



## LA GRANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

### Director's Message

Due to popular demand the Library has added eReaders to our collection. We have three Sony Readers available for checkout. Each has 25 fiction and nonfiction titles preloaded for reading. We chose the Sony Reader for its ease of use, as well as the fact that it is compatible with MediaOnDemand.org, our downloadable eBook (and audiobook) website. You can place a hold on one of our Sony Readers at <http://bit.ly/gqQ2AR>. In addition, the Reference staff has a copy for those who need help with using the Sony Reader, or just want to see how one works. While I personally still prefer the feel of a paperback book in my hands, I must admit it's handy to be able to carry around 25 books in my purse when I take a train trip or vacation!

Wherever you're going on vacation this Summer, don't forget to take us along. We've got audiobooks and music for the car trip, DVDs for the portable DVD player, beach reading, and anything else you need. If we don't have it, let us know! (Beach towels and floatation devices not provided.)

*Jeannie Dilger-Hill*

### LGBA Summer Art Project: Rocking Chairs

"La Grange Rocks" is the theme for this summer's downtown art project. The library will once again be participating in the program. Look for our rocking chair, designed by Lorna Shaw (a.k.a. The Creative Scot) in front of the library.

### La Grange Pet Parade

**Saturday, June 4 at 9:30am**

Watch for Library staff (and their pets) in this year's Pet Parade. The Friends of the Library will man a booth on the corner of Cossitt and La Grange Road to sell water. Volunteers are welcome. Call the Library at 708.352.0576 if you're interested in walking or staffing the booth.

# The Book Report

may/june 2011

## May/June Adult Programs

### Adult Summer Reading

Calling all armchair travelers! This summer go on your dream vacation or travel to an exotic locale by participating in the Adult Summer Reading Program – **Novel Destinations**. The "all aboard" call will sound Monday, June 6th with the "trip" ending Friday, July 29th. To qualify, read or listen to three books, with one selection being set in a foreign country. Suggested titles and authors will be available at the Reference Desk. Participants will win fun prizes from local businesses while exploring other countries and cultures.

**Registration is strongly recommended for all programs.**  
Register at [lagrangelibrary.org](http://lagrangelibrary.org) or call 708.352.0576.

### BIG READ: Real Cajun Culture

**Monday, May 2, 7:00pm**

Susan Boldrey takes us through the bayous, near the alligators and into the home of a Cajun family. We'll stroll and eat our way through the streets of New Orleans to check out Mardi Gras, jazz and the Creole culture.

### Knack for Knitting or Knot

**Mondays, May 2, 9, 16, 23 and June 6, 13, 20, 27 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.

### Thank You Friends!

All Big Read programs, materials and Book Club in a Bag are made possible by contributions to the Friends of the Library.

# May/June Adult Programs

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## Planning for College Financing:

### What You Should Know

Presented by Ryan Williamson

Wednesday, May 11, 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.

## Finding Hallowed Ground:

### America's Civil War Sites Today

Saturday, May 14, 2:00pm

The Civil War Round Table of Chicago presents Michael Weeks, author of *The Complete Civil War Road Trip Guide*. Start planning your summer vacation and learn about Civil War sites and to/from travel need-to-knows. Families welcome.

## Voluntary Simplicity

Monday, May 16, 7:00pm

This month's topic will focus is on simple, stylish, and flattering wardrobing with Carolyn Redding. A former Hinsdale store-owner, Carolyn can frequently be found working in costuming at the Western Springs Theatre.

## "The Whole Package": Interviewing Insights and the Etiquette Edge

Presented by The Etiquette School of Chicago and Jean Kripton, Inc.

Tuesday, May 17, 2011 from 7:00-8:30pm

We will help you determine your strengths to be highlighted in a resume or during the interview. Learn how to dress, act, and speak in a way that will set you apart from other candidates, thereby increasing the chances of landing your dream job.

Program Highlights Include:

- Strengths Assessment
- Job Applications & Resumes
- Interview Preparation
- Preparing List of Pertinent & Intelligent Questions to Ask
- Positive First Impressions
- Making Introductions (Handshaking & Eye Contact)
- Listening & Conversation Skills
- Thank You Notes & Follow Up

## AARP Driver's Safety Course – 2 day class

May 18, 19 and June 22, 23, 10:30am–2:30pm

This two-day library and AARP-sponsored class will help people learn defensive driving techniques and 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.

## Classic Film Club

Fridays, May 20, and June 17, 10:00am

Enjoy a classic film and fresh popcorn. Call for titles.

## Writer's Workshop

Wednesday, May 25, 7:00pm

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

## Packing for Travel:

### What To Pack And How To Pack It

Tuesday, June 21, 7:00pm

Nancy Pipal, Professional Stylist and Wardrobe Consultant presents "Packing for Travel." Whether you are planning a weekend getaway, a vacation or a business trip, learn packing strategies that can make all the difference! See a demo and hear expert advice on what to bring and how to pack it!

