

DUNDEE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT



NEWSLETTER

Winter, 2003

DTPLD Welcomes New Director

The Dundee Township Public Library District's Board of Trustees appointed Elisa F. Topper Library Director at the October board meeting. Topper began her directorship November 17, 2003. She is the successor of the late director, Sylvia Murphy Williams.



Elisa F. Topper

For the past five years she served as the Assistant Dean of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at Dominican University, formerly Rosary College, in River Forest. She has extensive professional experience including Business Reference Librarian, Special Librarian for a career counseling social service agency, Director of Training for the Chicago Public Library, and Director of Member Services for the Association of College and Research Libraries, the largest division of the American Library Association (ALA). She also is an active member of professional library associations.

In 2003, Elisa Topper was named one of the top "50 Movers and Shakers" in her profession by *Library Journal*. Each month she addresses workplace and career issues in the "Working Knowledge" column featured in the American Library Association's publication *American Libraries*, which is the official publication of the American Library Association and is received by 65,000 librarians in the United States and Canada.

She looks forward to getting to know the community and enhancing library resources.

A public reception and open house is being planned for Friday, January 16, 2004.

Director's Column

I am so delighted to be your new library director. I first became acquainted with the Dundee Township Public Library District while working on various Illinois Library Association (ILA) committees with the late director, Sylvia Murphy Williams, a personal friend and colleague, never knowing what the future would hold. I hope to build on the foundation that was previously set by her and the Board of Trustees.

A library is not simply a structure. A library serves as an extension of its community to benefit the people it serves. The Board of Trustees are continuing with their strategic plans to make improvements to the facility, and continue with the development of The Dundee Township Public Library District Foundation, as previously created. Once the development stages are completed The Foundation will begin planning fund-raising events. I also intend to pursue expanding The Friends of the Library and enhancing library resources within the community.

My staff and I are committed to community outreach. In November I was a panelist at a League of Women's Voters program speaking on the United States Patriot Act in regard to public libraries. We provide library tours and book talks in schools and in the community. During the holidays the Children's Department collected new mittens and gloves for children and adults in need as part of our commitment to serving the needs of our community.

I am very excited to be working with such an efficient staff and dedicated Library Board of Trustees.

I personally invite you to a reception in my honor on January 16, 2004. I hope to meet many of you at the reception or at community events.

Best wishes for the New Year!

Elisa F. Topper, Library Director

Join the Dundee Township Public Library District Board of Trustees and Library Staff in welcoming our new director Elisa F. Topper.

Friday, January 16, 2004

5:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.

Library Meeting Room

Entertainment and refreshments provided.

Look for additional details in the *Courier News*, *Daily Herald*, and on the library's website: www.dundeelibrary.info.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS & SERVICES

To reserve seating for children's programming register in the Children's Department or call (847) 428-3661 Ext. 210

All program registrants and participants must permit their photographs be taken during library activities and programs and these may be used in future library publications. If an accommodation for disability is needed please call five days prior to the program.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



Melikin Puppet Theatre presents...Dragon Feathers

A delightful collection of the myths, legends, fables and history of dragons, including an authentic Chinese dragon dance! For K through Grade 8. Free tickets available Monday, January 5.

2:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. Monday, January 19 (No School Day)

NEW Winter Reading Club: "Chicago Wolves' Read to Succeed"

This is a joint program with the Chicago Wolves Hockey Team. Read books and earn the chance to win prizes like hockey pucks, posters, watches, and rings. For K through Grade 8.

Runs January 19 through February 28

Winter Storytime

Preschoolers will enjoy stories, fingerplays, puppets and songs. No registration required.

10:30 a.m. Tuesdays or Wednesdays in January

Baby Play Group

Meet and talk with other parents while infants and toddlers play. No registration required.

9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Mondays in February

Lap Sit

Puppets, stories, songs, nursery rhymes, and fingerplays for 18 months to 2 year-olds. Registration begins Monday, January 19.

10:00 a.m. Tuesdays or Wednesdays in February

Polar Bears to Penguins

Learn about the North and South Poles and the animals that live there.

Presented by Marge Fox, Elgin Museum Educator.

(K thru Grade 8) Free tickets available beginning February 2.

2:00 p.m. Monday, February 16 (No school day)

Tremendous Twos

Storytime for two-year-olds! Child must be two by March 10 and accompanied by parent or caregiver. Registration begins Monday, February 16.

9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 10, 17, 24 & 31

Animals: Folklore and Fact

The new Care for Critters program will exhibit animals and dispel urban legends and misinformation with the facts. View a live barn owl, a prairie dog, a milk snake, a white-necked raven, and a tarantula! Presented by the Zoological Society of Milwaukee and sponsored by Roundy's Pick 'n Save. (K through Grade 8) Free tickets available beginning Monday, March 8.

2:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 24 (School Dist. 300 Spring Break)

See a sampling of the new children's books on the last page.

NOTICE FOR PARENTS

With the colder weather arriving, it is important for parents and guardians to pick up their children before the Library closes. If left behind within 15 minutes of closing, the East Dundee Police Department will be contacted. Library hours and closing dates are posted on the building and listed on the back of each newsletter issue.

