

Newsletter

Serving East and West Dundee, Carpentersville, Sleepy Hollow, Gilberts and Surrounding Areas

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❖ *from the director*

CONGRATULATIONS, DOROTHY AND MARY JO!

For 28 years Dorothy Kort has had the responsibility of mending worn library books and sending them to the bindery. She has worked in almost all of the departments in the library before finally finding her niche in Technical Services. This is where she has been spending countless hours handling many of the "behind the scene" tasks that make it possible for patrons to have new choices for library materials.

Dorothy is more than a friend to her co-workers. She is like family. She is someone you can count on to be there when you need her. Her pleasant personality and her patience make it easy to talk to her about anything. "I will miss the many friends that I have made over the years at the library!" Dorothy says. "I have some really great memories!" Dorothy remembers fondly the time when we moved from the old library on Main Street to the current location. She laughs as she recalls moving books on book carts and in shopping carts down a hill to a storage facility to prepare for the move.

Dorothy plans to take it easy and sleep late after she retires. She will also take a water aerobics class to keep in shape and spend lots of time in Northern Wisconsin with her grandchildren who are always thrilled to see her!

Anyone who has ever visited the children's department has had the pleasure of meeting Mary Jo Wagner, the Head of the department. Her bright and sunny disposition draws children to her like a magnet! She is an expert storyteller who has delighted children and their families for 21 years.

Mary Jo will be retiring in February to spend more time with her husband Bob. A trip out west is already in their travel plans. The two will enjoy the opera and do volunteer work for their church and P.A.D.S. "It's been a wonderful 21 years!" says Mary Jo. "What I will miss the most is the children in the community. They have always made me feel special and appreciated! I feel a real affection for the community."

Over the years Mary Jo has become a friend to children and their families. She has enjoyed watching them grow up. Some of them still visit the library regularly with their own children. Mary Jo's love for children's literature and her creative talents have made the Children's department one of the best in the area. She will be missed by her co-workers, her staff and her very special little friends.



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❖ *new arrivals*

ADULT FICTION

SORE LOSER by Mike McAlary. A first mystery by a Pulitzer Prize winning columnist set at a tennis tournament.

COLLECTED SHORT STORIES by Jeffrey Archer. The master of character and suspense gathers stories of ancient heirlooms, cutthroat business, modern romance and lives in the realms of power.

GOLDEN GLOBE by John Varley. Outer space actor Sparky Valentine travels the universe performing and trying to steer clear of his home planet.

DEADLY EXPOSURE by Leonard Goldberg. The race is on for a team of scientists, microbiologists and researchers to uncover the secrets of a murderous toxin found in an iceberg.

GLORIE by Caryn James. Widowed after 50 years of marriage, Glorie Carcieri finds herself caught between the two worlds of memory and reality.

ADULT NON-FICTION

MIDNIGHT DREARY The Mysterious Death of Edgar Allan Poe by John Evangelist Walsh. The story of the last days of one of America's most admired authors, untangling more than a century of speculation.

LEGEND OF THE PLUMED SERPENT by Neil Baldwin. Utilizing personal experiences, historic documents and scholarly works, the author retells the story of Quetzalcoatl. Includes color photographs and drawings.

MEDICARE ANSWER BOOK by Connacht Cash. Includes answers to the most frequently asked questions about MEDICARE and has definitions of confusing insurance terms.

SEVENTH CHILD by Rodnell P. Collins. A family memoir of the great and controversial figure Malcolm X written by his sister and nephew. Includes photographs.

❖ *aarp volunteers*

TAX HELP FOR SENIORS

Seniors needing assistance with completing the basic IRS and Illinois tax forms can receive help from several AARP volunteers who are participating in the Tax Counseling for the Elderly program. Appointments are available beginning February 3 on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 9:00 to 12:00, until April 10. Call 428-3661, Ext. 208, to make an appointment. Please remember to bring a copy of your tax return forms from last year. As a public service, the library also stocks a supply of the most common federal and state tax forms. Master copies of IRS forms are also available in the Reference area of the library.

