

# Between the Lines

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## Hold everything!

This spring, the Library will be upgrading the online catalog and checkout system. In anticipation of this change, **you will not be able to place new holds on any library materials beginning Saturday, March 1.** If you are currently on hold for an item, your hold will be filled in the order in which it was received. You will not lose your place in the queue for any existing items on hold.

The online catalog will have an entirely new look and feel and improved searching options. The number of libraries you will be able search at the same time will be expanded as well.

Library Staff will also have the ability to group family members to help you keep track of all the items your family has out. The new system will make it easier for Staff to process new cards, renew cards, and make changes to your library account.

All the upgrades are part the Library's maintenance contract and these improvements are made at no additional cost to the community.

We anticipate going live on the new catalog and checkout system on April 17. At that time, you will be able to begin placing items on reserve again. The Library appreciates your patience and cooperation during this time of transition. ♦

## We're up when you're up! Your Library works 24/7

You've got questions:

- My son has Asperger's syndrome. Is there a parents' support group in the area?
- If I write my own holograph will, is it valid?
- I need some quick stats on import/export trends over the past 15 years.
- I like pirates. Do you have any pirate stories? With pictures? How about pirate movies? Is there a song about pirates?
- What's the verdict on the new Chevy sedan?
- I'm doing a school project on the Harlem Renaissance. How do I start?

What if you can't make it to the Library when it's open? Sometimes you need information right away. If you've got an Internet connection at home, the Library's website is a gateway to many of the same services you can receive in the Library.

### Information you can trust

There are millions of answers online—the Library has the right ones.

Our **online databases** provide answers you can trust from digital sources that are safe, authoritative, and easy to use. You will find some of the best online resources in the world, around the clock, at the Library's Research a Topic page,

[www.cslibrary.org/research/research.htm](http://www.cslibrary.org/research/research.htm).

Does searching frustrate you? Try **AskAway** for prompt, professional research assistance. AskAway allows you to chat online with a librarian who will help you sort through the information maze. This service is available 24/7.

Does your junior high student have algebra homework? Don't remember how to solve those equations? Have your child log on to **Live Homework Help®**. A professional tutor is available from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. seven days a week to walk you through those tough questions.

### Your Library Account

Can't remember what you have checked out? Go to [www.cslibrary.org](http://www.cslibrary.org) and click on "**My Library Account**" to view a list of all the items you currently have checked out. Depending on the item, you may even be able to renew it from home. Review the list of items you have on hold by clicking on "Hold Requests".

If you have unpaid fines you can clear them up using the **Illinois E-Pay** program. First, check your library account for your current balance. Then, pay online with a Visa or MasterCard.

These are just some of the services available even when the Library building is closed. To "Expand Your Horizons" further, visit the Library's web site at [www.cslibrary.org](http://www.cslibrary.org). ♦



# 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](http://www.cslibrary.org).

## Warm up with a Good Book Winter Reading Program

Now through February 29

There is still time to sign up for the Winter Reading Program. Stop by the Youth Services Desk for a booklog, check out a few books that catch your interest, and start reading. Completed booklogs must be returned by Friday, February 29 to receive reading rewards. ♦

## Make It, Take It

Saturday, February 9–Monday, February 11

Come in from the cold for some "make and take" fun. Children may drop in to try some simple seasonal crafts. Supplies and easy-to-follow instructions for each craft will be provided. ♦



Summer Make It, Take It event

## Baby & Me

Wednesday, February 13, 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, February 15, 3:30–4:30 p.m.

For grades six and up

Sign up begins Friday, January 18; drop-ins are welcome

Who will win this year's Rebecca Caudill Award? The Newbery Medal? The Caldecott Medal? Pay a visit to Check It Out as we discuss the numerous awards that are given out each year in the world of children's and young adult literature. Do you have a favorite book that you think deserves an award? Let us know! Refreshments will be served during the program. ♦

## Saturday Chess

February 16, 1:30–2:30 p.m.

Ages eight and up

Sign up is ongoing; drop-ins are welcome

Chess players with some knowledge of the game are invited to the Library for an hour of non-competitive play. ♦

## School's Out Special: Thaddeus Rex Read like a rock star!

Monday, February 18, 1:30–2:15 p.m.

For all ages

Tickets available at the Youth Services Desk beginning Saturday, February 2



Sing! Laugh! Read! It's a day off school and award-winning musician and reading advocate Thaddeus Rex is in the house! T. Rex shares his original songs that reflect childhood experiences in a fun and entertaining way while encouraging young people to read and develop their imaginations. Everyone will have a rockin' good time! ♦

## School's Out Special: "Eight Below"

Friday, February 29, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

For school-age children and adults

Inspired by a true story, this action adventure movie takes place in the extreme wilderness of Antarctica. When members of an expedition are forced to leave behind their beloved group of sled dogs during a fierce storm, the dogs must survive on their own. Will the expedition leader return in time to save them from the perilous weather conditions?

