

News

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

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❖ from the president of the board

Since the library Newsletter last appeared in your mailbox, a number of interesting and exciting things have happened at the library. In April you re-elected three incumbent trustees: Dorothy Carrigan, Patricia Ostewig and Richard Sisler; and elected a new trustee, Mary Pryor. The four newly elected trustees joined the three other Board members (Leo Severson, Kevin Cross and Keith Bergstrom) in electing new officers for two year terms: Dick Sisler, Treasurer; Dorothy Carrigan, Secretary; Patricia Ostewig, Vice President; and Keith Bergstrom, President. A vacancy was created when Leo Severson moved out of the library district a few weeks later. The Board received five applications from residents of the district, and after interviewing each of the outstanding candidates, unanimously appointed Jane Nollman to the vacancy.

The Board then embarked on a long process of strategic planning. Trustees have met once so far to discuss their approach to long-range planning. At that meeting trustees decided to survey various segments of the library district's population to gather data about their perceptions and ideas relating to library operations, services and programs. The library staff will also be asked to give its input about these same areas. In addition, the Board will begin compiling a history of the district and acquiring demographic data to help in setting priorities for the next one to ten years. The process the Library District is using in long-range planning is similar to the one the Dundee Township Park District used several years ago.

Because working together as a team is so important in accomplishing objectives for the library, Patricia Ostewig and myself attended a workshop on "Building a Better Board Team" the last Saturday in July. Many of the ideas

and approaches garnered from that workshop will be used by your Library board to enhance their working relationship with each other, Library Director Sylvia Murphy Williams and library staff. A team approach to governance of the library will result in improved communication, services, programs, operations and effective use of your tax dollars.

The most exciting change in the "works" right now is bringing the Internet to customers of the library. The hardware and software have been purchased, the order



Dundee Township Library Board of Trustees
Standing from left: Richard Sisler, Jane Nollman, Mary Pryor. Seated from left: Dorothy Carrigan, Keith Bergstrom, Patricia Ostewig. Not pictured: Kevin Cross

for phone lines has been placed and the Board has adopted a policy governing Internet use. This is the most far-reaching and dramatic change libraries have seen since movable type was invented hundreds of years ago. Your Board of Trustees has been intimately involved with making this new

technology available to library users. The last stage before letting customers go on-line at the library is to train staff on

the intricacies of Internet access and use. For more than a year, we have been dealing with an old and out-of-date heating, air conditioning and ventilating system. Often the system refused to work the way it was designed to operate. The Board hired a consulting engineer who evaluated our present system and then recommended its replacement. An entire new HVAC will be operating by the time you get this Newsletter.

Next time you are driving along Route 68 in East Dundee, make a stop at your library and check out our new programs, expanded services and cool air!

Keith D. Bergstrom

❖ *new arrivals*

ADULT FICTION

THE FIRST STONE by John Briley. Lisa Cooper, an American of Jewish descent allows herself to be recruited by the Israeli secret service and marries a wealthy Saudi man to become a mole in this suspense novel.

THE LEANING LAND by Rex Burns. A police procedural mystery featuring Gabe Wager, a detective in Denver. He is asked to investigate a murder on a nearby Indian reservation where various government officials and local militia impair his inquiry.

SHADOW MATRIX is the newest Darkover novel by Marion Zimmer Bradley. Margaret Alton makes an effort to control her newfound powers, some of which are dangerous and not well understood.

SINS OF THE MOTHER by Cheryl Saban. Alison is married to the man of her dreams who has helped her raise her daughter. But a secret that she has kept all these years could undo her dreams.

ADULT NON-FICTION

GREAT LODGES OF THE WEST by Christine Barnes. Stunning color photographs and well documented text highlight the stories of 12 unique American lodges.


DANGEROUS COMPANY by James O'Shea and Charles Madigan. Two journalists from the *Chicago Tribune* tell the inside story well-known consulting firms and their impact on businesses and their employees.


FEEDING FRENZY by Stuart Stevens. An uproarious and irresistible mad dash through Europe's greatest food temples in search of the perfect meal.