❖ *in appreciation*

THANK YOU TO...

❁ **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY** for the beautiful poinsettia plants around the library.

❁ **DUNDEE CROWN ART CLUB** for presenting the "Deck the Tree" program in the Children's Department.

❁ **MARY WHITE** for her donation of a collection of visual aids for use in children's storytimes.

❁ **GIFT GIVERS** that donated generously to the Mitten Tree in the Children's Department.

❁ **COLLECTORS** (Upstairs) Michelle Schweass and Bob Barkhurst.

❁ **ARTISTS** (Upstairs Gallery) Carpentersville Middle School and Gail Simons.

❁ **COLLECTORS** (Downstairs) Alison Schildnecht, Cassie Sanders, Ian Bender, Lauren Smith, Nick Greska, John Briggs and Brian Nowak.

❖ *mixed media*

NEW AND IMPROVED!

The Reference Department is announcing the purchase of the **GROVE DICTIONARY OF ART**, an exciting 34 volume encyclopedia for the student and admirer of art. Sign-in to an Internet Station in the library to view the Dictionary online.

Searching for information on companies will be easier now as the Reference Department moves the business reference books into one convenient **Business Section**. Or join your fellow investors at the **Investor's Table**. Monitor your stocks and mutual funds in publications such as *Morningstar* and *Value Line*.

Don't miss your favorite authors! Join our new **Favorite Fiction Fan Club**. Stop in the library and select from a list of favorite best-selling authors. We'll automatically put you on the reserve list for their new novels arriving at our library.

Snowed in? Browse the Library's catalog plus 23 other area libraries from the comfort of your home internet station from our home page at www.northstarnet.org/duk/home/DundeePL.

❖ *from the reader's advisory desk*

IF YOU LIKE....

If you like the quirky characters found in **John Irving's** books, you might enjoy **NOBODY'S FOOL** or **STRAIGHT MAN** by **Richard Russo** or **Anne Tyler's** books.

Fans of **V.C. Andrews** might enjoy the strange family tales found in **Joy Fielding's** books. **MISSING PIECES** is her most recent.

If you like **James Patterson's** books, you might try books by **Jeffrey Deaver** or **Phillip Margolin**.

❖ *kids stuff***WINTER PROGRAMS****WINTER READING CLUB**

READ TO SUCCEED is a joint program with the Chicago Wolves Hockey Team and will begin **Monday, January 4** through **Saturday, January 30**. Children of all ages will be able to earn a free paperback book and there will be weekly drawings for Chicago Wolves pennants, notebooks, pucks, and tickets.

TREMENDOUS 2'S

This is for 2 year olds and their caregivers. It features songs, puppets, and stories on **Wednesdays, March 3, March 10, March 17, and March 24** at **9:30 am or 10:30 am**. Registration begins **Monday, February 1** and can be done over the phone.

FROLICS AND FLICKS

Stories, videos, and fingerplays for preschoolers and caregivers on **Thursdays, January 21, February 18, and March 18** at **10:30 am**. No registration is required.

FASTBREAK FREESTYLE TRICK TEAM

This exciting acrobatic bicycle trick team performs on BMX type bicycles using nationally ranked riders. The program is for school aged children on **Friday, February 12** at **1:30 pm**. Free tickets will be available **Monday, February 1**.

TEEN ZONE

Come join us for snax and soft drinks to celebrate our new **Teen Zone** in the Children's Department on Wednesday, January 13 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. The Teen Zone is an area especially for middle school children with two comfy chairs and displays of books specifically for this age group. Middle school children will be able to participate in a drawing for a gift certificate from Sam Goody's at Spring Hill Mall.



Maria Tinajero and her brother Esteban sample some of the books in the TEEN ZONE.

