

DUNDEE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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Sleepy Hollow, Gilberts and parts of Algonquin

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Notes from the Director

A while back, I spoke to a group of high school students on their Career Day about librarianship.

I asked them what were the first two words that came to mind when they heard the word 'library'? Their answers were "books" and "boring."

After my overview, the students were amazed at what librarians can accomplish. Today's professional librarians have a wide range of careers to explore — from those who may choose an academic environment to working in a specialized library such as that of the Shedd Aquarium or a major movie studio.

The Dundee Township Public Library has kept up with new technologies, and today your library is an exciting place to be, too. By no means are we just "books and boring!"

While we are still providing our patrons with their favorite authors in traditional book format, we've also added alternate formats such as audiobooks, Play-Aways, and our e-books, down-loadable to your computer at home.

We have improved our newsletter, expanded programs at the library and added programs over on the west side. We're now showing movies at the library twice a month. We have improved the computer technology for our patrons and provide wireless access. Even our Circulation Department communicates with our patrons via the Internet to send them information about materials.

We have a new web site, thanks to the work of staff members Karin Nelson, Carolyn Friedlund, Jeanne Etling, and our consultant Dale Dormody. Our library is available 24/7 via our web page.

The recent community survey we conducted in-house and on the web consistently mentioned our excellent customer service by our staff and our "warm" environment.

The Board and department heads will participate in planning retreats over the summer to initiate a long range plan for the library including obtaining the additional space we need in order to continue to serve our communities

We'd also like to thank the patrons that stopped by for our Ice Cream Social on June 9 to meet the Board and invite you to visit our booth at this year's Heritage Fest, September 15-16, in West Dundee.



NEW TRUSTEES TAKE OATH OF OFFICE

Taking the oath of office as trustees of the Dundee Township Public Library were, in photo from left, Lenore McDonald, incumbents Mary White and Elizabeth Gade, and Marge Skold.

Library Board vice-president Carrie Brecke, far right, administered the oath at the May 14 Board meeting.

Trustees McDonald and Skold are new to the Board; trustees White and Gade begin their second four-year terms.



Board President Jennifer Blessman presents certificates of appreciation to Carmen Barrett, above, and Eva Tipps, at left.

Exiting the Board were Eva Tipps, who served as treasurer, and Carmen Barrett, who was secretary.

Tipps and Barrett were recognized for their years of service to the library and the community. At a June 9 Ice Cream Social, community residents met the trustees while enjoying ice cream,

donated by Don and Julie Michels, owners-operators of Culver's Restaurant of Carpentersville, and the music of Loose Change and Friends.

DUNDEE LIBRARY PROGRAMS

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FOR CHILDREN

Fall Storytime (preschool)
Monday, Sept. 24, 10:30 a.m.
(West Dundee Public Safety Center II)
Tuesdays, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, 10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays, Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26, 10:30 a.m.

Pocket Circus: Bilingual Program (families)
Thursday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m.

Grandparents' Day Program (4-8 years old)
Saturday, Sept. 22, 2 p.m.

Spanish Storytimes (Cuentos de Espanola)
Thursday, Sept. 27, Oct. 25, 7 p.m.

Baby Play Group
Mondays, Oct. 1, Nov. 5, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.

Little Ones (18 months- 2 years)
Tuesdays, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23
9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

Read to a Dog (6-10 years old)
Thursday, Oct. 18, 10 a.m.

Kids and Dogs and How to be Safe
(parents and children)
Saturday, Oct. 27, 10 a.m.

Halloween Storytime
Monday, Oct. 29, 10:30 a.m.
(West Dundee Public Safety Center II) or
Tuesday, Oct. 30 or Wednesday, Oct. 31,
10:30 a.m.

Tremendous Twos
Wednesday, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28
9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

FOR ADULTS AND YOUNG ADULTS

Strollin' by the Fox with Bill Robinson
Thursday, Aug. 2, 7 p.m.

Travel Smart, Travel Safe
Thursday, Aug. 23, 7 p.m.
West Dundee Public Safety Center II

Osteoporosis Screening (Appointment only)
AlexianConnects, 1-866-253-9426
Monday, Sept. 10, 4-7 p.m.

A Night of Mystery
Tuesday, Sept. 25, 7 p.m.

Put Fall Color in Your Landscape
Tuesday, Oct. 2, 7 p.m.

Diabetes Lecture
AlexianConnects, 1-866-253-9426
Tuesday, Oct. 9, 7 p.m.

Peter Fletcher Concert
Saturday, Oct. 20, 2 p.m.

