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WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER

This is the first of our periodic newsletters we will be creating in order to keep the Winfield community informed about everything happening at the Library. We appreciate your thoughts for how we can improve this newsletter as well as any other services we provide. Please contact me if you have any suggestions and enjoy the Library!

Matthew Suddarth, Library Director

Library Hours

Monday—Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday—Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday—Closed

Library Closings

Friday, March 25—Spring Holiday Saturday, March 26—Spring Holiday Friday, May 20—Staff In-service Monday, May 30—Memorial Day Monday, July 4—Independence Day

Library Board of Trustees

Carol Tenyak-O'Connor Peter Dopper Robert W. Brown Michael Belica Kirk H. Edwards Karen Hannah Linda McNamara

Board Meetings

The Library Board meets the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the small meeting room. Meetings are open to the public.

Director: Matthew Suddarth **Newsletter Editor:** Katie Clark

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13 AT 7:00 PM

The Winfield Library Friends will be hosting this open house during its general spring meeting, and members will be on hand to discuss the many ways the Friends help the library and how you can join them.

Also, we will have staff and board members available to discuss the future expansion of the library. To illustrate some of the reasons behind the proposed expansion, staff and board members will give tours of the Library during the open house.

We hope to better serve Winfield residents by growing along with our community, and we value your participation in this important process.

FRIENDS' BOOK SALE

MARCH 17-19

The Winfield Library Friends organize this twice yearly book sale to raise funds for library improvements. Past sales have helped us purchase new shelving and sponsor programs. Support the Friends as you find great new books to read!

Preview Night—Thursday, March 17, 7:00-9:00 p.m. \$5.00 donation at the door Free to Friends in good standing

Friday, March 18, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 19, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Watch for discounts as the sale ends!

UPCOMING ADULT PROGRAMS

2005 Historical Series Programs

Programs are given in conjunction with the Winfield Historical Society and will be held in our large meeting room.

The Eastland Disaster - Thursday, March 24, 7:00 p.m.

The Eastland Disaster Historical Society brings us this compelling program. Loaded with picnickers and docked at the Clark Street Bridge, the Eastland tragically rolled over into the river with over 2,500 passengers on board. Come find out more about this fascinating story.

Winfield Historical Society Annual Meeting - Thursday, April 7, 7:00 p.m.

Forty Minutes with Harry Truman - Thursday, April 7, 7:30 p.m.

Join us for a chat with Harry Truman and learn how he went from farmer to soldier to failed haberdasher, finally ending up as our 33rd President. Ed Dzialo and Rose Productions bring us this engaging look into an important time in our history.

Adult Book Group

We meet at 7:00 p.m. in the small meeting room. Books are available one month in advance.

April 5

The Red Tent by Anita Diamant

In telling her life story, from Israelite child to noted midwife in Egypt, Dinah, daughter of Jacob, illuminates the role of women in early Biblical society.

May 3

About Schmidt by Louis Begley

His wife has died after a struggle with disease, he is pushed out of his firm because of age, and his daughter wants to marry a Jew. Albert Schmidt responds by starting an affair with a young woman outside his social class.

June 7

Under the Banner of Heaven by Jon Krakauer (Nonfiction)

Modern-day Mormon fundamentalism, as viewed through the story of Ron and Dan Lafferty, who murdered their sister-in-law and niece, thinking they were acting under direct orders from God.

Young Adult Book Group

If you are in 6th grade or above, join our group! Bring a sandwich and take a break during our dinner hour program. We'll provide the snacks. We meet at 6:00 p.m. in the large meeting room. Books are available one month in advance.

April 7

Be More Chill by Ned Vizzini

Badly in need of self-confidence and a change of image, high school nerd Jeremy Heere swallows a pill-sized supercomputer that is supposed to get him whatever he wants.

May 5

Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt

The Tuck family is confronted with an agonizing situation when they discover that a ten-year-old girl and a malicious stranger now share their secret about a spring whose water prevents one from ever growing older.

June 2

Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko

A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there, and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister.

Tressa's Techno Tip Have you ever been frustrated with a CD or DVD that skipped or stopped? Clear up smudges and scratches with this trick: Fill a sink halfway with lukewarm water. Carefully drop in the disc, let soak for 10 seconds and air-dry shiny side up. Play it again and presto, a miracle before your very eyes! Your disc should now play without that irritating skip. Although this trick doesn't work every time, give it a try, it may work for you!

UPCOMING YOUTH PROGRAMS

Travel the World Saturday Drop-In Storytime, 10:00 a.m.

We'll use passports to travel to a different country every month and meet fascinating people through stories, festivals, songs, food, and crafts.



