

Between the Lines

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Newsletter of the Carol Stream Public Library

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Library changing overdue fines

The Carol Stream Public Library will raise the fine amount that it charges for overdue materials beginning January 1, 2006. The daily late fee for most items will increase from 10¢ per day to 25¢ per day. The overdue fee for New Arrival DVDs and videos will be raised to \$1 per day.

The Board of Trustees feels that this increase is necessary for several reasons. Primarily, the Library needs to do what it can to encourage the prompt return of materials. We can no longer afford to purchase as many duplicate copies of DVDs and bestsellers since the budget was frozen two years ago. Many new materials have a long waiting list. If items are not returned on time, people on the list have to wait longer for their turn.

The Library has not raised the overdue fine amount in over 15 years. In those years the cost of doing business has increased 49%. It is necessary for the Library to find ways of paying for these increased costs without raising property taxes.

The maximum fine amount charged for an overdue item will also increase. The current maximum overdue fine is \$5 per item. After January 1, the maximum will increase to equal the replacement cost of the item. These increases, in both the fines charged per day and the maximum fine amount, are in keeping with what many other libraries in DuPage County are charging their patrons.

New rates will not go into effect until January 1, 2006. The Library has launched a publicity campaign to get the message out to everyone before that time. In addition to this newsletter, articles will be appearing in local papers, signs are posted in the Library, and everyone checking out at the Library will receive a bookmark about the increase. Only items checked out after January 1, 2006 will be affected by the new rate.

The easiest way to avoid paying the increased fines is to return your library materials on time. If you find that you can't get to the Library in time to return an item, library materials may be renewed by calling the Library at 630-653-0755, or by accessing the Library's online catalog through the Library's Web page at www.cslibrary.org. Items that have a waiting list cannot be renewed.

Materials can also be returned in the Library's 24-hour book drop, next to the main entrance of the Library. The return policies have been relaxed and all materials may be returned in the book drop now, even DVDs, videos, and CDs. Borrowers are still encouraged to return items inside during Library hours, however, to prevent potential damage to materials. ♦

YOUTH SERVICES

Holiday happenings



Tree Decorating

December 1–23

Kids can help decorate the holiday tree in the Youth Services Department by bringing a handmade ornament to the Youth Services Desk. The Librarians will invite each child to place their decoration on the tree and offer him or her a thank-you gift in return.

Need ideas? Check out the wonderful holiday craft books on the shelves at the end of the Easy section.

Magic Show: “Season’s Greetings and a Gift from The Balsters”

Saturday, December 3, 1:30–2:15 p.m.

Tickets are available at the Youth Services Desk

With magic, illusion and comedy, The Balsters ring in the holiday season at the Library. In this upbeat show, Tim Balster will help a mischievous elf learn the importance of caring for others. Fun for the whole family!

Holiday Stories

Join storytellers from the Youth Services Department for a festive blend of stories, fingerplays, and other lively seasonal activities!

**Tuesday, December 13, 10:00–10:30 a.m.
or 11:00–11:30 a.m.**

Sign up at the Youth Services Desk

For ages three and under, accompanied by a caregiver.

Thursday, December 15, 10:00–10:30 a.m.

Sign up at the Youth Services Desk

For ages three through five. Parents are encouraged to browse in the main library during the program.

Holidays at Hogwarts

Triwizard Trivia Tournament

December 1–22

In *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*, Harry competed against champions from other schools to win the Triwizard Cup. During the month of December, the Library challenges would-be wizards to test their knowledge of Harry’s world in a Triwizard Trivia Tournament. Pick up an entry form at the Youth Services Desk. Prize winners will be announced at the movie showing on Thursday, December 22. Entries must be in by noon of that day.

“Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets”

Thursday, December 22, 1:30–4:15 p.m.

No registration required

Competitors in the Triwizard Trivia Tournament and non-competitors alike are invited to the film starring Harry Potter and his Hogwarts classmates during their second year. Winners of the Triwizard Trivia Tournament will be announced prior to the movie and prizes will be awarded. Running time for the movie is 161 minutes. Rated PG. ♦

Winter preschool programs

Sign-up begins Wednesday, January 11

Children five years of age and under may participate in story programs tailored to their age group. Each program lasts one half-hour and runs for five weeks. Children must meet the minimum age requirement for the appropriate series before the program begins. All sessions take place in the Community Room. Additional sessions may be added if there is enough interest. Please call for more details.

