

# THE OLD TOWN CLOCK



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## THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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*Friends of the Township of  
Uxbridge Public Libraries*

PRESS RELEASE  
April 14, 2010

Once again the Friends are presenting a cheque for **\$3,000** to the Uxbridge Public Library. The majority of the money comes from the book sales held throughout the year at the library and also includes Friends membership dues.

The library accepts the generous book donations year-round from Uxbridge residents and selects the books that are most needed by the library to replace used copies, add more copies of the more popular books or to add new titles to the shelves. Last year the donated books saved the library **\$41,960** (retail cost).

In the near future, the Friends will be donating \$2,000 to the library for the purchase of a selection of BBC productions on DVD.

The next book sale runs from May 1 – 4 during regular library hours in the lower level of the Uxbridge Public Library.

**All donations go directly to the  
Township of Uxbridge  
Public Libraries.**

### *Friends of the Library Good Used Book Sale*

*In the Lower Meeting Room*

*Saturday May 1st - 9:30am to 5 pm.  
Sunday May 2nd - 1 pm to 5 pm.  
Monday May 3rd — 9:30am to 5 pm.  
Tuesday May 4th 9:30am to 9 pm.*

#### *A great place to pick up some summer reading material.*

We will accept donations of books and DVDs on the lower level of the library for the sale. Please do not bring magazines, text books, outdated computer books, encyclopedias and self help books, as they do not sell.

If residents have books to be picked up at their home they should call the library (905) 852-9747 and a member of the Friends group will come and pick them up.

*The Library will be closed on  
Monday May 24, 2010, Victoria Day*

*The Library will be  
closed on Sundays  
for the summer beginning  
Sunday May 23, 2010 until  
Sunday October 17, 2010*

Programs sponsored  
by the Friends of the Library  
Coming in May

...see page 2 for details on these  
two interesting programs



**Green, Natural,  
Organic.**

Thursday, May 6, 2010  
7 pm—9 pm  
Lower Meeting Room



**Olive Oil  
Tasting and  
Information  
Session**

Library Lower Meeting Room  
Tuesday, May 11, 2010  
7:30 pm —9:00 pm

**Win a Free Mother's Day  
Gift Basket**  
for yourself or your  
special someone @  
the Library. **One free  
ticket for each visit.**



## Children's Department

All **PRE-SCHOOL** spring program classes are full.  
Watch for fall line-up information in the August Old Town Clock.

**FREE  
P.A DAY  
PROGRAM**  
FOR  
DURHAM PUBLIC  
SCHOOL CHILDREN  
@ THE LIBRARY

**Friday, June 4, 2010**  
**10 am—11:30 am**  
**Grades 2—5**  
**Lower Meeting Room**

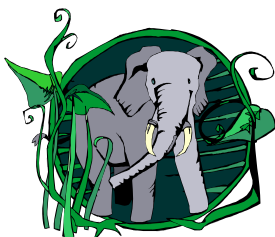
*Lets' Play! Bring a friend, bring a game.*

Sign up in the Children's Department.

Watch for the  
June  
Newsletter  
for

**Summer Program  
Details**

Lots of fun for kids entering grades JK—8. Each week classes will be offered every day, for the various ages, in our climate controlled program room.



## Summer Reading Club For Grades 2—7.

This annual activity will once again take place during July and August. The theme this year is "Destination Jungle" and all participants will receive posters, booklets and 'fun' stickers.

**\*\*More details regarding registration etc. for the summer 2010 programs will be included in the June edition of *The Old Town Clock***

## "Read with Me" Program

**Tuesdays May 11 to June 1**  
**10 to 11 AM**  
**Lower Meeting Room**



Join Joan Gajadharsingh, Early Literacy Specialist, for a 4 week 'Read with Me' program introducing babies (birth—12 months) and their families to the world of books, rhymes and songs. This program is designed to provide parents with an understanding of their child's learning potential and abilities, promote language development, learn links to community programs and most importantly—have fun with their baby! Participants will also have the opportunity to create a book for their baby. Sorry we can not include other siblings in this class.

Register **SOON** for this **FREE** program.  
Space is limited.

## Friends of the Library



### Green, Natural, Organic.

**Thursday, May 6, 2010**  
**7 pm—9 pm**  
**Lower Meeting Room**

More and more people are trying to "Go Green" with the products they use everyday and are seeking out natural and organic products for their home and personal care use. How do you know if the products you are buying are actually natural?

Join Ginny van Veghel for a fun and interactive presentation on natural products for you and your home and what ingredients you should avoid. Ginny will be providing samples of her handmade products and testers to try during the evening.

*This program is free but donations to the Friends of the Library will be gratefully accepted.*



### Olive Oil Tasting and Information Session

**Library Lower Meeting Room**  
**Tuesday, May 11, 2010**  
**7:30 pm —9:00 pm**

Angelo Termonti of Sarafino Foods will give a tasting demo and talk on the wonders of artisanal olive oil. Grown on the family estates in Calabria, Italy, these oils will tempt your taste buds and are good for you too.

Learn about the different kinds of olives that make up his oils, taste the difference between virgin and extra-virgin oil and find out how to successfully use these different oils in all sorts of salads and for cooking.

