth-6 yrs with caregiver)
Ongoing, Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30 am.
Parents, caregivers and children participate in interactive early learning activities. Presented by Ontario Early Years Centre, London North-Centre (519-434-3644).

PA Day Games Galore
(6+ yrs)
Sept. 21, Friday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Games, games and more games. Drop in to play a scavenger hunt, board, and active games! Even make a pompom critter to take home!
Stitch ‘n Time
Ongoing, first and third Wednesday of each month, 9:30-11:30 am
Bring your own needlework or knitting for a morning of sharing.

Mixed Media Painters
Ongoing, Tuesdays, 1:30-4:30 pm
Painters of any media and experience come together every Tuesday for an afternoon of painting. Bring your own materials. All ages welcome.

Guided Meditation
Sept. 12-Oct. 3, Wednesdays, 4-4:45 pm
Meditation is a technique used to relax the mind, which in turn, can relax the body. Join Health & Wellness practitioner Wanda Davis, as she guides you through the steps of meditation.

Tom Thomson Video Showing
Sept. 13, Thursday, 1:30-3:30 pm
Tom Thomson was an influential Canadian artist of the early 20th century and directly influenced the Group of Seven. Join us in partnership with VON Community Support Programs for an afternoon of art! Presenting the documentary film by Michele Hozer and Peter Raymont West Wind-The Vision of Tom Thomson. Snacks and refreshments provided.

Watercolour Painting-Intermediate
Sept. 18-Nov. 13, Tuesdays, 6:30-9 pm
Register starting Sept. 7. $60.
Helen Bruzas will be sharing her enthusiasm and knowledge in this class for those with some previous experience and understanding of painting in watercolour. Participants bring their own supplies. Fee is non-refundable unless course is canceled. Cost of materials not included in course fee. Please note: no class Oct. 23

Watercolour Painting-Intermediate—Advanced
Sept. 21-Nov. 9, Fridays, 1-3:30 pm
Register starting Sept. 7. $60.
Helen Bruzas will be sharing her enthusiasm and knowledge in teaching this class for intermediate to advanced painters. Participants bring their own supplies. Fee non-refundable unless course is canceled. Cost of materials not included in course fee.

Tai Chi for Beginners/Intermediates
Sept. 19-Nov. 9, Fridays, 1-3:30 pm
Register starting Sept. 7. $45.
An instructor from the Phoenix Tai Chi Centre leads the class suitable for both beginners and intermediates. Participants will be required to sign a Waiver to hand in to instructors at first class. Fee is non-refundable unless course is canceled.

Healthy Living Series for Seniors
Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 23, Fridays, 10-11 am
Register by calling Sarah at VON (519)675-1355 x225.
LPL and VON Community Support Services present an exciting Healthy Living Series, covering topics vital to us as we age well! Topics: stretching and gentle movements for mind and body health, pain free range of motion for arthritis, making nutrition fun and easy, taking care of your heart and more! Snacks and refreshments.

Real Life London Ghost Stories
Oct. 23, Tuesday, 7 pm
Celebrate the Halloween season by learning about the dark, supernatural history of London! From famous phantoms Ambrose Small and Peg-Leg Brown to more obscure spectres. Jason Rip, author of London’s Lost Soul Stroll, will fill you in on the spookiest of local ghouls. This history of hometown haunts may have you missing a few winks of sleep!

Prenatal Classes
Oct. 25-Nov. 15, Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Meet other families and learn about pregnancy, coping through labour and birth, physical and emotional changes after birth, infant feeding, infant safety and how to care for your new baby. Please register online early in your pregnancy, as classes fill quickly. Class times and locations are also listed on the MLHU website. To register, visit www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth $10. Fee can be waived. Co-sponsor: Middlesex-London Health Unit.
Downloadable E-books Tutorial
Oct. 26, Friday, 10-11:30 am or 12-1:30 pm
Register starting Oct. 11.
Learn how to download and transfer e-books from London Public Library’s web site onto your e-reader. Bring your e-reader or device along to practice.

Laughter Yoga
Nov. 9, Friday, 11-noon
Laughter yoga is a way we can connect with our inner child. It is not yoga as you know it. No different clothing is worn, no difficult poses. We laugh and enjoy the release laughter brings with it. You will clap, stretch, either standing or sitting, and laugh. This is a program created by a Doctor in India who knows the benefits of laughter. Yes, we are healthier when we do the exercise of laughing!

PA Day Gaming Fun!
(7+ yrs)
Sept. 21, Friday, 2-5 pm
Drop in to dance, drive or rock out! We will be playing a variety of games from Guitar Hero World Tour to Mario Kart Wii. Join us for an afternoon of fun!

Gobblin’ Good Times
(5-12 yrs)
Oct. 6, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
It’s turkey time! Drop in and create something turk-rific to celebrate Thanksgiving.

Dog Tales
(reluctant or shy readers 7-13 yrs)
Oct. 6, Saturday, 1:30-2:30 pm
Oct. 27, Nov. 24, Dec. 15, 2-3 pm
Register for a 15 minute session and read to a St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog in the library. St. John Therapy Dogs have been assessed to read with children. Call the library for more information and to register for a session.

PA Day Movie
Nov. 16, Friday, 2:30-4 pm
Come in and watch a recently released movie on our big screen! Call the branch to find out what’s playing.

Petit Presents!
(5-12 yrs)
Nov. 17 & 24, Saturdays, 2:30-3:30 pm
Create perfect little gifts to give to family and friends this holiday season!

Teen Tuesdays
(10+ yrs)
Ongoing, 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, 6-8:30 pm
Bring your friends and join us for a variety of activities. Arts and crafts, gaming and new movies on the Big Screen!

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Musical Mayhem!(10+ yrs)
Ongoing, 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, 6:30-8 pm
Music! Videos! Karaoke! Come out and make mayhem!
Focus on Art at Crouch
Ongoing, Thursdays, 1-4 pm
Join a group of established mixed media artists and teacher Jacqueline Wojtowich. Everyone welcome. Free introductory session. For more information contact lyardy@rogers.com.

Mystery Book Club
Ongoing, 1st Thursday of each month, 7-8 pm
Add a little mystery in your life!

English Conversational Circles for Newcomers to Canada
Ongoing, Wednesdays, 6:30-8 pm
Celebrate diversity through friendship and cultural exchange. All newcomers are welcome. Co-sponsor: LCCLC. Funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-432-1133 x224 about volunteering for this program.

Family Health Clinic
Ongoing, 1st Thursday of each month, 9-noon
Register at 519-663-5317 x2317.
A nurse practitioner will provide the following services for parents and their children up to 6 and high school students who do not have a family doctor: screening for health problems, well baby/child check-ups, vaccines/ shots, treatment of common illnesses, and referral to specialists.

Culture Days 2012
Sept. 28, Friday, 1-4 pm
Visit our Art & Culture display and meet the Crouch Library Artists, one of several independent art and artisan groups that meet regularly at Crouch Library. Bring your own paint and supplies if you’d like to join in. All levels welcome. www.culturedays.ca/en

East London
2016 Dundas St. E.
519-451-7600

Children
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Just Beginning (Middlesex-London Health Unit Series)
Oct. 5-26, Fridays, 1:30-3 pm
Register at 519-663-5317 x2378.
Just Beginning is a free 4-week program for first time moms with a baby 0-6 months of age. Bring your baby to a relaxed and supportive setting and meet other new moms. Talk about the ups and downs of motherhood. Discuss infant feeding, safety, sleep, growth and development and play. Ask questions and learn about community resources. Co-sponsored by: Middlesex-London Health Unit and Ontario Early Years Centres

I’m Home (10-12 yrs)
Nov. 17, Saturday, 9:30 am-2:30 pm
Register starting Oct. 27.
$35.
A program designed to support parents in preparing their 10 to 12 year old child to move successfully from supervised before and after school care, to safe, home-based self care. Parent attendance is required for part of the program. Financial assistance may be available, please inquire at registration. Co-sponsor: London Children’s Connection.

Book Club-East London
(Wednesday Evening)
Ongoing, 1st Wednesday of each month, 7-8 pm
Join us for good books and conversation. No registration required. New members always welcomed. Books are available at the Branch one month before meeting date.
Sept 5: Scent of Rain and Lightning
Oct 3: Glass Castle
Nov 7: Shack
Dec 5: Loving Frank

Teens
Teen Crafts: Altered Books
Flowers. (13-18 yrs)
Nov. 10, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Register starting Oct. 20
Create unique crafts that are great gifts!

Teen Crafts: T-Shirt to Tote Bag
(13-18 yrs)
Nov. 24, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Register starting Oct. 20.
Recycle an old t-shirt by turning it into a tote. Makes a great gift. Participants must provide these supplies: ironed t-shirt (adult small-medium) and duct tape (20-25m needed).