Baby & Me

**Mondays, January 23 through February 20
10:00–10:30 a.m.**

Parents are invited to bring their infants who are not yet walking for rhymes, stories, and gentle play. No siblings, please.

Little Listeners

**Tuesdays, January 24 through February 21
10:00–10:30 a.m.**

Toddlers under 24 months and a parent are invited to “Little Listeners.” Various activities to stimulate learning and start children on a path of literature appreciation will be shared.

Tales for Twos & Threes

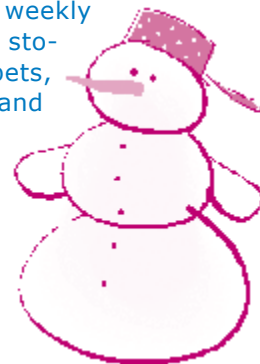
**Fridays, January 27 through February 24
10:00–10:30 a.m. or 11:00–11:30 a.m.**

Two- and three-year-olds enrolled in this program will experience simple picture books and short stories in a more traditional story time setting. Caregivers remain with their children.

Story Time

**Thursdays, January 26 through February 23
10:00–10:30 a.m. or 1:00–1:30 p.m.**

“Story Time” is for children ages three to five. Unlike the first three programs, parents and caregivers are encouraged to browse in the main library, allowing children more opportunity to interact with the Librarian and other children. Picture books on weekly themes are combined with stories shared through puppets, filmstrips, flannelboards, and action rhymes. ♦



Winter Reading Program: “Read to Succeed” by Wolfin’ Down Books

Tuesday, January 3–Tuesday, February 28



The Youth Services Department and the Chicago Wolves are partnering to offer a Winter Reading Program for preschoolers and school-age youth. Eager readers are encouraged to set their own goals when they join. It's easy enough—"wolf down" books and score with some really "cool" prizes! Here are some fun events to attend:

Chicago Wolves player visit

Tuesday, January 3

4:30–5:30 p.m.

Tickets available beginning Monday, December 19

It's a hockey meet and greet! Hockey fans are invited to get acquainted with Chicago Wolves player Colin Stuart during this one-hour presentation. Learn how reading made an impact on the player, chuckle over anecdotes about his life, and discover why hockey is important to him. One lucky member of the audience will be chosen to dress in hockey gear and everyone will leave with an autographed picture of Colin Stuart.

Bill Hooper's Active Music for Children

Wednesday, January 11

10:00–10:30 a.m.

Ages five and under, accompanied by an adult

No registration required

Bill Hooper brings warmth to winter with a half-hour of original songs, laughter, and audience participation. Be sure to sign up for one of the winter preschool programs before or after the program. You can also join the "Read to Succeed" winter reading program! ♦

Happy Birthday, Mr. Franklin!

January 17, 2006 marks the 300th anniversary of Benjamin Franklin's birth, and the Library is celebrating in a big way. In the Youth Services Department, check out the display of books and pick up a "Ben-liography," a handy list of books and resources to learn more about this fascinating figure from American history. Also be sure to take a copy of the "A Penny Flipped is Science Learned" practice worksheet, and to participate in a global scientific celebration of Ben's birthday on January 17. Details about this experiment will be available at the Youth Services Desk.

School's Out Special: Ben's Birthday Bash

Monday, January 16

1:30–2:30 p.m.

For school-age children

Sign up begins Tuesday, January 3

Scientist Steve Belliveau will recreate some of Ben Franklin's well-known experiments and present his own original tricks in this high energy show that even the birthday boy would approve of. Reading Patch Club high achievers from 2005 will also be recognized at this event. ♦

Programs for older children and teens

For more information about these or other programs, please call the Youth Services Desk at 630-653-0755.

Saturday Chess

December 17 and January 21

1:30–2:30 p.m.

Advance registration is requested

Young people with a basic knowledge and interest in the game of chess are welcome to play for fun on the third Saturday of the month. For ages eight and up. ♦

Trading Card Game Day

Wednesday, December 28,

1:30–2:30 p.m.

