



News and Services of the Hekman Library – April 2006



Tax Time!

April 17 is the postmark deadline for submitting federal and Michigan tax forms, and May 1 is the postmark deadline for submitting City of Grand Rapids tax forms.

The Hekman Library has the following tax publications available while supplies last:

- City of Grand Rapids – both Resident and Non-Resident tax forms and instructions
- State of Michigan – 1040 Individual Income Tax; 1040CR-7 Home Heating Credit Claim
- United States Internal Revenue Service – **instruction booklets only** for 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, 1040NR (non-resident), and 1040NR-EZ (EZ form for non-residents).
- Note: The Hekman Library does not have actual U.S. IRS tax **forms** this year – these can be found online. Click on the “Tax Forms” icon on the library’s home page.



Earth Day

The first Earth Day was celebrated on April 22, 1970. Since then the Earth Day Network (<http://www.earthday.net>) has promoted environmental

awareness around the world. Visit the website to take the *Ecological Footprint Quiz!*

(from the website): Ever wondered how much “nature” your lifestyle requires?

This Ecological Footprint Quiz estimates how much productive land and water you need to support what you use and what you discard. After answering 15 easy questions you’ll be able to compare your Ecological Footprint to what other people use and to what is available on this planet.

Also, This year the network will start a three-year Climate Change Solutions Campaign, and as part of this effort the local WGTV television station will host the premier of a two-part series *Planet H2O*, hosted by Sara Paxton and America Ferrera starting on April 23 at 10:30 p.m.



Festival of Faith and Writing (April 20-22) @ the Library

The Hekman Library is supporting the festival in several ways:

- Book Jackets for books by Festival participants are in the library’s second floor display cases;
- Books by Festival authors are designated with special sleeves. They may be checked out for two weeks and there are no renewals.
- **A pre-Festival Friday Reading will take place on April 7, at 8:00 p.m. in the library, 2nd floor. Hear Susan Felch, Donald Hettinga, and Otto Selles read from works by Festival authors.**
- **The librarians are serving refreshments inspired by Festival authors Salman Rushdie and Lauren Winner!**



To get connected to additional authors’ work, including poems in English and Spanish languages, short stories, essays, work summaries, consider exploring the wealth of information available at: <http://www.litfinder.com/home.asp>

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