



## LA GRANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

### Director's Message

The Library is always pleased to receive monetary donations for materials such as books, CDs and DVDs to celebrate a birthday, anniversary or the passing of a loved one. This month, we are particularly grateful to the Padgett Family, who donated \$1000 toward the purchase of children's materials for special needs patrons. These materials will be particularly helpful for our new series of special needs storytimes. We were also overwhelmed by the community's support of the Illinois Literacy Foundation/Borders Book Drive in August. Customers at the La Grange Borders location donated fourteen boxes of new books to the library. Thanks for your support! Other donations this year include:

Caroline Coryell: In memory of Patricia and Teresa Lucey  
Jill, Mark & Adam Hebert: In memory of Bertha Herbert  
La Grange Lions Club: \$1000 for large print materials  
The Madison Ave. Book Club: In memory of Casmira Gajewski  
Eric and Becky Spratford: Samantha Spratford's birthday  
Salt Creek Quilters Guild  
Mary Nelson: In memory of John Nelson

Interested in supporting the Library? There are many opportunities available at [lagrangelibrary.org/lagrange/donations.asp](http://lagrangelibrary.org/lagrange/donations.asp).

*Jeannie Dilger-Hill*

### Books Make Great Gifts!

Stop by the ongoing book sale for that special gift or stocking stuffer. Book sales are located in the lobby and the alcoves on the first and second floor. Proceeds from the book sale benefit the Friends of the Library. So your purchase provides two gifts! Shop often - new books are put out weekly.

# The Book Report

november/december 2010

### November/December Adult Programs

#### Ten Secrets to Getting Your Book Published

Tuesday, November 2 at 7 pm

Publishing insiders Bret Nicholaus and Joe Durepos will present this informational and inspirational publishing program. Learn all the tools you need to be truly successful in the world of publishing!

#### Sensational Holiday Decorating

Monday, November 8 at 7 pm

Create fresh and new seasonal updates in your home for Thanksgiving and the holiday season with designer Julea Joseph. Get tips on how to showcase family heirlooms, set your holiday table in style, and shop for fun new pieces to brighten your home.

#### Green Program: Sustainable Farming and Local Food

Sunday, November 14 at 2 pm

Beth & Jody Osmund of Cedar Valley Sustainable Farm will present the story of their old-fashioned family farm in Ottawa, IL. Come learn about the importance of eating local food and supporting farmers who take care of the land.

#### Ah! Cappella Songs of the Season

Saturday, December 4 at 3 pm

Start the season with the group Ah!Cappella as they present a holiday concert with traditional and fun songs of the season. Enjoy holiday classics such as White Christmas and Wassail.

#### Favorite Holiday Cookie Recipes

Sunday, December 5 at 2 pm

Pastry Chef Rose Deneen will demonstrate how to prepare and decorate yummy holiday cookies, followed by a taste test. Bring your own favorite holiday cookie recipe and you will receive a booklet of shared recipes at the end of program.

Please register at [lagrangelibrary.org](http://lagrangelibrary.org) or call 708.352.0576.

For more information on monthly programs such as Writers Workshop and AARP Safety Driver Course, please visit [lagrangelibrary.org](http://lagrangelibrary.org) or call 708.352.0576.

# Youth Services November/December Programs

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**Registration** | Registration for November programs begins Monday, November 1.

**Fall Storytimes** | Monday, November 8 through Friday, December 17

**Lapsit Storytime** | Ages 6 to 23 months  
Tuesdays 9:15-9:45 am or  
Wednesdays 9:15-9:45 am  
or 11:00-11:30 am

Join us for an interactive 30 minute program that includes short stories, fingerplays, music and lap games, followed by time to interact in a playgroup setting.

**Storytime** | Ages 2 and 3  
Tuesdays, Thursdays or Fridays  
10:00-10:30 am

Ages 4 and 5  
Mondays 10:00-10:30 am or  
Wednesdays 1:30-2:00 pm

Grades K – 2  
Thursdays 3:45-4:15 pm

Storytime introduces children to early literacy skills as well as the library through a half hour of stories, songs, and a simple craft. Parents also have the opportunity to learn new stories and songs with their children and meet other parents.