Fall Silk and Dried Flower Centerpiece
Tuesday, Oct. 23, 7 p.m.
West Dundee Public Safety Center II



In photo from left are the officers of the Village Green Book Club, including Lenora Hylander, secretary; Jean Andrews, treasurer; Bobbie Parker, vice-president; and Wilma Willing, president.

The residents-only group meets monthly in the center's dining room and is led by Dundee Library's Elizabeth Mavros.

Good Books and Good Companions: The Ladies of the Village Green Book Club

While the circumstances of life brought them together at the Village Green Retirement Center, a shared love of reading was the impetus that gave rise to the Village Green Book Club, a monthly book group led by Dundee Library's Elizabeth Mavros.

President Wilma Willing, a former accountant, started the club three years ago with avid readers Lenora Hylander, Jean Andrews and Bobbie Parker.

It wasn't long before they counted 12 other residents who joined them at the tables in the center's dining room, passing around a wireless microphone so all are able to hear.

Willing credits Mavros with selecting books that are not only enjoyable to read, but that lend themselves to lively discussions. Recent titles included *Girl with the Pearl Earring* by Tracy Chevalier and *Blink* by Malcolm Gladwell.

Each member's willingness to share personal experiences and observations that are prompted by the book of the month enriches their discussions. "We always learn something from the books we read, about ourselves and about life," said Willing.

"The Village Green book group embodies the idea that many of us don't get older, we get better," commented Mavros.

"The participants bring their life experiences, knowledge and graciousness to these book discussions. They truly demonstrate the joy of spending time with good books and good companions."

Three other book discussion groups are held each month at the library, including one for Spanish-speaking readers.

For more information, see the box on page 4.



Check Out Our New Web Site!

We're still at www.dundeelibrary.info, but the library's redesigned web site is sporting a clean, crisp, appealing new look that is easier to navigate and more user friendly. Be sure to check us out!

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FOR CHILDREN

Register in the Children's Department or call 847-428-3661, ext. 310. Unless otherwise noted, tickets to events are free. Some programs are held at the West Dundee Public Safety Center II, 100 Carrington (WDPSC)



El Circo del Bolsillo

(para la familia)

Celebre El Mes de Herencia Hispana y disfrute del circo mas pequeno del mundo! Regresa a peticion del publico, este par se usa una mezcla de teatro, de musica, de magia, y la acrobacia. Los belotos libres son disponible comenzando treinta minutos antes de programa.

20 de septiembre, 7 p.m. jueves

Cuentos de Espanol

Durante el proximo otono, Larissa DeSmet estara con nosotros ofreciendo la lectura de cuentos en espanol. Estas clases seran para ninios y sus familias. El jueves 27 de septiembre, y el 25 de octubre de 7 p.m.

A Big Thank You ...

...to Pam Odgers, our Children's Department adult volunteer, for all the dedicated hours she gave to the library during the school year.

...And to Our Teen Volunteers

Lesslie Amaya	Thomas McNally
Michael Atten	Ruby Montejano
Samantha Bara	Claire Mueller
Carolina Bieri	Patrick Mueller
Isabel Bieri	Jasmin Munoz
Josh Czospodarek	Michelle Olszynski
Rachel Duncan	Debbie Patino
Ali Featherstone	Jackie Payne
Victoria Fryer	Lianne Piel
Lynnette Grant	Brittani Pool
Erika Lindgren	Celeste Rouer
Julie Lipp	Nathan Volchko
Kevin Lipp	Josh Voltz
Jennifer Loni	Tiffany Voltz
Jasmine Martinez	Candace Williams
Miguel Martinez	Kristine Wodka

Fall Storytime (preschool)

Preschoolers will enjoy stories, fingerplays, puppetry, and songs. Children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. No registration.

Monday, Sept. 24, 10:30 a.m. WDPSC

Tuesdays, Sept. 4, 11, 18 and 25, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesdays, Sept. 5, 12, 19 and 26, 10:30 a.m.

Pocket Circus: Bilingual Program

(families of all ages)

Celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month and enjoy the smallest circus in the world! A performing duo uses a mix of theatrics, music, magic, and acrobatics. Free tickets available thirty minutes prior to the performance.

Thursday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m.

Grandparents' Day Program (4-8 years old)

Grandchildren and their grandparents will make a craft, play games, and enjoy a story and refreshments. Grandparents may also purchase a book with a commemorative bookplate for the Children's Department collection in honor of their grandchildren. Limited registration begins Monday, Sept. 10.

Saturday, Sept. 22, 2 p.m.

Spanish Storytimes (Cuentos de Espanola)

Children of all ages will enjoy stories in Spanish with Larissa DeSmet. No registration.

Thursdays, Sept. 27, Oct. 25, 7 p.m.

