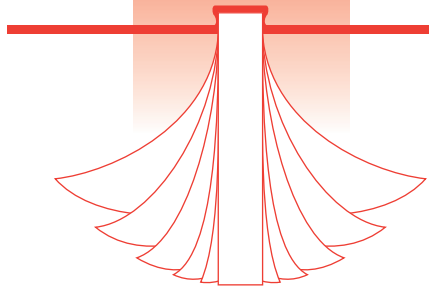


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Library Celebrates First Anniversary in New Building

First Anniversary Party on Nov. 9

Join us on Sunday, Nov. 9 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. for a celebration of the Library's first anniversary in our new building. There will be refreshments, raffles, activities for all ages, and live musical performances featuring AC*Rock at 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. Stop by the Library for some fun and meet our new director Jeannie Dilger-Hill.

Director's Message

Right now, the economy is foremost on everyone's mind. We're all looking for ways to save gas and exclaiming over the high cost of groceries. As we all "tighten our belts," more and more La Grange residents are turning to the library.

Your library is a fantastic place to go to start your research, find something good to read, watch, or listen to, and get assistance with crafting an Internet search. We offer free community rooms, computers, and WiFi access.

Your tax dollars support and fund all of these services, plus your library building and its operation. Your library effectively stretches those dollars to meet community needs while providing you with value and service. Now it is up to you to "cash in" on this investment. To calculate your own return on investment, try this simple calculator. <http://www.nsls.info/roi/?m=patron>. books you've checked out and programs you've attended, and it will tell you the dollar value of your investment.

Visit today and discover the wealth of great materials, resources, and experiences waiting for you at your library.

Jeannie Dilger-Hill

November/December Adult Programs

WHAT NOT TO WEAR

Tuesday, November 11 at 7 p.m.

Join executive presence consultant Nancy Pipal to learn how to dress sharply for holiday parties and everyday. Find out how to purge your closet and keep the items that are most flattering and versatile. Get a lesson on how to make a list of clothing and accessories "must haves," set a budget and shop productively.

VIEW FROM A ZOO: A VET'S VIEW OF BROOKFIELD ZOO

Sunday, November 16 at 2 p.m.

Brookfield Zoo Veterinarian Dr. Jennifer Langan will share her experiences of caring for all types of animals at the zoo and in partnership with other vets around the country. As a contributing author to the book, *Rhino With Glue On Shoes*, she tells the tale of a very sick polar bear who received emergency care to save its life. Appropriate for the whole family.

LYRIC OPERA LECTURE:

MADAMA BUTTERFLY

Sunday, November 30 at 2 p.m.

You don't have to be a season ticket holder to enjoy Lyric Opera representative Carla Thorpe's presentation on the famous opera *Madama Butterfly*. Spend a Sunday afternoon learning more about the storyline, music and its portrayal on the Chicago's Lyric Opera stage.

KNACK OR KNOT FOR KNITTING

Mondays, 7 to 8:45 p.m.

Join a group of knitters every Monday night at the Library. More experienced knitters can help beginners and those with some experience learn basic and new techniques. Bring your knitting needles, yarn and questions and ideas.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

HOLIDAY GIFT FAIR

Saturday, November 15, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Take advantage of one-stop shopping for the holidays at this great event. More than 20 vendors will offer jewelry, makeup, home decor and gourmet food items.



YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS

HOLIDAY STORYTIMES

Storytime introduces your child to the library through a half hour of stories, songs, and a craft.

Registration begins Monday, November 3.

2 and 3 year-olds:

Tuesdays, Nov.18 through Dec.16, 10:00 - 10:30 a.m. or 2:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Thursdays, Nov. 20 through Dec. 18, 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Fridays, Nov. 21 through Dec. 19, 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

4 and 5 year-olds:

Mondays, Nov. 17 through Dec. 15, 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Wednesdays, Nov. 19 through Dec.17, 10:00 - 10:30 am or 1:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Kindergarten through Grade 2:

Thursdays, Nov. 20 through Dec. 18, 3:30 - 4:00 p.m.

LAPSIT STORYTIMES

Lapsit storytime is for our youngest library users. Children aged 6 to 23 months are invited to join us for this interactive program that will include short stories, fingerplays, music and lap games. The program will last 30 minutes, including 15 to 20 minutes of stories and action followed by time to interact in a playgroup setting. For lapsit-aged children and their caregivers only, no younger or older siblings allowed.

Registration begins Monday, November 3.

Mondays, Nov. 17 through Dec. 15, 9:15 - 9:45 a.m.

Wednesdays, Nov. 19 through Dec. 17, 9:15 - 9:45 a.m. or 11:15 - 11:45 a.m.

