

Notes from your library...



ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

Looking to discuss a good book?

The Library hosts an adult book discussion group approximately every six weeks.

Thursday, October 2, 7 to 8:30 pm
Burning Bright by Tracy Chevalier

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

CLASSIC FILM CLUB

“Fall” into the library for a classic film, popcorn and refreshments.

Friday, September 12, 1 to 3 pm
Sunset Boulevard (1950) Directed by Billy Wilder with William Holden, Gloria Swanson and Erich von Stroheim.

Friday, October 10, 1 to 3 pm
Mr. Smith Goes to Washington (1939) Directed by Frank Capra with Jean Arthur, James Stewart and Claude Rains.

EXPLORE LOCAL TREASURES THROUGH THE LIBRARY'S ART DISPLAYS

September — The Robert Crown Center of Hinsdale will feature educational information to celebrate its 50th anniversary.

October — Fourth Friday Beading Society will display jewelry and other art made from beads.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY HOSTS MEMBERSHIP MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 8

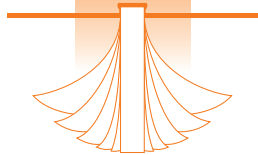
Find out how you can support the library's mission and meet new people. Join us at the Friends of the Library's membership meeting on Monday, September 8 at 7:30 p.m. on the lower level of the library.

The Library will be closed on Monday, October 13 in observance of Columbus Day.

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

Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. (September to May)

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The Book Report

Fall into the Library for new programs, books, fun!

Director's Message

I want to thank everyone in the community for the warm welcome I have received. Many La Grange residents have taken the time to stop and introduce themselves and welcome me to the community. I'm truly enjoying getting to know everyone.

September and October are busy months for the library. September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month. If you don't have a card, or aren't sure if an old card is valid, stop in today and get a new one! La Grange Public Library has a reciprocal agreement with over 75 area libraries, so your card can be used where you work, play, eat, and shop.

We'll also be celebrating the freedom to read during Banned Books Week, September 27–October 4, 2008. This annual event reminds us as Americans not to take this precious democratic freedom for granted. You can celebrate by reading a book that has been challenged or banned. Check with the Reference and Readers' Services, Young Adult Services, or Youth Services desk for a list of suggested books.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, November 9. La Grange Public Library will celebrate our one-year anniversary with an Anniversary Party. More information to follow.

If you haven't yet seen your new library, please stop in. Take advantage of our group study rooms, reserve the Dierkes Community Room for your next meeting, get some help with finding information online, or take home a movie for the weekend. There's more to the library than meets the eye!

Jeannie Dilger-Hill

September/October Adult Programs

KEEPING YOUR KIDS SAFE ONLINE

Monday, September 15 at 7 pm

Do you know what's on your child's MySpace/Facebook account? Naperville Internet Crime Detective Rich Wistocki will update parents on the latest ways to keep your kids safe online. Det. Wistocki will relate some real-life stories of internet crime and provide tips to help protect your kids from online predators.

DON'T PAY THE COLLEGE STICKER PRICE

Monday, September 22 at 7 pm

Find out the three key areas to reduce the overall cost of your child's college education. Certified college planning specialist Joe Orsolini will demystify planning ahead for college expenses regardless of your income.

THE FACES AND PLACES OF CHINA

Sunday, September 28 at 2 pm

Enjoy world traveler Bill Helmuth's travel presentation on the culture and people of China. Helmuth's colorful descriptions and fascinating photos will transport you to this multi-faceted country that hosted the 2008 Summer Olympics.

THE ORGANIZED FAMILY

Tuesday, October 7 at 7 pm

Come and pick up some organizing tips for families with busy, active school-aged kids. Learn how to handle the daily paperwork, extra-curricular paperwork and artwork that pours in during the school year. Presenter Beth Randall will suggest routines and schedules, plus how to get the kids to help with chores.

THE ART OF ANDREW WYETH

Monday, Oct. 27 at 7 pm

Art historian and professor Jeff Mishur showcases American contemporary artist Andrew Wyeth. In addition to presenting some of Wyeth's well known works, the slide lecture will focus on themes of domestic interiors; architecture; landscapes; friends and family; and still-life subjects.

National Library Card Month: September

September is Library Card Sign up Month, so stop by the library and sign up for the smartest card of all - a library card. It's your ticket to a world of opportunity and to quality family time. During the month of September, the \$2 fee to replace a lost library card will be waived. Sign up for a card and help us reach our goal of 2000 new library cards issued in our first year!

Celebrate freedom during Banned Book Week: September 27—October 4

Banned Books Week: Celebrating the Freedom to Read is observed during the last week of September each year. Observed since 1982, this annual American Library Association event reminds Americans not to take this precious democratic freedom for granted.

BBW celebrates the freedom to choose or the freedom to express one's opinion even if that opinion might be considered unorthodox or unpopular and stresses the importance of ensuring the availability of those unorthodox or unpopular viewpoints to all who wish to read them. After all, intellectual freedom can exist only where these two essential conditions are met.

Got Yearbooks?