INTO THIN AIR by Jon Krakauer. The current best seller. A personal account of the deadliest season in the history of Mt. Everest, May of 1996, by the acclaimed journalist and author.


❖ *in appreciation*


THANK YOU TO...


 **ARTISTS** (Upstairs Gallery) Roger and Marie Friewer, Jose Rivas and Betty Hollingworth.


 **HOBBYISTS** (Downstairs) Melissa Mini.
HOBBYISTS (Upstairs) Laura Skamser and Jeanne Etling.

 **EAST DUNDEE FIRE DEPARTMENT** for their gift of new books for the Fire Display Shelves in the Children's Department.

 **EAST AND WEST DUNDEE FIRE DEPARTMENTS** for their programs during the Children's Summer Reading Club

 **THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY** for their many useful and decorative gifts including the purchase of original artwork by local artist Gail Simons for the Meeting Room.

 **DUNDEE TOWNSHIP GARDEN CLUB** represented by member Pat Ostewig, for the lovely plantings and flowers around the Library.

 **CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEERS** Adult volunteers Nancy Sisler, Jennifer Schmidt and Pam Odgers and junior volunteers Lianne Dalphy, Karen Eggebrecht, Mara Gilcrease, Ben Hane, Charlotte Hartel, Ryan Kasnick, Kathy Killackey, Jennifer Kim, Derek Maxwell, Kelly Mohle, Audra and Gabe Odzana, Jennifer Petrucci, Christine Pinedo, Katherine Pugliese, Chris Roper, Ashley Sauer, Meghan Seal, Laura Seyller, Stephanie Sharp, Matthew Tracy and Doug Wheeland.



Young patrons and their families at "Meet a Firefighting Team."



Some of our Junior Volunteers of Summer '97!

❖ *september is...*

LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

Stop in the library and sign up for a new card, get an expired or lost card replaced or just come to visit and see how we have grown. To apply for your new or replacement card present two pieces of ID with your name and current address. Drivers License, state ID, current utility or credit card bills addressed to the patron that are no older than 30 days, or personal checks are all acceptable. Lost cards will be replaced for a fee of \$1.00.

Patrons will then be registered and given their cards.

To celebrate Library Card Sign-Up Month during September, we will be giving away refrigerator magnets with our hours and phone number while quantities last.

❖ *kids stuff***UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

FALL STORYTIME Puppets, songs and more for preschoolers and their caregivers. **Tuesdays, September 9, 16, 23, and 30 at 10:30.**

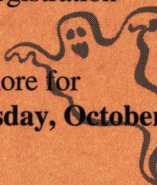
MAD HATTERS CHILDREN'S THEATER for children ages 3-9 and their caregivers on **Saturday, October 11 at 12:30.** No registration necessary.

SILLY SPOOKS A fun time with stories, puppets and more for preschoolers and their families. Costumes optional. **Thursday, October 30 at 10:30.** No registration necessary.

TREMENDOUS TWO'S A storytime for children who are 2 years old by November 5 and a caregiver. **Every Wednesday in November at 9:30 and 10:30.** Registration begins on Monday, October 20.

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK Celebrate with us by enjoying an evening of bilingual stories by master storyteller, **ANTONIO SACRE** on **Tuesday, November 18 at 7:30.** Free tickets will be available beginning Saturday, November 1 in the Children's Department.

KID'S SUMMER READING CLUB UPDATE 958 enthusiastic young readers signed up to participate in the program and read over 7,000 books. Everyone who finished on August 1 received a paperback book. Drawings were held for prizes including tickets to Chicago Wolves games, team jerseys, and Chicago Bulls related items.