## Chicago Music Scene

Thursday, July 28, 7:00pm

Dean Milano, author of *The Chicago Music Scene: 1960s & 1970s* has a long career that encompasses his love of rock and roll, folk music, country and western, bluegrass, jazz, Cajun music, showtunes and every other type of music he heard along the way. In his book, he attempts to bring some recognition to all the wonderful artists who filled Chicago with music during those incredible decades and hopefully, he will stir some nice memories for those who were lucky enough to hear the music of that time.

## Teen Volunteers

Incoming 7th-12th Graders

Registration begins May 9 for volunteering

June 6 through July 29.

Teens! We need your help this summer in Youth Services! Teen volunteers will assist with programs for children aged birth through 6th grade, prepare materials for programs and help with our busy summer reading program. We will have a mandatory meeting on Thursday, June 2 from 4:00-5:00pm where teens will sign-up for weekly time slots to volunteer this summer.

# Youth Services Summer Reading Program

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Registration for June programs begins Monday, June 6.  
Registration for July programs begins Monday, June 27.

## One World, Many Stories

Monday, June 13 through Friday, July 29.

Registration begins Monday, June 6

Join the Summer Reading Program and travel the world without leaving the library. One World, Many Stories is a reading club open to toddlers through incoming sixth graders which includes programs, storytimes, reading incentives, prize drawings and more. You will receive a reading log and the rules for your age level when registering. This summer we are excited to add a fun interactive game for parents and their babies.

## Peace Tales Around The World

Presented by Kidworks Touring Theatre Co.

Friday, June 10, 7:00-8:00pm

Join us for a fun-filled, multicultural journey to Africa, the Middle East, India, China, Mexico and Native America as stories, dances and traditions come alive. The entire family will enjoy this interactive production as we kick off this year's Summer Reading Program!

## Book Time with Ronald McDonald®

Preschool through 4th grade

Thursday, June 16, 10:30-11:00am

Ronald McDonald's magical reading show highlights magic tricks, puppets and skits to show children that reading is fun! The excitement begins when Ronald McDonald invites students to take a "Relaxation Reading Vacation."

## Camp International

Application deadline is Friday, June 17

Camp has gone international! Pen-pal campers will be assigned to a cabin in the country of their choice with other bunkmates. Earn points by writing to one another and by completing fun assignments from your counselors. On Monday, July 11, 7:00-8:00pm, we will host a special Camp Activity Night for camp participants to get together with their bunkmates for games and treats. Then, on Monday, August 1, say good-bye to your friends at our Camp Farewell Party, 7:00-8:00pm. At the party, campers will enjoy Dave Herzog's Marionettes production Dragon Days and Knight Time.

## Seven Wonders of Your World

Entries due by Friday, July 22

We decided to take a look at the Wonders of Your World: the seven top things that are special to you. These wonders can be big or small and they can be people, places or things. So once you have your list, you can write a description, take a picture or present a combination of both. Share your wonders with the library for display!

## Ship Building Contest

Entries due by Friday, July 22

Enter this contest by building a ship using your imagination and materials of your choice. Prizes will be awarded in the following categories: cruise ship, sailboat, speed boat, pirate ship or space ship.

## Read To The Dogs

Mondays, May 23, June 20 and July 18, 7:00-8:00pm

Beginning readers can sign up to read to a specially trained dog for 15 minutes. Dogs are great listeners no matter your reading level!

## M&M® Bingo

Tuesdays, June 14 through July 26, 2:00-3:00pm

What would summer reading be without the rousing competition at M&M® Bingo? Join the fun, have a chance to win great prizes and eat your bingo markers at the end of the hour.

## Stories and Songs

Wednesdays, June 15, 22, 29 and July 13, 20, 27

Children 6 months to age 2, 10:00-10:30am

Children ages 2-3, 11:00-11:30am

Each week enjoy our newest picture books and some old favorites. We also promise plenty of songs and dance. These are drop-in programs so registration is not required.

## P. J. Storytimes

All Ages with a Caregiver / Drop-in program

Fridays, June 17-July 1 and July 15-July 29, 7:00-7:30pm

Wear your pajamas, grab your favorite bedtime buddy, and join us for stories and songs followed by a simple craft. After the program, stay for juice and cookies.

## Spanish Storytime presented by Language Stars

Children ages 6 months to 7 years

Friday, June 17, July 15 and August 12, 1:30pm

Take part in a storytime presented entirely in Spanish by a native Spanish speaker from Language Stars in Hinsdale. Experience the Spanish language through picture books, song and other activities appropriate for preschoolers. Registration is not required.

