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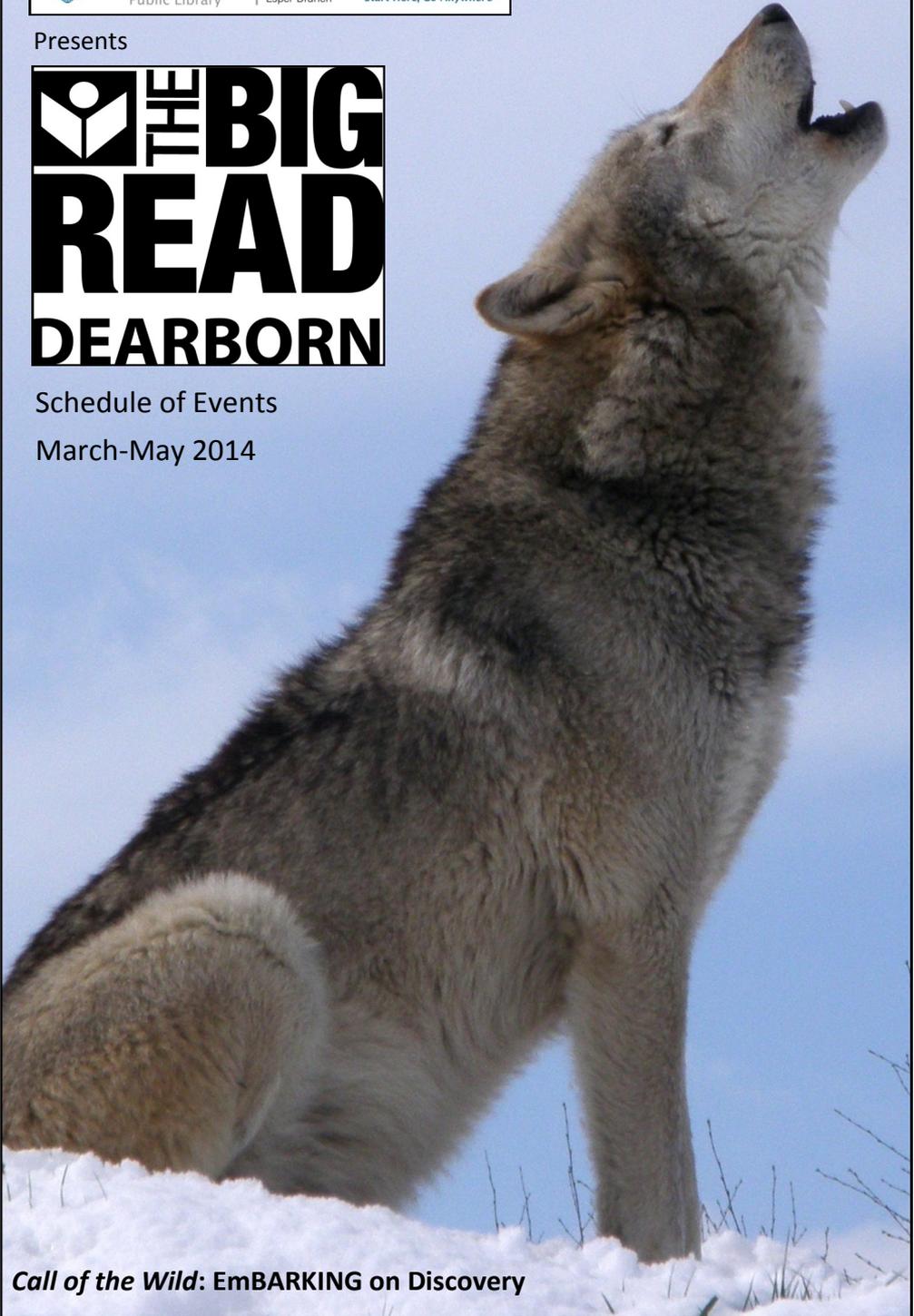
Do You Hear The Call?

Presents

 **THE BIG
READ
DEARBORN**

Schedule of Events

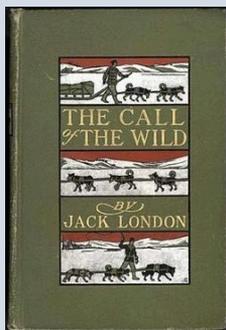
March-May 2014



Call of the Wild: EmBARKING on Discovery

What is The Big Read?

The Big Read is a program of the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), designed to revitalize the role of literature in American culture and to encourage citizens to read for pleasure and enlightenment. The Dearborn Public Library is one of 77 organizations that received a grant in May 2013 to host a Big Read program in their community. The Big Read Dearborn, themed **Call of the Wild: EmBARKING on Discovery**, will focus on Jack London's American classic *The Call of the Wild* and will take place from March through May 2014. This 3-month long program will provide opportunities for the community to discover *The Call of the Wild* and its themes through various activities and events.

