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## ◆ FROM THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

This issue of the newsletter is one of my favorites. I enjoy the excitement that the staff has as they plan holiday programs and select new materials that are sure to get you in the holiday mood. It's a special time for me to reflect back on the past year's accomplishments and to look forward to working on our goals for the coming year.

Last year this column was dedicated to explaining the process that we used to prepare for the year 2000. I wanted to assure you that the staff and I were ready to handle any problem that might occur and that we felt confident the new Local Area Network (LAN) would be ready for you to use on January 2, 2000.

Well, as you are aware everything went smoothly! The LAN has and continues to be in great demand. We have equipped it with various products which give you health related information as well as business and company information.

New Internet stations were added this past year and a major weeding project was done so that the reference collection remains current and accurate.

As you've requested we have continued to add more materials to the audiovisual collection, specifically the unabridged books on tape and popular CD's. More picture books have been purchased as well as popular children's videos.

We've brought back programs that you have enjoyed such as the Antiques program and the Mother Daughter Banquet. We started a Baby Play Group for parents with newborns and small children and a Young Adult Teen Café for teens 13 to 18 years of age.

With the help of a grant from the North Suburban Library System, two bilingual students from Dundee-Crown High School were hired to help us provide the best possible services to our Spanish-speaking patrons.

A new sign highlighting library programs was installed along with beautiful gardens that make the library more attractive and inviting.

As I enjoy my fifth year at the library I remain proud of the staff and Board of Trustees for their tireless efforts to give you what you need and want from your public library.

The year 2001 is going to be a special year for all of us as we celebrate the library's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Many wonderful and fun activities are being planned. I hope that you will participate and become part of this celebration. We have a proud past to celebrate and a bright future to look forward to.

*Sylvia Murphy Williams*  
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## ◆ LIBRARY TIME MACHINE

In 1896 the Library was housed at this site in Carpentersville. Do you know where this historic building is located and what it is used for now? (Answer below)



21 N. Washington. It is the Dundee Township Park District's Administration Offices.

## ◆ TEEN SCENE

The first two in a series of programs for teens have been scheduled for November and December.

**Mark Basch** from Fireside II Inline and Roller Skating Center will host a **Thursday, Nov. 9** program on inline skating. **Bob Seagraves** from Villa Olivia Country Club will present a program on **Tuesday, Dec. 5** on snowboarding and skiing.

Each speaker will cover the history and evolution of the sport along with tips on technique, safety and etiquette. The programs begin at 7:00 and will feature a raffle for prizes. Registration is not required; for more information call the Reference Desk at ext. 208.

In addition to these programs, the Teen Café provides an open mike forum for young adults to express their views, read poetry, perform or just listen. It meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00.



## ◆ NEW ADULT FICTION

**HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS** by Johanna Lindsey. The Baron offers to help Larissa Ascot with her financial problems; does he want to be more than just a good Samaritan?

**MISTLETOE MAN** Susan Wittig Albert. Herbalist China Bayles searches for a killer while struggling to help a friend and keep up with the demands of her new business.

**CAVERN** by Jake Page. An ancient footprint in the depths of an enormous cavern and the disappearance of government workers begins an exciting, underground adventure.

**ALICE'S TULIPS** by Sandra Dallas. The heartwarming story of farm wife Alice Bullock and her life while her husband is away fighting in the Civil War.

**THE VAULT** by Peter Lovesey. A mystery must be solved when some modern bones are unearthed beneath the vaults in Bath, England.

**LAST SEEN IN MASSILIA** by Steven Saylor. A double agent acting for Julius Caesar finds intrigue in Rome in 49 B.C. during the war between Pompey and Caesar.

## ◆ NEW ADULT NON-FICTION

**CHRISTMAS DETAILS** by Mary Norden and Sandra Lane. Create a holiday atmosphere for your home that is tailored to your personal taste or use one of five decorating themes.

**CHRISTMAS ALL THROUGH THE HOUSE** by Better Homes and Gardens. Have lots of Christmas fun with adult and children's projects, recipes and decorating ideas.

**KNIT THE CHRISTMAS STORY** by Jan Messent. Detailed instructions and photographs help you to craft the colorful figures for this tabletop crèche.

**TIME MANAGEMENT FROM THE INSIDE OUT** by Julie Morgenstern. Finally conquer the clutter in your life and overcome the time challenge with a system that suits your needs.

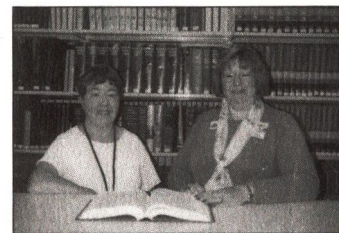
**HIROHITO AND THE MAKING OF MODERN JAPAN** by Herbert P. Bix. The first complete look at the enigmatic leader whose 63 year reign moved Japan into the modern world. Includes photographs.

