

ORANGE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNOUNCES MARCH PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

ORANGE COUNTY, NC (February 27, 2014)—Whether you need help revamping your resume, learning new computer skills, sticking to your new year resolutions, or just want to hear about a good book, Orange County Public Library (OCPL) offers these and many other activities.

The following events are all held at the OCPL Main Library at 137 W. Margaret Lane in Hillsborough, unless otherwise noted, and are free to the public.

Financial Education Workshop: Sat., March 1, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

What does your credit report say? Who gets to read it and why? How is a credit report different from a credit score? The *Take Control of Your Credit* workshop will answer these questions and ensure you know how to get free credit reports. It will also provide information about how to improve your credit report and credit score.

OCPL Cybrary Computer Classes: Sat., March 1, 8, 22, 29, 10:00 a.m.

Introductory computer classes presented in partnership with the UNC University Libraries. All classes are free and open to the public, but space is limited; please pre-register in person at the Cybrary (located inside The Century Center at 100 N. Greensboro St. in Carrboro) or by calling 919.918.7387. 3/1 – *Doing More with Excel*; 3/8 – *Open Lab*; 3/22 – *PowerPoint Basics*; 3/29 – *Online Job Searching and Resume Writing*.

Drop-In Resume Review: Sun., March 2, 16 and 30, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

A strong resume makes any job application better. Free drop-in resume review services are held every other Sunday with volunteers available to help you improve format, spelling, grammar, and effectiveness. Don't have a resume yet? We'll help you get started! Sessions are held in the Group Study Room on the second floor. All sessions are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Read the Classics for Fun with Your Local Authors: Mon., March 3, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Come talk classics with fellow readers and writers, and get a fresh perspective on the classic books you've read and loved, or always meant to read. Book discussions are open to everyone. This month, authors Clay Griffith, Nathan Kotecki, and James Maxey discuss H.G. Wells' [The Island of Doctor Moreau](#). Want to read it before the discussion? Find free copies of the [e-book](#) and [audiobook](#) are available online.

OCPL Main Library Computer Classes: Mon., March 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 6:00 p.m.

Computer classes are free and open to everyone – no registration required. We'll meet in the large study room on the second floor. The library has 6 computers available for class participants on a first-come, first-served basis. 3/3 – *Computer Basics*; 3/10 – *Excel Basics*; 3/17 – *Open Lab*; 3/24 – *Tablets*; 3/31 – *Library Resources*

Ask-A-Librarian: One-on-One Computer Training: Mon., March 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Free, one-on-one computer assistance at the OCPL Carrboro Branch (inside McDougle Middle School at 900 Old Fayetteville Rd. in Chapel Hill) on the topics of your choosing. Come with specific questions or get some general tips. Possible topics include (but are not limited to) email, the internet, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint, resumes, and social media. Walk-ins are accepted, but pre-registration is preferred to allow the librarian to prepare for your chosen subject. Register in person at the Carrboro Branch Library or call 919.969.3006.

Darn Good Yarn: Wed., March 5, 6:00 p.m.

Who doesn't like a darn good yarn? Come to knit, crochet a while, and enjoy the company of fellow yarn enthusiasts of all ages.

Evening Book Club: Tues., March 11, 6:30 p.m.

Join the club! The Evening Book Club meets on the second Tuesday of the month and meetings are open to all. March's selection is [My Black Family, My White Privilege: A White Man's Journey Through the Nation's Racial Minefield](#) by Michael R. Wenger.

Make It Stick! An Evening with Wellness Coach Marit Weikel: Wed., March 12, 6:30 p.m.

Barely holding on to your New Year's Resolution? Don't let 2014 be the year that happened to you. Make it the year that you made happen! Join health and wellness coach, Marit Weikel, for a lively presentation that will give you information and tools to understand what makes change difficult and how to navigate the obstacles in your way.

Carrboro Branch Book Club: Tues., March 18, 6:30 p.m.

Free to join and open to the public, this book club meets monthly for a librarian-led discussion of the latest book selection. Copies of this month's selection—[The Devil in the White City](#) by Erik Larson—are available. Please call the OCPL Carrboro Branch Library at 919.969.3006 for more information.

Community Read 2014 and Author Talk: *My Black Family, My White Privilege: A White Man's Journey Through the Nation's Minefield* with Michael R. Wenger, Mon., March 31, 6:00 p.m.

Michael R. Wenger, a white, Jewish man from a working-class neighborhood in New York City, has a unique perspective on race relations. He was married to an African-American woman who grew up poor in a small, segregated town in North Carolina. As a result of their union, he has three children, four grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and a host of stories about race in this country. His book, *My Black Family, My White Privilege*, shares the issues Wenger and his family faced, particularly in the South, and illuminates the privileges he experienced that his wife and bi-racial children were deprived of in their lives.

For more information on events at OCPL, please visit www.orangecountync.gov/library or call Jessica Arnold for Adult events at 919.245.2537 and Erin Sapienza for Carrboro Branch and Cybrary activities at 919.969.3006.

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