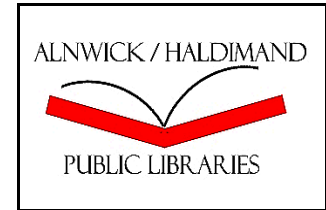


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## Construction Begins!

Construction has finally begun on the long awaited Centreton Hall addition that will house the new and improved **Centreton Branch** library.

Library services have been relocated to the Centreton Hall until construction is complete and the library can move into the new building.

The new library will feature a sunny children's area by the large front window, a teen zone, a small lounge area with comfortable chairs for leisure reading, and an improved computer area. External features include the belltower which will incorporate the original bell housed in the belltower of the church now serving as the community hall. The new construction includes an accessible family washroom, and both the Hall and the library will be fully accessible by a ramped walkway to the entrance foyer. Construction is scheduled to be completed during September, 2010.



## Hello from your library!

Here we are again - summer is fast approaching and many children are wondering what they are going to do this summer. Once again, the Alnwick/Haldimand public libraries are hosting the **TD Canada Trust Summer Reading Club** and we are looking for participants!

This year's theme is **Destination, JUNGLE!** Come out and explore the wonders of the rainforest and the creatures who call the jungle home. This year we'll be welcoming back the always popular Indian River Reptile Zoo, as well as some new faces!

All regular programs will run from 2pm-3pm on Tuesdays at the Grafton Library, on Wednesdays at the Roseneath Library, and on Thursdays at the Centreton

Library, along with Story Hour Saturdays. Programs are aimed at children aged 4-12, but younger siblings are always welcome. Visit your local branch for more information on special events and activities, and to register and receive your free poster and activity book!

Hope to see you soon!  
Sara Sirtonski, Summer Activities Coordinator

## Fundraising Helps Build the Library New Addition!

Since their first Christmas Arts & Crafts Show in 2008, the Friends of the Centreton Library group has raised a total of \$4968.51 through other shows, fairs, and flea markets.

One event, The Northumberland County Author Meet & Greet held on May 15th at the Grafton Village Inn, saw 20 regional authors come together in support of the Centreton Branch Library new addition. Reading from and donating their signed works for book draws, the authors helped to raise \$794.



**Left:** Christine and husband author Wade Rowland (*Spirit of the Web*) before the event with former Cobourg Mayor, author Angus Read

**Right:** Rick Norlock, MP for Northumberland Quinte West, a great supporter of community projects, spoke with guests and authors.





**Left:** Artist Maureen and author Brian Mullally, with Donna Reeves of Friends of the Centreton Library, speaking to author Calay Fiddick (*The Fortieth Horse*)

**Right:** Brenda Clark, illustrator of the Franklin the Turtle books, enchanted the audience, and was assisted by Centreton Branch Head Librarian, Tricia Tinkl



Fundraising will continue, and a brochure will soon be circulated to give everyone the opportunity to financially support this important project; those giving \$50 or more will have plaques placed in their honour on a special donation wall in the *new* Centreton Branch Library.

With ongoing construction, please note that the July and August flea markets are cancelled due to access restrictions for safety reasons. The Centreton Flea market will be held again on October 23, 2010. Watch for other exciting events in the future, such as the Really Big Northumberland Variety Talent Show!

### **Good Bye and Thank You to Nikki Briggs!**

The patrons at the Roseneath Branch will miss Assistant, Nikki Briggs, who is moving to Port Hope and leaving the Alnwick/Haldimand Library staff. Nikki assumed the role of Acting Assistant during Elaine Skinner's parental leave, and during her high school career she ran Story Hour every Saturday for the library.

Nikki has always helped out at the library, making signs, helping patrons with the computers and suggesting titles for the Teen Section before being hired as Acting Assistant.

We will miss having her around, but wish her success in all her future endeavours.

### **Incredible Database Access Right Here, Right Now!**

Doing research on your ancestors? Need career information? Repairing your car? Check out these amazing electronic databases now available at your local library branch:

\* The **Auto Repair Reference Center** contains information on most major manufacturers of domestic and imported vehicles, with repair information for most vintage makes starting as far back as 1945.

\* **Career Cruising** is a fully bilingual database designed to help students and others plan their futures. Users are able to access hundreds of detailed occupation profiles - everything from Actuary to Zookeeper. Profiles include: job descriptions, working conditions, education and training, earnings, and links to related occupations and other resources.

\* **Ancestry Library Editions** is a genealogy database with data from census, military records, court, land, probate, vital and church records, passenger lists, etc. It covers Canada, the US, UK and some European countries.

### **Canada Day Celebrations!**

Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, Alnwick/Haldimand is hosting its annual Canada Day celebrations at the Grafton Arena grounds. Festivities begin with a community parade which starts at 1:30 pm and concludes in the arena grounds. Again this year, Alnwick/Haldimand Public Libraries will have a booth in the arena with a book sale and information about the summer programming for children in our community.

Concession stands outside will provide popcorn, candy floss, snow cones and hotdogs **free** to all comers. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **Welcome to Kate Sheehan!**

Kate Sheehan joins the Alnwick/Haldimand Public Library staff as a Branch Assistant at the Bette LeBarr (Grafton) Branch. Kate has been an active volunteer for many years, working with all ages from pre-school children to seniors. When you are in the Bette LeBarr (Grafton) Branch, please introduce yourself to Kate; she looks forward to working with Carla Foote, Assistant, and Sandra Wood, Branch Supervisor, and the many enthusiastic library patrons of Grafton.

### **Library Summer Hours**

The Alnwick/Haldimand public libraries will be closed on Canada Day, Thursday, July 1st and for the Labour Day weekend, Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup>  
**Centreton Branch hours for Wednesdays:** changed from 4pm - 8 pm to 2pm - 6pm