

Fox River Valley Public Library District

Dundee Library / Randall Oaks Branch Library



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SPRING 2014

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

In mid-November, we conducted an in-person patron survey at both of our locations for a week. Nearly 500 people participated and the results are in!



About three-quarters of our users have very positive opinions of the library in general and another 20 percent have somewhat positive opinions. Over 95 percent give staff high marks for customer service. However, responses to detailed questions about services such as collections, programs, and hours reveal that users are not satisfied with the current level of those services. Our users at both locations are looking for improvement in the most basic of library services — more books, more movies, and more programs — along with additional hours of operation.

Eighty percent of the people who visit both locations borrow print books, and seventy percent borrow DVDs, yet just over half of Dundee patrons and one quarter of Randall Oaks patrons rank the selection in these core collections as extremely good.

At Randall Oaks, 72 percent of users have children under 18, but only half rate the collection of children's books highly, and only one third are satisfied with the children's programs. More than two-thirds would like to see increased hours of operation for the branch.

At the Dundee Library, feedback shows the need for parking improvements, more programs and classes for adults, and the addition of innovative services such as maker spaces and robotics programs.

With the survey results as a guide, we will continue tweaking services to address your priorities as best we can with current resources. However, significant increases in programming, collections, and library hours will require additional space and staff, which, in turn, requires additional funding.

CHALLENGES:

- OUR LIBRARY'S TAX RATE IS 1/3 THAT OF NEIGHBORING LIBRARY DISTRICTS SUCH AS ALGONQUIN AND ELGIN.**
- OUR TWO FACILITIES COMBINED PROVIDE LESS THAN HALF THE LIBRARY SPACE RECOMMENDED FOR THE NEARLY 70,000 RESIDENTS LIVING IN OUR SERVICE AREA.**

As we develop plans to address district funding and space challenges, we'll be coming back to you for more input via surveys and focus groups.

To stay in the loop on what's happening at your library, be sure to sign up for our e-newsletter, "like" our Facebook page, and watch our website for announcements. If you'd like to be even more involved, volunteer for our Citizens Input Committee by emailing me at rbennett@frvpld.info or calling (847) 428-3661, option 5.

Sincerely,

Roxane Bennett, Library Director

UPCOMING CLOSINGS

- Friday, April 4 (Dundee Library open at 10 a.m. for staff training)
- Sunday, April 20 (Easter)
- Monday, May 26 (Memorial Day)

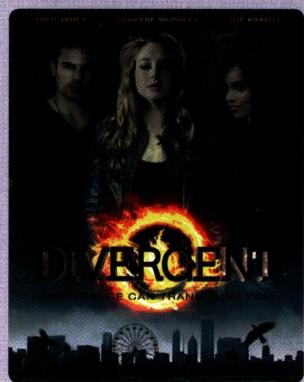
Please note: The Dundee Library will be closed on Sundays beginning on May 25 for our summer hours.

24-HOUR DROP BOX

- Dundee Library Driveway
- Randall Oaks Branch Driveway
- West Dundee Jewel/Osco (north entrance)
- Culver's in Carpentersville (Miller & Randall Roads)

SEEKING LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Your library district is seeking qualified candidates for an exciting opportunity to serve on the Board of Trustees. A vacancy on the library board will be filled by appointment of the Board in order to complete one year of an unfinished four-year term. Trustees are volunteers who represent the taxpayers and who must be residents of the district. The Board is seeking qualified, high-energy candidates who are interested in leading the library into the future. Knowledge of data mapping/analysis, emerging technology, space design, marketing, government, finance, or engineering would be helpful. For more information about the responsibilities of a library trustee or district boundaries, contact library administration at (847) 428-3661, press option 5. To apply, please submit a letter of interest and resume to the FRVPLD Board President at 555 Barrington Rd., East Dundee, IL 60118 or via email in care of Library Director Roxane Bennett at rbennett@frvpld.info by 5 p.m. on Friday, February 28.



DIVERGENT FANS!

- Monday, March 24, 3 p.m.

Are you excited to see Tris and Four on the big screen? Come discuss the book and movie with other fans, choose a faction, and win prizes by answering trivia questions.

dundeeteens.blogspot.com

Love the library?

Enjoy working with people?