**PJ Storytime** | Fridays, November 19 - December 17  
7:00 - 7:30 pm  
All ages with caregiver.

Wear your pajamas, grab your favorite bedtime buddy, and join us for stories and songs followed by a simple craft.

**Special Needs Storytime** | Saturday, November 20 and  
December 18  
10:00 - 10:30 am

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. Please register for this program.

## Spanish Storytime

Presented by Language Stars

Ages 6 months to 6 years  
Friday, November 12 and December 10  
11:15 am

Take part in a storytime presented entirely in Spanish. These storytimes will be presented by a native Spanish speaker from Language Stars in Hinsdale. This is a perfect opportunity for native speakers to hear a storytime in Spanish as well as for non-native speakers to experience the Spanish language through picture books, song and other activities appropriate for preschoolers.

## READ to the Dogs

Grades 1 - 6  
Monday, November 22 and December 20  
7:00 - 8:00 pm

Readers in grades 1- 6 are welcome to sign up to read to a specially trained dog for a fifteen minutes. Dogs are great listeners no matter what your reading level.

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## Book Discussions

A copy of the book will be available at the Youth Services desk for checkout.

## Fun with Books

Grade 1  
Tuesday, November 16  
3:45 - 4:30 pm

Follow the adventures of different characters in early chapter books in this interactive book discussion program for beginning readers. This month's selection is *Young Cam Jansen and the Dinosaur Game* by David Adler.

## Adventures in Reading

Grades 2-3  
Tuesday, November 23  
3:45- 4:30 pm

Join us for our monthly book discussion group. We provide the snacks, you provide the enthusiasm! This month's selection is *Coach Hyatt is a Riot!* by Dan Gutman.

## For Kids Only

Grades 4-6  
Tuesday, November 30  
3:45 - 4:30 pm

Enjoy a great book each month and then join your peers for a lively discussion and snacks. This month's selection is *Return of the Homework Machine* by Dan Gutman.

## Outreach: What Can We Do For You?

Outreach Coordinator Megan Utne can help teachers, librarians, and others with all kinds of services, including in-school storytime; school field trips; or reserving books for homework assignments. Contact Megan utnem@lagrangelibrary.org or 352.0576 ext. 26.

## Holiday Etiquette for Kids

Presented by

The Etiquette School of Chicago

Ages 7 and up  
Monday, November 8 at 7 pm

While parents enjoy the program Sensational Holiday Decorating, children are invited to participate in an interactive holiday etiquette class. Ellen Clayton and Sherry D'Amico will lead kids in fun, hands-on activities that encourage good manners and etiquette. Topics include introductions, table manners with a sit-down snack and writing thank-you notes. Don't miss the opportunity to learn lifelong skills taught with child-friendly activities! The upcoming holidays are a perfect chance to show-off your kids' good manners.

## Hidden Harry Potter

Presented by

Steven Frenzel of

Marquee Movie Presentations

Ages 8 and up  
Friday, November 12  
7:00 - 8:30 pm

Enter the magical world of Harry Potter with this insider's peek at one of the most treasured film series of all time. The newest film will be released in November so don't miss out on the buzz!

## Hometown Holiday Performance by Linda Robertson

Sponsored by **The Friends of the Library** on Saturday, December 4 from 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Join us on the evening of the annual La Grange Hometown Holiday Walk on Saturday, December 4 from 7 to 8 pm and enjoy a family performance by Linda Robertson. Linda delights children and adults alike with interactive songs within the folk tradition.

# Young Adult Programs

## Registration

Young Adult programs require registration. Feel free to spread the word and bring a friend – and be sure to register your friend, too! Visit [lagrangelibrary.org](http://lagrangelibrary.org) and click on Calendar of Events, call the library at 708-352-0576, or email us at [ya@lagrangelibrary.org](mailto:ya@lagrangelibrary.org).

## Teen Advisory Board

Thursday, November 11 & December 9  
7:00 - 8:00 pm

We are looking for teens who love the Library and want to help shape its teen services by forming a Teen Advisory Board. TAB is a forum for teens aged 12 through high school who suggest materials that the Library should purchase for teens, such as books, music and movies. Come monthly to discuss books, magazines, teen issues, and programs. We want your input!