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

THE SCHERNOFF DISCOVERIES by Gary Paulsen. Hopeless geek Harold and his best friend try to survive the adventures of junior high. Grades 4-7

MIDNIGHT RESCUE by Lois Johnson. In 1857, 12-year-old Libby harbors a runaway slave boy at her home in Minnesota Territory. Grades 4-7

YOUNG INDIANA JONES AND THE GHOSTLY RIDERS by William McCay. In 1913, Indiana finds an ancient silver ring that may have belonged to King Arthur. Grades 3-6

BURNT TOAST ON DAVENPORT STREET by Tim Egan. The lives of Stella and Arthur, two dogs, get mixed up when a fly grants Arthur three wishes. Grades 1-3

AUDIO-VISUAL DEPARTMENT**NEW VIDEOS**

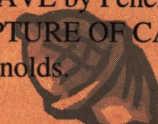
ELVIS ON VIDEO Several newly released films of the King's will be coming to the library including "Jailhouse Rock", "Clambake", "Kid Galahad" and "Viva Las Vegas."

RECENT VIDEO RELEASES

"Courage Under Fire" with Meg Ryan and Denzel Washington, "A Month by the Lake" starring Vanessa Redgrave and Uma Thurman, "The Pallbearer" starring David Schwimmer and "Romeo and Juliet" with Leonardo di Caprio and Clair Danes.

NEW AUDIOS**UNABRIDGED BOOKS ON TAPE**

Many new titles are being added to our popular books on tape collection. **SPECIAL DELIVERY** by Danielle Steel, **CRITICAL JUDGMENT** by Michael Palmer, **UNDAUNTED COURAGE** by Stephen Ambrose, **HEAT WAVE** by Penelope Lively and **THE RAPTURE OF CANAAN** by Sheri Reynolds.

❖ *book beat***ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM UPDATE**

115 library patrons participated in this year's program and among them read a total of 552 books from June 1 until August 16.

The four winners of the drawing for the "Evening of Entertainment" grand prize packages were Kelly Nelson, Gene Lamp, Charlene Dorsch and Vicki Packard.

Drawings were also held from all of the book log entries for gift copies of Oprah's Book Club Selections.



Vicki Packard, one of the winners of an "Evening of Entertainment" prize.

DIRECTOR: Sylvia Murphy Williams

TRUSTEES: Keith Bergstrom (President), Patricia Ostewig (Vice President), Dorothy Carrigan (Secretary), Richard Sisler (Treasurer), Kevin Cross, Mary Pryor and Jane Nollman.

BOARD MEETINGS: The second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM. The Public is invited.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Susan Clark

❖ *friends of the library***SEPTEMBER MEETING**

The Friends will resume their regular meeting schedule after the summer break beginning on September 16, 7:30, in the Library Board Room. New faces are always welcome. (Old faces, too!)

❖ *mark your calendars*

ADULT PROGRAMS

WRITING IT OUT

Find your voice, tap your unconscious and explore your relationships through journaling. With Lisa Schab, Licensed Clinical Social Worker and author of **WRITING IT OUT**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 6:30

LAUGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE!

Lighten up your outlook by learning techniques that help you cope with the stresses in our world. With Don Baird

THURSDAY, SEPT. 11 7:00

FROM BUNGALOWS TO MANSIONS

100 years of house architecture from Greek Revival to Prairie Style. Bring a photo of your home for analysis.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 7:00

RISE OF THE SKYSCRAPERS

The fascinating history of Chicago's tallest buildings presented by the Chicago Architecture Foundation.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2 7:00



DRAMATIC BOOK REVIEW

Carolyn Stein Stillman presents **MURDER AT THE NATIONAL GALLERY** by Margaret Truman.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21 1:30

Programs are free; registration is required

MAKE A CHRISTMAS GIFT BASKET

A complete project in one evening that brings your personal touch to a charming gift! \$15 fee for materials.
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6 7:00



DICKENS AND THE CITY OF LONDON

Dickens life and work come alive during this slide show of the sites of some of his most important novels. With Linda Putnam.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22 7:00

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

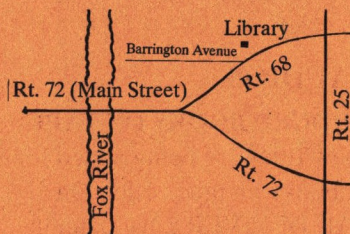
Meeting at 7:00
Last Wednesday of each month

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LIBRARY HOURS

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

AUTUMN CLOSINGS

September 1 (Labor Day)
November 26 (Early Closing at 5:00)
November 27 (Thanksgiving Day)

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