Baby Play Group

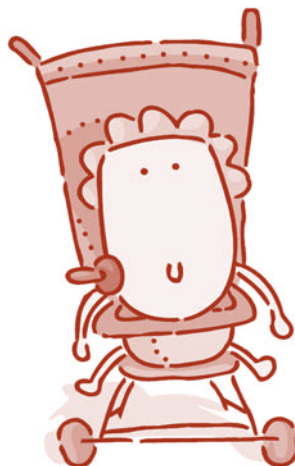
Let your baby play with the toys and books while you socialize with other parents. Beginning Monday, Oct. 1, the group will meet the first Monday of the month through April. No registration required.

Mondays, Oct. 1, Nov. 5, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.

Little Ones (18 months - 2 years)

Join us for 20 fun-packed minutes of puppets, stories, nursery rhymes, and fingerplays. Children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Registration begins Monday, Sept. 17.

**Tuesdays, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23
9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.**



FOR CHILDREN

Read to a Dog (6-10 years old)

Read aloud to trainer Nina Pregont and her story-loving dog. Reservations are limited to 15-minute session per child. Registration begins Monday, Oct. 1. **Thursday, Oct. 18, 10 a.m.**



Kids and Dogs and How to be Safe (For parents and children)

Nina Pregont presents this program with her therapy dog on safety around dogs, including the best way to approach a dog and how to determine when it's best to stay away. No registration.

Saturday, Oct. 27, 10 a.m.

Halloween Storytime

Enjoy a special spooky storytime. Children are invited to attend in costume and join in a parade through the Children's Department (Tuesday or Wednesday). No registration.

Monday, Oct. 29, 10:30 a.m. WDPSC, or Tuesday, Oct. 30 or Wednesday, Oct. 31, 10:30 a.m.

Tremendous Twos

Bring your two-year-old to this special storytime series. Child must be two by Nov. 7. Registration begins Monday, Oct. 22.

**Wednesdays, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28
9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.**



It's Showtime!

August Movies

Aug. 16 *The Prestige* (Show at 6 p.m.)
Aug. 18 *Bridge to Terabithia* (Show at 2 p.m.)

September Movies

Sept. 13 *Dreamgirls* (Show at 6 p.m.)
Sept. 15 *The Last Mimzy* (Show at 2 p.m.)

October Movies

Oct. 18 *Stomp the Yard* (Show at 6 p.m.)
Oct. 27 *Happy Feet* (Show at 2 p.m.)

Free movies!

Pick up tickets at the Media Desk, ext. 307. Doors open one-half hour before show time. Free popcorn and refreshments. Note: Children under age 9 must be accompanied by an adult.

THANK YOU to Chris Cudworth of the Daily Herald for coordinating the "Big Ticket Reading Project 2007", which provided incentives from the businesses and organizations below:

Arlington Park
Art Institute of Chicago
Bristol Renaissance Faire
Chicago Bandits
Chicago Children's Museum
Chicago Wolves
Culver's
Enchanted Castle
Fox Valley Sports Academy
Funway Amusements
Hancock Observatory
Kane County Cougars
Kohl Children's Museum
Morton Arboretum
Museum of Contemporary Art
Naper Settlement



Notebaert Nature Museum
Old Country Buffet
Oriental Institute at the University of Chicago
Panera Bread
Putting Edge
Ravinia Festival
Sail Great Lakes/
Tall Ships Chicago
Shedd Aquarium
Schaumburg Flyers
Volo Auto Museum

Adult Book Discussion Groups

On Wednesday afternoon (at 1:30 p.m.) or evening (at 7 p.m.) Call the library, 847/428-3661, ext. 308, for more information.

Aug. 29 *All the King's Men*
by Robert Penn Warren
Sept. 26 *Valley Forge*, a play
by Maxwell Anderson
Oct. 24 * 7 p.m. only
Oct. 31 * 1:30 p.m. only
*Oldest Living Confederate
Widow Tells All*
by Allan Gurganus

Grupo de Lectores del Valle de Fox

El grupo se reúne el último jueves de cada mes de 7:00 a 8:30 p.m.
Aug. 30; Sept. 27; Oct. 25



FOR ADULTS & YOUNG ADULTS

Register at the Information Desk or call 847-428-3661, ext. 308. NOTE: Some programs are held at the West Dundee Public Safety Center II, 100 Carrington Drive. If you need special accommodations to attend any library program or event, please let us know at least 10 days prior to the event.



Strollin' by the Fox with Bill Robinson

Enjoy the exquisite sounds of the dulcimer with this long-time resident of the Fox Valley as his group plays tunes from country to classical, jazz, folk, bluegrass and contemporary, including selections from his CD by the same name. In 2006, Robinson

was inducted into the Fox Valley Arts Hall of Fame.

