

PRESS RELEASE

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March is here, and that means it's time to get your copy of this year's *Dayton Daily News* The Big Read selection, [Dreamers of the Day](#) by Mary Doria Russell. Tipp City Public Library's Booklovers Book Discussion group will focus on this 2008 release at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 22.

It is a critically acclaimed, historical, novel set in 1920 Egypt, and the Cairo Peace Conference serves as the backdrop. The narrator is Agnes Shanklin, a 40 year-old schoolteacher who has lost her family to the 1919 influenza epidemic. Her decision to realize her dream of visiting the Holy Land takes her and her dog, Rosie from their small-town Ohio home to Egypt where she finds herself rubbing elbows with world leaders, intellectuals, and a spy.

Russell is a Cleveland resident. She has announced plans to attend several of the discussions in the Miami Valley. Visit <http://www.daytondailynews.com> for a listing of these events.

Also, throughout March, Tipp City Public Library will host a display highlighting the history and culture of Egypt. Display materials are on loan from local resident, Sonia Gibson.

Tipp City Public Library book discussions are open to everybody. Copies of this book, in a variety of formats, are available at the front desk. Get one soon, and enjoy The Big Read.

BUSY BOOKWORMS

Story time is back for the Busy Bookworms (ages three to five), and some openings remain for both the 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. programs. These thematically based programs include stories, crafts, and songs. They are offered every Tuesday in March, and registration is required.

Pamphlets are available at the front desk, and online at <http://www.tippcitylibrary.org>.

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STUDENTS GET CRAFTY

Second and third graders will “Get Crafty” on Thursday, March 18 at 4:30 p.m. Students will enjoy great craft activities using fun materials from the library. Registration opens two weeks prior to the event, and it is required.

ONGOING IN MARCH

- The library hosts the AARP Tax-Aide Program on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Mondays from 4 to 8 p.m. through April 15. Monday assistance is by appointment only. Call 845-3014 to schedule an appointment.
- Learn the basics of computer usage, the Internet, MS Word, and e-mail at the library. Classes are offered on Wednesdays at 6 p.m., and Saturdays at 11:30 a.m. Topics are rotated weekly, and registration is required.
- Story times for Little Ducklings (one year-olds) and Tales for Tadpoles (two year-olds) continue on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Ducklings’ story times are offered on the second and fourth Wednesdays, and Tadpoles are on the first and third Wednesdays.

TRUSTEES TECHNOLOGY MEETING

The Library Trustees Technology Committee will meet at 4 p.m. on Monday, March 15.

ABOUT THE LIBRARY

The Tipp City Public Library is located at 11 E. main St., and the telephone number is 667-3826. Find the library online at <http://www.tippcitylibrary.org>

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