



LA GRANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Director's Message

If your holiday gifts included an eReader, tablet, or smartphone, be sure to check out our free downloadable eBooks and audiobooks at MediaOnDemand.org. All you need is your library card and PIN. If you have trouble getting it to work with your device, please call the Reference Desk at 708.352.0576. Interested in a tutorial? Stop by the Library for "Egads! I Need E-Help!" Bring your device (eReader, tablet, or smartphone) and we'll help you access all our online resources. "Egads! I Need E-Help" is scheduled for January 27 and February 23.

If you weren't so lucky this year, remember that we have Sony Readers and Nook Colors available for checkout. Each has 15-25 fiction and nonfiction titles preloaded for reading. In addition, the Reference Desk has one of each eReader for those who need help or just want to see how one works.

Happy Reading!

Jeannie Dilger-Hill

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service

The library will celebrate Dr. King's birthday by being open and doing a service project benefitting a La Grange food pantry. From January 14 through January 16, we will collect nonperishable food items to replenish our neighbors' cupboards during the cold months. Please bring an item or two to donate during this time.

Winter Reading Program

Adults and teens are invited to participate in the Winter Reading Program from February 1 to 29. Winter is a perfect time to explore your library, so pick up a bingo card at the Reference Desk to play for fun and prizes.

The Book Report

january/february 2012

The Big Read 2012: *The Paris Wife*

The Big Read, an annual reading event that brings ten communities together to read and discuss one book, returns with 2012's featured book, *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain.

A deeply evocative story of ambition and betrayal, *The Paris Wife* captures a remarkable period of time and a love affair between two unforgettable people: Ernest Hemingway and his first wife Hadley. The Hemingways are ill-prepared for the hard-drinking and fast-living life of Jazz Age Paris. Surrounded by beautiful women and competing egos, Ernest struggles to find the voice that will earn him a place in history.

For more information on *The Big Read* programs and resources, visit www.thebigread.org, follow the *The Big Read* on Twitter @bigread2012 or "like" the event on Facebook. Programs and book discussions will run during March and April, with the author visit on May 3.

Kids Read

Similar to *The Big Read* for adults, La Grange kids are again invited to partake in a community-wide literary event for young people. We will be reading *The Invention of Hugo Cabret* by Brian Selznick. Patrons are welcome to attend any program.

Resource Guides for *The Big Read* and *Kids Read* will be available February 1. Stop by the library to get your guide listing all the programs offered at participating libraries. More information will also be found in our March/April newsletter and on the website under Calendar of Events.

For specific information regarding programs check out the Calendar of Events on our website at lagrangelibrary.org, or call 708.352.0576.

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Adult Services Programs

Egads! I Need eHelp! (An eBook Workshop)

Friday, January 27, 10:00am-12:00pm

Thursday, February 23, 6:00pm-8:00pm

We'll help you figure out how to access the library's collection of over 6000 free eBooks and audiobooks online. Be sure to bring your tablet, eReader, or smartphone. You must also bring your library card and laptop to fully complete a download!

Daily Grind: Fundamentals of Coffee

Sunday, February 12, 2:00pm

Coffee: a necessary evil or a culinary delight? Join us for an eye-opening adventure into regional coffees with help from our neighborhood Starbucks. We'll travel around the world and around your tongue as we taste a variety of coffee and food pairings. Registration necessary! (6 min/30 max)

Speed Friending for Book Lovers

Tuesday, February 7, 7:00pm

Is your New Year's Resolution to make new friends? Come and meet some people who share the same reading tastes as you! Bring your most-loved or most-hated book, and be prepared to talk about it in our lightning rounds. Registration necessary! (6 min/20 max)

Beyond Borders (formerly Senior Reading Group)

Second Tuesday of every month, 10:30am-12:30pm

February 14, *My Own Country* by Abraham Verghese

March 13, *Comfort Me With Apples* by Ruth Reichl

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.

AARP Driver's Safety Course – 2-day class

Wednesday and Thursday, January 11 and 12, 10:30am-2:30pm

Tuesday and Wednesday, February 7 and 8, 10:30am-2:30pm

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.

Happenings @ Neighboring Libraries

The History and Art of Afternoon Tea

Monday, January 23, 7:00pm at La Grange Park Public Library

Presented by Patricia O'Brien. January is National Hot Tea month. What better way to celebrate than to learn about the history of tea, who started the Afternoon Tea craze, plus the nuances associated with tea. If you have a treasured teacup, feel free to bring it and share its story. Sponsored by the La Grange Park Friends of the Library.

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Young Adult Programs

Registration Information

Young Adult programs require registration.

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.

Are You Ready for the ACT?

Practice Test: Saturday, January 14, 11:00am-2:30pm

A practice test is crucial to ward off those Test Day jitters and to predict how you may score on the "real thing." Come and experience firsthand what Test Day will be like. This will be a free proctored exam, and a Kaplan representative will contact you with test results. Remember to bring #2 sharpened pencils, an approved calculator (act.org) and a healthy snack. Hurry – space is limited!