Ages eight and up

Sign up begins Saturday, December 10

Trading card game fans, are you looking for someone to play those card games with you? Players age eight and up are invited to the Library for stimulating games of *Yu-Gi-Oh*, *Magic-The Gathering*, and similar card games. Since the emphasis is on fun, the buying, selling, and trading of cards will not be allowed. Start assembling your decks now! ♦

Teen Improv Night

Thursday, January 26

7:00–8:00 p.m.

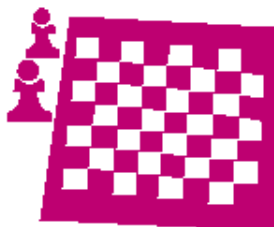
Sign up begins Saturday, January 7 at the Information Desk

Do you enjoy watching "Whose Line is it Anyway"?

Can you think on your feet?

Do you have what it takes to do improv?

Join us on for a night of fun and games as Steve Dexheimer and members of his high school drama team give you a crash course in the fine art of improvisation. You can join in on some of the games, or sit back and enjoy the show! No experience is necessary, but you must be at least 13 to sign up. ♦



ADULT SERVICES

Advance registration is requested for the following programs. For more information or to register for a program, please stop by the Information Desk or contact the Library at 630-653-0755.

Boxwood Christmas Tree Centerpiece

**Thursday, December 8
7:00-8:15 p.m.**

Learn how to embellish your home for the holidays with a festive Christmas tree centerpiece made from fresh boxwood tips. Marlene Ashby, an instructor of ornamental horticulture at the College of DuPage, will show you how to assemble the tree and trim it with ribbons, lights, and ornaments to match your home's decor. No floral experience is needed; you will receive instructions to duplicate the project at home. ♦



Illinois Women and the Winning of Women's Suffrage

Sunday, January 29, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

The women who led the suffrage campaign in Illinois amassed an impressive record—Illinois was the first state east of the Mississippi to grant women presidential suffrage and the first state to ratify the 19th Amendment. In this informative talk and in their own words you will meet five of Illinois' most famous suffragists: Civil War activist Mary Livermore, temperance reformer Frances E. Willard, lawyer Catharine Waugh McCulloch, anti-lynching crusader Ida B. Wells-Barnett, and clubwoman Grace Wilbur Trout. Their struggle is full of colorful stories from yesterday and poignant lessons for today. Please join us for a lively, entertaining, and educational talk presented by Dr. Leslie Goddard, historian and actress.

This program is made possible in part by a grant from the Illinois Humanities Council, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Illinois General Assembly. ♦

UFOs—they're everywhere!

**Monday, December 5
6:30-9:00 p.m.**

UFOs (Unfinished Objects) tend to multiply as the holidays and the end of the year get closer. Bring your incomplete craft projects to the Library. We'll provide space, some time, and a snack, and you can cross a project or a gift off your list. This is also an opportunity to share your work, discuss problems, trade tips, and enjoy each other's company.

When you register, please indicate if you will need access to an electrical outlet for a sewing machine. ♦

Pompeii: Ashes to Archaeology

Tuesday, January 31, 7:00 p.m.

In 79 AD, Mount Vesuvius erupted and covered Pompeii with volcanic ash, preserving streets, buildings, and even humans and animals. In this educational slide lecture program, Dr. Michelle Paluch-Mishur of Art Excursions, Inc. will introduce Roman wall paintings, ancient architecture, and artifacts that offer a window into the life and appearance of the ancient city of Pompeii. Attend this program before visiting the Field Museum's exhibition, "Pompeii: Stories from an Eruption," that runs October 21, 2005 through March 26, 2006. ♦

Coffee and a Book

Monthly book discussion group

Please stop by the Information Desk to register for the next discussion and pick up a copy of the book.

***Truth and Beauty,*
Ann Patchett**

**Monday, December 12
10:00 a.m.**

A beautiful memoir of Patchett's friendship with Lucy Grealy, author of *Autobiography of a Face*. Lucy survived Ewing's Sarcoma, although the resulting damage to her face required many reconstructive surgeries and did other emotional and psychological damage. Nevertheless, Lucy the free spirit comes through loud and clear as does the author's steadfast loyalty and love.

