

## Notes from the Director

Can you imagine waking up one morning and discovering that your local library was not there? This is what New Orleans and the neighboring communities are experiencing as a result of Hurricane Katrina. I watched and read of the devastation as we all did, but this past month I got to view the city and one of the libraries in person.

The American Library Association kept their commitment to hold the annual conference there in June. Many of us were ambivalent about going to New Orleans, including me, but because I was speaking at the conference I knew that I could not back out. What amazed all of us was the fact that everywhere we went (17,000 in attendance) we were thanked by the residents.

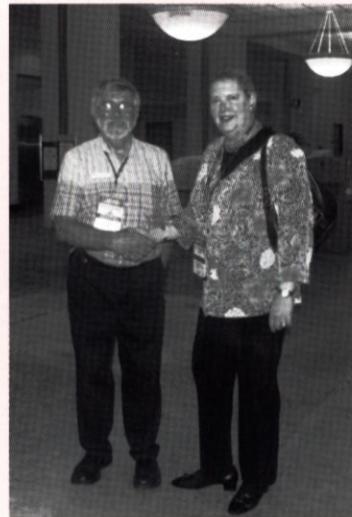
The media covered ALA's commitment to the city, highlighting the positive impact made by the influx of 20 million dollars in revenue. Since then other major groups have signed on and donors are sending monies to rebuild the public and school libraries. Over 900 conference attendees donated a day of the conference to help to rebuild libraries in the city.

In thirty years of being a librarian I have never been prouder to have been part of the association. I heard speeches by Madeleine Albright, First Lady Laura Bush and Anderson Cooper.

I also took a neighborhoods tour and attended a reception given by the Jefferson Township Parish, where our Friends of the Library group donated funds from their book sales. They are rebuilding their libraries but progress will be slow. It broke my heart to see what they are going through.

I am thankful that we have our community library where we still can continue to make improvements.

Lon Dickerson, director;  
Jefferson Parish Library,  
and Elisa Topper



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## A New Look for Our Library Card

The next time you visit us, take time to view the lovely painting of the Dundee Public Library that hangs near the elevator on the first floor.

It is an original watercolor created by Algonquin artist Sue Clark that has now become the signature image on our new library card.

Clark, who received her degree in fine arts from Northern Illinois University, had worked at the Dundee Library from 1995 to 2001 before leaving to pursue her art on a full-time basis.



In 2005,  
she was  
commissioned  
to paint the  
library by  
Elisa Topper,  
director.

The artist  
was very ex-  
cited about the  
project because

"libraries have been important to me since I was a kid," she recalled, adding that since third grade, she spent almost every Saturday at her local branch library.

Clark (in above photo, left) was among the first recipients of the new card presented to her by Jeanne Etling, head of the circulation department. The card is being issued to new and renewing patrons.

"Eventually, it will be carried by more than 36,000 of our patrons," Etling said. As an added convenience, it also comes with a key chain version.

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Register in the Children's Department or call (847) 428-3661, ext. 310. Unless otherwise noted, tickets to events are free. Programs held at the West Dundee Public Safety Building are noted "WDPSB".

### A Big Thank You to Our Teen Volunteers!

Isabel Bieri	Chelsea Oliver
Jamal Cook	Michele Olszynski
Josh Czospodarek	Debbie Patino
Charlene Dudley	Jackie Payne
Erich Ebner	Lianne Piel
Anne Hernandez	Maria Rico
Julie Lipp	Kelsey Seiler
Kevin Lipp	Mike Selvick
Jennifer Loni	Jennifer Siciliano
Carlea Mavros	Samantha Thompson
Greg McNally	Octavio Torres
Claire Mueller	Nathan Volchko
Lauren Mink	Noelle Ziembra
Mariana Munoz	

More than 1,365 children signed up for Voyage to Book Island, the 2006 Summer Reading Program that began with registration at the pirate's ship. In photo at right are the ship's creator, Gail Simons, children's department, standing, and teen volunteer Mariana Munoz.



### Read to a Dog

(6-10 years old)

Read aloud to trainer Nina Pregont and her story-loving dog. Reservations are limited and are being taken for a 15-minute session per child. Registration begins on Monday, July 31.

**Saturday, Aug. 12;  
Monday, Oct. 9;  
Friday, Nov. 3, at  
10 a.m.**

### Fall Storytime (preschoolers)

Preschoolers will enjoy stories, fingerplays, puppetry and songs. Each child must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. No registration is required.

**Monday, Sept. 18, at 10:30 a.m. WDPSB  
Tuesdays, Sept. 5, 12, 19 & 26, at 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesdays, Sept. 6, 13, 20 & 27, at 10:30 a.m.**

### Lap Sit (18 months-2 years)

Join us for 20 fun-packed minutes of puppets, stories, nursery rhymes and finger plays. Children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Registration begins on Monday, Sept. 18.

**Monday, Oct. 16, at 10:30 a.m. WDPSB  
Tuesdays, Oct. 3, 10, 17 & 24, at 9:30 a.m. or  
10:30 a.m.**

### Baby Play Group

Let your baby play with toys and books while you socialize with other parents. No registration is required.

