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South Hadley Public Library News—January 2010

New Online Resource for Language Learners

We're pleased to announce the introduction of **Byki® Online Library Edition**, a powerful new online language learning system designed specifically for use by patrons of public libraries. Over 100 languages are available, including English as a Second Language. Byki (Before You Know It) is a rapid learning system employing spaced interval repetition. In addition to Byki Online's advanced learning tools, users will have access to an array of online language and cultural resources including one click access to *Facebook* and *Twitter* language communities as well as Byki language Blogs featuring a collection of articles covering the language and the culture that surrounds it. Byki Online is designed to be very low maintenance and easy to use. To create your own account, visit the library website <www.shadleylib.org> and click on the image to *Learn A New Language Today*.



Special Election— January 19th

Precinct B voting will take place at the library on **Tuesday, January 19** from 7:00am—8:00pm for the Special Election to elect a new U.S. Senator and two local Selectboard members. **Parking will be very limited that day**—please call ahead to renew items if you do not wish to fight traffic.

Census Testing for Jobs @Library

The U.S. Census Bureau will be holding placement tests at the library for potential workers. Testing will be on Fridays, January 8, 15, 22, & 29. For a testing seat, call 1-866-861-2010 for more information. You may request a test here at the library or learn about other testing sites and dates.



For those of you who are anxious to get started on your income tax returns, the federal forms have started to arrive at the Library. We only get the most common forms. As in previous years, there is an advantage to getting forms from the Internal Revenue Service's website

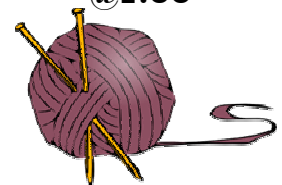
<www.irs.gov>. Not only are all the forms at their site available day or night, they can also be filled in, saved, and printed on your home computer. We continue to caution patrons to be careful with their personal information if they use the Library's public computers. Ask for staff assistance if you are worried that you may have accidentally saved your information to the public computer. There is no risk to print blank forms that may be filled in manually at home; printouts are \$.10 per page.

Wii Gaming Night Wednesday January 20 @6:30



Knitting Class Tuesday evenings @6:30

Knitting Circle Thursday afternoons @1:00





Youth Services News

Winter is definitely upon us now that January is here. To celebrate the season, we'll be making paper plate snowmen at our monthly children's **craft program** on Tuesday, January 12th at 3:30PM. Children ages 3 and older can pre-register for this workshop by stopping in or calling the library at 538-5045.

Chess Club is back by popular demand! This six week instructional class is led by Andy Morris-Friedman. The club will meet on Wednesdays January 13, 20 and 27 and February 3, 10, and 24 from 3:30PM to 5:00PM. Andy invites beginners and experts alike. Everyone can join. The club starts from square one. Learn the rules and how to set up the pieces. Study famous games and come up with winning strategies to improve your play. Maximum attendance for each session is 14 people so come early. Sign up is at the door beginning one half hour prior to each class. Children under 10 years old must be accompanied by an adult.



Story Time

AT THE LIBRARY

Every Thursday @10:30

Our weekly **Story Time** continues each Thursday at 10:30AM for pre-school age children. We welcome individual families as well as day care providers to bring children to Story Time. No pre-registration is necessary. We're always happy when we have newcomers join us.

For more information about these programs or other activities in the Youth Services Department check out our calendar on the ramp up to the Youth Room.

Scene Smoking: Cigarettes, Cinema and the Myth of Cool Film Screening—Monday, January 25 @6:30

From fashion styles to music trends, young people often emulate celebrity behavior that they see on-screen, including the use of tobacco. In **Scene Smoking**, a one-hour documentary, professionals from the entertainment and health fields discuss real-life choices they've made and what they think about the depiction of tobacco on-screen. This film brings together some of Hollywood's most powerful voices in a frank discussion of artists' rights, social responsibility, and the First Amendment.



Using Headphones In the Library

Patrons who borrow headphones to use at the public computers must now check out the headphones at the Circulation Desk using a valid library card. This will allow you to keep your library card in case you want to switch computers. Please ask at the desk if you have any questions.

The Dollar Scholar is Back! Solution Hour Personal Finance Series Resumes Wednesday, January 27 @7:00

New Years Resolutions Do Not Work:
What does Work, Why, and How to Succeed and Benefit



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