



LA GRANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Director's Message

Here at the Library, we're always looking for ways to improve patron convenience. While we love to see you come in and visit us, we know you can't always make it in as often as you'd like.

To make things easier for you, we've made some adjustments to our renewals. Starting November 1st, we're allowing renewals on most of our 7-day items, including DVDs, Video Games, eReaders, Magazines, and New Fiction. In addition, you'll now be able to renew items twice (both 7-day and 21-day items) instead of once. We hope this makes it easier to manage your library checkouts and keep fines low.

Another way to manage your library record is to make sure we have your email address. If we have it on file, we send you a courtesy reminder a few days before your items are due, and let you know when items you ordered are available to be picked up. It also allows us to "go paperless" with overdue notices, using less paper and saving on postage. You can check to make sure we have your correct email next time you're in the Library, or manage your account online at swan.mls.lib.il.us/patroninfo. You can also renew items and pay overdue fines online!

Happy reading!

Jeannie Dilger-Hill

"Eat and Earn" for the Library

Tuesday, November 29 - all day

Eat, drink and be merry at Francesca's Bellezza anytime on Tuesday, November 29, and when you mention the Library, Francesca's will give 15% of your bill back to the Library. It's a super easy and fun way to benefit the Library by doing something you love: eating out! *Remember November 29!*

The Book Report

november/december 2011

Adult Services Programs

Get Your Green On:

Fresh Greenery Creations for the Holidays

Tuesday, November 8 at 7:00pm

Learn how to use natural elements to decorate your home inside and out for the holidays. Floral designer Bridget Bittman will demonstrate how to arrange evergreens, twigs, cranberries, and pinecones using unusual containers to create fabulous looks for the holidays.

Beyond Borders (formerly Senior Reading Group)

Second Tuesday of every month at 10:00am

November 8, *Sacred Hearts* by Sarah Dunant

December 13, *My Story* by Helmut Stefan

January 10, *Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay

This new reading group is open to all and features historical novels, biographies and current must-reads. We think you will find something in each of our selected books that is provocative, appealing, out of the ordinary, or just plain heartwarming.

Planning for College Financing

Tuesday, December 6, 7:00pm

Do you plan to apply for financial aid? How about student loans? Ryan Williamson will talk about the basics and more for planning a financial strategy to pay for college. Ryan is a CFP with Horizon Wealth Management, LLC.

Holiday Movies

Friday, December 16

"A Christmas Carol" at 11:00am

"Scrooged" at 1:00pm

Join us for the classic British version of the beloved movie "A Christmas Carol" from 1951 with Alastair Sim, then stay for "Scrooged" with Bill Murray. Hot cider and popcorn will be served. Bah! Humbug!

Adult Services Programs

Egads! I Need eHelp! (An eBook Workshop)

Tuesday, November 22, 4:00pm-6:00pm

Thursday, December 8, 10:00am-12:00pm

Want to download eBooks or audiobooks to your device? Stop by our drop-in help session, and we'll help you figure out how to access the library's collection of over 6000 eBooks and audiobooks online. Be sure to bring your tablet, eReader, smartphone, laptop, or MP3 player, and your library card!

Ongoing Programs

Knack for Knitting or Knot

Mondays, November 7 thru December 19 at 7:00pm

Knitters and needlework enthusiasts ages 16 & up will enjoy this chance to work on projects, learn new stitches and swap patterns. Beginners welcome. No registration necessary.

Writer's Workshop

Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 7:00pm

New and experienced writers are welcome to bring their work for a friendly critique by other writers.

AARP Driver's Safety Course – 2-day class

Tuesday and Wednesday, November 8 and 9, 1:00-5:00pm

Wednesday and Thursday, December 14 and 15, 1:00-5:00pm

This two-day library and AARP-sponsored class will help people learn defensive driving techniques, new traffic laws, and rules of the road. Class cost: \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for nonmembers, payable to AARP at the class. MUST TAKE BOTH DAYS OF CLASS for credit on your car insurance.