Summer volunteer jobs for students entering Grades 7-12

Become a Teen Volunteer at the Dundee Library or the Randall Oaks Branch Library, assisting with the six-week Summer Reading Program (Monday, June 2 through Saturday, July 12)!

Pick up your application at either library beginning Tuesday, April 1 or send an email to kmohr@frvpld.info to request an application via email. Volunteering is a great way to give back to the community, earn community service hours, and gain work experience too!

Volunteers must attend one of the following training sessions:

Randall Oaks Branch

- Tuesday, May 13 or Thursday, May 15, 6 p.m.

Dundee Library

- Monday, May 19, 7 p.m.

GROUPS



TEEN ACTION GROUP

- Saturdays: March 22, April 12, May 3, 2 p.m. Join TAG and earn volunteer hours as you help prepare for this year's summer reading program "Paws to Read." Contact Danielle at dpacini@frvpld.info or 847-428-3661, ext. 5880 if you would like to volunteer but cannot attend a meeting.



ANIME CLUB

- Tuesdays: March 25, April 22, May 27, 7 p.m. Meet other anime fans, discuss your favorite manga, make buttons and other fun crafts, play Magic and Yu-Gi-Oh, and more! Snacks provided.



TEEN GAMING CLUB

- Wednesdays: March 5, April 2, May 7, 6:30 p.m. Come hang out with your friends and have fun playing Wii and PS3 games. Bring your DS and battle each other! Play Yu-Gi-Oh! Snacks provided!



COMPETITIVE GAMING

- Wednesdays: March 19, April 16, May 14, 6:30 p.m. Gamers, this is your competitive play hotspot for Tekken, SoulCalibur, Street Fighter, Super Smash Bros. and more. Snacks provided! Ages 13 and up.



Heading over for some gaming?

Feel free to bring your own controllers and/or games!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Please register

HEALTHY BRAIN, HEALTHY MEMORY

- Saturday, March 1, 2 p.m.
Improve your cognitive vitality!
Dr. Linda Sasser will discuss how memory works, age-related memory changes, and strategies for improving retention and recall.

CLASSICAL COMPOSER SERIES WITH JIM KENDROS

- Saturday, March 8, 2 p.m.: Copeland
- Saturday, April 12, 2 p.m.: Barber

Enjoy a mini-concert and a demonstration of rare, musical instruments.

THE KISHWAUKEE RAMBLERS



THE CHICAGO COSSACKS

- Saturday, March 22, 2 p.m.
Take in traditional Russian, Ukrainian and Gypsy music featuring a singer, and accordion and mandolin players, all trained in the former Soviet Union.

- Saturday, May 10, 2 p.m.

Known for their "good music made by nice people" this trio performs Americana, Celtic, Folk, and Civil War era music, complete with unique rhythm instruments and civil war attire.

LYRIC OPERA LECTURE: THE BARBER OF SEVILLE

- Monday, March 31, 7 p.m.
Led by Lyric Opera of Chicago speakers. Includes historical timeline, information about the composer, the story of the opera, and musical highlights.

MUSICAL SALUTE TO THE MILITARY

- Saturday, May 31, 1 p.m.
Wrap up Memorial Day week on a high note with Kym Frankovelgia, who is known for singing the standards with style and personality.



CARING FOR SOMEONE WITH ALZHEIMER'S

- Saturday, April 5, 1 p.m.
Learn about resources for support and strategies to reduce the stress of caring for someone with Alzheimer's Disease.

Funded by the Friends of FRVPLD.

To volunteer, send an email to friendsoffrvpld@gmail.com or visit www.frvpld.info.

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN CARPENTERSVILLE

- Saturday, April 26, 1:30 p.m.
Experience the colorful history of downtown Carpentersville with local author and historian Phil Aleo.

DUNDEE LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

Gatherings are on the last Wednesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Copies of the discussion books are available for pick-up five weeks before the meetings. Call (847) 428-3661, ext. 5836 for information.

March 26: *The Calligrapher's Daughter*, Eugenia Kim

April 30: *The Movement of Stars*, Amy Brill

May 28: *In the Shadow of the Cypress*, Thomas Steinbeck

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APRIL FOOLS' CHALLENGE

- Tuesday, April 1
Explore the branch and see if you can find 10 wacky things going on! Winners will be entered in a drawing for a prize. Drop in.