**Mondays, Oct. 2, 9, 16 & 23, at 10 a.m.**



### Lost and Found Department

The library maintains a Lost and Found Department. If you've recently lost an item, please contact Administration at (847) 428-3661, ext. 314.

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS & SERVICES



### Wild World

(school age children)  
Meet Monsieur Moredough who uses masks, storytelling and puppetry to transform himself into Gray Whale, Flying Frog and Snowy Owl. Free tickets are available beginning Monday, Sept. 25.

**Monday, Oct. 9,  
(a no-school day)  
at 2 p.m.**



### Halloween

#### Storytime

(preschoolers)

Come and enjoy a special storytime. Children are invited to wear a costume and then join in the parade through the Children's Department! No registration is required.



**Monday, Oct. 30, or Tuesday, Oct. 31,  
at 10:30 a.m.**

### Tremendous Twos

Bring your two-year-old to this special storytime. Child must be two by Nov. 8. Registration begins Monday, Oct. 23.

**Wednesday, Nov. 8, 15, 22 & 29, at 9:30 a.m. or  
10:30 a.m.**

## Look for Our Library Programs on the West Side

Many of our patrons live on the west side of the river. To better accommodate those folks who have more of a distance to travel to the library's East Dundee location, we've begun holding special sessions of some of our children's and adult programs at the West Dundee Public Safety Center II (see photo and address below).

**The descriptions of the following programs that will be held in West Dundee are included in full program listings and are noted by *WDPSB*:**

- **On Tuesday, Sept. 12:** Julea Joseph's Fabulous Holiday Trends at 7 p.m. (Adult program)
- **On Monday, Sept. 18:** Fall Storytime at 10:30 a.m. (Children's program)
- **On Tuesday, Oct. 10:** Staying Safe in a Dangerous World at 7 p.m. (Adult program)
- **On Monday, Oct. 16:** Lap Sit at 10:30 a.m. (Children's program)



**West Dundee Public  
Safety Center (II)  
100 Carrington Drive, in  
West Dundee**

**(Intersection of Route 72  
and Sleepy Hollow Road)**

## ADULT & YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

Register at the Information Desk or call (847) 428-3661, ext. 308. Programs held at the West Dundee Public Safety Building are noted "WDPSB". If you need special accommodations to attend any library program or event, please let us know at least 10 days prior to the event.

### Intergenerational Knitting Class (ages 10+)

Knitting has become a relaxing hobby, popular with all ages and sexes. Join instructors from the Gifted Purl Shop in West Dundee for this special class that will teach you how to make a simple scarf. Knitting kits (\$15) may be purchased prior to the class, or bring your own supplies.

Thursday, Sept. 7, at 7 p.m.

## For Young Adults

### Gock and Wrock Puppet Workshop

Let your inner sock puppet out at these special workshops for teens.

Begin with designing and making your own Goth sock puppet to create heroes, villains and sun-light challenged characters.

Or, later create wrock puppets ready to

wrestle. Teens may attend one or both sessions. Materials supplied by the library. Registration is required.

Wednesday, Oct. 11, 3-4:30 p.m., or 5-6:30 p.m.

### A Place to Hang Out — Just For Young Adults

Join other teens to read a poem, sing a song, show off your talent, play a game, or just sit back, listen and enjoy the treats.

Wednesdays,  
Aug. 2, Sept. 6,  
Oct. 4, at 7 p.m.



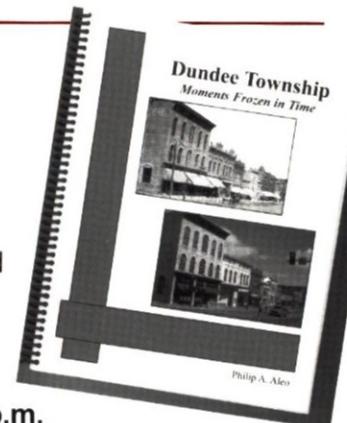
### Julea Joseph's Fabulous Holiday Trends

Back again — this time in West Dundee — for a fast-paced and fun program that will show you how to wow 'em this year with quick and easy decorating tips, classy seasonal trends and tips on how to refresh your existing holiday décor.

Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 7 p.m. **WDPSB**

### Phil Aleo's Dundee Township: Moments Frozen in Time

Local photographer and historian Phil Aleo will share his experiences and show images of Dundee Township — from circa 1835 to the present day.



Wednesday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m.

**The Key to Latin America (see next page)**  
Thursday, Oct. 5, at 7 p.m.

### Staying Safe in a Dangerous World

This seminar presents innovative survival ideas on car-jacking, home invasion, rape, burglary and more to motivate people to change their lives and avoid becoming a victim of crime. Presented by the National Association of Safety Trainers, Inc.

Tuesday, Oct. 10, at 7 p.m. **WDPSB**

**Flamenco Triana (see next page)**  
Thursday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m.

### Get Started with Digital Books

Learn to download e-audiobooks and e-books for your computer, MP3 or CD player in this demonstration by one of our library staff.

