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**Youth & Teen Programs from the Springfield Library
For the April 20-25, 2015**

**Game Programming with Scratch
at the Springfield Public Library**

Create your own animated video game using Scratch and our Raspberry Pi computers. Scratch is a downloadable, totally free programming language created by the geniuses at MIT. Join us in the Springfield Library at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 20, 2015. The event is free and intended for tweens and teens.

The Library offers a weekly gathering for tweens and/or teens every Monday at 4:30. Join us to hang out, learn new skills and have fun.

What: Game programming with Scratch

When: Monday, April 20th, 4:30-5:30 pm

Where: The Springfield Public Library

Additional Information: Contact LuCinda Gustavson at 541.726.2287

YOGA FOR KIDS AT THE SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

A free yoga class for kids & caregivers

Children ages 3-8 are invited to enjoy Little Family Yoga at the Springfield Library on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 from 10:30-11am. Certified instructor Brynne Blevins will help children and their caregivers explore movement in a fun, creative, and supportive way. The class will use songs and playful activities to introduce simple age-appropriate yoga poses, breathing, and focus activities. The program is free.

What: Little Family Yoga class for preschoolers and their caregivers

When: Tuesday, April 21, 2015 from 10:30-11am

Where: Springfield Public Library Conference Room

Additional Information: Online at wheremindsgrow.org/kids.html or contact Emily David @ 541-726-2235

BILINGUAL JAMMIE STORTIME AT THE SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Put on your pajamas, it's storytime!

Join us on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 7pm in the Children's Area of the Springfield Public Library for a very special bilingual (English-Spanish) storytime. We'll enjoy half an hour of songs, stories, rhymes, and activities from around the world as we get ready for our annual Dia de los ninos/dia de los libros celebration! No matter what language you speak, this is a storytime everyone can enjoy. Recommended for ages 2-6.

What: Bilingual Jammie Storytime

When: Tuesday, April 21, 2015, 7-7:30pm

Where: Springfield Public Library, Children's Window Corner

Additional Information: Contact Taylor Worley, (541)726.2243 or tworley@springfield-or.gov or Kristen Cure, (541)726.2232 or kcure@springfield-or.gov

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION!

Celebrate Earth Day with The Lorax!

Join us Wednesday, April 22, 2015 from 3:30-4:30pm in the Library Meeting Room for a very special celebration of Earth Day. We'll be reading the Seuss favorite "The Lorax", planting our own seeds, creating Lorax mustaches, and more! This is recommended for ages 4+, but all children and families are welcome to attend.

What: Earth Day Celebration

When: Wednesday April 22, 2015, 3:30-4:30pm

Where: Springfield Public Library, Children's Window Corner

Additional Information: Contact Taylor Worley, (541) 726.2243 or tworley@springfield-or.gov

Baby & Me Playtime

A program for babies and their caregivers!

We are happy to present our brand new program for babies and their parents or caregivers: Baby & Me Playtime! From 10am-12pm on Friday, April 24, 2015, the Children's Window Corner will be transformed into a baby-friendly play area complete with board books, toys, instruments, and other manipulatives. This is a great time to get out of the house, socialize baby, and meet some other great parents! We encourage you to drop by for ten minutes or stay for the whole two hours, whichever is best for you and baby. This program is geared towards our youngest patrons, but we encourage older brothers and sisters to play along. We'll see you soon!

What: Baby & Me Playtime

When: Friday, April 24, 2015 from 10am-12pm

Where: Children's Window Corner, Springfield Public Library

Additional Information: wheremindsgrow.org/kids.html, or contact Taylor Worley at tworley@springfield-or.gov or 541.726.2243.

Día de los Niños / Día de los Libros (Children's Day / Book Day)

Springfield Public Library: Saturday, April 25, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Downtown Eugene Public Library: Sunday, April 26, 2:30 – 5:00 p.m.

FREE

Día de los Niños / Día de los Libros (Children's Day / Book Day) is an international holiday honoring children, culture, and books. Local families are invited to celebrate at a bilingual festival including storytelling, live music and dance, creative activities, games, library card sign-ups, refreshments, and free books for kids to take home. Join in the fun at Springfield Public Library on Saturday, April 25, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., and at Eugene Public Library on Sunday, April 26, 2:30 to 5:00 p.m.