TALKING TO YOUR KIDS ABOUT MONEY

- Wednesday, April 9, 10:30 a.m.
Presented by non-profit credit counseling experts from Family Credit Management and West Dundee's First American Bank.

TOMATO GARDENING

- Saturday, May 17, 3 p.m.
Garden consultant Mark Lyons will share tips on how to successfully grow this juicy, mouth-watering garden fruit in your own backyard or container garden. Drop in.



The branch library is located on the lower level of the Randall Oaks Recreation Center on Randall Road.

Hours of Operation

Mon. & Wed.	10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Tues. & Thur.	Noon to 8 p.m.
Sat.	9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Fri. & Sun.	Closed

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

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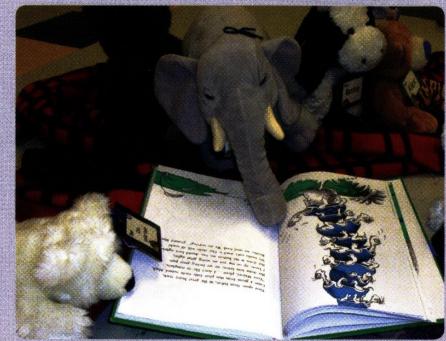
CRITTER CAMPOUT (ALL AGES)

SUNDAY, APRIL 13-SATURDAY, APRIL 19

Critter Drop off: April 6-12 / Critter Pickup: April 21-27

Your fave stuffed animal or doll is invited to the third annual Critter Campout. During the day, your friends will be tucked into their sleeping bags, but at night they will be out and about, exploring the library. What will they do? Read? Watch movies? Order pizza?

Watch our website, our Facebook page, and the library to see photos of how your critters spent their nights at the library.



READ TO A DOG (BEGINNING READERS-GRADE 3)

- Saturday, March 8, 10 to 11 a.m. Want to practice your reading on a furry friend? Bauer, our certified therapy dog pal, loves stories. Ten-minute time slots available.

MAKE YOUR OWN LEPRECHAUN TRAP! (GRADES 1-6)

- Saturday, March 15, 10 to 11 a.m. Looking for some extra luck? You'll need to catch a leprechaun first! Construct your trap at this shenanigan-filled workshop.

Drop-in

FRVPLD LIBRARY BOOK WRITTEN BY YOU!

- Submissions due by Saturday, March 29 Submit a poem, paragraph, short story, photo, drawing, or painting that shows how you feel about the library. See the finished masterpiece during National Library Week (April 13-19).

DROP IN FOR A TREE-MENDOUS CRAFT ON ARBOR DAY FRIDAY, APRIL 25 ALL DAY. ALL AGES.



WHERE THE SIDEWALK ENDS POETRY PARTY (GRADES 2-6)

- Monday, April 7, 7 to 8 p.m. "But all the magic I have known I've had to make myself" - Shel Silverstein

Join us for National Poetry Month as we explore the different types of funny and creative poems you can write.

KID WRITERS CLUB (GRADES 1-3)

- Saturday, May 10, 10 a.m. Play writing games, listen to stories, and make your own book.

DRAW WHAT YOU SEE! (GRADES 3-6)

- Saturday, May 17, 10 to 11 a.m. Learn how to see everyday things in new ways as we talk about the importance of details in drawing.

CELEBRATE & CREATE (ALL AGES)

- Friday, April 18, All Day (No school) Make a nest of baby birds and celebrate Spring!

DÍA DE LOS NIÑOS/ CHILDREN'S DAY (PRE K-GRADE 6)

- Tuesday, April 29, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. ¡Bienvenido a nuestro primer Día anual de los Niños (Children's Day)! Celebrate this Latino-inspired day honoring literacy, books, culture, and being a kid. Participants will receive a special prize!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

SPRING SESSION STORYTIMES

MARCH 3 - APRIL 11

Please register

BYOB BABY (0-11 MONTHS)

- Wednesdays, 10 to 10:30 a.m.
Featuring books, songs, rhymes, puppets, and dances for your baby's early literacy development.

WONDERFUL ONES (12-23 MONTHS)

- Mondays, 10 to 10:20 a.m.
Books, finger plays, music, giggles, and gurgles! Combine your visit with Free Play at 10:30!

Drop-in



FAMILY PAJAMA STORYTIME (ALL AGES)

- Thursdays, 7 to 7:30 p.m.
Join us for a relaxing round of bedtime stories, music, and movement. PJs encouraged!