DIRECTOR: Sylvia Murphy Williams
TRUSTEES: Keith D. Bergstrom (President), Patricia Ostewig (Vice President), Dorothy Carrigan (Secretary), Richard Sisler (Treasurer), Carol Schopp,

Mary Pryor and Jane Nollman.
BOARD MEETINGS: The second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM. The Public is welcome.
NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Susan Clark

❖ *new arrivals***CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT****NEW BOOKS**

KOKOPELLI'S FLUTE by Will Hobbs. 13 year old Tepary Jones discovers an old flute from the Ancient time in a cliff dwelling in new Mexico. Grade 4+

THE GHOST OF FOSSIL GLEN by Cynthia DeFelice. Allie Nichols has always been perceptive; she knows she is being pursued by a ghost. Grade 4+

THOMAS by Bonnie Pryor. In the early years of the Revolutionary War, Thomas and his family endure many hardships and adventures as they try to make their way to Philadelphia. Grade 3+

UNDER THE CAT'S EYE by Gillian Rubinstein. Jai has a bad feeling about the students and teachers at his new boarding school. Grade 4+

AUDIO-VISUAL DEPARTMENT**NEW BOOKS ON TAPE**

The popularity of unabridged books on tape keeps growing and the AV Department has added these new titles: **WEDNESDAY THE RABBI GOT WET** by Harry Kemelman, **BEST OF FRIENDS** by Jonanna Trollope, **TIN MAN** by Dale Brown, **KILO CLASS** by Patrick Robinson and **THE MOON IS A HARSH MISTRESS** by Robert Heinlein.

NEW VIDEOS

The library has added several titles to its film noir genre of the 1940's, including **THE BIG CLOCK** with Ray Milland and Charles Laughton, **BLACK ANGEL** with Peter Lorrie and **BLUE DAHLIA**, starring noir favorites Alan Ladd and Veronica Lake.

NEW MUSIC

A new breed of musicians has brought about a reinvention of Swing music. The library has added several new Swing albums including *Dirty Boogie* by the Brian Setzer Orchestra, *Zoot Suit Riot* by the Cherry Poppin' Daddies and *Big Bad Voodoo Daddy*.

❖ *mark your calendars*

ADULT PROGRAMS

**CHINA
THE QUIET BEAUTY**

World traveler **Mike Gauer** takes us on another slide show journey, this time through the ancient lands of China. Visit the Great Wall, the mysterious Forbidden City, the ethereal mists of the Huanghan Mountains, and more.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14 7:00



**CAROL STEIN STILLMAN
REVIEWS**

"KATHERINE HEPBURN"

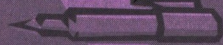
A review of Barbara Leaming's book on the three generations of women that helped make Hepburn a living legend.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8 7:00

**ESTATE PLANNING:
COMPLETING THE CIRCLE**

Effective estate planning is not only for the rich and famous; it may actually be more important for those with modest nest eggs. With **Brian Rucks, Certified Financial Planner.**

THURSDAY, FEB. 18 6:30



**HANDWRITING ANALYSIS:
INSIGHT INTO PERSONALITY**

Cristy Orlick, President of the American Association of Handwriting Analysts, presents a fun and thought provoking program on what handwriting reveals about our inner selves.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22 7:00

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

**THE WAY IT REALLY WAS
ON THE PRAIRIE;
THE DIARY OF A PIONEER
NATURALIST**

Elam Bartholomew left Illinois for the frontier of western Kansas to begin a new life as a botanist, farmer, husband and father. Grandson David Bartholomew tells his story based on his 5600 page diary.

MONDAY, MARCH 8 7:00



RUY2KOK?

Businesses and organizations are not the only ones who have year 2000 risks. You and your family do, too. Join us to learn about contingency plans based on your informed understanding of your Year 2000 risks.

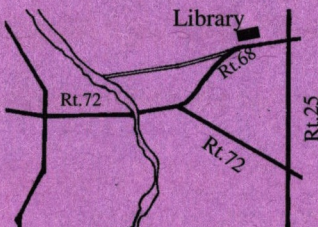
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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 to 9:00
Friday and Saturday 9:00 to 5:30
Sunday 1:00 to 4:00

CLOSINGS

January 1
January 8 (Staff Inservice Day)

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