

Newsletter

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

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◆ from the director

WELCOME TO THE 21ST CENTURY LIBRARY

An hourly update on the most recent "hot books" is available at Amazon.com. If you want to read *HARRY POTTER AND THE PRISONER OF AZKABAN* or *TUESDAYS WITH MORRIE* you are just a click away from purchasing it and having it delivered to your home. To find out the title of Celine Dion's new CD or Andrea Bocelli's latest you'll have no trouble downloading a list of music top sellers that includes these titles.

At the library we use the Internet to locate information for you. We are experienced Internet users and know what sites to access that have accurate and timely information. We subscribe to sites that provide magazine and newspaper articles as well as recent releases of videos, books on tape and CD's. Over 1000 patrons use the Internet stations in the library monthly!

The Internet is only one of many resources and materials you can enjoy during a visit to your public library. Visit China, New Zealand or places in Illinois you didn't know existed when you come for one of the slide/music tours presented by world travelers like Dave Toeppen or John Lynn.

Meet Mark Twain, Franklin Delano Roosevelt or Coco Chanel and learn interesting facts about them and the time they lived. Franklin the famous turtle and Harry Potter also have been known to make appearances.

Do you have a special antique and want to learn more about it? Why not come to one of the antique programs. Make and take crafts for children, graphic novels, numerous homework resources and storytimes

for toddlers are just a few of the great things that are going on at your library.

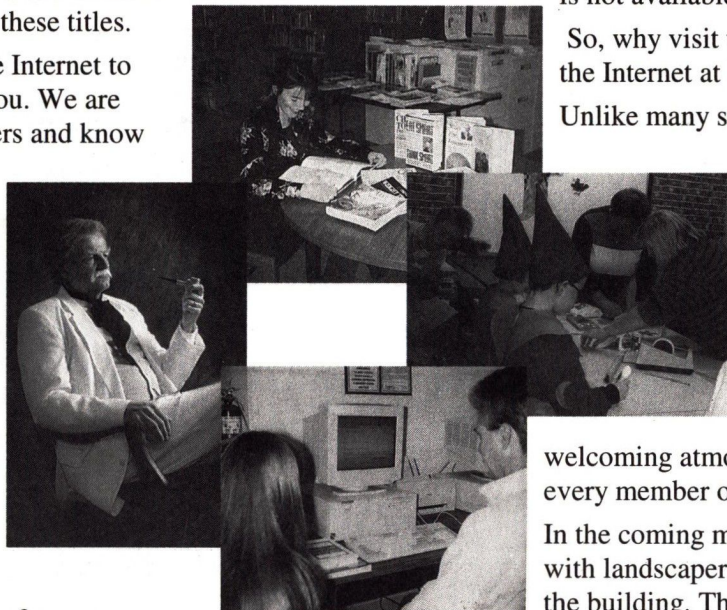
We may not be Amazon.com, but we have a nice collection of books, periodicals, videos, books on tape and CDs waiting to go home with you! We have a staff that is happy to assist you with your selections and get materials from other libraries if what you need is not available during your visit.

So, why visit the library when you have the Internet at home?

Unlike many sites that are here today and gone tomorrow, we will always be around. You know us and do not have to worry about whether or not the information we get for you is accurate. We are affordable, we have good hours, a spacious new parking lot, a welcoming atmosphere, and something for every member of your family.

In the coming months, we will be working with landscapers to improve the exterior of the building. The Library Board has also decided to make significant improvements inside of the building starting with the washrooms so that your visits will be more enjoyable.

We know you depend on us for information, entertaining programs and help understanding the Internet and its incredible offerings. We are reliable, can get you what you need and enjoy the challenge of serving you. You can be assured that we will continue to be here no matter what happens in cyberspace.



Sylvia Murphy Williams
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◆ *new arrivals***ADULT FICTION**

DUNE House Atreides by Brian Herbert and Kevin Anderson. Drawing from files left by author Frank Herbert, this new novel is a prequel to the original **DUNE** series.

NOT READY FOR PRIME TIME by Brent Askari. Comedy and pathos mix in a portrait of a young woman struggling through life without a family in this upbeat novel.

SOMETHING DANGEROUS by Patrick Redmond. An innocent game among schoolboys turns into a nightmare when a diabolical force is unleashed.

DAUGHTER OF FORTUNE by Isabel Allende. The pasts of both Chile and California figure in a story of family conflict, romantic love and adventure.

DEARLY DEPARTED by David Housewright. A Minneapolis private investigator searches for a murdered woman he believes is still alive and hiding somewhere in Wisconsin.