Tai Chi
Sept. 18-Nov. 27, Tuesdays, 7:30-8:15 pm
Register beginning August 28. $45
Learn a series of flowing movements that tone muscles, loosen joints, increase circulation, improve digestion, and reduce stress.
Tea Talk and Matinee 2012/2013
See complete details in the Byron listing on page 16.

Learning from the Masters: The Nuts and Bolts of Fiction Writing with Author Rene Natan
Oct. 4, Thursday, 7-8:30 pm
Register beginning Thursday, Sept. 6.
Irene Gargantini, who writes as award winning author Rene Natan, will present information on the art of fiction writing. This seminar will cover everything from story structure to how to prepare a manuscript for electronic publication.

Bring Your Own Baby Book Club
Oct. 17, Wednesday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Register starting Sept. 1
Bring your baby and join us for a book discussion. Book selection available one month prior.

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| Jalna
1119 Jalna Blvd
519-685-6465

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PA Day Movie
Sept. 21, Friday, 2:30 pm
Come in and watch a recently released movie on our big screen! Call the branch to find out what’s playing.

Thanksgiving Day Drop in Craft
Oct. 6, Saturday, library hours
Drop in to the library anytime during library hours to make a Thanksgiving day craft.

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Reading Rocks: Going Buggy (Family)
Oct. 24, Wednesday, 7-8 pm
Fun, interactive and hands-on activities for school-aged children and their families to celebrate and encourage reading together. There will be games, crafts, books, food and prizes, so drop in for this special event. Sponsored by EDPRO Energy Group Inc.

| Glanworth
2950 Glanworth Dr.
519-681-6797

| Children
Drop-in Crafts for Children at Glanworth
Ongoing, Saturdays, 10-noon
Drop-in for a simple and fun craft each week.

Book-o-Lanterns
(7-12 yrs)
Oct. 27, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Register starting Oct. 9
Create a jack-o-lantern out of a paperback book for Halloween!

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(10-12 yrs)
Nov. 10, Saturday, 9:30 am-2:30 pm
Register starting Oct. 9. $35
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Housing Support Services
Ongoing-Nov. 27, Tuesdays, 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Ongoing-Nov. 30, Fridays, 1-5:30 pm
Housing Support Services provides assistance to low income households to maintain and stabilize their housing through emergency financial assistance programs for rent and utility arrears. A Housing Support Worker is available at Beacock, Jalna, Pond Mills, East London and Sherwood. Staff will be available to complete applications for programs and provide information and referral to community resources. For more information or an appointment, contact Housing Support Services at 519-661-0343 x300.

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Discover Canada
Canadian Citizenship Preparation
Ongoing-Nov. 24, Saturdays, 11 am-1 pm
Register by calling one of these numbers 519-615-7335, 226-373-0716, or 519-686-8600 x7032
Families and individuals can receive assistance to prepare for their Canadian Citizenship Test. Participants will learn about the various areas for the test including: Canadian History, Government, Rights & Responsibilities, Geography, Economy, Elections, etc. All materials will be provided including Discover Canada Guide and access to Citizenship test samples. This program runs in five week cycles, please check with Library Settlement Partnership staff for future dates. Cosponsored with LSP.

English Conversational Circles for Newcomers to Canada
Ongoing-Nov 28, 6:30-8 pm
Register by phoning the Cross Cultural Learner Centre at 519-432-1133. Celebrate diversity through friendship and cultural exchange. All newcomers are welcome. Co-sponsor: LCCLC. Funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-432-1133 x224 for information about volunteering for this program.

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Living Well with a Lifelong Condition
Sep. 19-Oct. 24, Wednesdays, 1-3:30 pm
Preregistration required at 519-421-5691 or www.swselfmanagement.ca
Are you living with or caring for someone with heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure, arthritis, osteoporosis or other chronic condition? Topics in this workshop: dealing with difficult emotions, healthy eating, getting active safely, managing pain and fatigue and more. Receive a copy of Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions. Offered in Partnership with the South West Community Care Access Centre.

Prenatal Classes
Sep. 20-Oct. 18, Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Nov. 8-Dec. 6, Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Register online at http://www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth
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Culture Days 2012
Sep. 29, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Join us in creating a community mural that represents the various cultures in our diverse community. All ages are welcome. www.culturedays.ca/en.

The Power of Positive Parenting—Triple P Parenting
Oct. 9, Tuesday, 6:30-8:30 pm
Register by calling the Middlesex-London Health Unit at 519-663-5317 x2378
Learn about reasonable expectations, assertive discipline, positive learning environments and looking after yourself as a parent.

City Symposium Special Event:
How To Make A City Awesome
Oct. 10, Wednesday, 7-9 pm
Every day there are incredible people working hard to make London an awesome city. On October 10, you are invited to come and listen to some of these people share spectacular visions for the future of our city. The city-building initiative, named ReThink London, will set the goals and priorities that will influence the future of the city for years to come. This is your opportunity to help create the picture of what we would like our city to become, both now and in the future. The goals and directions we set as a community will determine how we live, grow, green, move, and prosper as a city. The event will be held at Central Library and broadcast to four branch locations, where ReThink London facilitators will engage participants. Together we can build a city that is second to none!

LSP Day Celebration
Oct. 17, Wed, 10-noon
Celebrate the Library Settlement Partnership with refreshments, storytime, henna, and fun activities.

Prenatal Breastfeeding Class
Oct. 23, 6:30-8:30 pm
Learn practical information about breastfeeding, getting started, latch & positioning, benefits of skin-to-skin, managing milk supply and more! Taught by a public health nurse. Both Mom and partner/support person are encouraged to attend.
Pre-planning a Funeral
Nov. 1, Thursday, 7-8 pm
Making the decision to prearrange your funeral is difficult. It involves both emotional and financial issues. By planning ahead in a calm, unhurried atmosphere, you can be sure that things will be done the way you want them no matter how simple or how elaborate. Advance funeral planning gives you the peace of mind that comes with knowing your funeral arrangements are taken care of, while lessening the emotional and financial burden on your survivors.

Raising Responsible Teenagers
Nov. 6, Tuesday, 6:30-8:30 pm
Register by calling the Middlesex-London Health Unit 519-663-5317 x2378
Learn how to encourage your teenager to become independent. Topics include: encouraging them to be respectful and considerate, to live a healthy lifestyle, and to be reliable and assertive.

Raising Confident Competent Children
Nov. 13, Tuesday, 6:30-8:30 pm
Register by calling 519-663-5317 x2378
Come and learn about the 6 Triple P building blocks that help children grow socially, interpersonally and intellectually.

Raising a Competent Teenager
Nov. 20, Tuesday, 6:30-8:30 pm
Register by calling the Middlesex-London Health Unit at 519-663-5317 x2378
Learn how to help your teenager at school. Topics include: self-discipline, problem solving, establishing good routines, involvement in school activities, and healthy friendships.

Lambeth
7112 Beattie St.
519-652-2951

Children
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Ontario Early Years Community Playgroup at Lambeth Library (birth-6 yrs)
Ongoing, Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30 am
Parents, caregivers and children participate in songs, games, crafts, and interactive play with qualified ECE instructor. Presented by Ontario Early Years Centre, London-Middlesex-Elgin.

Storytime with Karen and Friends (ages 3+ yrs with caregiver)
Sept. 14-28, Friday, 10-10:30 am
This 3 week program is designed for the older preschooler to attend with caregiver or parent. Enjoy exciting and funny stories with Karen and her puppet friends. Audience participation is required. No registration required.

Reading Rocks: Imagine That! (Family)
Sept. 21, Friday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Fun, interactive and hands-on activities for school-aged children and their families to celebrate and encourage reading together. There will be games, crafts, books, food and prizes, so drop in for this special event. Sponsored by EDPRO Energy Group Inc.

Crafting the Masters (6-10 yrs)
Sept. 29, Saturday, 2:30-4 pm
This program is designed for children who have an interest in art. Class will focus on a master artist like Dali, Tom Thomson or Matisse and learn about their style with games, art, and history. Each child will create an interesting art project.

Hallowe’en Storytime (Family)
Oct. 12, Friday, 10-10:30 am
Drop in for a special Halloween storytime with Karen the Storyteller. Children under 3 must be with a caregiver.

Ontario Early Years—Alphabet Fun (2 1/2-6 yrs with caregiver)
Oct. 19-Nov. 9, Friday, 10-11 am
Register in person, online or by phone. Join Marilyn, Early Literacy Specialist with the Ontario Early Years Centre, and explore the alphabet with your preschool child. This program includes stories, songs and lots of activities to help children learn the basics of letter recognition and sounds.

General
You’ll find our Computer & Technology Help listings in the charts on pages 10-11.

Volunteer Computer Coach
Ongoing, Nov. 29, Thursday, 1:30-3 pm
A volunteer computer coach is available to assist customers with questions about Word, Excel, PowerPoint, email or computer basics.

Inspirational Book Club
Ongoing – Last Friday of every month 1:30-2:30 pm

Lambeth Thursday Nite Book Club
Ongoing, 2nd Thursday of each month, 7-8 pm
Join us for an informal book discussion.