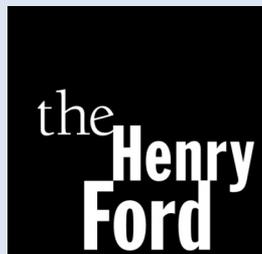


Although we do our best to provide accurate information in this publication, circumstances may occasionally cause event dates and times to change. Before attending, please visit bigreadearborn.org or call the library at (313) 943-2330 for the most up-to-date information.

Sat, Mar 8, 2014 11:00am – 2:00pm

BIG READ KICKOFF EVENT

Location: The Henry Ford, 20900 Oakwood Blvd, Dearborn
The adventure begins at The Henry Ford in the Anderson Theater and Prechter Promenade, featuring free books, music, family activities, a dramatic reading by the Dearborn Players Guild, and a film viewing of Charlie Chaplin's "Gold Rush." **Free admission.**



Sun, Mar 9, 2014

Do You Hear the Call? Open Photo Competition / Juror: Monte Nagler

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan Ave., Dearborn
Open to ages 14 and up. Submit up to two photos. There is a submission fee of \$15 per photo or two photos for \$25. Submissions will be accepted at Henry Ford Centennial Library on April 28, 2-6 p.m. The themes are environment, nature, and wildlife. Best in Show receives \$500, first place receives \$250, and second place receives \$100. Jury selected photos will be on exhibit in the Rotunda Gallery at Henry Ford Centennial Library May 1-19. The opening reception is on Thursday, May 1, from 6-8 p.m. Visit bigreadearborn.org for details. **Call Youth Services at (313) 943-2345 for details on the ongoing Youth Photo Exhibition.**

Tue, Mar 11, 2014 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Hear the Call Storytime

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library—Youth Services Department

Children with a caregiver are invited for stories, songs, and fun. The focus will be on dogs, wolves, and the wild. Space is limited. Registration must be made by phone at (313) 943-2345 or in person at any Dearborn Public Library.



Thu, Mar 13, 2014 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Survival Skills

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library

Answer the call and learn a variety of ways to survive out in the wild. Open to students in grades 6-12.



Sat, Mar 15, 2014 12:00pm – 3:00pm

Adoption Event

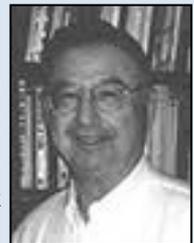
Location: Friends For the Dearborn Animal Shelter Pet Training Center, 2621 S. Telegraph (at Oxford, next to Pet Supplies Plus), Dearborn

The Dearborn Animal Shelter has wonderful cats, kittens, dogs, and puppies available for adoption. They want them all to have loving homes, so they bring them to a location near you several times a month.

Tue, Mar 18, 2014 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Keynote Lecture: Darwinian Issues in The Call of the Wild

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium
London devoted his whole career to grappling with the implications of Darwinian thought. Join us for this lecture presented by Dr. Lawrence I. Berkove, an internationally recognized authority on Jack London.



Wed, Mar 19, 2014 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Classics Revisited

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library—Ford Collection Room

Classics Revisited will meet to discuss "The Call of the Wild." Pick up a free copy of the book at any Dearborn Public Library.



Thu, Mar 20, 2014 11:00am – 7:00pm

Third Thursday Craft

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library—Youth Services Department

All ages. Drop-in craft. Younger children may need adult assistance. Crafts available while supplies last.

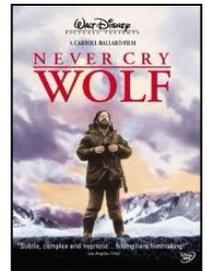


Mon, Mar 24, 2014 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Blockbuster Film Series: Never Cry Wolf

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium

A government researcher, sent to research the "menace" of wolves in the north, learns about the true beneficial and positive nature of the species. 105 minutes. Rated PG.



Thu, Mar 27, 2014 6:00pm – 7:00pm

"Was Jack London a 'Nature Faker'?": John Burroughs, Teddy Roosevelt, and the Nature Faker Controversy"

Location: The Henry Ford, Benson Ford Research Center Conference Room, 20900 Oakwood Blvd, Dearborn
Americans' increasing interest in nature by the early 20th century led to the publishing of several new animal stories, including Jack London's *The Call of the Wild*. Enter renowned naturalist John Burroughs, who attacked these stories as unscientific and their authors as ill-informed "nature fakers." Eventually, even President Theodore Roosevelt became embroiled in the controversy. What were the points of view presented by each of these people? Which side of the controversy would you take? Discussion following this talk by Donna R. Braden, Curator of Public Life at The Henry Ford.



