

Between the Lines

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New look for the Library Web site

The Library's Web site has a brand new look!

We think it will be even easier to find what you're searching for and to get immediate access to the services you find most useful. From the Home page of the Library Web site you can:

- Search the Carol Stream Public Library online catalog
- Get immediate answers to reference questions with our online chat reference service
- Search the World Wide Web using Google
- Get homework help

A newly prominent feature on the Home page of the Web site is **My Account**. This feature allows you to see what items you have checked out and on hold, and any outstanding fines. From **My Account** you can also place holds or modify a hold if you're going to be out of town.

We've also made it easier to find books, music, and movies, and to access some of the outstanding electronic research databases to which the Library subscribes. The following premium databases can be accessed from the comfort of your own home. All you need is your Carol Stream Public Library card.

Business and Company Resource Center is a good place to begin looking for company and industry information.

College Source links you to over 30,000 college catalogs and Web sites.

General Reference Center is a great resource for finding full-text magazine, newspaper, and news service articles from across the country and around the world.

Health and Wellness Resource Center provides you with up-to-date wellness and medical information from magazines, encyclopedias, and various other sources.

Heritage Quest is our genealogy database. Start here if you're researching your family tree.

Literature Resource Center searches several literature critical review sources at the same time.

ProQuest provides you with full-text articles from newspapers around the state and country, including the Daily Herald and the Chicago Tribune.

ReferenceUSA is an excellent resource for residential and business directory information. It contains over 13 million U. S. businesses and 120 million U. S. residential households.

World Book Online is the online version of the extremely popular World Book encyclopedia.

The newly revamped Web site will also provide you with easy access to the Library program calendar, the Children's Resources page, Teen Scene, information about the Village of Carol Stream, Library Board information, minutes and agendas of Board meetings, and more.

No matter what you're looking for, remember "Your Search Begins Here..." at the Carol Stream Public Library. Visit us at www.cslibrary.org. ♦

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Warm up with Books: a family story time series

Tuesdays, March 7 and 14
7:00–7:30 p.m.

No registration required

Beat the winter blahs with these drop-in programs for families with children of all ages. Children may come dressed in pajamas, ready for bed, to hear stories with warm and fuzzy themes.

For more information, please call the Youth Services Desk at 630-653-0755. ♦



Spring preschool series

Sign-up begins Wednesday, March 22

Children must meet the minimum age requirement for the appropriate series before the program begins. Please call for more details.

Baby & Me

Mondays, April 3 through May 1
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, April 4 through May 2
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, April 7 through May 5
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, April 6 through May 4
10:00–10:30 a.m. or 1:00–1:30 p.m.

“Story Time” is for children ages three to five. Unlike the programs for younger children, 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. ♦

School’s Out Specials

Adventures with Curious George

Monday, February 20, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

For grades K–2

Sign up begins Saturday, February 4

With the recent release of the movie and a new biography about Margret and H. A. Rey, creators of Curious George, there is a renewed interest in this naughty little monkey. Young elementary school children will be treated to an hour of mischief and monkeyshines with “everything George.”

Read Across America Day

Friday, March 3, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

For grades K and up

Sign up begins Saturday, February 18

The Cat himself will lead children in games and stories to make this celebration of Dr. Seuss’s birth a day to remember!

Eisenpeter Marionettes: Tom Sawyer

Tuesday, March 28, 1:30–2:15 p.m.

For K–Adult

Tickets available Saturday, March 11

Humor presides over this production of Mark Twain’s classic story about a young boy and his misadventures of growing up in a Mississippi River town. The program is most suitable for adults and families with school-age children.

Trading Card Game Day

Wednesday, March 29, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

For ages eight and up

Sign up begins Saturday, March 11

Trading card game fans, start building your decks! Players are invited to the Library for exciting 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. ♦

KidSquare at Stratford Square Mall

Wednesday, March 15
10:30–11:00 a.m.

Support your Library storytellers by attending KidSquare, a bi-weekly story time at the mall. Beginning February 15 and continuing on alternating Wednesdays through October, librarians from area libraries share stories and activities for preschool children. The KidSquare stage is in the storefront next to Carson’s on the second floor. ♦

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

Continues through Tuesday, February 28



In partnership with the Chicago Wolves, the Youth Services Department offers a Winter Reading Program that continues through Tuesday, February 28. Readers may enter weekly drawings for Wolves prizes and game tickets. Stop by the Youth Services Desk to register or for more information. The program is open to preschool and school-aged children.

Wolves? What wolves?

An afterschool nature program

Monday, February 13

4:00–5:00 p.m.

For grades K and up

Sign up begins Saturday, February 4

Although there are no wolves in this area, animal cousins such as coyotes and foxes make their homes here. These and other animals will be the subject of an interesting and informative program presented by a representative of the DuPage County Forest Preserve.

Saturday Movie: “Miracle”

Saturday, February 4

1:30–3:45 p.m.

No registration required

In anticipation of the upcoming Winter Olympics, and as a hockey tribute, the Library will show the movie “Miracle,” based on the 1980 United States hockey team and their extraordinary quest for the gold medal.