Lambeth Wednesday Afternoon Book Club
Ongoing, 2nd Wednesday of each month, 1:30-2:30 pm
Culture Days 2012
Sept. 29, Saturday, 10-11:30 am

Parents & Tots
Come and Create Together
(2-5 yrs)
Nov. 16-Dec 7, Fridays, 10-10:45 am,
Registration begins Sept 1
Parents and Tots: Join us for a great
time to spend with your little one. Each
week will start with a story and then you
may visit the different centres and create
your own project. Each child must be
accompanied by parent or caregiver.
Max 2 children per adult.

Landon
167 Wortley Rd.
519-439-6240

Children
You’ll find our Storytime listings in
the charts on pages 12-13.

Just Beginning (Middlesex-London
Health Unit Series)
Sept. 6-27, Thursdays, 1:30-3 pm
Register by calling 519-663-5317 x2378.
Just Beginning is a 4-week program for
first time moms with a baby 0-6 months
of age. Bring your baby to a relaxed and
supportive setting and meet other new
moms. Talk about the ups and downs
of motherhood. Discuss infant feeding,
safely, sleep, growth and development
and play. Ask questions and learn about
community resources. Co-sponsored
by: Middlesex-London Health Unit and
Ontario Early Years Centres.

Dog Tales
(reluctant or shy readers 7-13 yrs)
Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 22, Thursdays,
3:45-4:45 pm
Register in person or by phone at 519-
439-6240.
Register for a 15 minute session and
read to a St. John Ambulance Therapy
Dog in the library. St. John Therapy
Dogs have been assessed to read
with children. Call the library for more
information and to register for a session.

PA Day Movie
Sept. 21, Friday, 2:30-4 pm
Nov. 16, Friday, 2:30-4 pm
Come in and watch a recently released
movie on our big screen! Call the branch
to find out what’s playing.

Sing Read Play Love (birth-12 mos)
Oct. 18, Thursday, 1:30-2:30 pm
Register by calling the Ontario Early
Years Centre, London West at 519-473-
2825.
Enjoy an hour of language-based
play with your baby aged birth to one
year. We will explore early language
development and early literacy through
adult discussion, looking at easy ways
to bring singing, talking, and reading into
day to day play. We invite you to bring
your baby with you to sing, read, play
and love.

Halloween Lantern Building
Workshop (Family)
Oct. 27, Saturday, 10-11:30 am
Register starting Oct. 5.
Come and make your own Halloween
lantern in preparation for the 2012
Halloween In the Village Parade!

Trick or Treat!
Oct. 31, Wednesday, 9 am-9 pm
Trick or treat at the library, in costume,
any time on Halloween and choose a
treat from our basket of prizes!

General
You’ll find our Computer &
Technology Help listings in the charts
on pages 10-11.

Landon Book Discussion Group
Ongoing, 2nd Tuesday of each month,
7-8:30 pm except Wed. Oct. 10th
Local writer, Jean McKay, leads an
informative and lively discussion.
September: Incidents in the Life of
Markus Paul by David Adams Richards
October: Come, Thou Tortoise by
Jessica Grant
November: Rockbound by Frank Parker
Day

Landon Knitting Circle
Ongoing, Thursdays, 1:30-3 pm
Learn to knit, improve your skills,
complete a project, help someone else.
Share patterns, ideas and stories.

Poetry London Workshop
Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 21, Wednesdays,
6:30-7:30 pm
These workshops are open to anyone who
enjoys discussing poetry and provide an
opportunity for participants to take a closer
look at the work of that evening’s featured
poets, and to share their own poetry in a
mutually supportive atmosphere.

Poetry London Readings
Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 21, Wednesdays,
7:30-8:30 pm, www.poetrylondon.ca
Poetry London celebrates accomplished
local poets, and cooperates with
Toronto’s Art Bar, The Hamilton Poetry
Centre, Ancaster’s Redeemer College,
and London’s Fanshawe College to
provide nationally acclaimed poets a
multi-stop Ontario tour.
Sept 26: Karen Solie and Paul
Vermeersch
Oct. 24: Jim Johnstone and Sina
Queyras
Nov. 21: James Langer and Carmine
Starnino
Culture Days 2012
Sept. 29, Saturday, 2-4 pm Join Poet Laureate Penn Kemp for 100,000 Poets For Change. Our afternoon reading will be part of an International event which will take place in many cities, in many villages, and in the countryside all over the world, at the same time and date. www.culturedays.ca/en.

Classes Without Quizzes:
Blockbuster or Lackluster? Obama, Romney and the 2012 Presidential Race
Oct. 9, Tuesday, 7-9 pm
To register or learn more visit classeswithoutquizzes.uwo.ca, call 519-661-2111 x 86863 or e-mail programs@uwo. Doors open at 6:30 pm.
As the November US presidential election approaches, Don Abelson, Director of the Canada-US institute at Western University, will provide an insightful look at the highs and lows of the campaigns and how the race has unfolded. A must see for any political junkie!

An Evening With L.M. Montgomery
Oct. 17, Wednesday, 7-8:30 pm
Distinguished Montgomery scholars, Elizabeth Waterston and Mary Rubio, have brought forth another edited journal from the celebrated Canadian writer of Anne of Green Gables. This new edition of the journal of Montgomery’s early life is a fuller picture of the author’s youth in PEI. Waterston and Rubio will read from the journal, speak about Montgomery and their work as editors, and provide answers to questions by the audience. Book sale and signing will follow.

Prenatal Classes
Oct. 23-Nov. 27, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Meet other families and learn about pregnancy, coping through labour and birth, physical and emotional changes after birth, infant feeding, infant safety and how to care for your new baby. Register online early in your pregnancy, classes fill quickly. Class times and locations are listed on the MLHU website. www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth $10. Fee can be waived. Co-sponsor: Middlesex-London Health Unit.

| Masonville
30 North Centre Rd.
519-660-4646

| Children
You’ll find our Storytime listings in the charts on pages 12-13.

Chess in the Library
(7+ yrs)
Sept. 7-Dec. 14, Fridays, 4-5:30 pm
Do you enjoy playing chess? Members gather each week to play casual, blitz and CFC rated chess games. Players of all strengths are welcome to play with volunteers from Chess in the Library, London Chapter.

Just Beginning
(Middlesex-London Health Unit Series)
Sept. 18-Oct. 9, Tuesdays, 1:30-3pm
Register by calling the Health Unit at: 519-663-5317 x2378.
Just Beginning is a free 4-week program for first time moms with a baby 0-6 months of age. Bring your baby to a relaxed and supportive setting and meet other new moms. Talk about the ups and downs of motherhood. Discuss infant feeding, safety, sleep, growth and development and play. Learn about community resources. Co-sponsor Middlesex-London Health Unit and Ontario Early Years Centres.

PA Day Movie
Sept. 21, Friday, 2:30 pm
Come in and watch a recently released movie on our big screen! Call the branch to find out what’s playing.

Standing Snowman in Clay
(6-12 yrs & caregiver)
Nov. 10, Saturday, 10-11:30 am
Register starting Oct. 30 $13 non-refundable fee due at registration. Come and get messy by creating a standing snowman in CLAY using your own two hands. Mold, pinch, paint and create with wet clay together and add your own personality to the clay art. Clay is kiln fired and clear glazed ready for the holidays. Dress for a bit of a mess.

PA Day Movie
Nov. 16, Friday, 2:30 pm
Come in and watch a recently released movie on our big screen! Call the branch to find out what’s playing.

I’m Home (10-12 yrs)
Nov. 28-Dec.12, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm
Register between November 7 & 21. $35. A program designed to support parents in preparing their 10 to 12 year old child to move successfully from supervised before and after school care, to safe, home-based self care. Parent attendance is required for part of the program. Financial assistance may be available, please inquire at registration. Co-sponsor: London Children’s Connection.

| Teens
Mother/Daughter Teen Book Club
(12+ yrs)
Ongoing, 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7-8:30 pm
Register both Mother and Daughter starting Sept. 4. Join us once a month as we read and share our favourite books. Snacks are provided!
General

You’ll find our Computer & Technology Help listings in the charts on pages 10-11.

ESL Class for Adult Newcomers
Ongoing, Wednesdays, 9:15-11:45 am
Register with the instructor at the first class of the month.
These classes focus on learning and using the type of English that is necessary for everyday living in Canada. The emphasis will be on Canadian cultures, customs and communities. Join anytime. Bring PR card, citizenship card etc. Participants must provide recent Canadian Language Benchmark (CLB) scores in order to register. For initial language assessment, call CLARS Centre 519-432-1133. Non-permanent residents may attend for a fee and do not require an assessment. For more information about the class call the Thames Valley District School Board Adult ESL office 519-452-2000 x69674. Co-sponsored by Thames Valley District School Board, G.A. Wheable Centre for Adult Education.