***Booked to Die,*
John Dunning**

**Monday, January 9
10:00 a.m.**

Glimpse the intricacies of the antiquarian book trade in this engrossing mystery. Cliff Janeway, Denver ex-detective turned bookseller, investigates the murder of a book scout, a loner always on the lookout for rare and valuable volumes. ♦

"Reel Reads": movies based on books @ your library

A monthly series of films based on books, some well-known and others not-so-familiar, started in October and runs through March.

All movies will be shown in the Community Room. No registration or tickets required. Moviegoers may bring dry snacks and covered drinks.

"The Maltese Falcon"

**Sunday December 11, 1:30 p.m. or
Thursday, December 15, 7:00 p.m.**

(Not Rated; Running time: 1 hour, 41 minutes)

"The Year of Living Dangerously"

**Sunday, January 15, 1:30 p.m. or
Thursday, January 19, 7:00 p.m.**

(Rating: PG; Running time: 1 hour, 54 minutes) ♦

Children's Reading Patch Club begins a New Year

Children in grades kindergarten through six are encouraged to join the popular Reading Patch Club and start the New Year with a reading resolution.

Each month, club members may select a reading genre and request a new booklog. Children who complete the booklog's requirements then receive the corresponding patch. Genres include topics such as "Animals," "Mysteries," "New Books," "Dinosaurs," and "Exploration." A total of 32 colorful patches for jackets or backpacks may be earned. Young people who have earned six or more patches are also eligible to receive a free tote bag or backpack.

To join the Reading Patch Club, please stop by the Children's Services Desk. Everyone who joins will receive a membership card, bookmarks with suggested titles, and more information about the program.

Already a Patch Club member? Be sure to read about the "School's Out Special" on January 16. High achieving Club members will be honored at this informative and entertaining program! ♦

Library Trustee News

The Library and the Board of Library Trustees would like to welcome new Trustee Melissa Spyrison and to thank outgoing Trustee Nancy Morrow for her service. ♦

A note from our Friends

Holiday shopping is easy with a Friend

The Friends of the Library are offering a number of items this holiday season that are sure to please the booklover in your life. A stylish red and black nylon book bag that proclaims "Friends of the Carol Stream Public Library" is available for \$5.00. Members of the Friends may purchase this bag for \$4.50. Two items that would make great stocking stuffers are also available: multicolor gel bracelets that feature the word READ in eight languages come in adult and youth sizes for \$2.00, and pressed flower bookmarks are available for \$1.50. Round out your holiday shopping while supporting the Friends of the Library.

Friends of the Library Shop and Share

The Friends of the Carol Stream Public Library are sponsoring a fund-raising program on December 5-7 at all Jewel-Osco stores. By shopping at any Jewel-Osco store on these days and presenting the appropriate slip, five percent of the total purchases, excluding tax, will be donated to the Friends. Additional slips are available in the Library lobby.

For information regarding either of these programs or the Friends organization contact Ann Kennedy at 630-653-0755. ♦

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LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS

The third Wednesday of every month:
December 21
January 18

Conference Room - 7:30 p.m.
The public is invited to attend.

Library closings:

- ◆ Saturday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)
- ◆ Sunday, December 25 (Christmas)
- ◆ Monday, December 26 (day after Christmas)
- ◆ Sunday, January 1 (New Year's Day)
- ◆ Monday, January 2 (day after New Year's Day)

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YOUR LIBRARY AND YOU

Carol Stream Christmas Sharing program

The Library is once again serving as a collection point for the annual Carol Stream Christmas Sharing drive. Food and toys will be gathered and distributed to needy Carol Stream residents during the holiday season. All non-perishable food items will be accepted. Other appreciated items include personal care products.

Directors of the Christmas Sharing program request that any toys donated to the cause be new toys in their original packaging and not gift wrapped. Toys are needed for children of all ages, including older children and teens. Clothing and used toys will not be accepted.

A collection box for donations is located near the Circulation Desk. The drive will continue through December 13, at which time donations will be collected by Christmas Sharing volunteers and prepared for distribution. When doing holiday shopping, please think of those in need and buy an extra item or two for the collection box. It will help a less fortunate Carol Stream family have an enjoyable holiday season. ♦

Best wishes for a happy holiday season
from the Carol Stream Public Library Staff
and Board of Trustees!

Please visit the Library
online at:
www.cslibrary.org

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