

## At The Wright Library

### Folktales for homeschoolers Nov. 3 - Dec. 15

Starting on Nov. 3 and ending on Dec. 15, Wright Library will be offering a series of programs of "Folktales around the World" for homeschoolers grades 1-6 on consecutive Mondays at 1 p.m. Activities including folktales being read to the group, a craft, and a snack based on 7 different countries and regions including Australia, Russia, the West Indies, Iran, Vietnam, Japan, and Brazil. Books related to that day's topic will be available for check-out. All programs will meet in the Library Meeting Room.

For more information, please contact the Youth Services Department at 294-7171. Wright Memorial Public Library is located at 1776 Far Hills Avenue in Oakwood. Their web site is [www.WrightLibrary.org](http://www.WrightLibrary.org).

### Indian portrait artist exhibit

Artist Hal Sherman will display his portraits of Ohio Indian Chiefs and talk about his work at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 9 at Wright Library. Sherman is a Shelby County native with a lifelong interest in Native American history and artifacts. He is a self-taught artist whose work has been featured on book jackets, in a PBS Simon Kenton film, and in a Canadian film about the Pontiac Indians. Examples of his paintings may be viewed in the Gallery on the Shawnee Bluejacket Web site at <http://www.shawnee-bluejacket.com>.

The program will be held in the

library meeting room. No advance registration is necessary. All ages are welcome. Anyone with questions can contact the library at (937) 294-7171.

### Baby-signing program Nov. 10

Wright Memorial Public Library is honored to host Tricia Webber of "Love to Sign" on Monday, Nov. 10 at 10:15 a.m. for a 20 minute program of songs and stories in American Sign Language. The program will teach useful, developmentally-appropriate signs to children age 3 and under, along with their caregivers.

Ms. Webber is a parent, an Ohio certified teacher, and a certified Level 1 Sign2Me presenter. Her website may be found at [www.love-to-sign.com](http://www.love-to-sign.com).

Mrs. G. will host a "playtime" immediately following Ms. Webber's presentation. Caregivers must attend with the children. No registration is necessary.

### Science event for preschoolers

Preschoolers ages 3-5 and their parents or caregivers are invited to explore the wonders of shadows at Wright Library on Saturday, Nov. 15 from 3-4 p.m. Cast shadows on the wall, make a shoebox shadow theater, and create shadow puppets! The event is inspired by Peep and the Big Wide World, a preschool science television series. The event is free and open to the public, but registration is required. Registration begins on Monday, Nov. 3. For more information or to register, please contact the Youth Services Department at 294-7171

### MOMS Holiday Showcase Nov. 8

The MOMs group of Oakwood will hold its annual Holiday Showcase on Saturday, Nov. 8, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Oakwood High School West Gym. Admission is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served, and door prizes will be given away throughout

the afternoon. This event features more than 40 vendors offering toys, books, housewares, handmade crafts, décor, handbags, make-up, baby gifts, artistry, candles, body & bath items, jewelry and everything in between! Some items are hand crafted and some items are available

through home distributors. It is also a great time to stock up on your Oakwood merchandise from clothes to books. Santa Claus will be on hand as well!

For a list of vendors and a brief description of their businesses, please visit [www.moms of oakwood.org](http://www.moms of oakwood.org)

### Entries sought for MLK community contest

Entries are now being accepted for the sixth annual MLK Breakfast Celebration Community Group Contest. Youth in Kettering and Oakwood are encouraged to submit original entries in a variety of categories including: Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Written Expression and Community Service. Deadline for

entries is Dec. 17.

The contest makes the Kettering Oakwood MLK Breakfast unique because it engages the youth of both communities. Winners are asked to attend the breakfast, and some are asked to share their entries with the audience. Cash awards are given to grade group winners at the breakfast

scheduled for Monday, Jan. 19.

Students may submit entries at their school, at the Kettering Government Center and at the OCC. Specific contest guidelines can be found at [www.komlk.org](http://www.komlk.org). For more information about the contest, contact Shawn Fry at [shawnfry@sb-global.net](mailto:shawnfry@sb-global.net).

### Holiday Food Drive taking donations

The City of Oakwood Holiday Food Drive begins on Nov. 3 and continues through Sunday, Dec. 14.

Donations will benefit the Red Cross Emergency Food Bank. Collection boxes will be available at the OCC,

105 Patterson Road and the City Building, 30 Park Avenue. Share your blessings with others.

### Floral Fantasy benefit slated Nov. 6

Members of Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club are making the final plans for its fifth annual Floral Fantasy. Three floral designers will be sharing their suggestions and techniques on Wednesday evening, Nov. 6, at Parkview Church of the Nazarene, 4701 Far Hills Ave. in Kettering. The program will begin at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 6:15 p.m. The designers will come from The Flower Shoppe at 1120 Brown St., Furst Florist at 1306 Troy Street and Hills and Dales Florist, 3050 Kettering Blvd. Each florist will produce six beautiful and unique floral pieces and of the eighteen arrangements will serve as door prizes. A limited number of tickets for the event are available at \$15.

A selection of raffle items include restaurant gift certificates, personal-



Left to right: Heidi Azaloff, Carol Dickerson, Marty Ebeling and Lois Ross prepare a gift basket for the Floral Fantasy silent auction.

ized stationery items, theater tickets, an ice cream certificate, a Vera Bradley purse and much more. A Silent Auction will feature baskets for Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years, a Grandmother's Closet basket full of wonderful toys and treats for the kiddies, a Food in a Flash basket and more.

Funds raised through Floral Fantasy will be used to aid deserving University of Dayton women in financial need. Funds amounting to \$4840 from Floral Fantasy have been given to 20 girls over the past four years.

Tickets may be reserved by calling Carolyn Young at 433-8447.

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## 40 Developmental Assets®

A special program entitled the "40 Developmental Assets Program" has been introduced into the Oakwood Schools. A "Developmental Asset" is a positive experience, relationship, opportunity or personal quality that young people need in order to grow up healthy, caring and responsible. The more "Assets" a child experiences, the more successful he will be as a member of his family, school and community.

*The Oakwood Register* is pleased to be part of the program by encouraging citizens to do what they can to be an Asset Builder. Each week Harman and Smith Schools post an Asset of the Week in their schools. *The Oakwood Register* will publish this Asset so that community members may, by words, actions or encouragement, reinforce this Asset in their contacts with children.

For the week of:  
November 3, 2008

Seek out ways to help in our community. Oakwood needs kids like you to make things happen

## Oakwood GOP meets at Woman's Club

University of Dayton Professor Dr. John Putka will discuss election results with members of the Republican Council of Oakwood at their Nov. 13 luncheon meeting at the Dayton Woman's Club.

According to President Jan Crosby of Kettering, membership in the group is open to any Republican women of voting age residing in Montgomery County by payment of yearly dues.

The object of the organization is to bring women together for the purpose of advancing and perpetuating the Republican Party's principles and to provide opportunities for political activity and education.

For more information call 395-1216.