Fridays, Nov. 21 through Dec. 19, 9:15 - 9:45 a.m. or 2:00 - 2:30 p.m.

PJ STORYTIME

Wednesdays, Nov. 5 and 19 and Dec. 3 and 17, 7:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Wear your pajamas, grab your favorite bedtime buddy, and join us for stories and songs followed by a simple craft. This is a drop-in program.

JUNIOR EXPLORERS

Mondays, Nov. 17 and Dec. 22, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Children in grades 1 through 3 are invited to join us for a program that explores a different theme each month using visuals and crafts. Because class size is limited, registration is a must.

November topic: Native American clothing varied widely from tribe to tribe, but one universal element was the moccasin. Extensive beadwork, quillwork, and painted designs were lavished on these shoes. We will create our own moccasin artwork.

December topic: Long ago, people celebrated the winter solstice, a time when the days grew short and the sun was at its lowest point in the sky. Candles or bonfires were lit to chase away the darkness. We will make luminaries as our symbol of light.

MAKE IT WORK!

Mondays, Nov. 24 and Dec. 29, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

This group will not only look at scientific concepts, but, as a group, they will use these concepts and “make them work!” This program is open to those in grades 4 through 6 who are curious about how things happen. Class size is limited, so registration is required.

November concept: Roller Coaster Science Amusement parks are a great place to go for fun, but did you know they’re also a great example of physics and engineering. After this session, you will see science all around you.

December concept: Up, Up, and Away! You will have a better understanding of the science behind flight after making several flying machines.

ADVENTURES IN READING

Tuesdays, Nov. 18 & Dec. 30, 3:30 -4:30 p.m.

Children in grades 2 and 3 are invited to join our monthly book discussion group. We provide the snacks, you provide the enthusiasm! When registering, a copy of the book will be available for checkout.

November selection: *The Bailey School Kids: Ninjas Don't Bake Pumpkin Pies* by Debbie Dadey

Is the new baker of yummy pumpkin pies really a thief?

December selection: *Jigsaw Jones Mystery: The Case of the Snowboarding Superstar* by James Preller
Solve the mystery and learn to talk “cool” (in snowboarding language).

“FOR KIDS ONLY” BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesdays, Nov. 18 and Dec. 30, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Enjoy a great book each month and then join your peers for a lively discussion and snacks. This group is open to those in grades 4 through 6. A copy of the book will be available for checkout when you register for the discussion.

November selection: *The Sherlock Files: The 100-Year-Old Secret* by Tracy Barrett
Can Xena and Xander Holmes solve a mystery from Sherlock Holmes’, unsolved casebook?

December selection: *The Name of this Book is Secret* by Pseudonymous Bosch
Can't tell you what it's about because it's a secret.

Grades 1 through 3: Monday, Dec. 8, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Grades 4 through 6, Tuesday, Dec. 9, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

HOLIDAY CARD WORKSHOP

Grades 1 through 3: Monday, Dec. 8, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Grades 4 through 6: Tuesday, Dec. 9, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

We will create cards using embellishments, stamps and punches and more. Use your creativity and brighten the holidays for both family and friends with cards created especially for them. Registration is required to guarantee plenty of supplies for card-making.



READING PATCH CLUB

Monday, September 8 through Friday, May 29

Become an official member of the LaGrange Library's Reading Patch Club. This program is open to toddlers through the 6th grade. Stop by the Youth Services desk to register and receive your reading log. Once you complete your reading goal, you pick out a prize book and reading patch. Keep reading and earn a variety of patches! Children must have a valid LaGrange Library card when registering.

READ TO SUCCEED WITH THE WOLVES

Program runs December 22 through February 20.

Register for this winter reading program 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. On Wednesday, February 25, at 6:30 p.m. a **Wolves player** will be at the library to give a presentation and answer questions from the audience. Kids will have a chance to dress in his hockey gear, win prizes, and receive an autograph!



YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

All Young Adult programs require registration. This allows us to plan for

you – to buy enough snacks and drinks, set up the popcorn machine, gather enough supplies – you see what we mean. Please feel free to spread the word and bring a friend – and be sure to sign up your friend, too! Call Noël or Jane at the library at 708-352-0576 (ext.35), email us at ya@lagrangelibrary.org, Meebo us at [lgpublib](https://www.lgpublib.org), or visit www.lagrangelibrary.org and click on Calendar of Events.

TEEN TUESDAY FILMS AT THE LIBRARY

Tuesdays, Nov. 18 and Dec. 9: 7 – 8:45 p.m.