Tue, Apr 1, 2014 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Book Discussion: Jack London's The Iron Heel

Location: Caroline Kennedy Library, 24590 George Ave., Dearborn Heights, MI
The Science Fiction Book Club at Caroline Kennedy Library will discuss "The Iron Heel" by Jack London.



Wed, Apr 2, 2014 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Natural Care for Cats and Dogs

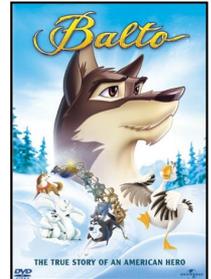
Location: Caroline Kennedy Library, 24590 George Ave., Dearborn Heights, MI
Veterinarian Nicole Leveque will show how your cat, dog, or other animal companion could lead a healthier life through non-traditional treatments such as acupuncture, chiropractic care, herbal, and other remedies. Call (313) 791-3800 to register.



Mon, Apr 7, 2014 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Blockbuster Film Series: Balto

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium
An outcast half-wolf risks his life to prevent a deadly epidemic from ravaging Nome, Alaska. 78 minutes. Rated G.



Tue, Apr 8, 2014 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Hear the Call Storytime

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Wed, Apr 9, 2014 12:00pm – 1:00pm

R.E.A.D. (Read, Eat, And Discuss)

Location: University of Michigan, Mardigian Library, 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn
R.E.A.D. will meet to discuss *The Call of the Wild*. Pick up a free copy of the book at any Dearborn Public Library.

Sat, Apr 12, 2014 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Coyotes of the Rouge

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium
Bill Dodge, Ph.D. candidate at Wayne State University, will give a presentation on the coyotes of the Rouge.



Tue, Apr 15, 2014 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Animal Capers Goes to the Dogs

Location: John F. Kennedy, Jr. Library, 24602 Van Born Rd., Dearborn Heights
Youth librarian Mr. Jim is in the dog house when the canines take over the puppet show!



Thu, Apr 17, 2014 11:00am – 7:00pm

Third Thursday Craft

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library—Youth Services Department
All ages. Drop-in craft. Younger children may need adult assistance. Crafts available while supplies last.



Thu, Apr 17, 2014 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Pizza & Pages

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library
Discuss Jack London's *The Call of the Wild* and make new friends. Pizza provided.
Grades 6-12. Pick up a free copy of the book at any Dearborn Public Library.



Sat, Apr 19, 2014 12:00pm – 3:00pm

Adoption Event

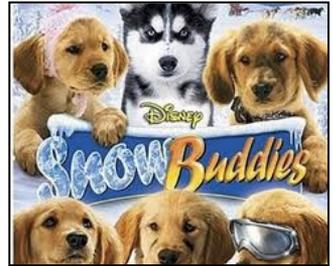
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Sat, Apr 19, 2014 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Let's Go to the Movies: Snow Buddies

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium
All ages. Come watch *Snow Buddies* (2007) as part of our "Let's Go to the Movies" film series. Those adorable, Golden Retriever puppies head to Alaska for a sled dog race and make new friends. Craft at 1:30 pm, film at 2 pm 87 minutes. Rated G.



Mon, Apr 21, 2014 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Blockbuster Film Series: White Fang

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium
Jack London's classic adventure story about the friendship developed between a Yukon gold hunter and the mixed dog-wolf he rescues from the hands of a man who mistreats him. 107 minutes. Rated PG.



Tue, Apr 22, 2014 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Animal Capers Goes to the Dogs

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Youth Librarian Mr. Jim is in the dog house when the canines take over the puppet show!

Thu, Apr 24, 2014 1:00pm – 2:00pm

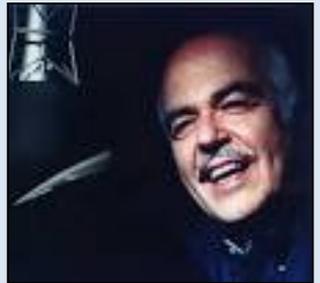
ESL Book Discussion in Arabic / English

Location: Esper Branch Library, 12929 West Warren, Dearborn
Isabella Rowan, Librarian I at Dearborn Public Library, will moderate a discussion of *The Call of the Wild* using bilingual copies of the book (English/Arabic). Pick up a free copy of the book at any Dearborn Public Library.