English Conversational Circles for Newcomers to Canada
Ongoing, Tuesdays, 6:30-8 pm
Register by calling the London Cross Cultural Learner Centre at 519-432-1133. Celebrate diversity through friendship and cultural exchange. All newcomers are welcome. Co-sponsor: LCCLC. Funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-432-1133 x224 about volunteering for this program.

ESL Reading Group
Ongoing, Saturdays, 10:15-11:45 am
A place for adults to practice reading and speaking in English in a group led by a volunteer. Build English vocabulary and practice pronunciation. Newcomers always welcome. We provide free books and other interesting things to read.

Masonville Bridge and Euchre in the Afternoon
Ongoing-Dec. 13, Thursdays, 1-4 pm
We invite local residents to meet fellow players and enjoy some camaraderie in a fun and relaxed environment. Participants are invited to stay for one game or for the entire afternoon. Come out and meet your neighbours. Cards provided.

Beyond Words: Art Heals
Sept. 4, Tuesday, 9 am-9 pm
Join us for this special one day exhibit featuring a collection of works encompassing 40 weeks of art therapy with the Traumatic Stress Service, London Health Sciences highlighting journeys of reparation and connection with oneself and the community. Beyond Words: Art Heals will showcase the resiliency of the human spirit and communicate inspiring themes of hope, strength, and courage.

Painting with Peter Lam
Sept. 6-Oct. 25, Thursdays, 10 am-noon, $70 non-refundable fee payable at registration. London artist, Peter Lam, provides guidance for artists of all levels. Bring your own materials.

Tai Chi Qi Gong: 18 Movements
Sept. 12-Oct 31, Wednesdays, 7-8 pm, $30 non-refundable fee payable at registration. Tai Chi Qi Gong is an effective exercise for health improving flexibility and posture, strength and balance, and the integration of body and mind. For beginners and up (except pregnant women).

Fall Plant Exchange
Sept. 15, Saturday, 2-4 pm
Calling all gardeners! Bring in your extra seeds, bulbs, plants and cuttings to exchange with other gardeners. Master Gardeners will be on site to answer your gardening questions. Please label plants.

Downloadable E-Books Tutorial
Sept. 15, Saturday, 10-11:30 am
Registration required. Learn how to download and transfer e-books from London Public Library’s web site onto your e-reader. Please do not bring your device with you as this is only a demonstration.

Prenatal Classes
Sept. 20-Oct.18, Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Meet other families and learn about pregnancy, coping through labour and birth, physical and emotional changes after birth, infant feeding, infant safety and how to care for your new baby. Please register online early in your pregnancy, as classes fill quickly. Class times and locations are also listed on the MLHU website. To register, visit www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth $10. Fee can be waived. Co-sponsor: Middlesex-London Health Unit.

First Aid & CPR Certification Course (12+ yrs)
Sept. 22 & 29, Saturdays, 9 am-5 pm
Registration $120 non-refundable fee. First Aid & CPR are essential life skills that anyone can learn. Having these skills enable us to help each other in times of need. In this course you will learn how to handle anything from a scraped knee, burns, a stroke, other emergencies and more.

Masonville Book Club: Prize Books: Which and Why?
Ongoing, Tuesdays, 7-8:30 pm
Join our monthly book club for stimulating discussions about interesting books.
Sept. 25: Cockeyed by Ryan Knighton
Oct. 23: A world elsewhere by Wayne Johnston
Nov. 27: The cat’s table by Michael Ondaatje
Learning from the Masters: The Nuts and Bolts of Fiction Writing with Author Rene Natan
Sept. 25, Tuesday, 7-8:30 pm
Register starting Aug. 23.
Irene Gargantini, who writes as award winning author Rene Natan, will present information on the art of fiction writing. This seminar will cover everything from story structure to how to prepare a manuscript for electronic publication.

Tea Talk and Matinee 2012/2013
See complete details in the Byron listing on page 16.

Culture Days 2012
Sept 28 & 29, 2-5 pm. Artist Ann van Meyl will be on site to share the messages each of her paintings is meant to convey. www.culturedays.ca/en.

The Way of St. James Feature Film & Travel Talk
Oct. 2 & 9, Tuesday, 6:30-8:30 pm
The Way of St. James has existed for over a thousand years and has been one of the most important Christian pilgrimages since medieval times. Recently there has been a resurgence of interest in hiking the Camino de Santiago Compostela. Join us for these two events about the Way of St. James. Oct. 2: Feature Film starring Martin Sheen Oct. 9: Travel Talk: Walking the Camino the French Way Route.

Masonville Library Presents Travel Seminars by the Experts at Novack’s
Oct. 16-Nov. 20, Tuesdays, 7-8 pm
A six-part series of talks about travel destinations and travel how to’s from the experts at Novacks. Topics include South Africa, Peru, Chile/Argentina/ Brazil, Canadians at War, and Climbing Mount Kilimanjaro.

Masonville Book Club: Prize Books Which and Why?
Ongoing, Tuesdays, 7-8:30 pm

Pre-planning a Funeral
Oct. 25, Thursday, 7-8 pm
Making the decision to prearrange your funeral is difficult. It involves both emotional and financial issues. By planning ahead in a calm, unhurried atmosphere, you can be sure that things will be done the way you want them no matter how simple or how elaborate. Advance funeral planning gives you the peace of mind that comes with knowing your funeral arrangements are taken care of, while lessening the emotional and financial burden on your survivors.

Painting with Peter Lam
Nov. 1-Dec. 20, Thursdays, 10 am-noon
Register starting Oct 18. $70 non-refundable fee payable at registration. London artist, Peter Lam, provides guidance for artists of all levels. Bring your own materials.

Prenatal Classes
Nov. 1-Nov. 29, Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Meet other families and learn about pregnancy, coping through labour and birth, physical and emotional changes after birth, infant feeding, infant safety and how to care for your new baby. Please register online early in your pregnancy, as classes fill quickly. Class times and locations are also listed on the MLHU website. To register, visit www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth $10. Fee can be waived. Co-sponsor: Middlesex-London Health Unit.

Pond Mills Storytime Reunion
Oct. 20, Saturday, 10-noon
Are you a graduate of storytimes at the Pond Mills Library? Did you bring your kids to storytimes at Pond Mills? Come to our first-ever storytime reunion! We’ll have some special guests, some of Pond Mills’ former children’s librarians.

I’m Home (10-12 yrs)
Nov. 7-21, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm
Register starting Oct. 17. $35.
A program designed to support parents in preparing their 10 to 12 year old child to move successfully from supervised before and after school care, to safe, home-based self care. Parent attendance is required for part of the program. Financial assistance may be available, please inquire at registration. Co-sponsor London Children’s Connection.

Culture Days 2012
Sept. 29, Sat, 1-4 pm
Soli & Luna Fusion Bellydance will be demonstrating the different styles and props used in Bellydancing, followed by a workshop where participants will learn basic steps and combinations to perform with a specific segment of music. www.culturedays.ca/en.
Housing Support Services  
Ongoing, Tuesdays, 1-5:30 pm  
Housing Support Services provides assistance to low income households to maintain and stabilize their housing through emergency financial assistance programs for rent and utility arrears. A Housing Support Worker is available at Beacock, Jalna, Pond Mills, East London and Sherwood. Housing Support Services staff will be available to complete applications for programs and provide information and referral to community resources. For information regarding availability or to schedule an appointment, contact Housing Support Services at 519-661-0343 x300.

City Symposium Special Event: How To Make A City Awesome  
Oct. 10, Wednesday, 7-9 pm  
Every day there are incredible people working hard to make London an awesome city. On October 10, you are invited to come and listen to some of these people share spectacular visions for the future of our city. The city-building initiative, named ReThink London, will set the goals and priorities that will influence the future of the city for years to come. This is your opportunity to help create the picture of what we would like our city to become, both now and in the future. The goals and directions we set as a community will determine how we live, grow, green, move, and prosper as a city. The event will be held at Central Library and broadcast to four branch locations, where ReThink London facilitators will engage participants. Together we can build a city that is second to none!

| Sherwood  
1225 Wonderland Rd. N  
519-473-9965 |

Dog Safety (Children)  
Sept. 21, Friday, 2-3 pm  
Register starting Sept. 7.  
Officer Rueger from Animal Care and Control will talk about responsible pet ownership, bite prevention and what to do when you encounter strays or wildlife in the city. You'll also watch a video and meet Tori, her scent sniffing dog.

Happy Birthday, Scaredy Squirrel  
(3-7 yrs)  
Sept. 29, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm  
Register starting Sept. 15.  
Help Scaredy Squirrel celebrate his birthday with stories, crafts, games and a snack!

I'm Home (10-12 yrs)  
Oct. 20, Saturday, 9:30 am-2:30 pm  
Register starting Sept. 1. $35.  
A program designed to support parents in preparing their 10 to 12 year old child to move successfully from supervised before and after school care, to safe, home-based self care. Parent attendance is required for part of the program. Financial assistance may be available, please inquire at registration. Co-sponsor London Children’s Connection.

