

## Get Your Motors Running!

Get your motors running, get excited and get ready to read folks! It's time for the [Winter Reading Club](#) at your library. We love the Winter Reading Club as it encourages all of us to keep reading during the long dark days of winter. Our theme this year is Driven to Read and as always the club is open to all ages. Youngsters under twelve sign up in the Children's area and anyone 18 or over signs up in the Reference area. Teens 13-17 have the option of signing up for the Adult or Children's Winter Reading Club.

Complete information on the Winter Reading Club is available at the library and the Hope Branch. Those who complete the adult/teen club will have the chance to win one of two car detailing coupons - one from Bob's Car Wash and Simonize and one from Wiese Auto Center. Some of our weekly prizes for the adult/teen club have been donated from the Tony Stewart Store.

In conjunction with our Driven to Read Reading Club the library will host Auto Indiana: Celebrating the Automobile in Indiana, a display from the Indiana Historical Society. The display may be viewed on the lower level of the library during January and February.

In addition to the excitement surrounding our Winter Reading Club we are also looking forward to our Library Associates 2008 Distinguished Speakers Series!

[Lyn St. James](#) will be the kickoff speaker on January 29. Lyn's appearance is a great fit with our winter reading club theme. St. James was 45 in 1992 when she became the second woman to race in the Indy 500.

To tie in with Black History Month the [Freetown Village Singers](#) will give a performance on February 5. This event will be held at Central Middle School. Part of the mission of Freetown Village is to "to educate the public about African American lives and culture in Indiana through living history performances."

On March 4 well-known author and essayist [Scott Russell Sanders](#) will read from his works and discuss the ways in which stories help to shape and reveal their meaning in our lives. He will be joined by Tim Grimm who will perform a song or two from the CD Wilderness Plots. The CD was inspired by Sanders' collection of stories in the book Wilderness Plots.

April 15 brings [Dr. Jill Bolte Taylor](#) to the library. In 1996 Taylor was at Harvard Medical School performing research and teaching others about the human brain. She suffered a stroke at the age of 37. Her book My Stroke of Insight: A Brain Scientist's Personal Journey talks of her experiences. Dr. Taylor currently teaches at the IU School of Medicine.

As with all library events, the Distinguished Speakers Series is free of charge.

Remember to sign up for Driven to Read, we would love to have you join in the ride! If you have not been to your library in a while this is a great time to visit. Lots will be going on in 2008 and we would love to see you here!

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