We'll kick off the holiday season with Jack Skellington, as he tries to bring the magic of Christmas to Halloween Town in Tim Burton's breathtaking *The Nightmare Before Christmas*. December 8 marks the 28th anniversary of John Lennon's murder, which we will observe by watching one of the greatest madcap rock 'n' roll comedies of all time – the Beatles' *A Hard Day's Night*. If you thought *Yellow Submarine* was the only Beatles movie, come see the fun you've been missing! Free popcorn, cider, and concession candy will be served. Don't forget to register!



YOUNG ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesdays, November 11 and December 2, 7 – 8 p.m.

Teens who want to discuss good books in a comfy setting with interesting people – here's your chance! In November, we'll discuss Robert Cormier's *The Rag and Bone Shop*, a psychological thriller about a boy accused of murdering his friend. December's book, Paul Fleischman's *Breakout*, is the unusual story of Del, who tries to flee her old life in LA, only to be caught in a massive traffic jam. Copies of *The Rag and Bone Shop* will be available for checkout at the Patron Services desk beginning October 21. Don't forget to register!

THE RETURN OF DUMBLEDORE'S ARMY

Sundays, November 16 and December 14, 2 - 3 p.m.

Dumbledore's Army, our teen fantasy book club, returns in November with a discussion of *Eragon*, the first book of Chris Paolini's *Inheritance* trilogy. December's book will be announced at the November meeting. Come discuss great fantasy books with your friends while enjoying some tasty snacks! Copies of *Eragon* will be available for checkout at the Patron Services desk beginning October 21. Don't forget to register!

GIFT BAG CRAFT

Tuesday, November 25, 7-8 p.m.

Whether you'll make your own gifts this year or spend quality shopping time, you'll still need to wrap everything up! We have some great ideas for holiday gift bags, and if you spend an hour in this program, you'll go home with at least two hand-decorated bags to show your holiday cheer. Don't forget to register!

BOOK CLUB IN A BAG NOW AVAILABLE

The new Book Club in a Bag, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, is now available for check out. The program features a tote bag with 10 copies of a book and a binder that includes specific book discussion questions; information about the author and the book; book club resources and other interesting information. Anyone with a library card can check out the Book Club in a Bag for their book club. The check out period is four weeks with a four-week renewal.

The following 11 titles are available:

Amateur Marriage by Anne Tyler; *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao* by Junot Diaz; *Dream When You're Feeling Blue* by Elizabeth Berg; *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Pie Peel Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows; *The Memory Keeper's Daughter* by Kim Edwards; *Nineteen Minutes* by Jodi Picoult; *On Chesil Beach* by Ian McEwan; *The Time Traveler's Wife* by Audrey Niffenegger; *Truth and Beauty* by Ann Patchett; *The Snow Flower and the Secret Fan* by Lisa See; *The Story of Edgar Sawtelle* by David Wroblewski.

Notes from your library...

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

Thursday, November 13, 7 to 8:30 p.m.
Disgrace by J. M. Coetzee

Space is limited to 15 for book discussions. Call Reference Services to save a spot.

LGBA HOLIDAY WALK:



Jeffery the Great Performance

Saturday, December 6 from 7 to 8 p.m.

Jeffery the Great will perform at this special holiday event to amaze and amuse the whole family with his magic, comedy and juggling. Extended hours for the Holiday Walk on Dec. 6 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

CLASSIC FILM CLUB

Explore some oldies but goodies at the library with popcorn, refreshments and a short discussion after the film.

Friday, November 7, 1 to 3 p.m.

Cabaret (1972)

A true classic directed by Bob Fosse with Liza Minnelli, Michael York, Helmut Griem and Marisa Berenson.

Friday, December 12, 1 to 3 p.m.

The Bishop's Wife (1947)

A holiday heart-warmer directed by Henry Koster starring Cary Grant, Loretta Young, David Niven and Monty Woolley.



EXPLORE LOCAL TREASURES THROUGH THE LIBRARY'S ART DISPLAYS

November — La Grange resident Xue Yan Fang will display her extensive collection of Chinese art including scrolls, figurines, vases and other artwork.

December — In celebration of its 75th anniversary, the La Grange Art League will display artwork from its members. The display will include a variety of local works such as oil, acrylic and watercolor paintings, pastels, ceramics, photography, fiber art, and mixed media.

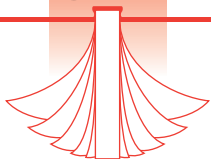
The Library will be closed on Friday, November 14 for staff training.

In honor of the Holiday Walk, on Sat., Dec. 6, the Library will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

**The Library will be closed on Nov. 27 for Thanksgiving;
and on Dec. 24 and 25, and will close at 5 p.m. on Dec. 31.**

Hours: Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.

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