## Teen Writing Club

Tuesday, November 9 and December 14  
7:00 - 8:00 pm

Do you have an inner writer itching to come out? Are you a poet, or are you working on a fantasy or a detective novel? Are you the next Anthony Horowitz or Sarah Dessen? Let's meet every month to share our work and try fun writing prompts and exercises. Remember to register for this program.

## Junior Explorers

Grades 1 - 3  
Monday, November 15  
3:45 - 4:45 pm

Explore a different theme each month using visuals and crafts. Learn about Marquetry pottery design. Marquetry uses different colors and textures of wood placed together to create two-dimensional pictures. Make your own craft with this technique.

## Little Golden Books

Grades 3 - 6  
Monday, November 22  
3:45 - 4:45 pm

Little Golden Books have delighted several generations of young children. Your grandparents owned them as a child, your parents read them, and you enjoyed reading them. Learn the history and create a decoupage craft made from the many classic covers.

## Holiday Movies

Tuesday, December 21  
2:00 - 4:00 pm

Looking for entertainment over winter break? Bring a pillow, a snack, and a friend or two and join us for movies on the big screen. Contact Youth Services to find out what's playing.

## Teen D-I-Y Gifts

Tuesday, November 23 and December 7  
7:00 - 8:00 pm

Need some inspiration for holiday gift-giving? We'll make two different gifts, using recycled stuff from around your house! In November, we'll make fabric-top jars. Bring a hammer, a towel, and a big nail for December's gift, a soup can candle holder. Please register at least 3 days before the program date.

## Pretty Faces from the Kitchen

Wednesday, December 15  
7:00 - 8:00 pm

Come learn how to care for skin during the drying, damaging winter months. Participants will make batches of skin cleansers and moisturizers from common kitchen ingredients (to take home), and we'll try them out on lucky volunteers! Please register by December 11.



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### Library Director

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### Board of Trustees

- Becky Spratford President
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### Board Meetings

- Tuesday, November 16 at 7:30 pm
- December- TBD

### Friends of the Library Meeting

Thursday, November 11 at 7:30 pm

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## Book Discussions

### Adult Book Discussions

Book discussions led by library staff. Call Reference Services at 708.352.0576 ext.18.

Thursday, November 18 at 7:00 pm  
*Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen

Check the library's website, [lagrangelibrary.org](http://lagrangelibrary.org), for upcoming discussions.

### Great Books Discussion

This group discusses classical selections with the assistance of volunteer Al Silinis.

Thursday, November 18 at 7:00 pm  
Selections from **Great Conversations 3:**  
*The Pardoner's Tale* by Geoffrey Chaucer and *The Garden of Forking Paths* by Jorge-Luis Borges

Thursday, December 16 at 7:00 pm  
Selections from **Great Conversations 3:**  
*The Man Who Would Be King* by Rudyard Kipling and *Second Epilogue to War and Peace* by Leo Tolstoy

### Noir in a Bar

Call Reference Services at 708.352.0576 ext.18 to reserve your spot.

Tuesday, November 30 at 7:30 pm  
*Geek Love* by Katherine Dunn at Santiago's Mexican Restaurant's new location on Calendar Ave. in La Grange. *Noir in a Bar* discusses edgy books in a local bar or restaurant.

### Classic Film Club

- Friday, November 19, 10:00 am - noon  
*Arsenic and Old Lace* (1944)
- Friday, December 17, 10:00 am - noon  
*Miracle on 34th Street* (1947)

Join us once a month for a classic film, freshly popped corn, and a short discussion.

## November/December Exhibits

### November

Library employee Mary Martinec's extensive collection of late 19th century and early 20th century dolls, as well as 19th century prints of children from England, Hungary, and Poland will be featured.

### December

Hand-made quilts and Christmas collectibles from La Grange resident Martha Barry will be displayed during December.

## Library Hours

- Monday—Friday 9 am to 9 pm
- Saturday 9 am to 5 pm
- Sunday 1 pm to 5 pm

## Closed

- Thursday, November 25 for Thanksgiving
- Friday, December 24 for Christmas Eve
- Saturday, December 25 for Christmas Day
- Closing early at 5 p.m. on Friday, December 31
- Saturday, January 1 for New Year's Day