This year's featured performer is audience-favorite Carmen "T" Bernier-Grand, an award-winning children's book author, storyteller, and educator..

Come to Springfield Public Library on Saturday, April 25, between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m., for free events starting with a performance by Carmen "T" Bernier-Grand, followed by music and dance with Mariachi del Sol, Alma de México Ballet Folklórico, and El Taller de Son Jarocho, plus hands-on activities for children. Springfield Public Library is located at 225 5th Street, inside City Hall; for more information, call 541-726-3766.

Visit the Downtown Eugene Public Library on Sunday, April 26, between 2:30 and 5:00 p.m., for free events starting with a performance by Carmen "T" Bernier-Grand, followed by music and dance by Mariachi los Patos, and hands-on activities led by groups including Eugene Arte Latino

with Jessica Zapata. The Downtown Eugene Public Library is located on the corner of 10th Avenue and Olive Street; for more information, call 541-682-5450 (press 5 for Spanish).

Día de los Niños / Día de los Libros is sponsored by Eugene Public Library, Springfield Public Library, Community Health Centers of Lane County, Downtown Languages, Eugene School District 4J, Springfield Public Schools, Bethel School District, SELCO, Springfield Arts Commission, Relief Nursery, Early Learning Alliance, Joan Gray and Harris Hoffman, Lane ESD Migrant Education Program, and United Way of Lane County.

For more information, contact Eugene Public Library at 541-682-5450 or www.eugene-or.gov/library, or Springfield Public Library at 541-726-3766 or www.wheremindsgrow.org.

Día de los Niños / Día de los Libros (Children's Day / Book Day)
Biblioteca Pública de Springfield: sábado, 25 de abril, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Biblioteca Pública de Eugene (Centro): domingo, 26 de abril, 2:30 – 5p.m.
GRATIS

Diviértete en el Día de los Niños / Día de los Libros (Children's Day / Book Day), una fiesta internacional que celebra niños, culturas, y libros para toda la familia. El festival bilingüe de todo un fin de semana incluye cuentos, música, bailes en vivo, actividades creativas, carnetización e inscripciones para poder usar la biblioteca, refrigerios, y regalos de libros para niños. La entrada es gratis.

El evento principal de este año será protagonizado por la reconocida Carmen "T" Bernier-Grand. Una galardonada autora de libros infantiles, cuentera y educadora.

Ven a los eventos gratis en la Biblioteca Pública de Springfield el sábado 25 de abril entre la una y las cuatro de la tarde. Empezaremos con el acto de Carmen "T" Bernier-Grand, que será seguido con el baile y la música del Mariachi del Sol, el grupo Alma de México Ballet Folclórico, y el taller de Son Jarocho. También habrá manualidades para niños. **La Biblioteca Pública de Springfield está ubicada en 225 5th Street, dentro del ayuntamiento. Para más información, llama al 541-726-3766. La entrada es gratis.**

Visita la Biblioteca Pública de Eugene el domingo, 26 de abril entre las 2:30 y las 5:00 de la tarde, para disfrutar de eventos gratis que empezarán con el acto de Carmen "T" Bernier-Grand y continuarán con la música y el baile del Mariachi los Patos, además habrán manualidades dirigidas por diferentes grupos entre ellos Eugene Arte Latino con Jessica Zapata. La Biblioteca Pública de Eugene está ubicada en la esquina de la avenida 10 con la calle Olive (100 West 10th). Para más información, llama al 541-682-5450 (para español marca el 5). La entrada es gratis.

El Día de los Niños / Día de los Libros está patrocinado por las Bibliotecas Públicas de Eugene y Springfield, Community Health Centers of Lane County, Downtown Languages, Eugene School District 4J, Springfield Public Schools, Bethel School District, SELCO, Springfield Arts Commission, Relief Nursery, Early Learning Alliance, Joan Gray & Harris Hoffman, Lane ESD Migrant Education Program, and United Way of Lane County.

Para más información, llama a la Biblioteca Pública de Eugene al 541-682-5450 (para español marque el 5) o www.eugene-or.gov/biblioteca o llama a la Biblioteca Pública de Springfield al 541-726-3766 o www.wheremindsgrow.org.

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