March 5	Ireland
April 2	France
May 7	Mexico
June 4	Africa

Spring Storytime—Registration Required March 28 – May 5

Registration begins March 4th. You can register at the library, by phone at 653-7599 or by e-mailing the library at wfdstaff@winfield.lib.il.us

Two-year-olds	Three to Five-year-olds
Mondays, 9:30 a.m.	Mondays, 10:30 a.m.
Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.	Mondays, 1:30 p.m.
	Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

POETRY WEEK April 11-17, 2005

Write a poem about your favorite place or one that you secretly dream about. Add a drawing or picture to your poem! Poems will be featured on our web page and in our second annual poetry book which will be available to check out. Submit your poem on 8 ½ x 11 inch paper and don't forget to sign your name. This poetry project, due April 20, is open to all ages. As an incentive, all authors will be entered into a special drawing. Be creative and have fun!

STORYTIME LAND By Miss Nuccia

As I sit on my stool, come along with me to a special place; together we will soar.
On our magic carpet ride we will see beaches, farms, dragons and fairylands waiting through the door. If only you know where to look, you'll see the magic of my book. Many stories I will read just to watch you take the lead when you learn to read.

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY,

Scavenger Egg Hunt Friday, March 18, 9:00 – 9:45 a.m.

Children under age eight are invited to take part in our third annual scavenger egg hunt. Children will search for three eggs hidden around the Youth Services area to receive special treats. Registration is not required for this program; however, participation is reserved for Winfield Library cardholders.

The Puppet Arte Troupe Tuesday, March 29, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

The Puppet Arte Troupe will be presenting a high quality classical puppet show for children and adults in honor of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Hans Christian Andersen. *The Emperor's New Clothes* and *The Princess and the Pea* will be performed with enchanting voice talents. Registration is not required for this program.

Dave Herzog's Marionettes Saturday, April 16, 1:30 p.m.

Puppeteer Dave Herzog is back with a new performance, "Clown Alley." The grace and boldness of the marionette circus troupe will mesmerize children and adults! Join us in the large community meeting room for this energetic and exciting family program. Registration is not required, but seating is limited for this popular event.

Family Reading Night Thursday, April 21, 6:30 p.m.

Join us to help promote reading in our community. Parents and children are invited to spend five minutes sharing their favorite bedtime picture book or to just participate as listeners, as everyone lounges in their PJ's and slippers. Afterwards, milk and cookies will be served. Door prizes will be part of the evening fun. In addition, be there for the unveiling of our summer reading theme and see a sampling of the grand prizes. Registration for this event is only necessary if you plan on reading.

THE READER'S PAGE

How Does Vour Garden Grow?

ENJOY THESE FICTION TITLES FEATURING FLORISTS AND GARDENERS.

Norma's Picks

There's nothing like a good book to take you on a new adventure. Try *Blue Dahlia*, the first in Nora Roberts' new trilogy.

Stella and her two young sons move to Tennessee, where Stella was raised, so she can start a new job as manager of a quaint nursery called In the Garden. The owner, Roz, lets Stella and her sons live in her large home, which is haunted by a ghost with old ties to the estate.

Stella loves her job but soon butts heads with sexy, infuriating landscaper Logan Kettridge. They at first resist their attraction, but their eventual involvement earns the disapproval of the estate's ghost.

This book has something for all romance readers: wit, mystery friendship, and a great love story. Enjoy!

Paperback: **PBK ROBERTS**Large print: **LP FIC ROBERTS**CD: **CDBOOK FIC ROBERTS**.

FIC HUMPHREYS The Lost Garden

Helen Humphreys

In 1941 England, Gwen volunteers to oversee a group of girls growing crops for the war effort alongside a regiment of Canadian soldiers, in this tale of renewal in the midst of war.

FIC FFORDE

Second Thyme Around Katie Fforde

Organic gardener Perdita must reunite with her egotistical chef exhusband for a new TV cooking show.

FIC WRIGHT

Miranda Blue Calling Michelle Curry Wright

Miranda moves to a small town to open a home based business, enjoying her isolation until she finds out her gardener neighbor wants more than friendship.

MYS ELGIN The Blue Rose

Anthony Eglin

A couple moves into their dream home, an English cottage, and discovers in the back garden a rare blue rose, plunging them into the intriguing world of plant hybridizers.

MYS HARRISON

Lilies That Fester Janis Harrison

When florist-turned-sleuth Bretta investigates a series of murders at a local florist's convention, will she become a victim herself?

MYS KLEIN

The Deadly Garden Tour Kathleen Gregory Klein

Garden designer Liz returns to her hometown and turns investigator when the chairwoman of the city's garden tour is found dead.

MYS PIM

Common or Garden Crime Sheila Pim

When a new neighbor is poisoned with monkshood, Lucy Bex uses her knowledge of plants and familiarity with the town's residents to solve the crime.

MYS RIPLEY

Death at the Spring Plant Sale Ann Ripley

The garden club's insufferable president is dead, and jealous members of the club are the prime suspects, as far as visiting reporter Louise is concerned.

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