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NEW Y.A. MAGAZINES COMING SOON!

Be on the lookout for these new magazines, coming soon to the Y.A. Corner:

- ✦ *Alternative Press*
- ✦ *Careers and Colleges*
- ✦ *Electronic Gaming Monthly*
- ✦ *Spin*

When these items are available, we'll let you know on our blog at www.winfielddya.wordpress.com.

Library Hours

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

Library Closings

Christmas Eve—Saturday, Dec. 23
Christmas Day—Monday, Dec. 25
New Year's Eve—Saturday, Dec. 30
New Year's Day—Monday, Jan. 1

Library Board of Trustees

Karen Hannah, President
Peter Dopper, Secretary
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Michael Belica
Linda McNamara
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Upcoming Board Meetings

Wednesday, December 13
Wednesday, January 10
Wednesday, February 14

The Library Board meets at 7:30 p.m.
Meetings are open to the public.

Director: Matthew Suddarth
Newsletter Editor: Katie Clark

NEWLY UNVEILED: THE Y.A. CORNER

Welcome to our new Y.A. Corner, a place for Winfield's teens to come hang out and enjoy everything the library has to offer. Pull a Young Adult book or magazine from the shelves along our freshly painted green wall, relax in our new lounge seating, study with friends, or just sit and chat after school.



We want you to make yourself at home in the library, but don't stop there—we've also entered the blogosphere! Check out our new blog at www.winfielddya.wordpress.com and you'll find us posting about new books, programs, the Y.A. Café Book Break book discussion group and more. We've also set aside a portion of the site for your book and program suggestions, called "Tell Us What You Want."

Funds for this project were drawn from our annual Illinois Public Library Per Capita Grant, which allowed us to achieve the transformation of our Y.A. area without the use of monies from Winfield's local taxes. Paint for the green wall and 'Y.A. Corner' sign was generously donated by Luke DeMato of J.C. Licht Company in Wheaton.

NEWS AND NOTES

Attention Community Groups: New Meeting Room Information

It's meeting room sign-up time again! Sign-up for 2007 meeting dates begins December 1st at 9:00 a.m. Sign-up for the meeting room must be done in person, and meeting dates will be set up on a first-come, first-served basis. The meeting room is available only for non-profit groups wishing to meet in a public forum.

We will be assigning meeting room dates only for meetings occurring in January, February and March. Due to space constraints for our collections, the meeting room may need to be used differently in the future, and we cannot commit to meeting dates for all of 2007.

Our meeting room cleaning deposit policy has also changed. We will be requiring a \$30 deposit from each group that uses the meeting room. This is refundable, providing the meeting room is left in acceptable condition.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding regarding these changes to our policies and procedures. We will do our best to inform meeting room users to any other changes as they develop.

Donate a Book

Donating a book to the library is a gift that benefits the entire community while paying a lasting tribute to those you love. Simply tell us the amount of the gift you would like to give, and we can help you choose a book on a favorite subject or by a preferred author.

A plaque will be placed in the book to memorialize a birthday, graduation, anniversary, or passing of a loved one. The honoree or family will receive a letter informing them of the gift we have received in their name. We sincerely thank all who have donated books in the past for their generosity.

Friends of the Library

Thank You Volunteers!

THANK YOU

We would like to thank all of the dedicated booksale volunteers and bake sale cooks, who helped us raise over \$2,000 during our semi-annual booksale.

How Do the Friends Benefit Your Library?

The Friends' fundraising efforts continue to greatly help the library. In the past year, we have helped pay for the printing and postage of this newsletter, donated \$1,000 to the Summer Reading Program, and have promised up to \$3,000 to defray the costs of the library's recent survey.

Upcoming Friends Meeting December 6

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

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Book Groups

Parent-Child Book Group

Parents and children grades 3 to 5 may join us from 4:00 to 4:30 p.m.

December 19

Frindle

Andrew Clements

January 16

The Field Guide

Tony DiTerlizzi

February 20

The Green Dog: A Mostly True Story

Suzanne Fisher Staples

Y.A. Café Book Break

If you're in 6th grade or above, join us from 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. for a book talk and refreshments. If you can't make it, post your comments on our blog at www.winfieldya.wordpress.com.

December 5

The Manny

Sarah L. Thompson

January 2

Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie

David Lubar

February 6

Fake ID

Walter Sorrells

Adult Book Group

We meet at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Board Room.

December 5

The Circus In Winter

Cathy Day

January 2

Things Fall Apart

Chinua Achebe

February 6

The Untouchable

John Banville

Program Information

Please use the following key when reading our program descriptions:

NR – No Registration or Ticket Required

RR – Registration Required

Call (630) 653-7599 or

Email wfdstaff@winfield.lib.il.us

TR – Ticket Required

Due to our small meeting room space, the maximum number of program attendees is 67, in accordance with safety regulations. Tickets will be available at the circulation desk.