## ◆ LIBRARY STAFF RECEIVES SERVICE AWARDS

In appreciation of their years of dedicated service, Library Board Trustee Pat Ostewig presented awards to five staff members at the September 12 Board Meeting. A 20 year award pin and a watch were presented to Kathy Sommers, Technical Services Department. 10 year pins were awarded to Carrie Eckersberg, Circulation Department, and Kathy Shrum, Media Desk. Sylvia Murphy Williams, Library Director, and Susan Clark, Community Relations Coordinator, received 5 year pins.



Sylvia Murphy Williams, Library Director, Kathy Shrum, Media Desk and Kathy Sommers, Technical Services



Carrie Eckersberg, Circulation Department and Susan Clark, Community Relations Coordinator

## ◆ A MESSAGE FOR PARENTS

The Library provides a comfortable and inviting space for all its patrons, especially children, offering them programs and activities. Like stores and malls, the Library is open to the general public and a variety of people come and go every day. For the care and safety of the children, the Library has these guidelines:

- Children aged 9 and under must be accompanied by a caregiver at least 18 years old.
- Self-supervised children, ages 10 and up, are welcome to use the Library as long as their behavior is in accordance with Library policy. If their behavior deteriorates, Library staff will attempt to locate a parent or caregiver and request the children be removed.
- Parents must arrange to pick up their children by closing time. If no parent or guardian does so within 15 minutes, the East Dundee Police will be called to take custody of the child. **The Library closes at 4:00 on Sunday, 9:00 on Monday through Thursday and 5:30 on Friday and Saturday.**

## ◆ SPECIAL THANKS TO...

**FAMILY AND FRIENDS** of Library patron Beverly Rabe for the memorials made in her name. They will be used to add materials to the adult fiction collection and each book will be designated by a book plate in her memory.

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS** for their assistance in registering voters.

**COLLECTORS** Upstairs display case: Nancy Ramanandan and Carol Shoenthal. Downstairs display case: Billy Krueger, Gail Simons and the Mitchell Museum of the American Indian.

**ARTISTS** (Upstairs Gallery) Jennifer Dahlberg and Amy Castillo

**DIRECTOR:** Sylvia Murphy Williams  
**TRUSTEES:** Richard Sisler (President), Carrie Brecke (Vice President), Dorothy Carrigan (Secretary), Keith D. Bergstrom (Treasurer), Jennifer Blessman, Patricia

Ostewig and Carmen Barrett.  
**BOARD MEETINGS:** The second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM. The Public is welcome.

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR:** Susan Clark



## ◆ PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN

### BACK IN TIME, WHEN DINOSAURS ROAMED

Children will take a ride in our time machine, make crafts and hear stories about dinosaurs. Registration is limited. Session 1 is on **Thursday, Nov. 2** and will be for kindergarten aged children, Session 2 is on **Thursday, Nov. 9** and will be for 1st and 2nd graders, and Session 3 will be on **Thursday, Nov. 16** for 3rd and 4th graders. Each session is from 3:30 to 4:30. Register at the Children's Desk or call ext. 210.

*No registration is required for any of the programs listed below.*

### KIDS' CHOICE

Vote for George Bush, Al Gore, or the write-in of your choice! Boys and girls of all ages can vote in this mock election in the Children's Department on **Tuesday, November 7**. Polls are open from 9:00 to 9:00.

### BABY PLAY GROUP

This is an opportunity for parents to meet and talk with other parents of small children! To participate in this informal and fun program simply drop in and you will find infant toys to play with and board books to read and check out. Make new friends for yourself and your baby! **Tuesdays, November 7, 14, 21 and 28 from 10:30-11:30.**

### CELEBRATE NATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

**NOVEMBER 13-19** See how many book friends you know! Enter our **Storybook House Contest**. Entry forms will be available all week at the Children's Desk.

### SANTA'S WORKSHOP

On **Thursday, November 30**, members of the Dundee-Crown Visual Arts Club will be in the Library's Meeting Room from **4:00-5:00** helping children make holiday decorations for the Library and to take home. Children of all ages are welcome.

### MITTEN TREE

We will again have our Mitten Tree in the Children's Department from **December 1 to 23**. It is a wonderful way to share the real meaning of the holiday with your child. Anyone can bring mittens for the tree. They will then be distributed to children in our Library District.

### GREAT LIBRARY PAPERBACK EXCHANGE

Read all your paperbacks? Bring them to the GREAT LIBRARY PAPERBACK EXCHANGE and trade them. Bring them to the Children's Services Desk and then select the same number of paperbacks from the designated shelves. Please bring only paperbacks that are in good repair, with covers intact. A maximum of 10 paperbacks per visit, please. **Tuesday, December 26, to Saturday, December 30**, during regular Library hours.

### MAKE A FAMILY CALENDAR FOR 2001

Create a personalized 2001 calendar just for your family with stickers for those special dates. All materials provided. **Tuesday, December 26, to Saturday, December 30**, during regular Library hours.

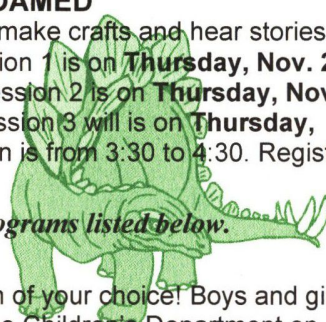
### WHERE'S WALDO?