## Classic Movie Monsters

Children in Grades 3 and up

Thursday, July 7, 3:00pm

We'll discuss the top movie monsters of all time, then watch *Godzilla* on the big screen.

# Youth Services Summer Reading Program

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## Special Needs Storytime

Saturday, June 18 and July 30, 10:00-10:30am

The entire family is invited to a special storytime designed for children with various needs. We'll have stories, songs, fingerplays and a simple craft. 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.

## Friday Afternoon at the Movies

Fridays, June 17 - July 29, 2:00pm

The La Grange Public Library's "Movie Theater" will again open on Friday afternoons. Bring a pillow, a snack, and a friend or two and join us for a movie on the big screen. Check the movie marquee in Youth Services for that week's feature or contact us at 708.352.0576.

## Bubble Wonders!

presented by Geoff Akins

Family Program

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

All ages will laugh as they learn about the art and science of bubbleology. Equally important is the show's theme "Anything is possible," which is demonstrated by creating the impossible "square bubble." Watch spellbound as Bubbleogist Akins creates sculptures like bubble snowmen, ice cream cones, electric dancing bubbles and a fully functional merry-go-round. Why, he can even place a child inside a bubble! You'll have to see it to believe it! This is a drop-in program but space is limited so come early.

## Sports and Games Around the World

Ages 4-5, Friday, June 24, 10:00-11:00am

Grades K-1, Thursday, June 16, 2:00-3:00pm

Grades 2-3, Thursday, June 23, 2:00-3:00pm

Grades 4-6, Thursday, June 30, 2:00-3:00pm

We'll take a look at other cultures through the sports and games they play. After playing games from other countries, you will create your own game to take home.

## Adventures in Reading

Grades 2-3

Tuesdays, June 21 and July 19, 3:30-4:15pm

Join us for our monthly book discussion group. We provide the snacks, you provide the enthusiasm! Pick up a copy of the book at the Youth Services' desk for checkout after registering for the program.

## For Kids Only

Grades 4-6

Tuesdays, June 28 and July 26, 3:30-4:15pm

Enjoy a great book each month and then join your peers for a lively discussion and snacks. A copy of the book will be available for checkout when you register for this program.

## Dewey's Amazing Race

Ages 7 and up

Saturday, June 25, 2:00pm

Based on the television show, Amazing Race, teams will race to complete challenges based on the subject categories of the Dewey Decimal System.

## Mask Making Workshop with Jeff Semmerling

Ages 7 and up

Wednesday, July 20, 2:00-3:00pm

We will take a look at masks around the world with master mask maker Jeff Semmerling. Jeff has worked to revive this almost-lost art. Then, we'll work with colorful card stock to make elaborate masks, each unique to its creator.

## Magic Tree House Party... You're Invited!

Monday, July 18, 3:00-4:30pm

Fans of the Magic Tree House series are invited to travel through time and around the world with Jack and Annie. Join us for fun, games and trivia.

## Globetrotters - Travel Itinerary:

Ages 4-5, Friday, July 22, 10:00-11:00am - travel to Italy

Grades K-1, Thursday, July 14, 2:00-3:00pm - travel to Africa

Grades 2-3, Thursday, July 21, 2:00-3:00pm - travel to Mexico

Grades 4-6, Thursday, July 28, 2:00-3:00pm - travel to Japan

This summer we will travel the world and experience other cultures. Learn about a country through its games, dance, songs, stories, crafts, food and conversation. Book your trip (register for the program) online, in person or by calling Youth Services at 708.352.0576.

## End of Summer Reading Performance with Dave Rudolf

All ages

Friday, August 5, 7:00-8:00pm

Say arrivederci, au revoir, adios or good-bye to this year's summer reading! Grammy nominated singer and entertainer Dave Rudolf will entertain the entire family with his Fun Around the World show. Be an alien from outer space, a mummy in Egypt or hula hoop on a tropical beach. We will announce the grand prize summer reading winners after the program.

# Young Adult Information and Summer Reading

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## Registration Information

Most Young Adult programs require registration. Visit [lagrangelibrary.org](http://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](mailto:ya@lagrangelibrary.org).

## Finals Destination

May 18-June 7

Finals are approaching, and you're probably looking for a place to study. The library is a perfect choice. For three weeks, we're adding extra tables and chairs throughout the building. Come and study alone, or form a group! No registration needed; just drop in.

## Tech Teens Needed!

Mid-June through early August

Are you good around computers and other machines – and people? Are you looking for community service hours for high school or college? Can you commit 2-4 hours per week to the library? Then you may be PERFECT for this volunteer opportunity. Please fill out an application (available at the library and on our website) and submit it no later than May 31. If selected, you must attend an orientation session on Saturday, June 11 from 2:00-3:30pm.