The Library closes at 9 p.m. Monday thru Thursday; 5:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday; and 4:00 p.m. Sunday.

DISPLAY COLLECTIONS IN LIBRARY

To display child-oriented collections in the display case contact the Children's Department at (847) 428-3661 Ext. 210 for details. There are openings through spring.



Timothy Dolezal with his collection displayed in the Children's Department.

Special Thanks To:

Outdoor Display:
Brent George "Harry Dumpty".



"Harry Dumpty"

Children's Display:
Miranda and Maggie Corbett,
Timothy Dolezal, Colin,
Dylan and Luke McCarthy,
Cardina and Isabel Bieri.

Adult's Display:
Elizabeth Grafelman and
Robert Cornish.

Gallery Wall: Gail Simons.

Mitten Tree: Gift givers who donated generously to the Children's Department Mitten Tree.



ADULT & YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS & SERVICES

To reserve seating for adult programming register in the Adult Reference Department
or call (847) 428-3661 Ext. 208



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ADULT PROGRAMS

Snowy Day Soups

Mmm! Warm up with a hot bowl of soup.

Cooking class will feature 3 soups. Limited to 40 attendees.

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 21

Genealogy Class: Ancestry Plus

Maximize family history search results using Ancestry Plus, an online database with census images from 1790-1930. Learn tips and tricks for locating your ancestors in the federal census, as well as how to use other indexes in Ancestry Plus covering immigration, Civil War pensions, vital records, and more. Beginning researchers are welcome, as well as experienced genealogists looking to enhance their online research skills. Instructor is a Reference Librarian and member of the National Genealogical Society.

7 p.m. Thursday, February 19



Remembering Grandpa: President Harry Truman

A light look of what it was like being Harry Truman's grandson.

6:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 24

Book Discussion Groups

Connect with other book lovers by joining in the discussion of fiction and non-fiction books.

1:30 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. last Wednesday each month

NEW 10 a.m. last Thursday each month

Spanish Self-Help Book Discussion Group

For information call the book leader Juana (847) 428-1328

6:30-8:30 p.m. last Thursday each month

Radio Comedy Classics

Enjoy an hour of laughs as you're whisked back before TV to radio's golden years. Radio comedy classics performed by the talented Those Were the Days Radio Players of Lake County, using the original scripts and sound effects!

7 p.m. Tuesday, March 9



Velvet Green (Irish Band)

Hear husband and wife duo, Joe and Sharon Cullen, perform "true" Irish folk songs and a few Celtic rock songs in English and Gaelic playing the bodhráh (Irish drum), keyboard, accordion, and fiddle.

7 p.m. Thursday, March 18

YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

Teen Café

For teens between 13 to 18 years old to share poetry and other creative arts.

No registration. For details contact Betty at (847) 428-3661, Ext. 208.

7 p.m. January 7, February 4, and March 3 (Open mic format)

Craft Workshop

For teens between 13 to 18 years old. Register at the Adult Reference Desk.

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. March 16

TAX FORMS

Many Illinois and federal tax forms are available at the library as a public service. Other forms can be obtained online or from the IRS office. Check with the Reference Department for assistance.

TAX HELP FOR SENIORS

Adults who are 55 years-old and older are eligible for tax help from The Tax Counseling for the Elderly.



Lois Hill providing tax assistance to seniors.

The tax counselors are trained volunteers of AARP, American Association of Retired Persons. Nationally volunteers serve over 1.6 million taxpayers each year at over 10,000 sites.

Appointments are available on Thursdays in February to April from 9 a.m. to noon in the Library. To make an appointment call (847) 428-3661 Ext. 208. Bring a copy of your tax return from the previous year to the appointment. Those who are homebound may request this service.

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LIBRARY HOURS

Mondays - Thursdays 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Fridays & Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Open Sundays 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Closed December 24 and 25

Close at noon December 31

Closed January 1

BOARD MEETINGS

7 p.m. second Monday of the month

January 12, 2004

February 9, 2004

March 8, 2004

The public is welcome.

DIRECTOR Elisa F. Topper

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Grant News

The Library received confirmation of a full Illinois Energy Efficient Lighting Upgrade Grant, including materials and labor. This upgrade will provide more of a natural light and will save the library 31 kilowatt hours of energy per year. The Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation was established to provide lighting grant funding to libraries, park districts, and schools.



NEW CHILDREN'S BOOKS

North Pole, South Pole, Nancy Smiler Levinson

An introduction to the geography, climate, and inhabitants of the polar regions. (Kindergarten-Grade 3).

Polar Bear Patrol (Magic School Bus chapter book), Judith Stamper
Miss Frizzle's class travels to the North Pole to learn about arctic animals. (Grades 3-5).

The Seven Chinese Sisters, Kathy Tucker

A dragon snatches a Chinese family's youngest and her six sisters come to her rescue. (Preschool-Grade 3).



NEW MAGAZINE ADDITIONS

Aquarium Fish

Arthur Frommer's Budget Travel

Baby Talk

Birder's World

Bon Appetit

Bookmarks

Chicago Bride

Chicago Caregiver

Chicagoland Gardening

Creating Keepsakes

Fantasy & Science Fiction

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