Cleaning out your attic or basement? We are trying to complete our collection of Lyons Township High School (*Tabulae*) and Junior College (*Tower*) yearbooks. If you have any of the following years, and would be willing to donate a copy, please contact Pam Ferris at 352-0576 or e-mail ferrisp@lagrangelibrary.org.

Lyons Township High School:

1911	1918
1913	1920
1914	1928
1915	1941
1916	1970
1917	

Lyons Township Junior College

1939 or earlier	1950
1942	1951
1943	1959
1944	1964
1945	1965
1949	1968

Thank you for helping us complete our collection.

Celebrate the Library's First Anniversary on Sunday, November 9



The Library will host a fun-filled anniversary party on Sunday, November 9 from 2 to 4 p.m. The Library's new director Jeannie Dilger-Hill will be on hand to meet and greet people. In addition to yummy refreshments and activities for all ages, there will be a performance by Ac•Rock at 2:30 & 3:30 p.m. Ac•Rock is an *a capella* rock

n' roll band that has performed around the country and locally for the Cubs, White Sox and Bulls.

Save the date and help us celebrate one year in our new digs! If you haven't checked out the new library yet, this is a great opportunity to find out what we have to offer.

SUMMER READING DONATIONS

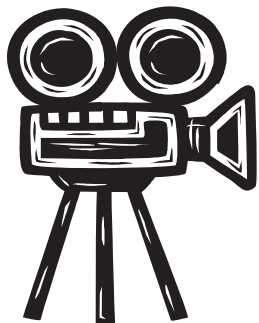
We would like to extend a huge **THANKS** to the following companies and individuals who contributed to this year's Summer Reading Program. Their generosity helped make this year's program a big success!

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Noodles and Company
Panera Bread
Palmer Place
Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory
Totally Board
Veni Vidi Val
We're Nuts

FALL PROGRAMS - YOUNG ADULT

CALLING YOUNG STAR WARS FANS

The Library may host a *Star Wars* role-playing group for ages 10-21. The program would consist of twice-monthly, 4-hour sessions of role-playing guided by Phillip Hughes, formerly of *Games Plus* in Mount Prospect. Mr. Hughes supplies everything you need – you bring your enthusiasm for *Star Wars* and your vivid imagination! The first campaign will be *The Enemy From Within* – a tale of suspense and intrigue. Scheduling TBA; please call Noël at 352-0576 x 35 if you're interested in joining the group. **A minimum of four committed participants is necessary.**



WAY COOL FILM SCHOOL: SCREAM-WRITER'S WORKSHOP

*Tuesdays, October 14 –
November 18, 4 – 5:30 pm*

Aspiring screenwriters will develop and write a short horror film script in this six-week workshop that includes screenings of some bone-chilling short films and classic scary scenes. All writing will be done collaboratively in-class. (No homework!) At the end of the workshop, everyone will get a copy of the finished script and a CD sampler of songs that the writers select for their film's soundtrack. Recommended for ages 12 – 14. Advance registration is required. **A minimum of four participants is necessary.**

** Note: This is a writing workshop only. No actual filming will be done in this program.*

BABYSITTING CLINIC

*Monday, October 20, 4 - 6:30 pm and
Monday, October 27, 4 – 5:30 pm*

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: \$10.00, payable at the first session. Open to ages 11-15. Registration is limited to 20 and ends October 12.

YOUNG ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

Wednesday, October 1, 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Teens who want to discuss good books in a comfy setting with interesting people – here's your chance! We'll be talking about Scott Westerfeld's *Uglies*, a thrill ride of a book that explores themes of physical beauty and freedom of choice. Copies of the book will be available for checkout at the Patron Services desk beginning September 3. Please register by calling Noël at 352-0576 x 35.

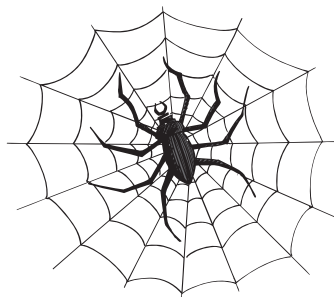
INTRODUCING NEW TEEN FICTION

Tuesday, October 14, 7 - 8 pm

Celebrate Teen Read Week with an evening of new Young Adult fiction! Noël will talk about some wonderful new fiction – most published in 2008 -- you might not have heard about. Parents, you're welcome to come, too! Please register by calling Noël at 352-0576 x 35.

ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW

Tues., October 28, 6:45 pm



Celebrate Halloween with Dr. Frank N. Furter and his sweetly bizarre group of partyhounds! Props are provided for this interactive movie experience – but we do suggest this movie for older teens, 15 and above, due to the film's mature content. **A minimum of 8 participants is necessary.** Please register by calling Noël at 352-0576 x 35.

YOUTH SERVICES OUTREACH: WHAT CAN WE DO FOR YOU?

Our Outreach Coordinator, Kim Krueger, is always available to help teachers, librarians, and other educators with all kinds of special services, including in-school storytime or book talk visits; scheduling school field trips; or pulling and reserving books for homework assignments. If there's a need for library services in your youth club or organization, please let Kim know. She can lead book discussions or provide book talks or storytime sessions for your school club, scout troop, or preschool event. Don't be shy about suggesting ideas we haven't thought of yet! Contact Kim at: kruegerk@lagrangelibrary.org or 352-0576 x 26.

