

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE CITY OF TROY IN APRIL

Information on events and activities for you and your family. Also this information is for inclusion in church bulletins, homeowner's association newsletters and school/PTO newsletters. For a complete listing and schedule of events, see the *Troy Today* newsletter and www.troymi.gov.

April: Recycling Bin Blitz, Purchase recycling bins for only \$6 throughout the month of April (limit 2 per family) at Troy City Hall, Community Affairs Department.

April 1-8: April Special Rates and Hours, Troy Community Center. School is out and Troy students can purchase a special pass during this time for only \$10. Must show I.D. at the time of purchase. All day passes are only \$4 during these dates so that everyone can join in the fun! Call 248.524.3484 for more information.

April 2-7: Spring Break Special Open Swim Hours, Troy Community Center. Tues, Thurs: 11am-7pm; Mon, Wed: 11am-8:55pm; Fri: 11am-5pm; Sat: 11:30am-6:30pm.

April 2-6: Spring Break Aqua Camp, Troy Community Center, 9-4 pm. This fun camp for ages 6-13 will include games, gym and swim time and fun. Before and after care for an additional fee. Call 248.524.3484 for more information.

April 2-7: Spring Break Troy Style, The Troy Community Coalition, Troy Recreation Department, Troy School District, Troy Youth Assistance, Troy Families for Safe Homes, Laser Quest, Troy Lanes & Bowl One, and Zion Christian Church have organized activities and discounts for students in grades 6-12 over Spring Break. Events include open swim at the Community Center, Golf Camp, Laser Quest, Bowling, Food Discounts, All Night Lock-In (Gaming Party), Tournaments and more. To view the complete schedule visit www.troymi.gov/SpringBreak.

April 3: Spring Break Hike, Nature Center, 10-11:30 am. This hike is a great family activity. We will search for early wildflowers, new tree growth, birds, squirrels, and other critters large and small. Bring along your binoculars or share some of ours. **Fee: \$7; \$6 for TNS members.**

April 4: Booked For Lunch, Adult Book Discussion Group, Library, 12:15pm. Free. Reading: *The 19th Wife* by David Ebershoff. (Meets the first Wednesday of every month at 12:15pm).

April 4: Life Readers, Adult Book Discussion Group, Library, 7pm. Reading: *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett. (Meets the first Wednesday of every month at 7pm). **FREE**

April 4: Cheddar's Preschool Story Time, Historic Village, 10:30- 11:15 am. Join Cheddar the Museum Mouse in listening to a classic tale in our monthly program for little historians with a simple craft and yummy treat. Ages 2-5. **Register. \$2/child; \$3/adult.**

April 10: Mystery Reader's, Adult Book Discussion Group, Library, 10:15am. Reading: *Ice Run* by Steve Hamilton. (Meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:15am). **FREE**

April 10: Dan Ewald's Book Group, Adult Book Discussion Group, Library, 7pm. Reading: *The Gold Coast* by Marguerite Winer. (Meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7pm). **FREE**

April 13, Fridays: AARP Free Tax-Aide, Community Center, 9 am- 3 pm. AARP Tax-Aide volunteers, trained in cooperation with the IRS, help low to moderate income seniors prepare income tax forms. Appointments are required. Call 248.524.3484 for more information. **FREE**

April 13: Open Swim, Community Center, 12 - 3:45 pm.

April 14: Scout It Out! Nature Center, 9-11 am. Webelos come complete your nature-related badge! All requirements are met; but the badge will not be furnished. Register as an individual scout, den, pack or troop. **Fee: \$12.**

April 14 & 28: Family Night Out, Community Center, 5-7:45 pm. An inexpensive, fun night out for families! Activities include basketball at 8' goals, parachutes, an inflatable castle and more. **Fee: \$10 for resident groups (up to 4 people); \$14 for non-resident groups (up to 4 people).**

April 17: All About eBooks, Library, 6:30pm. Do you have a Kindle, Sony eReader, Barnes and Noble nook, or another eReader, iPad or smartphone? If you are interested in the eBook revolution, this session will answer all of your questions, and show you what resources are available to you from the Troy Public Library. Register. **FREE**

