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What's new?

Have you ever wondered how many new items are added to our collections each month?

In the month of July, we acquired 345 new items, adding a total of 291 adult, young adult, and children's books, and 54 audio-visual items.

We order new materials every day, so be sure to visit the library often to check out our most recent selections!

Library Hours

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

Library Closings

Labor Day – Monday, Sept. 4 Thanksgiving Eve (Close at 6:00) Wednesday, Nov. 22 Thanksgiving– Thursday, Nov. 23

Library Board of Trustees

Karen Hannah, President Peter Dopper, Secretary Robert W. Brown, Treasurer Michael Belica Linda McNamara Laura Slivinski Carol Tenyak-O'Connor

Board Meetings

The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. Meetings are open to the public. Upcoming meeting dates are: Wednesday, September 20 Wednesday, October 11 Wednesday, November 8

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

American Library Association Conference 2006

The Inside Page

Recently, Library Director Matthew Suddarth attended the American Library Association's annual conference, held June 24-27 in New Orleans. Through a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the OCLC WebJunction Rural Sustainability Project, and the Illinois State Library, Matthew was able to attend the conference at no cost to the Winfield Public Library.

This conference was the first major convention held in the city since hurricane Katrina. Although many parts of the city are still recovering from the disaster, other areas are coming back to life. New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin spoke at the opening session and



expressed the city's gratitude to the conference attendees. The main speaker for the opening session was former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who remarked on American foreign policy as well as the importance of libraries in the lives of most Americans.

During the conference, Matthew was able to attend a variety of workshops that will help with improving library services. Among the programs he attended were workshops discussing "Appreciative Inquiry," a tool for helping organizations evaluate themselves and make appropriate changes; a session discussing fundraising and grant writing for libraries; and a session about how libraries can "reinvent" themselves by viewing their services from a marketing standpoint and copying successes from other organizations while looking at user's needs and wants in the library.

Using the resources and knowledge gained at the conference, the library will be implementing new ideas in our services and operations. In the coming months, look for our newly renovated Young Adult area as an example of how we are continuing to innovate to better serve our patrons. As always, we appreciate your feedback about everything we do.

NEWS AND NOTES

CHECK OUT OUR NEW RESOURCES!

What are those antiques really worth?

Have you ever wondered what those antiques you have around the house are really worth? Come to the library to test p4A Antiques Reference, which shows you what price antiques have sold for at auction. Careful, you could get addicted to browsing this database!

Read the New Yorker

"Since 1925, The New Yorker's mission has been to report and reflect on the world at large with wit, sophistication, and originality. It's distinctive coverage of culture and art, fiction and non, business and politics, science and technology has earned the New Yorker...more National Magazine Awards than any other publication." Now available at Winfield Library!

ENTER ONE OF OUR FALL CONTESTS

September is library card sign-up month.

Each time you use your card in September, your name will be entered into a drawing. Don't forget, a library card is the smartest card you can own.





Help us spread awareness during October, Breast **Cancer Awareness Month.**

Wear pink to the library and be entered into our prize drawing. Also, pick up a list of resources dealing with breast cancer prevention, treatment, and recovery.

How many items are checked out in one month? Enter our contest from November 1-15 and find out! Fill out a drawing slip with the number of items that you think will check out in November, and you could win a special prize. Also in November, drop off your gently used clothing in our St. Vincent de Paul drop box.



Friends of the Library

Semi-Annual Book Sale September 7, 8, & 9 **During Good Old Days!**

Preview Sale

Thursday, 9/7 7:00 – 9:00 pm Cost: FREE to Friends members \$5 charge for non-members OR \$5 for a Friends membership

Regular Sale

Friday, 9/8 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Saturday, 9/9 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Cost: Free admission to all

Volunteers are still needed to set up, work the sale and clean up! Email us at winfriends@winfield.lib.il.us or call the library at 653-7599 and leave your name and phone number. A member of the Friends will contact you.

Upcoming Friends Meetings: October 4. November 2. December 6

Join us at one of our monthly meetings to find out what we're working on and how you can help! All are welcome to attend. Join us at 7:00 p.m. in the library's large community meeting room.

Sincere thanks to our Summer Reading sponsors. We couldn't have done it without you!

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Special thanks to all those volunteers who helped with summer reading: Linda McNamara, The Punky Puppeteers, St. John the Baptist, Teen Team, Winfield Library Friends, and our marvelous volunteers at the Ice Cream Social.

Our appreciation once again to Winfield Community Bank, whose Daniel Caravello and Peggy Crosby handed out 205 goody bags to the children at our Summer Reading Finale. Thanks for making this year's grand finale our finest ever. Finally, thanks to Head of Youth Services Nuccia Choate, whose dedication made this year's program our best yet!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

BOOK GROUPS

New! Parent-Child Book Group

Parents and children grades 3 to 5 may join us the third Tuesday of the month from 4:00 to 4:30 p.m.