TREMENDOUS TWOS (24-35 MONTHS)

- Tuesdays, 10 to 10:30 a.m.
Wiggle and giggle your way through books, music, puppets, and flannel board stories.

PRESCHOOL FABLES & FUN (36 MONTHS TO PRE-K)

- Tuesdays, 10 to 10:45 a.m. or Wednesdays, 3:30 to 4:15 p.m.
Preschoolers who are comfortable attending alone will enjoy fun stories, songs, a craft, and more.

FREE PLAY (BIRTH - 6 YEARS OLD)

- Mondays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Enjoy toys, puzzles, books, blocks, and riding toys while adult caregivers get to know one another.

BILINGUAL STORYTIME/ CUENTOS BILINGÜES (ALL AGES)

- Tuesdays, 7 to 7:30 p.m.
• Los martes, 7 to 7:30 p.m.
Children of all ages will enjoy stories and songs in English and Spanish. /Niños de todas edades gozarán cuentos y canciones en español y en inglés.

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Join us for family story time fun this spring! Stories are geared for ages 2-6 but all are welcome! No registration required.

- Saturdays @ 10:30 a.m.
March 8 & 22 / April 12 / May 3 & 24
- Mondays @ 10:30 a.m.
March 3 through April 7

STUDIO 500 ART SHOW (GRADES K-12)

Drop off your original art work (no larger than 18" x 24" please) March 10-14 for our first ever Youth Art Month exhibit celebrating children and art March 15-29.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FLAT STANLEY! (ALL AGES)

- March 3-29
The Flat Stanley series by Jeff Brown is celebrating 50 years in print! Color your very own Flat Stanley cut-out to display on our interactive wall display.

ELEPHANT & PIGGIE BOOK HUNT (ALL AGES)

- March 24-29
Everyone loves Elephant & Piggie by Mo Willems. Hunt for hidden Elephant & Piggie book covers and enter a drawing to win a prize!



SIDEWALK CHALK & BUBBLES (PRE K-GRADE 5)

- Saturday, May 3, 2 to 4 p.m.
Join us for some outdoor fun with sidewalk chalk and bubbles (weather permitting).

FREE! ¡GRATIS! COMPUTER TRAINING

CLASSES IN ENGLISH

Managing Your Email+

- Wednesday, March 12, 2:30 p.m.

Internet Searching Basics+

- Wednesday, March 19, 2:30 p.m.

Microsoft Word Basics+

- Thursday, March 20, 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, March 22, 9:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, April 2, 2:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 14, 2:30 p.m.

Excel for Beginners*

- Thursday, April 3, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 9, 2:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 23, 2:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 22, 6:30 p.m.

Microsoft Word: Beyond Basics*

- Thursday, May 1, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 21, 2:30 p.m.

Introduction to Facebook

- Wednesday, May 7, 2:30 p.m.

*Prerequisite: Microsoft Word Basics class or approval of instructor.

+Prerequisite: Mousing & Computer Basics class or approval of instructor.



These hands-on computer classes last about two hours and are held in the Dundee Library meeting room. The library provides computers.

CLASSES TAUGHT IN ENGLISH & SPANISH

Mousing & Computer Basics / Ratoneando y Lo Esencial de Usar una Computadora

- Saturday, March 8, 9:30 a.m.
- Thursday, March 13, 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, April 5, 9:30 a.m.
- Saturday, May 3, 9:30 a.m.

Keyboard Basics / Lo Esencial del Teclado

- Thursday, April 10, 6:30 p.m.

CLASES ENSEÑADAS EN ESPAÑOL

Lo Esencial de Usar Microsoft Word

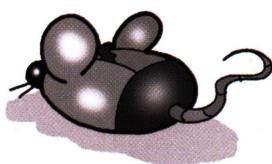
- Sábado, 26 de abril, 9:30 a.m.
- Sábado, 10 de mayo, 9:30 a.m.

¡Gratis!, pero cupo limitado. Estas clases usan la versiones de software en inglés y enseñan los términos en inglés. Usted recibirá las notas en español para llevar a casa.

Si usted sólo habla español y quiere inscribirse, deje un mensaje al (847) 428-3661, ext. 5835. Favor de dejar su nombre completo.

Diga su número de teléfono claramente.