Monday, Oct. 16, at 7 p.m.

*Programs for the Whole Family!*

# Hispanic Heritage Month

Sept. 18—Oct. 18, 2006

## The Key to Latin America (bi-lingual program)

Chilean folk guitarist and singer Nelson Sosa performs the rhythms and songs of Latin America as he takes a musical journey to Central and South America, Mexico and the Caribbean. Free tickets available beginning Monday, Sept. 18.

Thursday, Oct. 5, at 7 p.m.



## Flamenco Triana

Experience an unforgettable evening of exciting and fiery footwork, handclapping, passionate dancing and singing in beautiful costumes with this popular Spanish Gypsy-style Flamenco company. Accompanied by the delightful sounds of live guitar and under the artistic direction of Michelle Nascimento ("La Caoba"). Reservations required.

Thursday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m.



Thanks to a donation by Jack Roeser, Otto Engineering, patrons may now drop off their library materials at a new book drop located at Culver's on Randall Road. It will be emptied each morning by library staff. A book drop is also located in front of Jewel Foods on Route 72 near the Spring Hill Mall.



## It's Showtime! Movie of the Month



Aug. 24 : *Desk Set* Matinee at 2 p.m.  
Sept. 21: *Shaggy Dog* Show at 6:30 p.m.  
Oct. 26: *Akeelah and the Bee* Show at 6:30 p.m..

*Pick up tickets at the Media Desk, ext. 307. Doors open one-half hour before show time. Free popcorn & lemonade. Children under age 9 must be accompanied by an adult.*



## Adult Book Discussion Group

Come to our Wednesday afternoon (at 1:30 p.m.) or evening (at 7 p.m.) session. Call (847)428-3661, ext. 308, for more information.

Aug. 30: *Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini  
Sept. 27: *Death Comes for the Archbishop* by Willa Cather  
Oct. 25: *The Da Vinci Code* by Dan Brown

**LIBRARY HOURS**

Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
Friday & Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
Sundays, 1 p.m.- 4 p.m. beginning Sept. 10  
(Closed Sundays during the summer)

**BOARD MEETINGS**

2nd Monday of every month at 7 p.m.  
The meeting is open to the public.

**FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEETINGS**

3rd Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m.

**DIRECTOR**

Elisa F. Topper

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Jennifer Blessman, President  
Carrie Brecke, Vice President  
Carmen Barrett, Secretary  
Eva Tipps, Treasurer  
Liz Gade  
Cheryl Nunn-Thompson  
Mary E. White

**LIBRARY CLOSINGS**

Closed Sundays from June 18 thru Sept. 3  
Closed Monday, Sept. 4, Labor Day

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# New! Library Programs in West Dundee!

## *Special Thanks to —*

- **The family and friends of Thomas W. Schmidling** for donations in his memory. Schmidling was an avid world-wide big game hunter and fisherman who also enjoyed using the Dundee Library. Donations were made to the Dundee Township Public Library Foundation.
- **Summer Reading Club donors** including Chris Cudworth of the Daily Herald for coordinating the "Big Ticket" program, which provided reading incentives from the following businesses and organizations: Arlington Park, Art Institute of Chicago, Bristol Renaissance Faire, Brookfield Zoo, Brunswick Zone, Chicago Bandits, Chicago Botanic Garden, Chicago Children's Museum, Chicago Wolves, Cuneo Museum, Enchanted Castle, Fox Valley Sports Academy, Funway, Hancock Observatory, Kane County Cougars, Kohl Children's Museum, Museum of Contemporary Art, Naper Settlement, Notebaert Nature Museum, Oriental Institute Museum, Putting Edge, Ravinia Festival, Schaumburg Flyers, Shedd Aquarium, Volo Auto Museum
- Also, thanks to Culver's, Domino's, Lighthouse Point, Old Country Buffet, Panera Bread for their donations to the Summer Reading Clubs.
- **Friends of the Library** for their co-hosting of the monthly movie series.
- **Volunteers Nina Pregont** and her therapy dogs for making our Read-to-a-Dog programs possible.
- **Sue Clark**, artist, for allowing the library to use her watercolor painting on our new library cards.
- **Culver's of Carpentersville** for hosting storytimes. The next one is Monday, Sept. 11, at 6 p.m.
- **Mary Lamp**, our volunteer, who helps out with a variety of behind-the-scenes jobs all year long.
- **Phil Aleo, photographer; Griffin Christian School, gallery artists; Art Oelhafen**, display case exhibitor.



## *Friends of the Library*

### **Fall's Gently Used Book Sale**

- **Thursday, Oct. 19, 5-9 p.m. Preview Night** • (\$10 entrance fee/Oct. 19 only)
- **Friday, Oct. 20, 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.**
- **Saturday, Oct. 21, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.**

Great bargains on thousands of hardcovers, paperbacks, CDs, DVDs, books on tape, videos and more. Children's books. **Come early for best selections.**