

Between the Lines

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Dear Fellow Library-Loving Americans,

The time has come for us to take decisive action on behalf of the residents of Carol Stream. As we prepare to enter the next phase of the presidential election cycle, the Library offers up these agendas on **healthcare, the economy, and education**.

The Library is your advocate when it comes to **healthcare** issues.

- Improve your health by using the **Health and Wellness Resource Center** available 24/7 via the Library's website.
- Get your heart pumping by checking out a **workout or exercise DVD**.
- Got a long commute? **Exercise your brain** with a book on cassette or CD, a perfect travelling companion.
- Learn how to **cook healthy foods at home** with the latest and greatest cookbooks.

Our **economic** stimulus plan encourages you to save more.

- **Standard and Poor's NetAdvantage** provides stock market news and trends. S&P's stock reports help you to make the right decisions when it comes to managing your money.
- **Try before you buy**. Not sure if you'll love that new movie or CD? Check it out at the Library first.
- Using resources such as **Reference USA**, small business owners have access to market and research data online through the Library's website.
- Download an audiobook right to your computer using **NetLibrary**. You'll save yourself the price of the book plus the cost of the gasoline to get to the Library.

Last, but not least, we recognize that the road to the American dream is paved with **education**.

- **Reading is the cornerstone of education**. Whether you're just learning how to read, doing research for the debate team, or just curious about the world around you, the Library is here to support your lifelong educational needs.
- Got homework? We can help! Check out **Live Homework Help**® from Tutor.com. Available seven days a week from 4:00–10:00 p.m.
- Preparing for a standardized test? Do your best by practicing first using **Learning Express Library** through the Library's website or check out a test prep book with tests on CD-ROM.
- Learning is a lifelong endeavor. **Attend a program at the Library** and "Expand Your Horizons." Who knows what you might learn?

Whether it's in person or online, elect to visit the Library soon. We'll treat you like a super delegate because you are. ♦

New Friday hours

The Library is extending its Friday hours until 6:00 p.m. The new Library hours are:

Monday–Thursday 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Sunday 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

The Library is open on Sundays all year round. ♦

YOUTH SERVICES

To register 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.



Halloween Happenings

Halloween Tot Time

Wednesday, October 29

10–10:30 a.m. or 11–11:30 a.m.

For ages three and under, with an adult

Registration begins Monday, October 13

Dress up your little pumpkins in their Halloween costumes and come for seasonal stories and activities. The story program begins with a costume parade through the Library.

Tales from the Pumpkin Patch

Thursday, October 30

10–10:30 a.m. or 1:30–2:00 p.m.

For ages five and under, with an adult

Registration begins Monday, October 13

Enjoy non-frightening Halloween tales and other seasonal activities. The program begins with a costume parade through the main Library. Costumes are encouraged but not required.

Trick-or-Treat!

Friday, October 31

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

Make Friends with Molly: an American Girl® program

Saturday, October 11, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

For ages eight and up

Registration begins Saturday, September 27

Travel back in time and get to know Molly, an American Girl® from the 1940s. Young ladies will get to experience the World War II era through stories and games. Girls will also be making their very own mini victory gardens to take home. Refreshments will be served and American Girl® dolls may attend. ♦

Reading Patch Club Meeting

Monday, October 27, 4:00–4:45 p.m.

For grades K and up

Registration begins September 29

"Exploration" is the theme for October's featured patch and the starting point for games, puzzles and fun at the monthly club meeting. Reading Patch Club members, old and new, are welcome to attend. If you are not yet a Patch Club member, ask for details on how to join at the Youth Services Desk. ♦

How to Write Comics

Saturday, October 25, 2:00–3:00 p.m.

For ages 10–adult

Registration begins Wednesday, October 1; limited to 30

Russell Lissau, writer of "The Batman Strikes!" and "Hope: New Orleans" will lead a hands-on workshop about writing comic books. By day, Russell Lissau is a veteran journalist who works for a daily newspaper in suburban Chicago. By night, he writes comic books for DC Comics. Come and see some of his work, as well as learn tips about breaking into this ever-growing industry. ♦

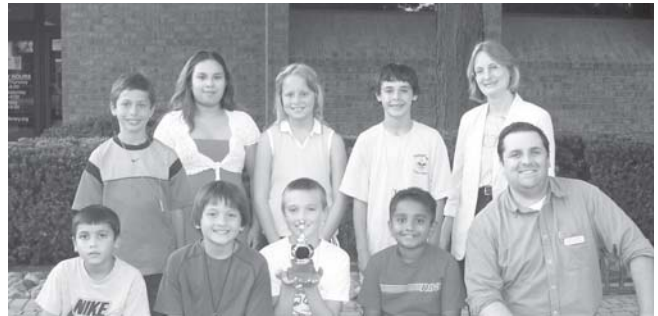
Saturday Chess

Saturday, October 18, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

For ages 8–18

Registration is encouraged, but drop-ins are welcome

Come join us for a relaxed, informal game of chess. Meet other chess players, improve your game and share your skills with others. Players must already know the game, as no instruction will be given. ♦



Chess players representing Carol Stream Public Library won second place at an inter-Library chess tournament on August 9.