Sat, Apr 26, 2014 1:00pm – 3:00pm

An Afternoon with George Guidall

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium
George Guidall has recorded over 900 unabridged novels and is the recipient of two Audie Awards for excellence in audiobook narration (the industry's equivalent of the Oscars). His 40 year acting career includes starring roles on Broadway, an Obie award for best performance Off-Broadway, and frequent television appearances. His presentation is titled "The Art and Artifice of Audiobook Narration." With humor and wit, Guidall thoroughly charms his audience taking them behind the scenes of audiobook production. Sharing personal stories, anecdotes, and out-takes, Guidall describes the subtleties of an art form which speaks to the primal human need for narrative. He will perform a dramatic reading from Jack London's *The Call of the Wild*.



Mon, Apr 28, 2014 2:00pm – 6:00pm

Do You Hear the Call? Open Photo Competition / Entry Submission Date

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library
Photo submissions will be accepted at Henry Ford Centennial Library on April 28, 2-6 p.m. Visit bigreaddearborn.org for details.



Tue, Apr 29, 2014 12:00pm – 1:00pm

ESL Book Discussion in Arabic/English

Location: Dearborn Adult Education site (TBD)
Isabella Rowan, Librarian I at Dearborn Public Library, will moderate a discussion of *The Call of the Wild* using bilingual copies of the book (English/Arabic) at a Dearborn Adult Education site (to be determined). Pick up a free copy of the book at any Dearborn Public Library.

Wed, Apr 30, 2014 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Author visit: C. Alex London

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library
Author of the *Dog Tags* series will be here to talk about getting in touch with your wild side and writing through an animal's perspective. All ages.



Thu, May 1, 2014 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Do You Hear the Call? Photo Exhibit Opens

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library
Jury selected works from the "Do You Hear the Call? Open Photo Competition" will be on public display at the Henry Ford Centennial Library in the Rotunda Gallery May 1-19. Consider attending the opening of this exhibit on Thursday, May 1, 6-8 pm.



Sat, May 3, 2014 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Who Wants to Be a Wolf?

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library, Youth Services Program Room
Dorothy McLeer of the Environmental Interpretive Center will present this children's program. Through props and activities, children will learn what it's like to be a wolf.



Wed, May 7, 2014 1:00pm – 2:00pm

AAUW Book Discussion

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library—Mezzanine Conference Room
The American Association of Women (AAUW) Dearborn Branch will discuss *The Call of the Wild*.

Thu, May 8, 2014 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Michigan Wolves: Past, Present, and Future

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library—Mezzanine Conference Room
Dorothy McLeer of the University of Michigan–Dearborn Environmental Interpretive Center will discuss the history and the current status of wolves in Michigan.

Sat, May 10, 2014 10:00am – 3:00pm

Mutt Strut & Pet Expo

Location: Ford Field Park, 22051 Cherry Hill St., Dearborn
The Mutt Strut & Pet Expo is a pledge-driven dog walk and community-wide animal celebration with lots of entertainment, shopping, and fun focused on pets and their families. It will take place rain or shine or snow – all weather is dog weather!



Mon, May 12, 2014 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Blockbuster Film Series: Call of the Wild

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium
This is the one with Clark Gable. 89 minutes. 1935 version. Includes a discussion after the film.



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Hear the Call Storytime

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Tue, May 13, 2014 7:00pm – 8:00pm

The Echoing Call of the Wild: What Jack London Knew About Dogs and Their Wolf Ancestors

Location: Caroline Kennedy Library, 24590 George Ave., Dearborn Heights
Karla Armbruster, Professor of English at Webster University in St. Louis, MO, specializes in ecocriticism and animal studies. In this talk, she will explore how Jack London and other writers have used the idea that dogs evolved from wolves to support various visions of the relationship between wild nature and human culture.
Call (313) 791-3800 to register.



Wed, May 14, 2014 12:00pm – 1:00pm

The Echoing Call of the Wild: What Jack London Knew About Dogs and Their Wolf Ancestors

Location: Bryant Branch Library—Dearborn Chamber of Commerce Room,
22100 Michigan Ave., Dearborn

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Thu, May 15, 2014 11:00am – 7:00pm

Third Thursday Craft

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Thu, May 15, 2014 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Book Discussion

Location: Bryant Branch Library, Dearborn Chamber of Commerce Room,
22100 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, MI 48124

Kirt Gross, Assistant Librarian at Dearborn Public Library, will moderate a discussion of *The Call of the Wild*.

Sat, May 17, 2014 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Big Read Wrap Up Party

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library

Join us for a special celebration at Henry Ford Centennial Library to wrap up The Big Read Dearborn. The "wrap up party" will include real sled

dogs, an old time photo booth, gold panning, and popcorn.



Mon, May 19, 2014

Do You Hear the Call? Photo Exhibit Closes

Location: Henry Ford Centennial Library

"Do You Hear the Call? Photo Exhibit" closes on Monday, May 19.



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