ADULT NON-FICTION

SEVENTY WONDERS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD edited by Chris Scarre. An examination of some great feats of engineering and how they were created without the use of modern technology. Color and black and white photos.

BEYOND EVOLUTION by Dr. Michael W. Fox. A veterinarian and bioethicist addresses the potential ramifications of genetic engineering.

OUR OWN Adopting and Parenting the Older Child by Trish Maskew. Family stories about the joys and challenges of adopting an older child from both domestic and international sources.

SO INCREDIBLY IDAHO! by Carlos Arnaldo Schwantes. An expression of what Idaho has become as its citizens build a community of both extremes and cooperation. Color and black and white photos.

◆ *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 at the beginning of February on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 9:00 to 12:00 until April 8. 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. Federal forms can also be printed from the IRS website at www.irs.ustreas.gov.

◆ *in appreciation***THANK YOU TO...**

COLLECTORS (Upstairs display case) Jeanne Etling and Susan Clark.

COLLECTORS (Downstairs display case) Sarah Kattalia, Kathy Killackey, Ken Winger, Tiffany Corcoran, Tim Hegel, Devin Kelbe, Brittany Eck and Kristin Kaufhold.

ARTISTS (Upstairs Gallery) Matthew Perez.

DUNDEE-CROWN VISUAL ARTS CLUB for assisting children in making ornaments for the "Santa's Workshop" program.

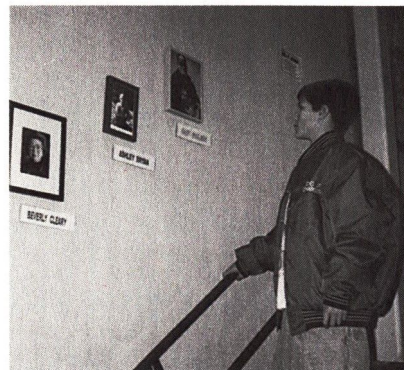
STEVE CLARK for making the hanging information signs in the library.

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

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY for adding Christmas cheer with the poinsettia plants around the library.

◆ *wall of authors***HONORING CHILDREN'S WRITERS**

The Wall of Authors is a gallery of photos of children's authors on the stairway from the first floor to the lower level. The wall was a project initiated by retired head of the Children's Department, Mary Jo Wagner. "It's nice for a young reader to put a face to a familiar name or to see the name and face of an author you haven't read yet," says Mrs. Wagner. "Getting children reading is so important and this can encourage them to try new authors."



Adam Latella of Carpentersville views the "Children's Wall of Authors."

◆ *mark your calendars***CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS****WINTER READING CLUB 2000**

"**READ YOURSELF A WINNER**" is a reading program for children of all ages and will begin **Monday, January 3** and continue through **Saturday, January 29**. Participants finishing by January 29 will receive a free pass for one movie at Cinema 12 in Carpentersville.

FOOTBALL PLAYER TO SPEAK

Kick off Winter Reading Club 2000 with **Arney Silvestri**, outside line-backer for the Kane County Eagles, and Eagles' mascot K.C. **Thursday, January 6** at 7:00. No registration required.

WINTER STORYTIME

Come and enjoy stories, songs, and fingerplays for preschoolers on **Tuesdays, January 4, 11, 18, and 25**, and **Wednesdays, January 5, 12, 19, and 26** at 10:30. No registration is required.

STORYTELLER

Jim May, founder of the Illinois Storytelling Festival and Emmy winner, will perform on **Monday, January 17, 7:00 - 8:00**. Families of all ages are invited. No registration is required.

TREMENDOUS TWO'S

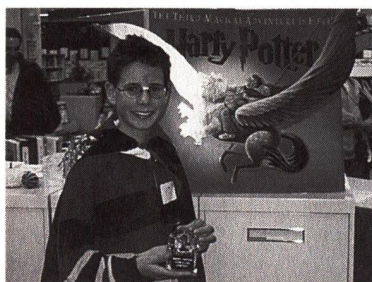
Stories, songs, and puppets are featured in this storytime for two-year-olds and their caregivers. Dates are **Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, and 22** at 9:30 or 10:30. Registration begins **Monday, February 14**. Please make arrangements for other siblings.

WRITERS WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN

Matt Cibula, poet and author of *SLUMGULLION* and *THE CONTRARY KID*, will present a writers workshop on **Monday, Feb. 21, 12:00 - 4:00**. Story ideas, dialogue and vocabulary will be covered in the fun sessions. Registration for this free program for third grade and up begins **Monday, Feb. 1**.

MOTHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET

Mark your calendars for "**A HAPPY UN-BIRTHDAY PARTY!**" on **Tuesday, March 28**, at 6:30. Girls in kindergarten and up and their mothers can enjoy dinner, a program, and a craft project. Call the Children's Department after February 14 at 428-3661, ext. 210 for more information.

**"HARRY POTTER NIGHT" WINNERS !**

Kam Kissamis, first-place winner in the **Harry Potter Look-Alike Contest**, holds his winning trophy. Zoki Era and Taylor Barnes were awarded second and third-place.

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

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**

PICKY MRS. PICKLE by Christine M. Schneider. After years of wearing only green clothes and eating only pickle foods, Picky Mrs. Pickle learns that trying something new can be fun. Pre school - 2nd grade.

SNOW BEAR by Jean Craighead George. Bessie and a polar bear cub named Snow Bear play on the ice, while her older brother and the mother bear watch to make sure that everyone is safe. Preschool - 2nd grade.

MARY ANNING AND THE SEA DRAGON by Jeannine Atkins. Discovering the first entire skeleton of an ichthyosaur in 1810, eleven-year-old Mary sets her sights on becoming a paleontologist. Kindergarten +

THROUGH THE EYES OF YOUR ANCESTORS A Step by Step Guide to Uncovering Your Family's History by Maureen Taylor. Research your family history using keepsakes, calendars, handwriting, and the Internet. 3rd grade+

AUDIO-VISUAL DEPARTMENT**NEW MAGAZINES FOR 2000**

The library's periodicals collection is being expanded to better serve its patrons with the addition of the following new magazines:

- *Industry Week*
- *CIO*
- *Consumer Reports Travel Letter*
- *Entrepreneur*
- *Fast Company*
- *National Catholic Reporter*
- *Details*
- *Investors Digest*
- *Workforce*
- *Public Health Reports*
- *Washingtonian*
- *Trailer Life*
- *Family Money*
- *Reason*
- *Metropolis*
- *Audio*

◆ *mark your calendars*

ADULT PROGRAMS

**NEW ZEALAND
SCRAPBOOK**

Visit ancient forests, sheep farms, a bagpipe festival, a gypsy fair and the Southern Alps with world traveler **Dave Toeppen** as he guides us with slides and music through 4000 miles of New Zealand countryside.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 12 7:00



GOLDEN CONNECTION

Come along as award-winning photographer Evie Weber and Norma Witherbee bicycle from Arlington Heights to Anaheim, California. Experience first hand their 2400 mile trek via historic pathways that include Route 66, the Illinois/Michigan Canal and the Sante Fe trails.

THURSDAY, FEB. 3 7:00

**HOW TO LEGALLY
INCREASE YOUR INCOME-
WITHOUT GETTING A
SECOND JOB**

Do you think just because you get back some of the money you paid for Federal taxes every year that you are getting back everything you can?

Think again! Learn simple tax strategies that will help you to legally cut your taxes by 50% and give yourself an immediate pay raise.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 9 7:00



**UNLOCK THE SECRETS OF
YOUR HOUSE'S PAST**

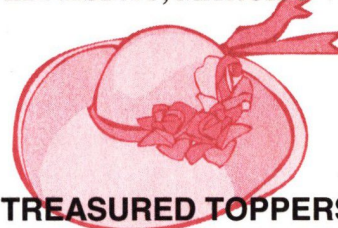
This workshop will get you started on determining the age of your house, who lived in it and its building style. Professional house history writer Betsy Gurlacz will tell you how to research the unique history of your home.

THURSDAY, MARCH 2 7:00

**RETIREMENT PLANNING:
BEYOND THE PENSION PLAN**

401Ks? The Stock Market? Annuities? IRAs? Financial advisor Jeremy Rumps will explore the many options available for financial security in the future and help you decide which plan is best for you.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8 7:00



TREASURED TOPPERS

Take a humorous and fashionable walk through history with Susan Kohl-Jankowski as she mixes music, nostalgia and entertainment in her presentation of men's and women's hats of this past century.

**Sponsored by the
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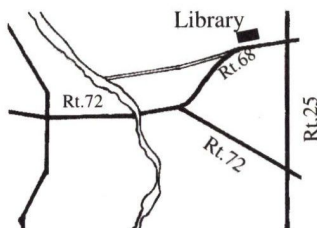
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22 7:00

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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
February 11 (Staff inservice day)

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