Creepy Tales to Chill Your Bones!  
(6-10 yrs)  
Oct. 27, 2:30-3:30 pm  
Drop in and enjoy spine-tingling tales, guessing games, and mini-pumpkin decorating. Costumes are welcome.

Spooktacular Halloween Storytime  
Oct. 27, 11-11:45 am  
Join us for some spooky stories and a craft! Costumes are welcome.

| General  
You'll find our Computer & Technology Help listings in the charts on pages 10-11.  

ESL Pronunciation Group  
Ongoing, Tuesdays, 1-3 pm  
Register at first class you attend. Practice your pronunciation and enrich your vocabulary through reading and discussion.

ESL Pronunciation Group  
Ongoing, Saturdays, 2-4 pm  
Register at first class you attend. Practice your pronunciation and enrich your vocabulary through reading and discussion.

English Conversational Circles for Newcomers to Canada  
Ongoing-Dec. 20, Thursdays, 6:30-8 pm  
Register by calling CCLC 519-432-1133. Celebrate diversity through friendship and cultural exchange. All newcomers are welcome. Co-sponsor: LCCLC. Funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-432-1133 x224 for information about volunteering for this program.

Well Baby/Child & Breastfeeding Clinics  
Ongoing, Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30 am  
Meet other young families in a relaxed setting. Talk to a public health nurse about breastfeeding, growth and development, early literacy, nutrition, safety and community support for ages 0 to 4 years. In partnership with Middlesex-London Health Unit (MLHU).
Celebrating Seniors: Speakers Series
Ongoing, 2nd Wednesday of each month, 2-3 pm
Join us to learn about a topic of special interest to Seniors. Bring a friend!
Planned with the Medway Seniors Group.
Oct. 10: Alternative Housing Options.
Nov. 14: Diet, Nutrition and Cooking for 1 or 2.
Dec. 12: Ask A Pharmacist

Itch to Stitch Knitting Club
Ongoing, Thursdays, 1-3 pm
Bring your current project, get help from other knitters or learn how to knit. Crocheters also welcome. No experience necessary. $1 weekly donation goes towards our supply of needles, yarns and looms. Co-sponsor, Alice Saddy Association. For information, call Louise @ 519-317-3404.

Sherwood Book Club
Ongoing, 1st Tuesday of each month, 2:15-3:15 pm
Read each book in advance and join a lively, informal discussion. Phone the branch for more information.

Housing Support Services
Ongoing, Wednesdays, 9:30-noon
Housing Support Services provides assistance to low income households to maintain and stabilize their housing through emergency financial assistance programs for rent and utility arrears. A Housing Support Worker is available at Beacock, Jalna, Pond Mills, East London and Sherwood. Housing Support Services staff will be available to complete applications for programs and provide information and referral to community resources. For more information regarding availability or to schedule an appointment, contact Housing Support Services at 519-661-0343 x300.

Introduction to Chair Yoga (Adults)
Sept. 11, Tuesday, 2-3:30 pm
Register starting Aug. 21.
Join us for chair yoga. This includes gentle stretches, breath work and relaxation, all done while sitting in a chair. This class is perfect for those who desire all the benefits yoga brings without getting down on the floor.

Prenatal Breastfeeding Class
Sept. 13, Thursday, 6-9 pm
Register at www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth.
Learn practical information about breastfeeding, getting started, latch & positioning, benefits of skin-to-skin, managing milk supply and more! Taught by a public health nurse. Both Mom and partner/support person are encouraged to attend.

Learning from the Masters
The Nuts and Bolts of Fiction Writing with Author Rene Natan
Sept. 19, Wednesday, 2-3:30 pm
Register starting Aug. 18.
Irene Gargantini, who writes as award winning author Rene Natan, will talk about the art of fiction writing. This seminar will cover everything from story structure to how to prepare a manuscript for electronic publication.

Fall Plant Exchange
Sept. 22, Saturday, 9:30-11:30 am
Calling all gardeners! Bring in your extra seeds, bulbs, plants and cuttings to exchange with other gardeners. Please label plants.

Tai Chi for Health—Wu Style
Sept. 27-Nov. 15, Thursdays, 7:30-8:30 pm
Register starting Aug. 4. $40.
Tai Chi, an effective exercise for health, originating from the martial arts in China, helps to improve flexibility, posture, strength, balance, and the integration of body and mind. Norman Lam is a certified Tai Chi instructor.

Discover Canada
Canadian Citizenship Preparation
Sept. 29-Oct. 24, Wednesdays, 6-8 pm
Nov. 7-Dec. 5, Wednesdays, 6-8 pm
Families and individuals can receive assistance to prepare for their Canadian Citizenship Test. Participants will learn about the various areas for the test including: Canadian History, Government, Rights & Responsibilities, Geography, Economy, Elections, etc.
All materials will be provided including Discover Canada Guide and access to Citizenship test samples. This program runs in five week cycles, please check with Library Settlement Partnership staff for future dates. Cosponsored with LSP.

City Symposium Special Event
How To Make A City Awesome
Oct. 10, Wednesday, 7-9 pm
Every day there are incredible people working hard to make London an awesome city. On October 10, you are invited to come and listen to some of these people share spectacular visions for the future of our city. The city-building initiative, named ReThink London, will set the goals and priorities that will influence the future of the city for years to come. This is your opportunity to help create the picture of what we would like our city to become, both now and in the future. The goals and directions we set as a community will determine how we live, grow, green, move, and prosper as a city. The event will be held at Central Library and broadcast to four branch locations, where ReThink London facilitators will engage participants. Together we can build a city that is second to none!

See the World at Sherwood
LSP Day Celebration
Oct. 19, Friday, 2-5 pm
Join us to celebrate the Library Settlement Partnership and learn about different cultures, win prizes and enjoy storytime for children. Refreshments will be provided.

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Prenatal Classes
Nov. 14-Dec. 12, Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Meet other families and learn about pregnancy, coping through labour and birth, physical and emotional changes after birth, infant feeding, infant safety and how to care for your new baby. Please register online early in your pregnancy, as classes fill quickly. Class times and locations are also listed on the MLHU website. To register, visit www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth $10. Fee can be waived. Co-sponsor: Middlesex-London Health Unit.

Stoney Creek
920 Sunningdale Rd. E
519-930-2065

| Stoney Creek Tween Book Club (grades 6-8)
Sept. 15, Oct. 20 & Nov. 17, Saturdays, 2-3:30 pm
Register starting Aug. 1.
Join the Stoney Creek Tween Book Club. Members will share a love of reading, crafts and snacks!

PA Day Movie
Sept. 21, Friday, 2:30-4 pm
Tickets at the branch starting Sept. 14.
Bring your family and friends and enjoy a movie on the big screen! Call the branch for titles.

| General
You’ll find our Computer & Technology Help listings in the charts on pages 10-11.

ESL Class for Adult Newcomers
Ongoing, Tuesdays, starting Sept. 11, 9:15-11:45 am
Register with class instructor. For eligibility information call 519-452-2000 x69764.
Classes focus on learning and using the type of English that is necessary for everyday living in Canada. Emphasis will be on Canadian cultures, customs and communities. Join anytime. Bring PR card, citizenship card etc. Participants must provide recent Canadian Language Benchmark (CLB) scores in order to register. For initial language assessment, call CLARS Centre 519-432-1133. Non-permanent residents may attend for a fee and do not require an assessment. For information about the class call the Thames Valley District School Board Adult ESL office 519-452-2000 x69674. Co-sponsor Thames Valley District School Board, G.A. Wheable Centre for Adult Education.

Stoney Creek Book Club
Ongoing, 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7:30-8:30 pm
Please contact Elizabeth or Jacqui at the branch for details. New members are welcome.

ESL Reading Group
Ongoing, Saturdays, 11-noon
No session Oct. 6
For adults to practice reading and speaking English in a group led by a volunteer. Build vocabulary and practice pronunciation. Newcomers welcome. Books and interesting materials provided.

Secrets of School Success! (10-14 yrs)
Sept. 29, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm OR
Oct. 13, Saturday, 10-11 am
Register starting Sept. 4 or Oct. 1.
Learn how the library can help you unlock the secrets of school success. Learn the basics of searching the catalogue, researching topics, and doing homework. Register child only and parent/guardian must attend.

Autumn Storytime (Family)
Oct. 6, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Celebrate fall with stories, songs and rhymes. Children under 3 years must bring a caregiver.

Mo Willems Bedtime Storytime (Family)
Oct. 16, Tuesday, 7-7:30 pm
Join Elephant & Piggie, the Pigeon and other Mo Willems characters for a fantastic bedtime storytime featuring rhymes, songs and stories! Wear your pyjamas and bring your favorite stuffed animal along. Children under 3 please bring your caregiver.