La Grange Public Library FALL PROGRAMS- YOUTH SERVICES



BACK TO SCHOOL STORYTIME

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

Registration begins Monday, August 25

2 and 3 year-olds:

Tuesdays, September 9 through September 30,
10:00 to 10:30 am or 2:00 to 2:30 pm

Thursdays, September 11 through October 2,
10:00 to 10:30 am

Fridays, September 12 through October 3,
10:00 to 10:30 am

4 and 5 year-olds:

Mondays, September 8 through September 29,
10:00 to 10:30 am

Wednesdays, September 10 through October 1,
10:00 to 10:30 am or 1:30 to 2:00 pm

Kindergarten through Grade 2:

Thursdays, September 11 through October 2,
3:30 to 4:00 pm

Registration begins Monday, September 29

2 and 3 year-olds:

Tuesdays, October 14 through November 4,
10:00 to 10:30 am or 2:00 to 2:30 pm

Thursdays, October 16 through November 6,
10:00 to 10:30 am

Fridays, October 17 through November 7,
10:00 to 10:30 am

4 and 5 year-olds:

Mondays, October 20 through November 3,
10:00 to 10:30 am

Wednesdays, October 15 through November 5,
10:00 to 10:30 am or 1:30 to 2:00 pm

Kindergarten through Grade 2:

Thursdays, October 16 through November 6,
3:30 to 4:00 pm

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, August 25

Wednesday, September 10 through October 1,
9:15 to 9:45 a.m.

Fridays, September 12 through October 3,
2:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, September 29

Wednesday, October 15 through November 5,
9:15 to 9:45 a.m.

Fridays, October 17 through November 7,
2:00 to 2:30 p.m.

PJ STORYTIME

*Wednesdays, September 10 and 24 and
October 8 and 22, 7:00 to 7:30 pm*

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.



LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

September is Library Card Sign-up Month – a time when the American Library Association and libraries across the country remind parents that a library card is the most important school supply of all. A library card gives kids access to homework help such as materials to research their papers or next book report. It can also make life after school more fun, providing access to good reads, music, DVDs, the Internet and more. When a child receives his/her card, present it at the Youth Services reference desk and receive a nylon library backpack.

READING PATCH CLUB

Monday, September 8 through Friday, May 29

Become an official member of the La Grange 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 La Grange Library card when registering.

STOP, DROP, AND ROLL!

Monday, September 29, 11:00 am

Teach your preschooler this important fire lesson during an interactive program with real firemen. The firemen will be here to show the preschoolers their firefighting equipment and teach them all about “stop, drop, and roll.” The kids will then go outside and not only see the fire truck but be able to climb aboard.

MAKE IT WORK!

*Monday, September 22 and October 20,
3:30 to 4:30 pm*

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.

September concept: Bubble-ology

Are you a true bubble-ologist? Have you ever bounced a bubble? Can you squeeze a bubble? Join us to discover the beauty of a bubble!

October concept: Candy Science 101

No gum chewing in the library...but what if we make gum. True or False: If you eat “Pop Rocks” and then drink a soda, you will explode. Come find out the answer.

JUNIOR EXPLORERS

*Mondays, September 29 and October 27,
3:30 to 4:30 pm*

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.

September topic: After the close of the 2008 Summer Olympics, we will learn about the symbols and traditions of the Olympics while recreating a version of the olive leaf crown and the Olympic torch.

October topic: It will soon be Halloween and scarecrows are popping up in the pumpkin patch. Is a scarecrow really scary? Discover the history and purpose of a scarecrow while creating your own.

ADVENTURES IN READING

*Tuesday, September 23 and October 28,
3:30 to 4:30 pm*

Registration is required.

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.

September selection: *Magic Tree House Hour of the Olympics* by Mary Pope Osborne
Jack and Annie visit the Olympics in ancient Greece - and get into trouble as usual.

October selection: *Marvin Redpost Class President* by Louis Sachar
Third grader Marvin makes the news when he meets the President.

“FOR KIDS ONLY” BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesday, October 21, 7:00 to 8:00 pm
Registration is required.

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 the discussion.

October selection: *City of Ember* by Jeanne DuPrau
Read the book before seeing the movie, then come and discuss both.

HAUNTED HOUSE CONTEST

Create a haunted house and enter it in this creepy competition. All ages are welcome to enter. Work with a group or create your own house. Prizes will be awarded in many categories including Funniest and Scariest with a Grand Prize for the Best House based on a book. Bring your entries to the library by Sunday, October 19. Everyone who enters will be invited to a gala Haunted House Exhibition on Sunday, October 26 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm for treats and the awarding of prizes.

MAGIC MATT’S SPOOKY FUN SHOW

Friday, October 24, 7:30 to 8:30 pm

Come and enjoy magically illustrated stories featuring goofy ghosts, silly skeletons and more. Magic Matt will be making balloon creatures and critters following the show.

For more information, call Youth Services at (708) 352-0576 or access the Library’s website at www.lagrangelibrary.org