Preschool notes

- Fall preschool story times continue through the week of October 13–17. Check online or at the Youth Services Desk for openings in the program that matches your child's age.
- Stories with Mother Nature will be offered to children ages five and under on Thursday, November 13. Sign up begins Saturday, October 25. ♦

PAWS for Reading



Wednesdays, November 5, 12, and 19, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

For grades K–6

Registration begins Monday, October 13 and is limited

Students can boost their reading skills this fall by reading with a certified therapy assistance animal. Sign up for a fifteen-minute time slot. Books will be provided, but participants may bring their own as well. ♦

ADULT SERVICES

Advance registration for programs is requested but is not required, except where noted. To sign up for a program or for more information, 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.



Register to vote at the Library

The General Election for federal, state, and county officials will be held on Tuesday, November 4. Are you registered to vote? If not, you can register at the Library!

Who can register

- You must be a United States citizen
- You must be at least 18 years old on or before the next election
- You must live in your election precinct at least 30 days before the next election
- You must not be convicted of a crime and in jail
- You cannot claim the right to vote anywhere else

When and how to register

- You must register at least 28 days prior to an election in order to vote in that election. The last day you can register to vote in the November 4 General Election will be Tuesday, October 7.
- Although the Library offers voter registration during all open hours, we encourage people to come during the following times when registrars will be available solely for that purpose:
 - Wednesday, October 1, 6:00–9:00 p.m.
 - Sunday, October 5, 1:00–4:00 p.m.
 - Monday, October 6, 6:00–9:00 p.m.
 - Tuesday, October 7, 5:00–9:00 p.m.
- When registering, bring two forms of identification, one of which must have your correct address on it. ♦

Come blog with us!

In the mood to read something suspenseful, chilling, and moving this month? Then pick up a copy of the *The Lovely Bones* by Alice Sebold and join us in the October online book discussion. Also, it's not too late to post your comments on the September book discussion of *Devil in the White City* by Erik Larson.

To get to the online book club blog just click on the "Carol Stream PL Book Discussion Blog" link found on the Library's website at www.cslibrary.org. You can also access the online book discussion blog directly at: www.csplbookdiscussion.blogspot.com. Then post your opinions and book reviews using the comments feature of the blog. ♦



Digital TV Transition

Thursday, October 2, 7:00–7:45 p.m.

A local Radio Shack representative will share information about why the DTV transition is occurring and the benefits digital television offers television viewers. In addition, you will learn what you need to do in order to continue receiving over-the-air television broadcasts after the conversion occurs, and how to apply for up to two \$40 government coupons per household to help reduce the costs of obtaining a digital converter box. ♦

How to get the job you really want

Tuesday, October 14, 7:00–9:00 p.m.

A former recruiter, career columnist for the Daily Southtown and current career coach, Wendy Lalli tells job searchers how they can direct their efforts to get a position that fits not only their skills and experience, but their personal goals and lifestyles. This program covers all the tools in a job hunter's kit from resumes and cover letters to compensation negotiation. ♦

Super-Couponing

Thursday, October 16, 7:00–8:30 p.m.

Registration is required and is limited to 90

Join Jill Cataldo and Amy Paulus of Super-Couponing to learn how to maximize your grocery savings and purchase hundreds of dollars worth of groceries for just pennies! Learn couponing secrets of the pros, which stores will let you stack multiple coupons, how to track sales and discounts online, and best of all—how to get the store to pay YOU to shop. ♦

Saving for College with Bright Start

Wednesday, October 22, 7:00–8:30 p.m.

It's never too late or too early to start planning for college savings. Join us to get the facts about Bright Start College Savings Program, a nationally-sold 529 plan from the State of Illinois. Paul Kaczmarczyk, financial advisor with Infinity Wealth Management, will speak about college funding options and the benefits of the Bright Start Program. ♦

Halloween Treats

Thursday, October 23, 7:00–8:30 p.m.

For ages 10–adult

Registration is required and is limited to 50

A great seasonal program for both adults and young adults! Learn how to create fun, spooky treats like Witch's Cookie Fingers, Gummy Bats, Eyeball Cupcakes, Meringue Bones, and an easy-to-make Graveyard Cake. ♦



YOUR LIBRARY AND YOU



Teen Read Week: "Books with Bite"

October 12–18

Get ready for a week with more kick than an angry clan of Nac Mac Feegles (read *The Wee Free Men* by Terry Pratchett), and with more bite than Harry Potter's *Monster Book of Monsters* (from *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* by J.K. Rowling). This year's Teen Read Week will be celebrated nationwide October 12–18. For reading suggestions and a small giveaway, stop by the Youth Services or Adult Services desk. ♦

Teen Read Week Movie: Batman

Monday, October 13, 3:00–5:15 p.m.

Celebrate Teen Read Week by watching the movie that started the successful run of Batman adventure films! Moviegoers may bring dry snacks and covered drinks. (Rating: PG-13. Running time: 126 minutes.) ♦

School's Out Special: Go Batty at the Library!

Monday, October 13, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

For ages five and up

Registration begins Saturday, September 29

Why are we so fascinated with bats? A naturalist from the DuPage Forest Preserve will share facts and clear up misconceptions about these amazing mammals that capture our interest at this time of year. ♦

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LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS

The third Wednesday of every month:

October 15

7:30 p.m.

Held in the Library's Community Room
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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