Spooktacular Halloween Storytime
Oct. 30, Tuesday, 7-7:30 pm
Join us for some spooky stories and a craft! Costumes are welcome.

You’ll find our Storytime listings in the charts on pages 12-13.

Wacky Word Fun! (7-12 yrs)
Ongoing, 2nd & 4th Sat./month, 2-3:30 pm
Drop in, meet new friends and play a variety of games and activities.

You’ll find our Computer & Technology Help listings in the charts on pages 10-11.
Prenatal Classes
Nov. 14-Dec. 12, Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Meet other families and learn about pregnancy, coping through labour and birth, physical and emotional changes after birth, infant feeding, infant safety and how to care for your new baby. Please register online early in your pregnancy, as classes fill quickly. Class times and locations are also listed on the MLHU website. To register, visit www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth $10. Fee can be waived. Co-sponsor: Middlesex-London Health Unit.

Secrets of School Success!
(10-14 yrs)
Sept. 29, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm OR Oct. 13, Saturday, 10-11 am
Register starting Sept. 4 or Oct. 1. Learn how the library can help you unlock the secrets of school success. Learn the basics of searching the catalogue, researching topics, and doing homework. Register child only and parent/guardian must attend.

Autumn Storytime (Family)
Oct. 6, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Celebrate fall with stories, songs and rhymes. Children under 3 years must bring a caregiver.

Mo Willems Bedtime Storytime (Family)
Oct. 16, Tuesday, 7-7:30 pm
Join Elephant & Piggie, the Pigeon and other Mo Willems characters for a fantastic bedtime storytime featuring rhymes, songs and stories! Wear your pyjamas and bring your favorite stuffed animal along. Children under 3 please bring your caregiver.

Mo Willems Bedtime Storytime (Family)
Oct. 30, Tuesday, 7-7:30 pm
Join us for some spooky stories and a craft! Costumes are welcome.

PA Day Movie
Nov. 16, Friday, 2:30-4 pm
Tickets available free starting Nov. 9. Bring your family and friends and enjoy a movie on the big screen! Call the branch for the titles.

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ESL Class for Adult Newcomers
Ongoing, Tuesdays, starting Sept. 11, 9:15-11:45 am
Register with class instructor. For eligibility information call 519-452-2000 x69764.

ESL Reading Group
Ongoing, Saturdays, 11-noon
No session Oct. 6
For adults to practice reading and speaking English in a group led by a volunteer. Build vocabulary and practice pronunciation. Newcomers welcome. Books and interesting materials provided.
Stoney Creek Ukulele Jam
Ongoing, 1st Thursday of each month, 7:30-8:30 pm and Fridays, Oct. 26 & Nov. 30, 2-3 pm. No session October 4th. Learn a few chords and start playing songs at these fun and informal jam sessions. Bring your own ukulele (and music stand if you have one) or come to see if this is the right instrument for you.

Prenatal Classes
Sept. 4-Oct. 2, or Nov. 6-Dec 4, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Meet other families and learn about pregnancy, coping through labour and birth, physical and emotional changes after birth, infant feeding, infant safety and how to care for your new baby. Register online early in your pregnancy. Classes fill quickly. Times and locations are listed on the MLHU website. Visit www.healthunit.com/prenatalhealth $10. Fee can be waived. Co-sponsor: Middlesex-London Health Unit.

Stoney Creek Community Centre
YMCA and Library Open House
Sept. 8, Saturday, 10-4 pm
Drop in to our Open House where you can play Giant Banagrams and word search games and learn about City of London Spectrum programs offered at Stoney Creek.

Culture Days 2012
Sept. 29, Saturday, 11 am-4 pm Ukulele Jam. Bring your uke (music stand if you have one) to jam with other uke fans. 11-noon: June Cole and the Southern Ontario Ukulele Players. Noon-3 pm: Open Jam (music provided). 3-4 pm: Peter Nicks. www.culturedays.ca/en.

What Are YOU Reading?
Oct. 5, Nov. 2 & Dec. 7, Fridays, 2:15-3:15 pm
Join us for a discussion on new books and old favourites. Learn what your community is reading and share your reading interests, too! Call for details.

Westmount
3200 Wonderland Rd. S
519-473-4708

Westmount Community Playgroup
(birth-6 with caregiver)
Ongoing, Thursdays, 9:45-10:45 am or 11 am-noon. Call Ontario Early Years Centre at 519-473-2825 OEQY hosts this playgroup. Join us for games, crafts, songs and rhymes as well as valuable parenting resources.

PA Day Craft
Sept. 21, Friday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Drop in & make a craft to take home.

Reading Rocks: Going Buggy
(Family)
Sept. 29, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm Fun, interactive and hands-on activities for school-aged children and their families to celebrate reading together. Sponsor EDPRO Energy Group Inc.

Harvest Storytime (Family)
Oct. 6, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm Pumpkins, apples and squash! Celebrate this special and yummy time of year!

Bedtime Storytime (3+ yrs)
Oct. 17, Wednesday, 7-7:30 pm Register starting Sept. 26. Snuggle up close and listen to dreamy stories and sleepy songs!

Spooktacular Halloween Storytime
Oct. 27, Saturday, 2:30-4 pm Join us for some spooky stories and a craft! Costumes are welcome.

PA Day Movie
Nov. 16, Friday, 2:30-4 pm Tickets available starting Nov. 9. Bring your family and friends to enjoy a movie on the big screen! Call for titles.

I’m Home (10-12 yrs)
Nov. 24, Saturday, 9:30 am-2:30 pm Register starting Oct. 27. $35. A program designed to support parents in preparing their 10 to 12 year old child to move successfully from supervised before and after school care, to safe, home-based self care. Parent attendance is required for part of the program. Financial assistance may be available, please inquire at registration. Co-sponsor: London Children’s Connection.

Teen Book Club (11-17 yrs)
Ongoing, last Tuesday of each month, 7-8 pm We meet once a month to talk about cool books for teens, make a cool craft. Snack is provided. If you’re between 11 and 17, and like to read—drop in!

Creative Cross Stitching for Beginners
(10-17 yrs)
Nov. 17, Saturday, 2-4pm Are you crafty or creative? Join us for a beginner’s cross stitching workshop where all materials are supplied and no experience is required!

You’ll find our Computer & Technology Help listings in the charts on pages 10-11.

Book and Movie Club
Ongoing, 2nd Saturday of each month, 2-4 pm Read a book and watch the movie adaptation in this self-directed program.
Geocaching at Westmount
Ongoing, 3rd Saturday of each month, 9-10 am
Geocaching is an outdoor treasure-hunting game using a Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver or other navigational technique to hide and seek containers (called “geocaches” or “caches”). Geocaches are currently in over 100 countries around the world. Westmount’s co-ordinates: N 42° 55.5’ W 81°16.542’

Seniors Theatre
Ongoing, 3rd Thursday of each month, 2:30 pm
Come and enjoy classic films of the 1940’s and 50’s. Call the branch for movie titles.

Library Orientation Tours
Ongoing, 2nd Saturday of each month, 11-noon
We offer a friendly tour of the library to help you find what you’re looking for.

United Empire Loyalists (UEL)
Ongoing, 2nd Tuesday of each month, 7-9 pm
United Empire Loyalist’s Association, London and Western Ontario.

Ontario Genealogical Society
Ongoing, 1st Tuesday of each month, 7-9 pm
All are welcome to attend the meetings of the London & Middlesex County Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society. A co-sponsored program.

Googling to the Max
Ongoing, 3rd Saturday of each month, 10:30 am-12 pm
Get the most out of Google, the best general web search engine. Learn to use Google and negotiate its weaknesses. Make an iGoogle, use Google’s image search, language tools, Google Docs, Maps, Suggest and more.

Knit n’ Stitch
Ongoing, Wednesdays, 6-8 pm
Looking for time to knit, crochet or stitch? Need help on a project? Join the Knit n’ Stitch group at Westmount.

Macintosh Computer User Group
Ongoing, 3rd Tuesday of each month, 7-9 pm (MUGLO)
Bring your questions about Macintosh computers to this drop in program.

Westmount Friday Morning Book Club
Ongoing, 3rd Friday month, 10-11 am
Join us for a lively discussion of current and classic fiction and non-fiction titles. Please pick up current book selection at the meeting or at Westmount’s circulation desk.

Westmount Tuesday Evening Book Club
Ongoing, 2nd Tuesday of each month, 7-8 pm
Join us for a great book discussion. Pick up current book selection at the meeting or at Westmount’s circulation desk.

Ancestry Library.com
Sept. 1, Oct. 6, Nov. 3, Saturdays, 2-3 pm
Learn to research your family tree.

Fall Plant Exchange
Sept. 15, Saturday, 9-noon
Calling all gardeners! Bring in your extra seeds, bulbs, plants and cuttings to exchange with other gardeners. Please label plants.

