

Between the Lines

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Newsletter of the Carol Stream Public Library

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Friends to host mystery dinner

Friday, October 26, 5:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Ticket cost is \$15; tickets are limited

Do you think you can solve a mystery as well as Sherlock Holmes, Jane Marple, V.I. Warshawski, or Amos Walker? Now you will have a chance to test your deductive skills.

The Friends of the Carol Stream Public Library will be sponsoring a mystery evening at the Library on Friday, October 26. The evening will start with a light supper at 5:30 p.m. At 6:30, The Mystery Shop will begin the evening's entertainment.

Attendees will have a chance to take part in a participatory mystery game which packs a double entertainment wallop. First, there will be an auction (bid-

ding with Mystery Shop money). As the success or failure of each bid is revealed, facts about a murder will surface. Based on these facts, attendees must decide the most likely Prime Suspect in the murder mystery.

Tickets for the event cost \$15 each and will be available at the Library's Reception Desk beginning October 1. Participants must be 18 years or older.

This is an after-hours activity at the Library. The Library will be closed to the general public during the event and only mystery event ticket holders will be allowed to enter. ♦



Padded bags now available for returning AV items

The Library now offers padded bags to Library patrons when they check out audio-visual items. This new service is in response to patron concerns about returning AV items in the book drops.

Returning CDs and DVDs in the padded bags will protect the plastic cases from potential damage in the book drop. In addition, should an AV case come open when it is put into the book drop, materials will be contained and not subject to damage or loss. The bags provide a convenient way to carry AV items as well.



The black AV bags are similar to an insulated lunch bag. One can hold up to six single CDs, three single DVDs, or two double-sized CDs or DVDs, and still fit inside the book drop. Patrons may check out as many as are needed to accommodate all the AV items that are checked out.

Use of the padded AV bags is optional. They will check out on your library card, just like any other item, and need to be returned by their due date, along with the AV items.

While they will not accrue overdue fines, a \$9.00 replacement fee will be charged for any bag that is not returned to the library. ♦

Automatic door openers installed

On August 31, the Library installed automatic door openers for the doors from the lobby into the main Library. The buttons to activate the doors are located on the wall between the restrooms in the lobby and on the book drop to the right of the doors in the main Library.

The gear mechanism does make the doors harder to open manually, so please feel free to use the automatic door openers any time you are entering or exiting the main Library. ♦



YOUTH SERVICES

To sign up for a program or for more information, please stop by the Youth Services Desk, contact the Youth Services Department at 630-344-6127, or visit the Library's website at www.cslibrary.org.

School's Out Special: Things That Go Bump in the Night

Monday, October 8, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

For kindergarten & up

Sign up begins Saturday, September 29

It's never too early for Halloween howls! Michael Kett conjures up laughter and mayhem with his marvelous magic. ♦

Baby & Me

Wednesday, October 10, 10:00–10:30 a.m.

Parents are invited to drop in with their children from birth to one year for rhymes, stories and gentle play. This informal program is offered the second Wednesday of every month. No siblings please. ♦

Check It Out

Friday, October 19, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

For grades 6 and up

Sign up begins Friday, September 21; drop-ins are welcome

Have you ever wondered what kind of ghosts are wandering around your own hometown? Now you can find out as Check It Out brings you "Haunted Histories." Enjoy chilling tales of historical hauntings throughout the Midwest, presented by a special guest speaker. Goosebumps are guaranteed! Refreshments will be served and scary titles will be available for checkout. ♦

Patch Club

This ongoing program for school-aged children continues throughout the school year. Ask at the Youth Services Desk for details. ♦

Saturday Chess for Kids

Saturday, October 20, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

Children ages eight and up with some knowledge of chess may participate in the monthly program. Although registration is recommended, drop-in players are welcome to attend. ♦

Saturday Movie: Monster House

Saturday, October 27, 1:30–3:00 p.m.

For school-age children and adults

"Oooh went the wind and out went the lights" and the movie turned on to our delight! It's the season for monsters, ghosts, and scary movies. In this animated adventure, three teens discover that their neighbor's house is really a living, breathing, scary monster but no adults will believe them. Can their neighborhood be saved? Drop in with a covered drink and we will supply the popcorn. This movie is rated PG. ♦

Halloween story times

Register for these preschool programs beginning Monday, October 15



Halloween Tot Time

Tuesday, October 30

10:00–10:30 a.m. or 11:00–11:30 a.m.

Children three and under will be entertained with stories, fingerplays, and songs at a special Halloween Tot Time. Parents must remain with their children during the program and costumes are appropriate for the occasion. A short parade in the Library begins the fun.

Stories from the Pumpkin Patch

Tuesday, October 30, 1:30–2:00 p.m.

or Wednesday, October 31, 10:00–10:30 a.m.

Halloween stories and other seasonal activities will be enjoyed by children five and under. Costumes are encouraged for this event and there will be a parade in the main Library to start off the program. Parents should plan to remain with their children. ♦

Trick-or-Treat!