Covered drinks and dry snacks are permitted in the Community Room. Rated PG. Running time 136 minutes. ♦

Knit one, purl two with the American Girls®

Tuesday, February 7, 7:00–8:00 p.m.

Ages eight and up

Registration required

In the middle of winter, American Girls® of the past were often trapped indoors because of inclement weather. This was the time to work on handicrafts, and knitting was a popular type of needlework. At this program, girls



will have an opportunity to learn a basic stitch to use when knitting a scarf for their favorite American Girl doll. Participants are asked to bring size 5 or 6 knitting needles and scrap yarn. Registration is very limited. ♦

Young readers to “voice their choice”

The Library is pleased to once again serve as an official voting site for the Monarch Award and the Rebecca Caudill Young Readers’ Book Award. These awards are issued annually to the books determined to be most popular with students in the State of Illinois. By offering these award programs, Illinois joins 48 other states in providing award programs where the winners are determined by the votes of school-age children.

The Monarch Award is designed to encourage students in kindergar-

ten through grade three to read critically and to become familiar with children’s books, authors, and illustrators. In order to participate, students must have read or heard at least five of the 20 titles nominated for the Monarch Award.

Students in grades four through eight may cast their vote for the Rebecca Caudill Award if they have read at least three of the 20 nominated titles. Past Caudill winners have included *Frindle*, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone*, and *Hoot*.

Currently nominated titles for both awards are featured as part of a special display. Interested students may cast their vote from February 1–21. Votes throughout the state will be tallied and the winners announced in March. Since many schools also serve as official voting sites, children should first check with their school library since they may only vote at one location. For more information or a list of nominated titles, stop by the Youth Services Desk. ♦

Ongoing programs

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

Saturday Chess

February 18 and March 18

1:30–2:30 p.m.

Ages eight and up

Sign up at the Youth Services Desk

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.

Reading Patch Club

Children in grades kindergarten through six are encouraged to join the popular Reading Patch Club. Each month, club members may select a reading genre and request a new booklog. Children completing the booklog’s requirements then receive the corresponding patch. Genres

highlighted in February and March will be Sports and Mystery. 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, stop by the Youth Services Desk. ♦

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.

FunQuilts

Wednesday, February 22, 7:00 p.m.

Weeks Ringle and Bill Kerr are professional quiltmakers and founders of FunQuilts, a contemporary quilt design studio in Oak Park, Illinois. They bring a modern twist to the great American quilting tradition with 28 years of quiltmaking experience and graduate design degrees. Their work has been featured in *O: The Oprah Magazine* and the *Chicago Tribune*. This year they were named to *Chicago magazine's* "Best of Chicago" list. Join Bill Kerr while he presents museum-quality quilts they have made and discusses color, design, and fabric in quiltmaking. ♦



College Illinois! Prepaid Tuition Program informational session

Tuesday, February 28, 7:00 p.m.

Learn how College Illinois! allows parents, grandparents, other family members, and friends to protect a child's future college education from tuition inflation by locking in a price now to cover future college tuition and fees.

Nancy Stephens, associate director of College Illinois!, will speak about college funding options, benefits of the College Illinois! prepaid tuition program, and how interested people can enroll a child before this year's annual enrollment period ends on April 3. She will also be available to answer questions following the presentation. ♦

Q & A on the Medicare Prescription Drug Program

Wednesday, February 8, 10:00 a.m.

If you still have questions regarding the Medicare Prescription Drug Program, come to the Library for a question and answer session with financial consultant Tiger Shahid. Spend a short time listening to an overview of the new program and then have an opportunity to ask your own questions. Mr. Shahid from Tiger Financial Consulting, Inc. in Carol Stream specializes in estate and retirement planning for senior citizens and has been a financial consultant for over ten years. ♦



New film series: Thursday matinees

Beat the winter doldrums! Join us for these interesting and exciting recent films.

"March of the Penguins"

Thursday, February 9, 3:30 p.m.

Rating: G; Running time: 1 hour, 10 minutes

"Batman Begins"

Thursday, February 23, 3:30 p.m.

Rating: PG-13; Running time: 2 hours, 10 minutes

"Charlie and the Chocolate Factory"

Thursday, March 9, 3:30 p.m.

2005; Rating: PG; Running time: 1 hour, 55 minutes

"War of the Worlds"

Thursday, March 23, 3:30 p.m.

Rating: PG-13; Running time: 1 hour, 56 minutes

Films will be shown in the Community Room. Dry snacks and covered drinks are permitted. Registration is encouraged but not required; drop-ins are welcome. ♦

UFOs—they're everywhere!

**Wednesday, March 8
6:30–9:00 p.m.**

If you are active in crafting then you probably have several UFOs (Unfinished Craft Objects) in your house, so bring your incomplete craft project 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. ♦

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.

The Time Traveler's Wife, Audrey Niffenegger

Monday, February 13, 10:00 a.m.

The Time Traveler's Wife by Audrey Niffenegger is not a science fiction book. Rather it is the most unusual story of Henry, a librarian at the Newberry Library, and Clare, his artist wife. Henry suffers from "chrono-displacement"; he travels in time but has no control over when or where he travels. But love triumphs over time in this fascinating first novel.

