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LIBRARY TO HOST DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH PROGRAM

In honor of Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, the Southeast Steuben County Library has teamed up with the Arc of Steuben and the Corning-Painted Post Area School District for a very special evening program entitled, *Living with a Disability: An Interactive Event*, to bring awareness and education about disabilities and the technologies available for the disabled to the general public. The program will be held Tuesday March 27 at 7 p.m.

We are honored to have two speakers; Jean Jensen from the Arc of Steuben will speak about creating client-centered service plans whereby the clients ultimately design their own service plans based on their goals and needs.

Our keynote speaker is Thomasine Gilbert, a young wife and mother of three, who has lived and coped all of her life with a disability. She will share her story with us.

After the speakers, visitors are invited to explore the many tables of interactive displays around the library. Learn what it's like to be autistic or to have a physical disability, take fun and quick psychology tests, and see what sort of technologies are available for the disabled including applications on the iPad.

Music and refreshments will be provided.

The media are invited to attend. For questions, call the library at (607)936-3713.



One of two high-contrast keyboards at the library for the visually impaired.



The Arc of Steuben and SSC Library combined display for disability awareness.

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The library is handicapped accessible. If you require special accommodations, please call us in advance: (607) 936-3713.