For more specific information regarding each program check out the [Calendar of Events](#) on our website at [lagrangelibrary.org](#), or call 708.352.0576.

Happenings @ Neighboring Libraries

La Grange Park Public Library

Vintage Holiday Cookbooks - Sunday, November 6, 2:00pm

Everyone remembers recipes from beloved family members, especially ones from the holiday season. Cookbook collector and librarian Amy Alessio will share photos and stories of cookbooks from 1940-1980 that evoke delicious memories from many cultures. She will also have some treats and recipes for you. This program is sponsored by the La Grange Park Friends of the Library.

Young Adult Programs

Registration Information

Registration required! Visit [www.lagrangelibrary.org](#) and click on Calendar of Events, call Noël or Jane at the library at 708.352.0576, or email us at ya@lagrangelibrary.org.

Teen Advisory Board

Thursdays, November 10 and December 8, 7:00-8:00pm

We are seeking teens who love the Library! TAB is a forum for teens ages 12 through high school who want to suggest materials that the Library should purchase for teens, such as books, music and videos. We will meet from September through May on the second Thursday of the month for an hour to discuss books, magazines, teen issues, and programming. Come on out and let your voice be heard! Registration ends 2 days before each meeting. (5 min/10 max)

Apples to Apples Smackdown

Thursday, November 10, 7:00-8:00pm

Celebrate National Gaming Day! November's TAB group invites all teens to join hilarious Apples to Apples game – grab some friends and come play with us. Register by November 8. (5 min/10 max)

Accepted: Getting Into Your Top-Choice School

Thursday, November 17, 7:00pm

In this free seminar, the professionals at Kaplan Test Prep will help you discover the ins and outs of college admissions, learn what admissions officers want to see in applicants, and will provide tips for college success. (No min/30 max)

Crazy for Caramel Apples

Monday, November 21, 7:00-8:00pm

Caramel is just the beginning! We'll show how to make this fall treat and then kick it up a notch! Registration required by November 16. (5 min/10 max)

Viventium Terra in Vitro

Tuesday, November 22, 7:00-8:00pm

Adults welcome! Learn how to build a terrarium, a perfect cold weather gift, using a few basic elements. You bring a large clear wide mouthed glass jar with a lid, a spherical glass, or other large clear glass container, and we'll provide the rest. Registration required by November 18. (5 min/15 max)

Bow-Wow-Wow!

Tuesday, December 13, 7:00-8:00pm

Adults welcome! Would you like a simple, homemade touch for your holiday gifts this year? Come learn how to create lovely bows from recycled magazines and catalogs! We'll provide a ton of magazines to choose from (or raid your own recycling bin for catalogs) and bring a pair of scissors. Register by December 9. (5 min/15 max)

Youth Services Programs

Registration for November and December programs begins Tuesday, November 1. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.

Fall Storytimes

November 7 through December 16.

Registration is required. There will be no storytimes on Friday, November 25. Have a happy Thanksgiving!

Aged 2

Tuesdays 10:00-10:30am or

Thursdays 10:00-10:30am or

Fridays 10:00-10:30am

Ages 3-5

Monday 10:00-10:30am or

Wednesdays 10:00-10:30am or 1:30-2:00pm

Lapsit Storytime

For children ages 6 to 23 months and their caregivers.

Tuesdays 9:15 -9:45am or

Wednesdays 9:15-9:45am or

Fridays 9:15-9:45am

P.J.Storytime

All ages with a caregiver.

Drop-in program.

Fridays 7:00-7:30pm

Special Needs Storytime

Saturday, November 19 and December 17, 10:00-10:30am

The entire family is invited to a special storytime for children with various needs. This storytime is designed to encourage children to participate while having fun in an atmosphere that is comfortable for the child with special needs. We encourage pre-registration, so we have enough supplies for all children attending.