'Tis the Season Storytime

Friday, December 8

10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Celebrate with a special visit from the mouse from *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*, as well as holiday stories, songs, a craft, and refreshments. (NR)

Storytime with Mrs. Claus and Santa Claus

Thursday, December 14

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Listen to holiday stories read by Mrs. Claus and have your picture taken with Santa Claus! (TR)

Holiday Ornament

Saturday, December 16

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Give your tree a special touch by creating a keepsake ornament. Please bring a wallet-sized picture. (NR)

Babysitting 101

Thursday, January 4

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Kara Guizzetti, children's safety educator, will speak about the responsibilities of sitters and parent helpers. Students will receive a Super Sitter handbook, a folder of materials, as well as a certificate of completion. Ages 9 and up. (RR)

Craft Day

Friday, January 5

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Pick up a craft of your choosing to complete at the library or at home. While supplies last. (NR)

Sewing 103 – Fleece Hat and Scarf

Saturday, January 13

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Sew a fleece hat and scarf to chase the winter chills away. For ages 10 to adult. (RR – Please ask for materials list when registering.)

Mother Nature and Her Friends

Monday, January 15

10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Storyteller Mary Jane Haley will present an interactive session, inviting children to participate. Her stories emphasize character building, self-esteem, and listening. (NR)

Knitting for Beginners

Saturday, January 20 &

Saturday, February 10

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Join us for both knitting classes to learn the basics of this creative, fun craft. Please bring your own needles and 3 skeins of yarn for this class. Ages 9 to adult. (RR)

Join Us For Winter Storytime!

Weekly Storytime (RR)

January 22 – March 1

Two-year-olds

Mondays, 9:30 a.m.

Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.

Three to Five-year-olds

Mondays, 10:30 a.m.

Mondays, 1:30 p.m.

Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

Saturday Drop-In Storytime:

Holiday Stories (NR)

Celebrate the holidays with stories, songs, crafts, and treats. Storytimes begin at 10:00 a.m.

December 2

Santa's Magical Season

January 6

New Year Celebrations

February 3

Valentine Hugs and Kisses

Chicago Wolves' "Read to Succeed"

Monday, January 22 through

Saturday, February 17

Children in preschool through 8th grade may enroll in "Read to Succeed." Set a reading goal and turn in a completed reading log on or before February 17 to enter a drawing for Wolves prizes. (RR)

Chicago Wolves Player Visit

Wednesday, February 21

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Meet a Chicago Wolves hockey player who will sign autographs after his "Read to Succeed" presentation. All those attending will be entered into a special drawing for additional Wolves hockey items and tickets. (NR)

A Valentine Special

February 1 - 10

Help us decorate the library! Pick up a valentine heart at the library February 1st through 10th, write about why you love to read, and be entered into a special Valentine drawing to win prizes. (NR)

Teen Game Day (Grades 6-12)

Saturday, February 17

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Come with friends and play games including chess and mancala, or bring your favorite games from home. (NR)



BOARD CORNER

Thank You from Your Board President

The holiday season is a time for all of us to pause and give thanks. The Library Board would like to be included in this tradition by giving thanks for several people who have been especially generous with their talents and their time.

We are grateful to Marie Kisiel, who surprised us by presenting the Library Board Treasurer, Bob Brown, with a check for \$500 at our August meeting. Mrs. Kisiel, along with members of Winfield United, made the gift from the proceeds of her cookbook, *Seasoned Greetings*. Not only are we grateful for Mrs. Kisiel's longstanding support, we are especially gratified to have this author in our community.

Head of Youth Services Nuccia Choate is another person for whom we are grateful. Nuccia presented a very successful exhibit at this year's Illinois Library Association Conference on Navy Pier. Other children's librarians were the beneficiaries of Nuccia's creativity; she talked about and demonstrated her inventive ideas for her recent storytime series "Travel the World." Winfield is very fortunate to have Nuccia as a resident and a member of the library staff.

Another member of our community for whom we are grateful is Paul McNamara. Paul, who is Director of Consumer and Business Insights for McDonald's Latin America, has made a gift of his time and talents to help the Board of Trustees with the design and analysis of

our community survey. Not only is this a significant savings for the library, Paul is a devoted library supporter and a very active member of our community. Thank you, Paul.

Thanks also to the Winfield Fire Protection District for being such gracious hosts for our September board meeting. When our meeting room was unavailable for us to use, they were there for us, and we are grateful.

Lastly, thank you to everyone who completed and returned our recent survey. Whether you use the library or not, whether or not you believe libraries are an important part of any community, we are glad to have heard from you. Your input is very important to the Board of Trustees. Thank you for the gift of your time and your thoughts concerning the future of our library.

Karen Hannah
President, Winfield Public Library Board of Trustees



For information about Library Board members, upcoming meeting dates, meeting minutes and more, please visit us online at www.winfield.lib.il.us/winfield/board.html.



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