Thursday, Aug. 2, 7 p.m.

Library Meeting Room

Travel Smart, Travel Safe

The odds are that one in four people will become a victim of a street crime while traveling abroad. Avoid the heartache, inconvenience and financial loss due to victimization. International travel experts Gail and Al Popowits will teach strategies for steering around potentially dangerous situations.

Thursday, Aug. 23, 7 p.m.

West Dundee Public Safety Center II



Osteoporosis Screening

Osteoporosis is often diagnosed only after a bone fracture. Women over 35 may sign up for a free bone density ultrasound screening conducted by nurses from AlexianConnects. Appointments only: call AlexianConnects at 1-866-253-9426.

Monday, Sept. 10, 4-7 p.m.

Library Board Room

A Night of Mystery

Mystery expert and former Harper College faculty member Julie Hennig will share her love of the mystery genre. She'll cover the various types of mystery, and even bring samples of goodies from mysteries to sample. Join us for a really fun event!

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 7 p.m.

Library Meeting Room

Put Fall Color in Your Landscape

With proper planning and plant selection, fall can be a glorious time. Master Gardener Barbara Bates, Kane County University of Illinois Extension, will show how to keep your gardens full of color with trees, shrubs, perennials and annuals.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 7 p.m.

Library Meeting Room

Living with Diabetes

Diabetes is a chronic disease with potentially serious complications that is on the rise, now affecting an estimated 16 million Americans. Rajiv Sood, M.D., will discuss early warning signs and symptoms, risk factors, monitoring and exercise. Register at AlexianConnects, 1-866-253-9426.

Tuesday, Oct. 9, 7 p.m.

Library Meeting Room

Fall Silk and Dried Flower Centerpiece

Create a lovely fall centerpiece of silk and dried flowers, leaves and pods with Peggy Garvin, Garvin Gardens. Your own custom floral design will be perfect for the fall season. Please bring a wire cutter. There is an \$15 nonrefundable supply fee due at registration, which ends Oct. 16.

Tuesday, Oct. 23, 7 p.m.

West Dundee Public Safety Center II

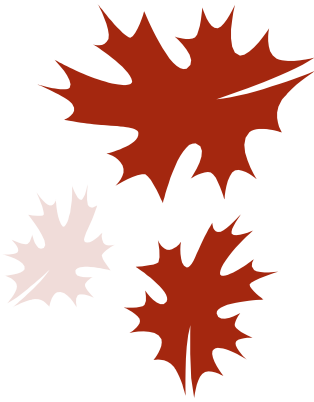
A Saturday Afternoon With Peter Fletcher

Peter Fletcher returns to Dundee after his debut at Carnegie Hall in February. He will play works from his standard classical guitar repertoire, as well as introduce new ones. Join us for a Saturday afternoon of classical guitar music.

**Saturday, Oct. 20,
2 p.m.**

Library Meeting Room





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September is Library Card Signup Month!

LIBRARY INFORMATION

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 WEB: www.dundeeilibrary.info

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 847-590-8706

Administration	ext. 314
Circulation Desk	ext. 301
Children's Desk	ext. 310
Information	ext. 308
Reference	ext. 308
Media Desk	ext. 307
Public Relations	ext. 315

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday	9 a.m.- 9 p.m.
Friday-Saturday	9 a.m.- 5:30 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m.- 4 p.m.

(Closed Sundays until Sept. 9, 2007)

BOARD MEETINGS

2nd Monday of every month at 7 p.m.
 The meeting is open to the public.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Jennifer Blessman, President
 Carrie Brecke, Vice President
 Liz Gade, Treasurer
 Mary E. White, Secretary
 Cheryl Nunn-Thompson
 Lenore McDonald, Marge Skold

DIRECTOR

Elisa F. Topper

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Sunday, Sept. 2 (last Sunday closed)
 Monday, Sept. 3 - Labor Day

A Special Thank You ...



.....To the **Friends of the Library**, who raised a record \$3,618 at their May booksale. In photo are (seated from left) Gene Lamp, Diane Campbell, Mary Lamp and Maria Cataldo. Standing are Larry Pepper and Mary Lynne Doherty. Thanks also to A-American Self Storage in Elgin for providing the Friends with free storage space for the hundreds of books donated for the sale.

Save the Date: Next Book Sale will be Oct. 12 & 13, 2007



.....To the **Dundee Lions Club**, who recently donated \$500 to the library. In photo above, presenting the check to Elisa Topper, director, and Jeanne Etling, head of circulation, are Lions District Governor Herbert Beck and Ron Rhoades. The Lions' donation will be used for the purchase of large print materials.