October 17

Franny K. Stein, Mad Scientist: Lunch Walks Among Us Jim Benton

November 21 *Niagara Falls or Does it?* Henry Winkler

December 19 *Frindle* Andrew Clements

Young Adult Book Group

If you are in 6th grade or above, join us the first Tuesday of the month from 4:00 to 4:30 p.m.

October 3 *Ghost Ship* Dietlof Reiche

November 7 *The Key to the Golden Firebird* Maureen Johnson

December 5 *The Manny* Sarah L. Thompson

Adult Book Group

We meet at 7:00 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the Library Board Room.

September 5 *Little Beauties* Kim Addonizio

October 3 *The Good Earth* Pearl S. Buck

November 7 *The Professor and the Madman* Simon Winchester

JOIN US FOR FALL STORYTIME!

Weekly Storytime September 18-November 9 Registration Required

> **Two-year-olds** Mondays, 9:30 a.m. Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.

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

Saturday Drop-In Storytime

Holiday Stories

Celebrate the holidays with stories,

Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m.

songs, crafts, and treats, the first

September 2 - Grandparents Day

November 4 - Thanksgiving Day

October 7 - Halloween Fun

Storytime by the Gazebo Sunday, September 10, 2:15 p.m. Join us in Creekside Park for a magical Good Old Days storytime! A magic wand craft kit and booklist will be given out as supplies last.

Beading Made Easy Saturday, September 23, 1:00 p.m. Ages 8 and up, register to create a stunning bracelet to take home.

The Return of Tut: Art and Archaeology from the Time of the New Kingdom Thursday, September 28, 7:00 p.m. Find out more about King Tut, his famous tomb, and new discoveries.

Babysitting 101 Saturday, October 7, 1:00 p.m. Ages 10 and up, register and learn responsible babysitting from Kara Guizzetti, child safety educator.

Sewing 101 – Jean Handbag Saturday, October 21, 1:00 p.m. Ages 10 and up, register and bring your old jeans, scarves, buttons and beads to the library to make a fabulous handbag!

Library Beautification Day Friday, October 27, 3:30 p.m. Community groups, take pride in your library today! Call Nuccia for more details at (630) 653-7599. Auto Detailing Thursday, October 26, 7:00 p.m. Learn professional tricks of car care.

Things-That-Go-Bump-In-The-Night Halloween Magic Show Saturday, October 28, 1:30 p.m. Kids of all ages will scream, laugh, and enjoy this magic show!

Halloween Puppet Show Tuesday, October 31, 10:30 a.m. Wear your Halloween costume!

Game Day

Saturday, November 11, 1:00 p.m. Ages 10 and up, come with friends, and play chess, mancala or some of your favorite games.

Thanksgiving Drop-In Craft Saturday, November 18 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Pick up a craft for your holiday table.

Sewing 102 – Rice Bags Saturday, November 18, 1:00 p.m. Ages 10 and up, register to make a fun holiday gift that can be warmed up to ease those aches and pains.

Wrigley Field: A Celebration of the Friendly Confines

Thursday, November 30, 7:00 p.m. A behind the scenes look at the Chicago Cubs, presented by Stephen Green, team photographer for 20 years.

BOARD CORNER

From Your Board of Trustees

This new section of our newsletter is being established to keep you informed of the decisions and discussions taking place on the second Wednesday of each month, when the Library Board meets to conduct the business of the library. First, an introduction to the members of the Board:

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Library Board members are elected to represent village residents in all library matters. Each board member dedicates many hours of uncompensated time to oversee the library's management and to insure the future of this long valued asset to Winfield. If you have concerns, comments or questions, please contact a board member. We are here to represent you.

Updates...

- In the spring, following the failed referendum, the Board decided not to pursue another referendum attempt in the fall of 2006. It was also decided to purchase a second year's option on the property east of the library in order to keep the library's options for future expansion flexible.
- Currently, the board is in the process of working on its strategic plan, mission statement, and a survey of village residents.
- Several areas of our twenty-five year old building are in need of repair, including our roof and entry stairway, costs that weigh heavily on an already strained budget.

The Board wants to hear from you!

To further enable those who would like to have their opinions heard on matters relating to the library, the Board will begin holding pre-meeting coffees at 7:00 p.m., prior to each regularly scheduled Board meeting.

We hope to give more residents the opportunity to comment on or ask about topics relating to the library, in an atmosphere of free exchange. A place on the agenda during the formal meeting at 7:30 p.m. will be reserved for Citizens to Speak. Our fall Board meetings will be held on September 20 (please note, this is the third Wednesday of the month), October 11, and November 8.



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