Teen Movie Tuesdays

Tuesday, January 24 and Tuesday, February 14, 6:30-8:30pm

Nothing warms the soul like a good laugh, and one of the funniest movies ever made was *Airplane!* (1980, rated PG). We'll show it on our big screen in January, followed by a classic sweet tooth film just in time for Valentine's Day: *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* (2005, rated PG). Bring a pillow, grab a friend, and enjoy some popcorn and a free movie at the library! Registration ends 2 days before each Teen Movie Tuesday. (5 min/ 30 max)

Build a Duct Tape Rose

Thursday, February 9, 7:00-8:00pm

You know that duct tape can do anything...so why can't it become a flower? Duct tape + a pen = a cool red rose, perfect for your Valentine crush. Or a perfect tool for you, to help you write your valentines! We'll build the roses while noshing on various sweet valentine treats, too. Registration ends Monday, February 6. (5 min/ 10 max)

Youth Services Programs

Registration for January programs begins Tuesday, January 3.

Registration for February programs begins Monday, January 30.

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.

Winter Storytimes

January 23 through March 2.

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

Wednesdays 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.

Fridays, 7:00-7:30pm

Youth Services Programs continued

Special Needs Storytime

Saturdays, January 14 and February 11, 10:00-10:30am

Spanish Storytime presented by Language Stars

Children ages 6 months to 6 years

Fridays, January 20 and February 10, 11:00-11:30am

Read to the Dogs

Mondays, January 16 and February 27, 7:00pm

Stardust Yoga Studio in La Grange will present the following programs at the Library:

Busy Star Baby & Me Yoga, Ages crawling – Kindergarten

Tuesday, January 24, 3:45-4:30pm

This is a fun-filled yoga class that will engage active toddlers and allow parents the opportunity to strengthen and stretch. Songs, stories, and games will also accompany the flow of yoga poses.

Starlight Yoga, Ages 5-9

Saturday, February 4, 2:00-3:00pm

This class will include games, songs, stories and other tools that will fully utilize the children's playful energy and their imagination. Meditation techniques will be practiced at the completion of class in order to soothe and calm the children.

Tyler's Time Programs

The following programs are paid for through generous donations to the Tyler Duelm Memorial Fund.



Fabric Fish Banners, Grades K-2

presented by Rachel Weaver Rivera of Imagine Art Studio

Thursday, January 19, 3:45-4:45pm

Create your very own "catch of the day" fabric banner fish. First, we will look at undersea creature books for great ideas. Next, learn new techniques as you combine materials to make your masterpiece.

3D Funny Face Collage Portraits, Ages Preschool- K

presented by Rachel Weaver Rivera of Imagine Art Studio

Monday, February 6, 3:45-4:45pm

Do you enjoy making funny faces? Have a blast trying out different expressions and creating the silliest portrait EVER using an exciting variety of buttons, bottle caps, decorative papers, ribbons, stamps, and more.

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

Tuesdays, January 17 and February 14, 3:45-4:30pm

Adventures in Reading, Grades 2-3

Tuesdays, January 24 and February 21, 3:45-4:30pm

For Kids Only, Grades 4-6

Tuesdays, January 31 and February 28, 3:45-4:30pm

Read to Succeed with the Wolves

Program runs January 16 through February 24.

Participate and have the chance to win great Wolves merchandise, including tickets to a Wolves game of your choice. Stop by the Youth Services desk and pick up a reading log.

LEGO® Club, Grades K and up

Thursdays, January 12 and February 16, 3:45-4:45pm

LEGO enthusiasts are invited to meet and work individually or as a group on a different theme presented each month. All supplies will be provided. You only need to bring your imagination and creativity!

Junior Explorers, Grades 1-3

Mondays, January 23 and February 13, 3:45-4:45pm

In January, we will discuss the different species of penguins while constructing a model of one. Then, discover how to attract common birds to your yard when we build a bird feeder in February.

Set the Record Straight, Grades 4-6

Monday, January 30, 3:45-4:45pm

When and why did the Guinness World Records originate as a reference book? Have fun guessing the longest, shortest and fastest records and then see how you measure up against them.

The Magic & Illusions of Paul Lee, Family Program

Friday, February 24, 7:00-8:00pm

Paul Lee presents a magic and illusion show featuring live music and animals. His performance will leave the entire family amazed, mesmerized and definitely believing in magic! It's not just a show, it's an entire production.

Indoor Games Unplugged, Grades 4-6

Monday, February 27, 3:45-4:45pm

When the weather outside is frightful, indoor games become delightful! Learn some fun indoor games (batteries not required) that will see you through the winter doldrums.



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Board Meetings

Tuesday, January 17 at 7:30pm
 Tuesday, February 21 at 7:30pm

Friends of the Library Meeting

Tuesday, February 28 at 7:00pm
 Everyone Welcome!

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Book Discussions

Adult Book Discussions

One Thousand White Women
 by Jim Fergus
 Thursday, January 26, 7:00pm
 Thursday, March 8, 7:00pm Title TBA
 Call Reference Services at
 708.352.0576 ext.18.

Great Books Discussion

Antony and Cleopatra
 by William Shakespeare
Antony (selection from Plutarch's Lives)
 by Plutarch
 Thursday, January 19, 7:00pm
 Discuss classic books and readings with the
 assistance of volunteer Al Silinis.

Noir in a Bar

Severance Package by Duane Swierczynski
 Tuesday, January 31, 6:30pm dinner,
 7:30pm discussion
 This group discusses edgy books in a local
 bar or restaurant.

 Meet at Wild Monk, 88 S. La Grange Rd.,
 La Grange, IL 60525.

Exhibits

Artwork by Connie Iacovetti will be on display in the Lower Level Gallery from December through January. Connie's display will focus on all seasons in oils, pastels and water color.

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

January 1 and 2 for New Year's
 February 3 for Staff In-Service
 February 20 for President's Day