120 minutes, rated PG. No registration is required, and dry snacks and covered drinks are permitted. ♦

## Preschool story times

Weekly programs for children from ages 12 months to five years continue through February 29. Space may still be available. Due to room conflicts, no sessions will be held the week of February 4. ♦

## Patch Club

School age children are encouraged to join the Patch Club and read books in different subject areas. The featured patch for February is "Love and Friendship." An alternate patch may also be selected. Stop by the Youth Services Desk to sign up or learn more about this fun reading program. ♦

# 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](http://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.*

## Create Valentine's Day Cards

Thursday, February 7, 7:00–8:15 p.m.

*For adults and children 12 years old and older*

*Please bring copies of photos to use and scissors*

Everyone appreciates getting a homemade Valentine's Day card, but some might be intimidated to try and create one themselves. Patricia Johnson will encourage your creativity and the use of materials around you to create something beautiful. Just in time to send it for the holiday, you will leave this program with a card that will show just how much you care. ♦

## Crazy for Chocolate

Thursday, February 21, 7:00–8:30 p.m.

*Registration is limited to 50*

Pastry Chef Rose Deneen from the test kitchen of Wilton Industries will demonstrate how to make all things chocolate. Learn how to buy the right chocolate, how to melt chocolate, and how to re-create some of your favorite chocolates, such as chocolate-dipped strawberries, molded chocolates, Tootsie Rolls, and fruit and nut barks. Free samples and recipes will be provided. ♦

## Edward Hopper and the American Scene

Monday, February 25, 7:00–8:30 p.m.

The focus of an Art Institute special exhibit scheduled for February 16–May 10, artist Edward Hopper (1882–1967) painted emblematic works such as "Nighthawks" that depicted urban life in structured compositions with bold contrasts of light and shadow. Often framing his subjects within interior scenes, Hopper's work responded to his time by focusing on the psychological isolation of modern life. This lecture will identify distinguishing elements of Hopper's style as seen in his views of urban life, interior scenes, and New England architecture. This lecture will be presented by Art Excursions, owned by Jeff Mishur and Dr. Michelle Paluch-Mishur. ♦



*Nighthawks by Edward Hopper*

## Tackle Household Paper Clutter

Tuesday, February 19, 7:00–8:15 p.m.

Certified Professional Organizer Beth Randall returns to help you deal with another organizational challenge. This time, she will help you take control of all the paper that comes into your house—just in time to prepare for taxes and fulfill your New Year's resolution to get organized! ♦

## Prefer paperback?

For the latest and best in romance and fiction paperbacks, visit [www.cslibrary.org](http://www.cslibrary.org) and click on BookNews. There you will find "New and Forthcoming Paperbacks," along with "Forthcoming Fiction," "New Mystery Books," and other librarian-recommended lists for avid readers. Find out if an item is on the shelf, place a hold, or even read summaries and reviews right from the page. It's never been easier to find a good book! ♦

## Tax forms available at the Library

During tax season, multiple copies of high-demand federal and Illinois state income tax forms will be available at the Library on a self-service basis, as will master copies of nearly all Illinois and federal forms and publications. Tax forms and publications for 2007 and previous years are also available on the IRS website, [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), and Illinois Department of Revenue website, [tax.illinois.gov](http://tax.illinois.gov).

The Library will make the forms and publications available as soon as they are received from the government. Please keep in mind that not all forms and publications are distributed by the government at the

beginning of the year. If you need a special form or want to check the availability of a specific form, please call the Library and ask to speak to a Reference Librarian.

Tax forms will be located in the Adult Services Department. The Library retains Federal and Illinois state reproducible forms for the current year and five previous years at the Adult Services Desk. Photocopies are 10 cents per page.

Please remember that while the librarians can help you find whatever tax form you are looking for, the librarians are not tax professionals and cannot give out advice on how to file your taxes. ♦

# YOUR LIBRARY AND YOU

## You be the judge: kids vote for their favorite books

The Library will once again serve as an official voting site for both the **Monarch Award** and the **Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award**. These awards are issued annually for the books determined to be most popular with students in the State of Illinois. For the Monarch Award, students in kindergarten through grade three who have read or heard at least five of the twenty titles are invited to vote for their favorite. Students in grades four through eight may cast their vote for the Rebecca Caudill Award if they have read at least three of the twenty nominated titles.

Nominated titles for both awards are on display at the Library. Students may cast their votes from February 1–21. Winning titles will be announced in March.

Since many schools also serve as official voting sites, check with your school library since you may only vote at one location. For more information or a list of nominated titles, stop by the Youth Services Desk. ♦

## Don't leave your child out in the cold

During the cold winter weather, please be sure that your children are picked up promptly when the Library closes. The Library closes at 9:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 5:00 p.m. Friday through Sunday.

If needed, Library Staff will assist children in making appropriate telephone calls to arrange for rides. Staff members are not responsible, however, for staying with children after hours. When the building is closed, the Carol Stream Police Department will be contacted for assistance. ♦

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## LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS

The third Wednesday of every month:  
**February 20**  
**7:30 p.m.**

Held in the Library's Conference 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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