

POINTS TO PONDER

- ☞ It is a truth universally acknowledged that a single man in possession of a good fortune must be in want of a wife.
- ☞ Happiness in marriage is entirely a matter of chance.
- ☞ Pride relates more to our opinion of ourselves, vanity to what we would have others think of us.
- ☞ For what do we live, but to make sport for our neighbors and laugh at them in our turn?
- ☞ Those who do not complain are never pitied.



She is so walkable, but not handsome enough to tempt me.

RELATED ACTIVITIES

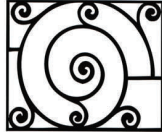
Browsing Room

- ☞ Austen Book Display

Rogers Room

- ☞ Early 19th Century Fashion Accessories:
Exhibit by Ipswich Historical Society
- ☞ Pride & Prejudice: the Game
A board game for 2 to 4 players

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CREDITS:

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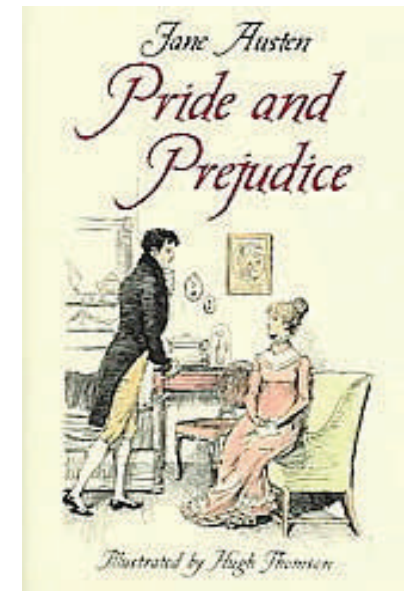
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IPSWICH READS
One book!

APRIL 2007



This is the third year of our town-wide reading program. Besides book discussions, we have planned a variety of activities relating to themes in the book.

Come join us at the Library
& enjoy!

JANE AUSTEN



Jane Austen is considered one of the great English novelists. *Pride & Prejudice* was published in 1813 and is by far the most popular of her works. In this novel, Austen gives us the opportunity to glimpse the society of early 19th century England and view its social ranks, customs and manners. Its wide appeal to the 21st century readers has inspired many film adaptations of the story.

Born on December 16, 1778 at Steventon in the county of Hants, Hampshire, England, Jane was the seventh of the eight children of a respectable Anglican clergyman. Her mother, Cassandra Leigh Austen, descended from landed gentry and clergy. Jane enjoyed writing comic pieces at an early age which amused her family and friends alike.

APRIL EVENTS

- 9 Showing of the recent movie based on Jane Austen's most popular novel (7:00 PM Collins Meeting Room)
- 10 Rediscovering Jane Austen's *Pride & Prejudice* and History: A Lecture by Dr. Maura Henry (7:00 PM Collins Meeting Room)
- 11 Caldwell Skilled Rehabilitation & Nursing Facility Book Discussion (2:00 PM)
- 12 Library Discussion of *Pride & Prejudice* open to all (7:00 PM Collins Meeting Room)
- 17 The Intricate Rituals & High Stakes of Courtship, Marriage, and Family in Austen's *Pride & Prejudice*: A Lecture by Dr. Maura Henry (7:00 PM Collins Meeting Room)
- 19 Library Discussion of *Pride & Prejudice* open to all (11:00AM Collins Meeting Room)
- 18 19th Century English Gardens: A Lecture & Slide Presentation by Paige Mercer (7:00 PM Collins Meeting Room)
- 21 Tea Party for Children (10:00 AM; signup by April 16th in the Children's Room)
- 23 Ipswich Historical Society Book Discussion (12:00 PM)
- 24 Assembly Balls, Teas, Promenades, and More! Assessing the Meanings and Functions of Consumption and Leisure in Austen's World: A Lecture by Dr. Maura Henry (7:00 PM Collins Meeting Room)
Ipswich High School Book Club Book Discussion (2:00 PM)
- 25 East End Bookies Book Discussion (7:00 PM)
- 26 Library Volunteers' Breakfast & Book Discussion (8:00 AM)
Sisters of Notre Dame Book Discussion (2:00 PM)