David, el instructor, devolverá su llamada lo antes posible.)



E-BOOK DAY @ THE DUNDEE LIBRARY

- Saturday, April 19, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Learn how to download e-books to your device during this special drop-in session with our staff. Explore using the library's e-book collection and if you're considering purchasing an e-reader, this is your chance to try out different kinds of e-readers.

SOLVING THE MYSTERY OF YOUR CREDIT HISTORY

- Tuesday, April 8, 7 p.m. Presented by non-profit credit counseling experts from Family Credit Management and West Dundee's First American Bank. Please register.

GRUPO DE LECTORES DEL VALLE DE FOX



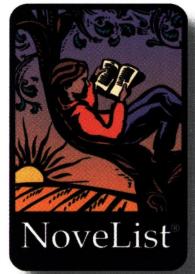
El grupo se reúne el jueves, 27 de marzo, 24 de abril, y 29 de mayo, de 7 a 8:30 p.m. El grupo se fundó en parte para animar a más personas a participar en la superación personal.

Para más información, llame Juana, (847) 409-0648 o grupo_valledefox@yahoo.com.

BOOKS, MOVIES, MUSIC

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Find your next great book using the resources on our website. From our home page, click on "If You Like" on the left side of the page, then choose "reading recommendations" to explore NovelList, a comprehensive tool for readers. Explore this detailed resource by genre, by author, by title, or by series. A favorite feature of this tool is the ability to get a recommendation based on something you've already read and liked. You can also choose "in depth advice" to benefit from our staff's reviews of books and movies.



LOAN PERIODS CHANGE

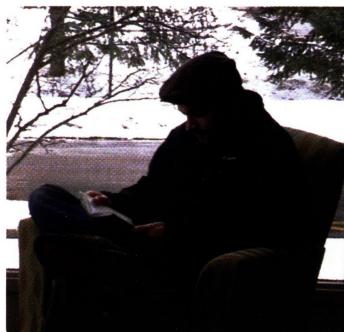
You asked and we listened. Starting on February 28, you can check out DVDs and Blu-rays for seven days. There is a limit of five new DVDs and no limit on older DVDs. The loan period for books is changing to three weeks with two renewals.

Item	Loan Period	Limits	Renewals	Fines (per day)
Any Blu-Rays	7 days	2	1	\$1
New DVDs	7 days	5	1	\$1
DVDs	7 days	0	1	\$1
New Audiobooks & CDs	2 weeks	0	2	20¢
Audiobooks & CDs	3 weeks	0	2	20¢
New Books	2 weeks	0	2	20¢
Prize Picks	7 days	0	0	20¢
Books	3 weeks	0	2	20¢
Video Games	7 days	2	1	\$1
Magazines	2 weeks	0	2	20¢

COMING SOON

These new books will be on our shelves soon. Visit our online catalog at www.frvppld.info to reserve a copy for pick up at the Dundee Library or Randall Oaks Branch.

World Gone By by Dennis Lehane
The Target by David Baldacci
Destroyer Angel by Nevada Barr
Chestnut Street by Maeve Binchy
Cavendon Hall by Barbara Taylor Bradford
A Wanted Woman by Eric Jerome Dickey
Otherwise Engaged by Amanda Quick
Murder at Mullings by Dorothy Cannell
Walking on Water by Richard Paul Evans



Get your name on the top of the reading list! The Favorite Fiction Fan Club is for readers who want to be among the first to read just-released titles by their favorite authors. Tell us your favorite authors, and we will automatically place the hold for you. It can be checked out for two weeks (may be renewed only if no other patron has placed a hold on the item). Stop by the Information Desk or call (847) 428-3661 and choose option 3 to sign up.

IT'S SHOWTIME!

MARCH

Captain Phillips

(PG-13; 2 hr. 13 min.)

- Wednesday, March 12, 6 p.m.



Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 2

(PG; 1 hr., 35 min.)

- Saturday, March 15, 2 p.m.



APRIL

All is Lost (PG-13; 1 hr. 46 min.)

- Wednesday, April 9, 6 p.m.

Frozen (PG; 1 hr. 41 min.)

- Saturday, April 19, 2 p.m.

MAY

Gravity (PG-13; 1 hr. 31 min.)

- Thursday, May 8, 6 p.m.

