



# Friends of the Franklin Public Library

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## Days of Programming Recently Past:

Science Alive!



Labor Day  
Used  
Book Sale



Play Group fun

Check out our Future Programming!

## Meet the Franklin Library Staff

Clair Greidanus is the hard-working page at the library. For the past year and a half she has been helping the librarians re-shelve books, write thank you notes to donors, and doing other various jobs to keep the library running smoothly. The 15-year-old is a ninth grader in an art program at Ann Arbor's Rudolf Steiner High School. (Yes, that's a long bus ride from Franklin everyday!) When she's not at school or working at the library, Clair works at the Franklin Community Church also. She loves to read (mysteries), runs cross-country, plays piano, and is an accomplished knitter. She would like to attend college in New York or possibly Europe and go into fashion design in the future. In the meantime, you can find her keeping this little corner of the Village in order.



### Join the Board of The Friends of Franklin Library

Please join us in supporting the library. Meetings are the first Fridays of even months at 10:00 am, for about an hour. We are also looking for persons interested in filling the positions of president and treasurer.

## My Library Story

Share your story about your favorite library. Educational publisher, Gale (part of Cengage Learning) will donate \$1.00 to an advertising fund to be used to promote libraries during National Library Week 2015 (April 13-18) for each story posted on-line through February 28, 2015. This program is intended to remind people of how, even in this age of technology, libraries are essential to the communities they serve. Your library story can be brief or lengthy, and may contain photos if you choose. To publish your story, read other's, or for further information, go to [MyStory.gale.com](http://MyStory.gale.com).

# Director's Corner



The Franklin Public Library offers amazing adult programming every month. In addition to our four-times-yearly book discussion group, we offer lectures, parties with yummy food, self-help programs, summer reading and crafting activities. If you haven't attended a program recently, check our website for upcoming events. We've been attracting quite a crowd! Join us.

We will be switching over to a new on-line public access catalog in the next few weeks. For a sneak peak at Enterprise, our new catalog, go to [tln.ent.sirsi.net/client/fran](http://tln.ent.sirsi.net/client/fran). There are many new features you will want to investigate. It's always warm, toasty and welcoming at the library so come visit us any time.

*Teresa Natzke*, Library Director

## Youth Programming

### Holiday Story Times

**Saturday mornings, December 20, 27 and January 3**

There will be three special story times over the holiday break. Ms. Darcy will be here each Saturday morning for stories and crafts. After the stories there will be plenty of one-on-one time with Ms. Darcy to find the perfect book to bring home. All ages are welcome.



*Mini-Maker Faire*



### Play Group

**January 14 - February 18, Wednesday mornings, 10:30 - 11:45 am.**

The focus of this playgroup is for you to spend one-on-one time with your child(ren) and to have readily accessible advice from an early childhood specialist. The playgroup is designed to increase one-on-one, parent-to-child interaction and to promote literacy and learning activities, including; hands-on activities, stories, songs, music and dancing. There is also a teaching component for parents to better understand how children learn, their physical abilities, relationships/sense of self, communication and understanding of the world. Registration required.

*Play Group  
with  
Ms. Darcy*



*Randy Kaplan  
Sing Along*

### Snowman Silliness

**Saturday, January 24, 2:00 pm.**

Come to the library for some indoor winter fun. We will listen to snowman stories, do a fun snowman craft and have a tasty snowman snack. We end the afternoon with an indoor snowball fight!

### Board Game Mania

**Saturday, March 21, 2:00 - 4:00 pm.**

Join us to play a variety of board games. You can bring your own games if you like but we will have some on hand as well. Bring your own group of players or meet up with others to play. Snacks and beverages will be available while you play. This is an event the whole family can enjoy.

### Easter Egg Hunt and Party Saturday, April 4, 2:00 pm.

This will be our fifth annual Easter Egg Hunt and Party. We will start the party off with an egg hunt on the Village Green. We will read some Easter themed stories, do a craft and have a snack. Registration required for this program. Please call 248-851-2254 to register.

Reach us at [FriendsofFranklinLib@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofFranklinLib@gmail.com)

# Adult Programming

**The Gluten-Free World Beyond Wheat - Presented by Lisa Howard**  
**February 25, 7:00 pm.**

Learn how to use gluten-free grains, from making pilafs to baking muffins to DIY cereal and granola. We'll also get inspiration from various ethnic traditions. Samples of gluten free food and Lisa's cookbook available for purchase and signing.

**Susan Rieth: Walking Mapmaker Alfred Wainwright's Coast to Coast**  
**April 9, 7:00 pm.**

In a return visit, Susan will share experiences and photography from her 2014 rigorous trek starting in St. Bee's, England and ending in Robin Hood's Bay; incredible scenery, warm and friendly people, and a rocky, poorly marked way.

**Book Group**  
**January 29, March 26, 7:30 pm.**

Join Adele Robins, as we discuss Donna Tartt's newest book *The Goldfinch*. "Theo Decker, a 13-year-old New Yorker, miraculously survives an accident that kills his mother. Abandoned by his father, Theo is taken in by the family of a wealthy friend. Bewildered by his strange new home on Park Avenue, disturbed by schoolmates who don't know how to talk to him, and tormented above all by his longing for his mother, he clings to the one thing that reminds him of her: a small, mysteriously captivating painting that ultimately draws Theo into the underworld of art." All are Welcome.

On a personal note Adele would like to apologize for having to cancel the October meeting but she would like to offer a big thank you to all who sent cards and notes and inquired about her. She is feeling much better and looks forward to seeing everyone in January.

**The DIA comes to Franklin Public Library**  
**March 12, 7:00 pm.**

An introduction to the DIA's unique exhibition (which opens March 15, 2015) highlighting the year Mexican artists Diego Rivera and Frida Kahlo spent in Detroit.



*Librarian Cheryl Cross and friend  
at the Downton Abbey program*



*"Retiring to  
the Open Sea"  
sailing  
program*



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- Kroger: if you already have a Kroger card, make sure to choose the Friends of the Franklin Public Library as your designated organization by registering in Kroger Community Rewards <https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards>. If you don't have a card yet, ask for one at the Customer Service desk at any Kroger and follow the preceding procedure.
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