Happy Birthday Westmount!
Sept. 22, Saturday, 2-4 pm
Come and celebrate Westmount’s 10th Birthday! It is hard to believe we are a decade in this location in September. Cake cutting and speeches at 2:30 pm.

Tea Talk and Matinee 2012/2013
See complete details in the Byron listing on page 16.

Culture Days 2012
Sept. 29, Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm
Butler Fearon O’Connor Irish Dance School will be dancing soft and hard shoe dances, traditional reels and jigs. The dancers are 3-19 years of age, former Canadian Champions! www.culturedays.ca/en.

Beginning Painting for Adults
Landsapes with Cheryl O
Oct. 3-Nov. 7, Wednesdays, 1-3:15 pm
Oct. 3-Nov. 7, Wednesdays, 6:30-8:45 pm
$129.60 due at time of registration. Students will learn the basics of handling paint by working step by step through some of Cheryl’s landscape paintings.

Guess the Weight of the Pumpkin!
Oct. 23-27, Tuesday-Saturday, all day
Think you can tell how much a pumpkin weighs? Then prove it! Enter your guess for a chance to win.

Classic Films by Bruce Campbell
Oct. 27, Saturday, 12-5 pm
If you recognize the name Bruce Campbell, International author and actor, then join us for three of his films. He is the author of If Chins Could Kill: Confessions of a B Movie Actor and Make Love the Bruce Campbell Way. Call the branch for more details.

Lest We Forget: learning to read military records
Nov. 1-15, Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm
Come learn to read military records from Canada’s past.

Learn to Read Music
Nov. 10, 17 & 24, Saturdays, 2-4 pm
Register starting Oct. 20. Join this three session course that will teach you the basics of music theory and how to read music. This course will be taught by a music educator and no previous knowledge or experience is required! Ages 12 to adult welcome!
ReForest London’s
I Read for Trees

ReForest London will plant nearly 1000 trees as a result of efforts of the Library’s TD Summer Reading Club. Well done!

BYRON VIEW PARK
Saturday, September 22, 2012
1–4 pm
2225 Colonel Talbot Rd.

MEADOWGATE FIELDS
Saturday, October 13, 2012
9 am–noon
3155 Meadowgate Blvd.

Join us at one of our tree planting dates

Teens Got Caught Reading

London teens took up the Get Caught Reading challenge this summer at all library locations. Teens from East London read 48,107 pages, teens from Cherryhill read 100,916 pages and the count continues across the city.

Way to go teens and thanks to the Western Fair District for their generous sponsorship and Western Fair prize packs.

Summer R.E.A.D
A Magical recipe!

Put 17 amazing young people in 15 London Public Library locations for 8 weeks in the summer; have them spend 45 minutes each week one-on-one with 300 struggling or reluctant readers; toss in creativity and encouragement, and what do you get? 300 kids who now enjoy reading and 17 amazing young people whose lives have been made richer by their experience.

This magical recipe describes the Summer R.E.A.D. (Reading Enjoyment and Development) Program at the Library. Thanks to the Canada Summer Jobs program, we were able to hire secondary school and university students to work one-on-one as Literacy Facilitators with children who need some extra help over the summer to improve their literacy skills. The sessions were uniquely designed with each child in mind, building on their strengths and interests. As one of the students said: “improving literacy will not just be reading a book with a child for forty-five minutes. Oh, no sirree Bob. It will be scavenger hunts. It will be magic tricks. It will be making graphic novels. It will be so many glittery crafternoons that you will never want to see glitter in your life again.”

And that is what it was! A summer where achievements were celebrated, friendships were forged and reading became magical.

International Grandparents Day September 9th

TD Summer Reading Club’s Dragon Readers Team!

The time we spend with grandchildren is special and this year the TD Summer Reading Club Imagine theme inspired one family to create their own team called The Dragon Readers. To share their love of reading, grandparents Candas and Alastair bought T-shirts for themselves and their grandchildren, Ashlyn and Beckett. Each time they finished reading a book, they recorded the book’s title in colourful markers on the back of their shirts. They wore their shirts each time they visited the Library to participate in the Club.

We can help you find books to make the time you spend with your grandchildren memorable such as Grandparents: enjoying and caring for your grandchild by Dr. Miriam Stoppard or Kids and Grandparents: an activity book by Ann Love & Jane Drake

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Fiction for Kids

Picture Books

**Mossy**
by Jan Brett
Who will help Mossy return home to Lilypad Pond?

**Mice**
by Rose Fyleman
Could it be true that mice are... nice?

**Olivia and the Fairy Princesses**
by Ian Falconer
There are too many ruffly, sparkly princesses around these days, and Olivia has had quite enough.

**Cat Tale**
by Michael Hall
A silly tongue twister of an adventure!

**Scaredy Squirrel Prepares for Christmas**
by Melanie Watt
A fun-filled holiday guide sure to appeal to all the Scaredies out there.

**Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs**
by Mo Willems
Once upon a time, there were three hungry Dinosaurs: Papa Dinosaur, Mama Dinosaur... and a Dinosaur who happened to be visiting from Norway.

Novels

**Third Wheel**
by Jeff Kinney
Love is in the air—but what does that mean for Greg Heffley?

**Mark of Athena**
by Rick Riordan
The third unforgettable adventure in the Heroes of Olympus series.

**Spindlers**
by Lauren Oliver
To rescue her brother, Liza must go Below, armed with little more than her wits and a broom.

**Who Could That Be At This Hour?**
by Lemony Snicket
The mysterious Mr. Lemony Snicket asks all the wrong questions in this new series.

**Binky takes Charge**
by Ashley Spires
Binky the space cat has been promoted to lieutenant, but is someone trying to pull the fur over his eyes?

**Mutiny in Time**
by James Dashner
Three kids must travel back in time in the first book of the Infinity Ring series.

New to School

**Wemberly Worried**
by Kevin Henkes
Wemberly frets about everything that could go wrong on her first day of preschool. Caring parents and a patient teacher help her conquer her butterflies.

**Froggy Goes to School**
by Jonathan London
Froggy has a nightmare about showing up at school wearing only his underwear. In funny Froggy fashion his big day goes just fine.

**The Bus Stop**
by Janet Morgan Stoeke
Nothing beats the thrill of riding a big yellow school bus for the first time.

**If You Take A Mouse To School**
by Laura Numeroff
Be warned - if you take a mouse to school, he will need to borrow your lunchbox, your paper and your pencils!

**Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready For Kindergarten**
by Joseph Slate
Miss Bindergarten, just like her students, is busy preparing for the first day of kindergarten.

**Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come**
by Nancy Carlson
Henry has been waiting all summer for the first day of kindergarten, and it is finally here.

While you’re at Western Fair drop in to the Down on the Farm Building and try your farm spotting skills at “I Spy Down on the Farm”. This activity is for young children and their families to try while they are in the Canada Building. Look for us daily while the Fair is open until 8:30 pm.

You’re invited to the Pond Mills Storytime Reunion 10 am — Saturday, October 20th. Come back for a celebration of children, parents, grandparents and librarians who joined us for Storytimes.
How to get homework done faster AND get A’s!

School is back in session and the homework is beginning again! Have you got lots of projects to complete and essays to write? Are you feeling overwhelmed? If so, London Public Library is here to help.

We have great resources at each of our 16 locations to help with homework assignments and projects. You are welcome to drop into any library location and ask for help from our friendly and expert staff.

But that’s not all! Our website is always open at www.londonpubliclibrary.ca.

Our catalogue lists all of the materials available. Just browse from our home page by typing keywords into the SEARCH bar. As you locate the items you want, simply place them on hold to be picked up at your neighbourhood branch and you will be notified when they are available for you.

In addition to finding books, CDs, and DVDs, you can find eBooks, eAudio books, and a sampling of newspaper or magazine articles on your topic in the same search. You can customize your search in many ways so go ahead and experiment to find what works best for you.

Do you need current and reliable information from magazines or newspaper articles? We have many information databases to help you to find the perfect article for your topic. You have access to thousands and thousands of articles! A full list of the databases available, arranged by topic, is available through the Research section of our website.

Our librarians have searched the catalogue and the Internet to find the best information on the topics we know you are asking about! Here you can find the best library materials (books, AV materials, and newspaper and magazine articles) and reliable websites on many topics.

If you need suggestions for novels to read for assignments or essays, we’ve got you covered. For elementary school students, you will find lots of suggestions in the Kids: I Like to Read section of our website. For secondary school students, you will find recommendations in the Teens: Books and Magazines section as well as the Staff Picks section of our website.