Spanish Storytime

presented by Language Stars

Children ages 6 month to 6 years

Friday, November 11 and December 9, 11:00am

Presented entirely in Spanish by a native Spanish speaker from Language Stars in Hinsdale. This is a perfect opportunity for native speakers to hear storytime in Spanish as well as for non-native speakers to experience Spanish through books, songs and other activities appropriate for preschoolers. Registration is not required.

Read to the Dogs

Monday, November 21 and December 19, 7:00pm

Readers are welcome to sign up to read to a specially trained dog for 15 minutes. Dogs are great listeners no matter what your reading level!

Book Discussions

A copy of the book will be available for checkout at the Youth Services desk when you register for the program.

Fun with Books

Grade 1

Tuesday, November 15, 3:45-4:30pm

Adventures in Reading

Grades 2-3

Tuesday, November 22, 3:45-4:30pm

For Kids Only

Grades 4-6

Tuesday, November 29, 3:45-4:30pm

Junior Explorers

Grades 1-3

Monday, November 14, 3:45-4:45pm

Explore a different theme each month using visuals and crafts. In November, we will discuss the Westward Expansion in the 1800s and construct a model of a covered wagon.

Afternoon Chess

Grades Kindergarten and up

Saturday, November 12, 1:00-3:00pm

On Saturday, November 12, 2011, hundreds of libraries throughout the country will showcase gaming programs and services in support of National Gaming Day @ your library. We will offer an afternoon of chess to all skill levels. Join us if you wish to learn the game or test your skills against others.

Is That Made Out of Duct Tape?

Grades 4-6

Monday, November 21, 3:45-4:45pm

Duct tape is a handy tool for a variety of situations, but have you considered making art and crafts with it? Get wrapped up in the duct tape trend and learn how to accessorize with this product which now comes in many colors and patterns.

Christmas with Rudolf featuring Dave Rudolf

Family Program

Saturday, December 3, 7:00-8:00pm

What better person to spend the evening of the annual La Grange Hometown Holiday with than Rudolf? Parent Choice winning musician and comedian Dave Rudolf will entertain the entire family with some traditional Christmas tunes, Christmas parodies and lots of Yuletide Joy!

Gifts from the Kitchen

Grades 1-3: Tuesday, December 6, 3:45-4:45pm

Grades 4-6: Thursday, December 8, 3:45-4:45pm

Who wouldn't love a homemade gift of food? Especially a decorative jar full of ingredients they can mix together anytime they want! Put together an edible gift for someone special.



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Board Meetings

Tuesday, November 15 at 7:30pm
Tuesday, December 20 at 7:30pm

Friends of the Library Meeting

Tuesday, December 6 at 7:00pm
Everyone Welcome!

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Book Discussions

Adult Book Discussions

The Hunger Games
by Suzanne Collins
Thursday, November 17, 7:00pm
Call Reference Services at
708.352.0576 ext.18.

Great Books Discussion

The Chilean Earthquake
by Heinrich von Kleist
Lava Cameo by Eavan Boland
Thursday, November 17, 7:00pm
Discuss classic books and readings with the
assistance of volunteer Al Silinis.

Noir in a Bar

Fight Club by Chuck Pahlaniuk
Tuesday, November 29, 6:30pm dinner,
7:30pm discussion
This group discusses edgy books in a bar
or restaurant on the last Tuesday of every
odd-numbered month.

Meet at Francesca's 75 S. La Grange Road.

Exhibits

We are on the look-out for talented local and nearby artists to show their work in the rotating displays at the Library. All mediums and both 2D and 3D art are desired. Contact Nicole Zimmermann at 708.352.0576 to be considered. Be prepared to show photos and/or examples of your work.

Library Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-9pm
Saturday 9am-5pm
Sunday 1pm-5pm
Closed Sundays, Memorial Day through
Labor Day

Closed

November 24 for Thanksgiving
December 24, 25, and 26 for Christmas
Closing early at 1:00pm on December 31
January 1 and 2 for New Year's