## You Are Here! Young Adult Summer Reading Program

June 6-July 29

For teens entering grades 7-12. Sure, you could get on a plane and travel the world, but why go to all that trouble when you can visit the library this summer for a world of books and movies and projects, right at your fingertips? Trot the globe with us this summer – join us for a program! Or register to read three books and enter to win great prizes at the end of July. This summer, we give you the world!

## Teen Book Swap

Monday, June 6, 9:00am-1:00pm

Get prepped to kick off this year's Summer Reading Program "YOU ARE HERE!" with a "new-to-you" book! Come up to the Young Adult Room and swap your gently-used books for some different gently-used books. Give one, get one. No registration needed; just drop in.

## Teen Skittles® Bingo & Other Games

Wednesdays, June 8 - July 27, 3:30-4:30pm

Awwww, too old to play M&M® Bingo at the Library? Well, good news--we've continued it for teens! Whether you're going into 7th grade or as old as 18, you're welcome to play 1, 2, or 3 cards at a time and win small prizes playing bingo with Skittles®. Don't eat 'em until you're done. Once a month, we'll switch to other fun games to get you moving - so don't forget to register!

## Faux-Batik T-Shirt Dyeing

Monday, June 13, 1:00-3:00pm

Roll up your sleeves and design yourself a T-shirt! We'll use a modified batik process, popular in the West Indies, using glue (instead of wax) and a single color of dye. We'll supply the big white T-shirt and other stuff, you bring your creativity! Space is limited - you must register for this program by June 8.

## Teen Movie And Discussion

Thursday, June 16, 2:00-4:00pm

New Zealand is a simply phenomenal place, and the culture of its indigenous people, the Maori, is rich and complex. Join us as we watch *Whale Rider* (PG-13), the story of a young girl who wants to lead her tribe – but is she worthy? Can she take the place of her dead twin brother? We'll discuss the movie briefly afterwards. And, of course, there will be snacks. Please register by June 14.

## Babysitting Clinic

Mondays, June 20, 1:00-3:30pm, June 27, 1:00-2:30pm

Instructor George Scukanec from the Willowbrook Park District will be your guide through this 4-hour, hands-on clinic, covering baby and child care, first aid, and babysitter training. If you attend both sessions, you will receive your official Babysitting Certification at the end of the second class! Cost: \$20.00, payable at registration. Open to ages 11-15. Registration, in-person, is limited to 16 and ends June 13.

## Teen Book Discussion

Monday, July 11, 2:00-3:00pm

Andy Mulligan's *Trash* is about a group of boys in modern-day Manila who are so desperately poor that they live in the great, towering trash heaps and pick garbage for a meager living. This changes when one boy, Raphael, finds a treasure – and a dangerous letter. Now he and his friends are being hunted by the government, and if they stop, they'll disappear into one of the country's huge prisons – forever. Books will be available for checkout June 13. Please register by July 7.

## Teen Movie and Project

Thursday, July 21, 1:00-4:00pm

*Chocolat* (PG-13) is the story of the power and magic of chocolate, and the effects it has on the prudish townspeople in a small French village. Join us for a sweet chocolate - dipping project and a screening and discussion of the film. Space is limited – you must register for this program by July 18.



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### Board Meetings

Tuesday, May 17 at 7:30pm  
Tuesday, June 21 at 7:30pm

### Friends of the Library Meeting

Tuesday, June 7 at 7:30pm

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## Book Discussions

### Adult Book Discussions

Call Reference  
Services at  
708.352.0576  
ext. 18.

*The Optimist's Daughter*  
by Eudora Welty  
Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 7:00pm

*The Art of Racing in the Rain*  
by Garth Stein  
Thursday, June 9, 2011 at 7:00pm

### Great Books Discussion

*The Open Boat*  
and *An Interest in Life*  
Thursday, May 19 at 7:00pm  
Discuss classic books and readings with  
the assistance of volunteer Al Silinis.

### Noir in a Bar

*World War Z* by Max Brooks  
Tuesday, May 31 at 7:30pm  
This group is geared toward discussing  
edgy books in a bar or restaurant on the  
last Tuesday of every odd-numbered  
month. Call Reference Services at  
708.352.0576 ext.18. Meet at Thipi  
Thai, 25 West Calendar Avenue.

## May/June Exhibits

### May

Throughout the spring months, the Library displays art from area school children. In May, art from St. Francis, St. Cletus, and St. John Lutheran, as well as home-schooled students, will be featured on each floor of the Library. You can view their work in person, plus photos of the art will be posted on our Facebook page.

### Now through July 5

Floral artwork in a variety of mediums from students and instructors at the La Grange Art League will be on display throughout the Library.

## Library Hours

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

## Closed

Monday, May 30 for  
Memorial Day