So don’t forget us when you need homework help… we’ll help you in person, by phone, by email, or online 24/7. We are here for you!
FALL READS

Fiction

The Age of Hope
David Bergen

Anna From Away
D. R. Macdonald

Astray
Emma Donoghue

The Beautiful Mystery
Louise Penny

Carnival
Rawi Hage

The Cat
Edeet Ravel

Dear Life
Alice Munro

The Deception of Livvy Higgs
Donna Morrissey

A Door in the River
Inger Ashe Wolfe

The Selector of Souls
Shauna Singh Baldwin

The Sweet Girl
Annabel Lyon

Until the Night
Giles Blunt

Up and Down
Terry Fallis

Watching the Dark
Peter Robinson

Non-Fiction

1982
Jian Ghomeshi

Change Your Words, Change Your Life: Understanding The Power Of Every Word You Speak
Joyce Meyer

The Continuing Adventures of Rob Ford
Theo Moudakis

Dearie: The Remarkable Life of Julia Child
Bob Spitz

The Dude and The Zen Master: Two Friends Discuss Life, Art, And The Occasional Bowling Ball
Jeff Bridges and Bernie Glassman

A Gift of Hope: Helping The Homeless
Danielle Steel

Happier At Home: Kiss More, Jump More, Abandon A Project, Read Samuel Johnson, And Other Experiments In The Practice Of Everyday Life
Gretchen Rubin

Hockey Night In Canada: 60th Anniversary
Michael McKinley

I’m Your Man: The Life of Leonard Cohen
Sylvie Simmons

Inside HBO’s Game of Thrones
Bryan Cogman
Friends of the London Public Library Annual General Meeting
6:45 pm, Tuesday, September 18 in Stevenson-Hunt Room A. The meeting will be followed by a special Jazz for the People concert featuring the Sandy MacKay Trio at 7:30 pm. A reception will be held after the performance.

Speaking with Friends Presents - Emma Donoghue
7 pm, Thursday, November 1st
Triple award winner, Emma Donoghue will read from her latest book, A stray. Donations for A Book for Every Child® will be accepted at the door. A reception and book signing will follow. This event is sponsored by Friends of London Public Library, Oxford Book Shop and London Public Library.

A Book for Every Child®
Owning a book of your own is special. Being able to give a child the gift of a new book is also special. Through A Book For Every Child®, generous Londoners make financial or new book donations which allow us to distribute books to children who might never own one otherwise. In 2011, over 6300 girls and boys were given new books. The 2012 A Book For Every Child® annual campaign runs from November 10 to December 22. Books are distributed all year and you can make a financial or new book donation at any time at your local library branch. Everyone likes a new book. Help London children by making a donation today.

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As a member of the Friends you will receive an additional 20% discount when you shop at the Library Store on Fridays. Our helpful volunteers will issue your discount card on the spot, enabling you to start saving instantly.

Join Friends of the London Public Library
The dollars we raise go toward value-added programs and resources not covered by the operating budget of London Public Library. The money Friends raises comes from membership fees, donations and sales from the Book Sale and The Library Store. You can join today and be a Friend!

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Please make cheque payable to Friends of the London Public Library.
Drop off at any library location or mail to: Friends of the Library, 251 Dundas Street, London, ON N6A 6H9
☐ I prefer to receive the Friends newsletter by email.
Jessie Ross moved to London in 1991. With Louie by her side she is completing a BA in English literature at Western University. She volunteers at the Elmwood nursing home and Goodwill. She competed as a swimmer in the Paralympics in Spain in 1992 and has performed as a jazz vocalist at international venues.

Individuals with vision loss or blindness have an opportunity to expand their intellectual and artistic interests at the London Public Library. For myself these interests include jazz music, maintaining a healthy lifestyle, and the continued development of my intellect.

The Library was one of the first locations I trained Louie to travel to. It provided a safe and positive environment where we felt welcomed and respected.

I read for fun but I also use library materials which have significance to me as a person with low vision. As I wrestled with the responsibility of caring for my very first guide dog I found many audio books about the incredible capacity of animals to feel emotions. I had to adjust to the new dog in my life and it pushed me outside my comfort zone. A crisis would arise at school or home or a taxi would refuse to take us to our destination or a person would step on Louie’s paws on the bus. And I would become discouraged.

But stories and accounts of others and their animals helped deepen my understanding of my guide dog and reminded me of his needs. The accounts of animal/human compatibility and teamwork kept my vision for Louie and me strong through the difficult adjustment period. The library was one of the first locations I trained Louie to travel to. It provided a safe and positive environment where we felt welcomed and respected.

The library has had an immense impact on my career as a jazz singer. My interest in jazz and getting my first library card were both events that happened in 1991. I was 14, and like my big brother, was interested in a jazz music career. The library has a large collection of jazz music and music scores to borrow. This is where the incredible kindness and support I received from the librarians shines through. They never turned down my requests for help to run the photocopy machine and together we would copy the songs I wanted to learn. Then they would organize the sheet music for me, secure the pages with paper clips and send me home with a word of encouragement; a smile and a friendly wave. I never realized until I became an adult how these kind gestures helped build my confidence and my self-esteem. I suspect they found me slightly amusing. Who wouldn’t find a 14 year old girl gravely engrossed in memorizing and singing in the voice of some great jazz diva – Ella Fitzgerald, Sarah Vaughn – amusing? I am proud to say that I have performed in the auditorium on Queens Ave and the Wolf Performance Hall.

Central Library’s collection of jazz music recordings, books and videos, and especially with the support of librarians, the library is instrumental in my development as a performer. It reached me on an artistic level in a very personal way. I will be forever grateful for that gift.

I try to maintain a healthy lifestyle and while browsing the shelves with a librarian I found audiobook versions of cookbooks specifically about heart smart cooking containing recipes and other helpful tips. I am profoundly affected by the calm, reasonable voice of the narrators guiding me through the preparations. I have had trouble in my own kitchen and would sometimes feel incompetent if I was unable to see the exact measurements or read the labels on a can. The audiobooks help me visualize food preparation. In my mind’s eye I can see myself preparing and cooking these delicious meals. Having neutralized my fears and anxiety in the kitchen, I now have the fire in my belly and the confidence to cook more.

I never realized until I became an adult how these kind gestures helped build my confidence and self-esteem.

All of these personal goals and interests became possible when I reached out to the library. While you may not find exactly what you need or want the first time you go to the library, after a few visits you will discover that the library has something to offer everyone. It is the well-used and well-loved library that draws us together and provides each individual an opportunity to grow.
Community Outreach

Meeting Room Rentals
Central Library ~ 519-661-5120
Monday-Friday ~ 9 am – 6 pm
Branch Libraries ~ Call library location for rates & availability.

Distribution of Posters and Flyers
• For community, cultural, educational, non-profit and charitable events and organizations.
• Bring materials to the Central Library Welcome Desk for distribution to library locations.
• Fill out a distribution form.

Bulletin board space is limited and demand is high - we do our best to post as many requests as possible.

InterLibrary Loan

You can borrow materials from many other library systems through our library’s InterLibrary Loan service.

Visiting Library Service

Anyone unable to use standard library facilities may request home delivery by calling 519-661-6444. Visiting Library Service also oversees the distribution of CNIB Talking Books.

Borrowing Periods

Limit of 10 DVDs per card. Maximum of 40 items per card.
Books & paperbacks ~ 21 days
CDs & videos ~ 21 days
Quick Picks, DVDs, Magazines ~ 7 days
Information file material:
Central Branch ~ 7 days
High demand material ~ 7 days
eBook ~ up to 21 days
eAudio ~ 14 days
eVideo ~ 3 days

Renewals

Limit of 3 renewals.
You cannot renew Quick Picks, high demand materials or items with holds.
Renew items
• in person at any library
• online – use My Account tab www.londonpubliclibrary.ca
• by phone 519-661-4600

Check to make sure your renewals were successful and check the due date!
Outstanding late charges can affect your ability to renew.

Returns

You may return materials to any London Public Library. When we’re closed, return chutes are open for your use.
Please check to make sure that DVD or CD cases are not empty!

Computers and the Internet

All locations have computers for free use with your valid library card. Staff will help you set up a PIN to log in to our computers or wireless network.

Public Internet computers have a variety of software installed for your convenience.

You can use your laptop or mobile device on the wireless network at all branches except Glanworth.

Not sure how to get the most out of computer or the Internet? Check our listings for programs designed to help you get going.

Settlement Services for Newcomers

The London Library Settlement Partnership (LSP) provides information and referral services to newcomers about employment, volunteer opportunities, language learning and assessment, and many other issues related to settling in London. Library Settlement Workers are on hand to help at four library locations: Central Library (2nd floor), Beacock Branch, Jalna Branch and Sherwood Branch.

Late Charges

London Public Library has a policy of collecting late charges on overdue materials to encourage prompt return. Overdue materials are charged on a calendar day basis, including Sunday, at all locations. An electronic or phone message will be left about overdue items 6 days after the due date.
Give us your email address and we’ll send you a notice before your materials are due.

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London Public Library Board

Meets on Thursday evenings once a month in the Board Room at Central Library. Find meeting dates, agendas and reports on our website.
Public session begins at 5:30 pm. All are welcome.

Chair: Josh Morgan
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Councillor Nancy Branscombe
Councillor Matt Brown
Jerry Colwell
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