April 18: Evening Lecture Series, Troy Historic Village, 7:30 pm. Troy Historical Society with support from the Michigan Humanities Council is providing A Heritage So Richly Woven, a monthly lecture series exploring ethnic groups

from around the world and how they found a place in Michigan. This month join speaker Mary Kamidoi from the Japanese American Citizens League. Her family was sent to an internment camp during WWII. Reservations are not required, refreshments served and lectures free to all THS members. **\$5 for non-members.**

April 19: Live Hawks & Owls, Nature Center, 7-8:30pm. Family program (children must be accompanied by adult) with Joe Rogers presenting the natural history of hawks & owls. Joe and his team have been rehabilitating injured hawks and owls in Michigan for many years. The incredible birds will mesmerize you, live and up close. **Fee: \$7, \$6 TNS members.**

April 21: Recording Your Family's Story, Historic Village, 10 am-3 pm. Learn the best methods of collecting and recording stories of the past from Dr. Willie McKether of the University of Toledo. He will teach techniques, discuss equipment, and explain legal issues important when conducting interviews. Register by April 16. Register. **Fee: \$30 THS members; \$33 for non-members.**

April 19: Troy High Annual Senior Citizen Prom, Auxiliary Gym at Troy High (4777 Northfield Parkway), 6-9 pm. Event features the Tommy James Band, and light refreshments will be served. Formal attire is optional. Reservations are not required. **FREE.** Call 248.526.2608 for more information.

April 25, 26: Spring Red Cross Blood Drive, Troy Community Center, 9 am – 3 pm. Donating blood saves lives. Call 248.524.1147 for an appointment or www.redcrossblood.org

April 25: Woodcock Walk, Nature Center, 7:30-9 pm. A sure sign of spring is the wonderful and slightly wacky courtship display of the American Woodcock. Join us for a sunset stroll to their display area at the SNC to marvel at the dance and bizarre flights of these amazing birds. **Fee: \$7; \$6 for TNS members.**

April 26: Thursday Teas at Two, Historic Village, 2-3 pm. Tea with Toys. Hear the fascinating stories behind famous toys and games like Raggedy Ann and Andy, Lincoln Logs, and Monopoly, as presented by Amy Clarke and Ron Loeffler. Register. **Fee: \$7.**

April 26: Troy People Concerned Spring Pasta Dinner, 4-8 pm, San Marino Club, 1685 E. Big Beaver Road, Troy. Tickets: \$10 Adults / \$5 per child under 10. Event also includes: 50/50 Raffle, Silent Auction, Magician & Fun for the Children, Cash Bar. Bring non-perishable food items to donate to TPC's food pantry and receive one free raffle ticket (1 per family). For Info call 248.528.9199. Mail ticket request & check payable to: Troy People Concerned, 2045 Austin Dr, Troy MI 48083. Tickets online at www.tpchelps.org. **Troy People Concerned** is a service organization supporting Troy residents in times of need with assistance, information and referrals.

April 30: Document Shredding, Community Center North Parking Lot, 9-10am, \$2/person. Event sponsored by the Friends of the Troy Seniors and limited to individuals with 3-4 boxes per household.. Not for commercial purposes.

CITY NEWS & INFORMATION:

April 6: City Hall, Recreation Administration Closed & Reduced Hours at the Community Center

April 6-8: Library Closed

April 8: Community Center Closed

April 2, 16: City Council Meetings, Troy City Hall, 7:30 pm.

April 30: City Council Budget Sessions, Troy City Hall, 7:30 pm

Summer will soon be here! The Troy Family Aquatic Center season passes are on sale now at the Community Center. <http://www.troymi.gov/ParksRec/TFAC/>

See www.troymi.gov for more details!

Contact Numbers: City of Troy Community Affairs Dept: 248.524.1147; Troy Public Library: 248.524.3538; Stage Nature Center: 248.524.3567; Troy Community Center: 248.524.3484; Troy Historic Village: 248.524.3570.



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