Wednesday, October 31

The Library has goodies for trick-or-treaters! Stop by the Youth Services Department when you are going around the neighborhood. ♦

Halloween reads

Looking for costume ideas or a spooky Halloween story? Find what you need in the holiday book collection, located at the end of the Easy Non-fiction. Halloween books will be on 14 day loan until October 17. There is a limit of three books per patron. ♦

Pursue happiness at the Library

Last spring, the Carol Stream Public Library was one of 2,000 libraries from across the country selected by the National Endowment for the Humanities to receive the "We the People Bookshelf." This collection of books explores national themes, and this year's theme is "The Pursuit of Happiness." In celebration of the award, all school-age children are invited to read the selected books for their age group. Children who finish the list for their group will be eligible for a prize. The booklist will be available at the the Youth Services Desk, and may be returned throughout the months of October and November. ♦

ADULT SERVICES

Advance registration is requested for the following programs. To sign up for a program, please stop by the Information Desk, contact the Library at 630-653-0755, or visit the Library's website at www.cslibrary.org.

If a signer or other special accommodation is needed for a program, please contact the Adult Services Desk at 630-344-6123.

The Faces and Places of Pakistan

Wednesday, October 24, 7:00–8:15 p.m.

Visit the sacred and historical places of Pakistan with world traveler Bill Helmuth. Cleaved from India in 1947 to create a new Islamic nation, Pakistan lies between its parent country to the east, and volatile Afghanistan to the north. With unstable political alliances and a strong military, Pakistan struggles for an identity to bring peace and economic growth to its 160,000,000 diverse peoples. This program will highlight the country's rugged topography, its people, religion, and architecture. ♦

New databases available through www.cslibrary.org

Standard & Poors NetAdvantage is a comprehensive source of business and investment information, offering online access to popular Standard & Poor's research products such as Industry Surveys, Stock Reports, Corporation Records, The Register of Corporations, Directors and Executives, The Outlook, Mutual Fund Reports, and others.

LearningExpressLibrary.com This product offers practice tests and skills improvement courses in a variety of subjects. Prepare for the ACT, ASVAB, Civil Service Career tests, GED, SAT, U.S. Citizenship tests, and dozens of other tests. Math, English, reading, and other skills improvement courses will help you sharpen your skills and improve your score with online practice tests and self-paced courses.

These and 30 other online databases are available to Carol Stream Public Library cardholders both from within the Library and from any computer with Internet access. Please visit the Library's website at www.cslibrary.org and click on the Research a Topic link to see the complete list. Please contact the Adult Services Desk at 630-344-6123 with any questions. ♦



eBay Selling 101

Monday October 8, 10:00–11:30 a.m.

or Tuesday, October 16, 7:00–8:30 p.m.

Ready to profit from selling some of your "stuff" on eBay? Plan to attend this informative and fun program taught by eBay University Instructor Jack Waddick.

In just 90 minutes, Jack will walk you through the keys to successful eBay selling. This session will also include live demos on eBay.com and time for your questions. Don't wait...register today. ♦

LOL! @ your library during Teen Read Week

October 14–20

Area teens will be reading for the fun of it as the Library observes the tenth annual Teen Read Week (TRW). The Library joins thousands of other libraries, schools, and bookstores across the country who are encouraging teens to celebrate this year's theme, "LOL! @ your library®." This theme encourages teens to read humorous books and graphic novels just "for the fun of it."

So, boost your endorphins, lower your blood pressure, and improve your immune system by stopping by the Library during TRW to laugh with a humorous book or graphic novel! Here are some booklists to get you started: <http://www.ala.org/ala/yalsa/teenreading/trw/trw2007/booklists07.htm>. ♦



Become a volunteer adult tutor

Join College of DuPage's People Educating People (PEP) program as a volunteer tutor for adults in ESL, reading, or basic math classes. The next training series will be on Saturday, November 10 and Saturday, November 17, 2007, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Glen Ellyn campus. The deadline to register is October 26. Space is limited so call early. Spring assignments begin January 14, 2008. For more information, call Joan Morris at 630-942-3788. ♦

YOUR LIBRARY AND YOU

What should I do if I get home and find my Library material is damaged?

Occasionally, Library Staff will not notice that an item is damaged before checking it out. Upon returning home, if patrons discover a problem with any Library materials, they are asked to contact the Circulation Department as soon as possible at 630-653-0755. The damage will be noted in the item record and the patron will not be charged. Patrons will be held responsible for replacement or repair costs on any Library materials that are returned with damage that has not been previously reported. ♦

What should I do if I check out a CD or DVD but it skips or gets stuck?

When you return a CD or DVD that skips or won't play, please put a note inside the case indicating the problem you encountered. Library Staff will attempt to repair any surface damage the CD or DVD may have incurred. Some tips for proper handling of CDs or DVDs:

- Always pick up the CD or DVD by holding it on the side with graphics.
- Avoid touching the non-graphical part of the disk.
- Always place a CD or DVD back in its container when you are not playing it.
- Do not leave a CD or DVD lying around, as dust and other air particles will fall on it.
- Never leave a CD or DVD case in direct sunlight.
- Parents, please supervise the use of CDs or DVDs with your children. ♦

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LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS

The third Wednesday of every month:
October 17
7:30 p.m.

Held at the Village Hall
The public is invited to attend

PLEASE NOTE: Attendance at Library programs and events constitutes consent to be photographed for Library publicity purposes.

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HOURS
Monday–Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Friday–Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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