The Hunger Games: Catching Fire (PG-13; 2 hr. 26 min.)

- Saturday, May 24, 2 p.m.

Drop in. Dundee Library Meeting Room doors open 30 minutes before showtime for free popcorn and refreshments. Children under age 9 must be accompanied by an adult.

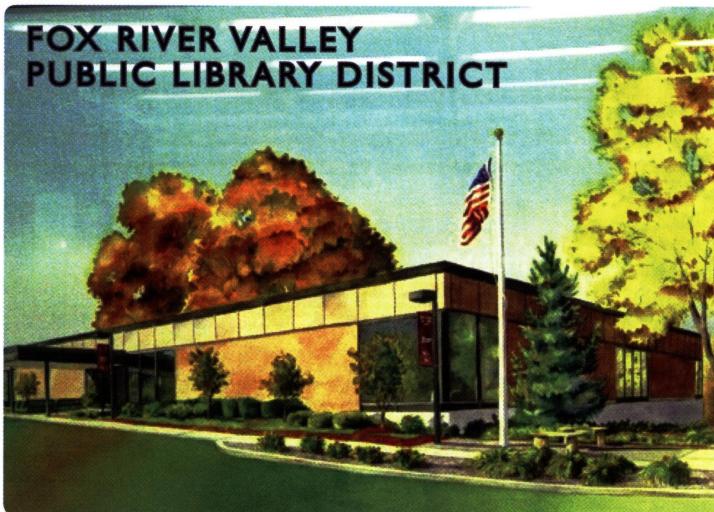
DID YOU DOWNLOAD YOUR THREE FREE SONGS THIS WEEK?

Top 5 Songs
downloaded by
FRVPLD Cardholders
(on Feb. 5):



1. **Timber** by Pitbull feat. Ke\$ha
2. **Happy** by Pharrell Williams
3. **Say Something** by A Great Big World & Christina Aguilera
4. **Love Don't Die** by The Fray
5. **Story of My Life** by One Direction

All FRVPLD cardholders get three free downloads every week using the Freegal Music digital music download service. You can access Freegal via our website at www.frvppld.info.



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Dundee Library

555 Barrington Ave. (Rt. 68)
East Dundee, Illinois 60118
Monday – Thursday: 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Friday – Saturday: 9 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 1 to 4 p.m.



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Randall Oaks Branch Library

500 N. Randall Road
West Dundee, IL 60118
Monday & Wednesday: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday: Noon – 8 p.m.
Friday & Sunday: Closed
Saturday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Phone: (847) 428-3661
Account Services (press 1)
Children's Department (press 2)
Information Services (press 3)
Randall Oaks Branch (press 4)
Dundee Library (press 5)
Public Relations (press 6)

Phone access to your account:
(847) 590-8706

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Marge Skold, *President*
Fred Lechuga, *Vice President*
Mark Biewald, *Treasurer*
Richard Corbett, *Secretary*
Brian Lindholm
Denise Sommerlot
Roxane Bennett, *Library Director*

MEETINGS

LIBRARY BOARD

The library board meets on the second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Dundee Library. The Board is elected by the taxpayers to serve in a volunteer capacity. Meetings are open to the public.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Dundee Library. New members welcome. Contact the Friends at friendsoffrvld@gmail.com or visit www.frvppld.info.

FRIENDS BOOK SALE IS MARCH 27-29

Book Sale Hours:
Thursday, March 27:
Friday, March 28:
Saturday, March 29:

5:30 - 8:30 p.m.
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.



The Friends of FRVPLD have scheduled their spring book sale for Thursday, March 27 through Saturday, March 29 at the Dundee Library.

Browse through a great selection of recent bestsellers, mysteries and histories, cookbooks, children's books, DVDs, CDs, and audiobooks.

Admission is free, however, people with scanners will be charged \$10. For each item of nonperishable food (nonexpired, please) donated, you will receive a free paperback book. Last hour special! On Saturday, from 3 to 4 p.m., get a bag of books for \$3.

VOLUNTEER HELP WANTED

The Friends are looking for a volunteer to serve as liaison for their book sale site at Culver's Restaurant on Randall Road in Carpentersville. Duties include replenishing book supply at Culver's with donated books (stored at the library). If you are interested and want more information about what is involved, please email Nick at ngkolanis@att.net or call the library at (847) 428-3661, press 6.