*This program is free but donations to the Friends of the Library will be gratefully accepted.*

## Adult Department

### How to Get Published"

Saturday, May 8, 2010  
10: 00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
Lower Meeting Room  
Fee: \$38.10 plus gst = \$40

If you've ever dreamed of becoming a published author, this seminar is for you. We'll cover everything from getting started to getting an agent, from getting your short pieces published to finding a book publisher, from writing a query letter to writing what the publishers want. Bring your questions. Come and get ready to be published!

Workshop leader Brian Henry has been a book editor for more than 25 years. He teaches creative writing at Ryerson University and George Brown College and has led workshops everywhere from Boston to Buffalo and from Sarnia to Sudbury. He also publishes Quick Brown Fox, a literary newsletter and log. But his proudest boast is that he's helped many of his students to get their first book published and to launch their careers as authors.

Special Option: Participants are invited to bring a draft of a query letter you might use to interest an agent or publisher in your book. You don't need to bring anything, but if you do, 3 copies would be helpful.

**Please register and pay by cheque or cash in advance in the Adult Department.**

### *Uxbridge Genealogy Club*

Lower Meeting Room  
7—9 pm Admission \$2.

**Thurs. May 20, 2010**

**Speaker: Ruth Street**  
**Topic: Cemetery Databases**



### Page Turners Reading Clubs

**Uxbridge:**  
Monday, May 10, 2010  
7:15 pm  
in the Lower Meeting Room  
**The Man who loved Books too**  
**Much**  
**By Allison Bartlett**

**Zephyr:**  
Tuesday, May 25, 2010  
2:15 pm  
**Guernsey Literary and Potato**  
**Peel Pie Society**  
**By Mary Ann Shaffer**

Refreshments provided.

For any book club inquiries including joining one, please contact Pamela Noble, Program Director.

### CONVERSATIONAL FRENCH

Wednesdays  
June 2, 9, 16 & 23  
10:00-11:00 a.m.  
Cost: \$25.00/four  
classes



**Pre-register in the Adult Dept.**  
**Cheque or Cash**

The Uxbridge Library is offering a second program this spring for anyone in the community interested in taking part in an informal, fun group for dialogue in French. Our leader will be Denise Richard, an Uxbridge resident who grew up in a Francophone home and currently offers private tutoring. This activity may be for you if you are wishing to gain a better comfort level in French conversation in a relaxed environment, or if you are looking for a place to converse with other adults en Français. The sessions will conclude with social time and refreshments. Classes are intended for those with some knowledge of French even if only a limited high school level from many years ago!



### "As We See It"

Have an afternoon out to relax and enjoy adult programs on various topics including: seasonal activities, special guest speakers, world-wide travelogues, and always delicious refreshments. Make new friends and learn something new!

**When:** 4th Wednesday  
1—2 pm approx.  
**Where:** Library Lower  
Meeting Room.  
**Cost:** Toonie for Treats

**The Galapagos Islands**  
May 26, 2010

Join Yvonne Harrison as she shares her adventure - swimming with seals and sharks and trekking amongst the indigenous animals. She visited 12 of the 19 volcanic islands 1000 km west of Ecuador following in the footsteps of Darwin almost 175 years later. Since 1959 the islands form Galapagos National Park, dedicated to preserving the many unique species that live there -- animals such as the huge 200 kg Galapagos Tortoise, land and marine iguanas, frigate birds, and the comical blue-footed booby. These enchanted islands are truly a magical place!

### *New Library Bags for sale @ the Library*

\$3.00 each for a bag with this new brand

*"It Takes a Library to raise a  
Community."*

Come by to pick up yours.  
Supply is limited.



## Meetings Coming Up @ the Library

**Writer's Circle**— 7 - 8:30 pm  
May 4 Tower Room and  
May 18 in the Lower Meeting  
Room  
Call Bev Irwin for more  
information 905-852-9598

**Library Board Meeting**  
Tower Room  
May 20 @ 6:30 pm

**Friends of the Library**  
Lower Meeting Room  
May 13 @ 7 pm

**Genealogy Club**  
Meeting room  
May 20 @, 7 pm



**Now  
is  
the  
time  
To**

## Adopt-a-Magazine @ the Library

For individuals or companies wishing to contribute to the library's collection, consider our "Adopt-a-Magazine" Program.

Adopt-a-magazine in our collection and have your contribution to the library marked with a word of appreciation on the shelf with the magazine.

Come soon to choose your magazine for the 2010 year. Some have already been adopted.

Tax Receipts for 2009 will be given for donations made before December 31, 2009

Information is available at the library or call 905-852-9747.

# Service improved!

We have a new book drop in our building, which means that patrons can now return their DVDs and CDs when we are not open.

The new spring bottom design means less materials will get broken.

So... You can return your movies at any hour of the day or night.



## Individual Computer Training Available

One on one courses are available for:

- Windows XP
- Around the World
- On-line Shopping
- Intro to the Internet
- Advanced Searching
  - HTML

**Contact  
Deanna at 905-852-9747,  
Ext. 25  
to sign up for an appointment.**

**\$5.00 per session**

# LIBRARY HOURS

## UXBRIDGE BRANCH 905-852-9747

Monday,  
Wednesday,  
Friday, Saturday  
9:30 a.m. - 5 pm

Tuesday, Thursday  
9:30 a.m. - 9 pm

Sundays between  
Mid October and  
Mid May  
1 pm - 5 pm

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## ZEPHYR BRANCH 905-473-2375

Tuesday, Thursday  
1:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Saturday  
10 a.m.-1 pm