Waldo is hiding and the librarians can't find him. Find the Waldo statue and win a prize. Hang around awhile and you may spot the REAL Waldo.

**Tuesday and Wednesday, December 26 and 27**

### PICNIC WITH ARTHUR

Forget it's cold outside and have a picnic with Arthur! Bring a bag lunch and a blanket to sit on; the Library will provide drinks and dessert. After lunch, we'll have games and prizes. **Thursday, December 28, 12:00 to 1:30.**



## ◆ CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT NEW BOOKS

**DREAM SNOW** by Eric Carle. In this musical and sound effects book, a farmer celebrates Christmas after the first snowfall. Preschool-Grade 2

**ARTHUR'S PERFECT CHRISTMAS** by Marc Brown. Arthur's Christmas plans are falling apart until an unexpected guest changes everything. Preschool-Grade 2

**WHO WAS BORN ON THIS SPECIAL DAY?** by Eve Bunting and Leonid Gore. The animals in the manger are each asked this question in a story that evokes the true meaning of Christmas. Preschool-Grade 2

**CHRISTMAS AT MUD FLAT** by James Stevenson. Strange and wonderful things are happening at Christmastime, like raisin cookies in the snow! Preschool+

**THE RAIN CAME DOWN** by David Shannon. What happens on a sunny day when it clouds over and suddenly starts to rain? Grades 1 & 2

## ◆ AUDIO-VISUAL DEPARTMENT

### NEW VIDEOS

New popular videos include **A CIVIL ACTION**, **OCTOBER SKY**, **SUMMER OF SAM**, **BONE COLLECTOR**, and **DROP DEAD GORGEOUS**.

New non-fiction videos include **MAN RAY: PROPHET OF THE AVANT GARDE**, and **JACKSON POLLOCK: LOVE AND DEATH ON LONG ISLAND**.

### NEW AUDIOBOOKS

**THE BEAR AND THE DRAGON** by Tom Clancy

**STALKER** by Faye Kellerman

**THE SKY IS FALLING** by Sidney Sheldon

**WINTER SOLSTICE** by Rosamund Pilcher

### NEW MUSIC

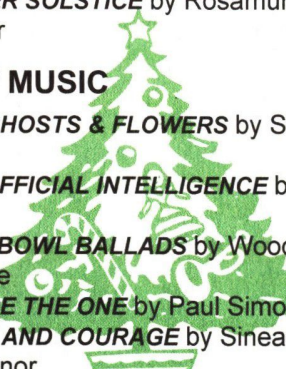
**NYC GHOSTS & FLOWERS** by Sonic Youth

**ART OFFICIAL INTELLIGENCE** by De la Soul

**DUST BOWL BALLADS** by Woody Guthrie

**YOU'RE THE ONE** by Paul Simon

**FAITH AND COURAGE** by Sinead O'Connor





## ◆ PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

### INDOOR PLANTS: CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Does your ficus need some sprucing up? Master Gardener and plant expert Tom Herrmann has advice on the selection, maintenance and fertilization of indoor plants through the winter months and into the warmer seasons. Special attention will be paid to Christmas plants like poinsettias and Christmas cactuses and how to keep them looking their best when the holidays are over.

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 15 7:00**

### HOLIDAY CRAFT WORKSHOP

Create topiary trees, kissing balls and wreaths for your holiday decorating. Each project can be color coordinated for either fall or Christmas and features natural and recycled objects. Artist and craft wizard Gail Simons will be your instructor. If you have access to a glue gun and garden clippers, please bring them along. Class size is limited.

\$5 fee for supplies.

Please note starting time.

**THURSDAY, NOV. 16 6:30**



### CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

Join Carolyn Stein Stillman for a special holiday evening as she reads from some of her favorite Christmas writings, including Mary Ellen Chase's memoir of her grandmother, *RATHER LATE FOR CHRISTMAS*, and Mark Twain's Christmas letter to his daughter Clara.

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**THURSDAY, DEC. 7 7:00**

*All programs are free; registration is required. Call 428-3661, ext 208.*

### BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

**Wednesday, November 29**

*Sixteen Pleasures*

Robert Hellenga

**Wednesday, January 31**

*American Buffalo*

David Mamet

**Wednesday, February 28**

*An Ocean in Iowa*

Peter Hedges

Meetings are at 1:30 and 7:00. To join, call 428-3661 ext. 208.

## TEEN CAFE

Open Mike for  
Poetry  
Music

Book & Movie Reviews

7:00

first Wednesday  
of each month

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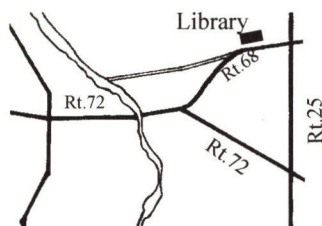
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### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 to 9:00

Friday and Saturday 9:00 to 5:30

Sunday 1:00 to 4:00

### CLOSINGS

Wednesday, Nov. 22 (Close at 5:00)

Thursday, Nov. 23, Sunday, Dec. 24,

Monday, Dec. 25, Sunday, Dec. 31,

Monday, Jan. 1

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