The Circus in Winter, Cathy Day

Monday, March 13, 10:00 a.m.

Welcome to Lima, Indiana, where the circus came to spend the winter in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. A book of interrelated short stories charts the connections between the circus folk and the inhabitants of the small town over a span of three generations. ♦



Frequently asked questions

Can I access the Internet at the Library?

- Yes. There are free Internet stations in both the Adult and Youth Services Departments. There is a cost for printing, which is 10¢ per page.
- Free wireless Internet access is available to patrons with laptops equipped with wireless devices.
- A library card from a public library is required to use the Internet stations.
- Use of an Internet station may be reserved in 30 minute time slots, up to seven days in advance. A maximum of two hours per day and four hours per week (Sunday through Saturday) may be reserved.
- The Youth Service's Department has a filtered Internet station which can be reserved for children age 17 and under. Children seven and younger must have a parent or guardian accompany them.
- Patrons may download work from computers to their own removable storage device such as a floppy disk, Zip® Disk, or flash drive. Floppy disks may be purchased for 50¢ at any of the public service desks.
- Checking email, accessing chat rooms, instant messaging, and reading news groups are just a few ways the Library's Internet stations can be used. ♦

Donations and Memorials

A donation made to the Library for a Memorial or Honor book is a great way to acknowledge a relative or friend. An Adult or Youth Services Department Librarian can help you select a title in a given subject and/or price range. A letter of acknowledgement is sent to the honoree or the family of the deceased.

The following were purchased with recent donations in memory of Charles Peebles:

"Chicago Blues Festival 1964" CD by Buddy Guy

"Sun Records: The Ultimate Blues Collection" boxed CD set by various artists ♦

A note from our Friends

Teen author Farah Ahmedi shares message of hope and courage

Tuesday February 21, 7:00 p.m.

The Friends of the Library and the Carol Stream Woman's Club are proud to sponsor a visit from Carol Stream teen author and Afghan refugee Farah Ahmedi. Ahmedi's story begins when, at the age of seven, she steps on a land mine on her way to school. After spending two years in Germany to recover from the loss of her leg, she returns to Afghanistan, only to lose her father and sisters to a rocket attack in Kabul. She and her mother were refugees in Pakistan before being sponsored to immigrate to the United States.

Ahmedi's story was selected from over 6,000 entries to become the Good Morning America "The Story of My Life" contest winner and has gone on to inspire thousands on the power of overcoming any odds. Ahmedi was recently honored at the fifth annual Adopt-A-Minefield® Benefit Gala (www.landmines.org) sponsored by Paul McCartney and his wife, hosted by Jay Leno, and attended by many celebrities.

Reservations are not required. For more information, please contact the Library at 630-653-0755. ♦

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National Library Week 2006 will be celebrated April 2-8. Please check the April-May newsletter and the Library's Web site (www.cslibrary.org) for details. ♦

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LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS

The third Wednesday of every month:

February 15

March 15

Conference Room - 7:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

"Don't be afraid to go in your library and read every book..."

-Dwight D. Eisenhower

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YOUR LIBRARY AND YOU

The Library provides more than just books

The Library is more than just a place for books—it has something for everyone in the community.

It is a place for entertainment and recreational activities. There are children's board games, Internet access for email and chat rooms, a Saturday chess club, and monthly Adult and Youth programs targeting young children, teens, adults, and seniors. Visit the Library's Calendar of Events on the Web at www.cslibrary.org/program.htm to find a program that fits your interest.

Personal and professional development resources can be found at the Library, including information on job hunting and access to the Internet and computer programs such as Word and Excel.

You can fulfill your passion for researching your family's history through online genealogy databases. Health information is available in medical databases and consumer information in Consumer Reports magazine and other sources.

Forgot your textbook at school or want to look up an old classmate? Several area schools have provided their textbooks and yearbooks for use at the Library. Additional educational resources that can be found at the Library include parenting guides and listings of scholarship opportunities.

Financial information, such as tips on saving money and creating a budget, is also available, as are federal and state tax forms.

Materials in foreign languages such as Spanish, Hindi, and others, and English-as-a-Second Language (ESL) materials are also provided.

Planning a trip? Travel guides and help locating a travel agent can be found at the Library.

You can also register to vote at the Library.

Whatever your need or interest may be, check out the Carol Stream Public Library. We just may have what you're looking for. ♦

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online at:

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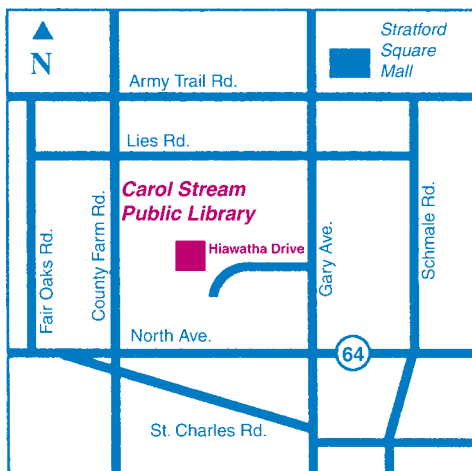
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