# Join Us for Our 8th Annual Ho-Ho-Holiday Open House



### Saturday, December 12

**10:00-11:30** a.m. (Meeting Room A/B) Don't miss storytime with Mrs. Claus and Santa! Free tickets will be available November 28.

**1:00-4:00 p.m. (Meeting Room A)**Children may drop in to make a holiday craft.

2:00-4:00 p.m. (Meeting Room B)

Drop in for a game with our All Ages Chess Club.

Curious to see what we've done in the library lately? Stop in for a bit of holiday cheer and celebrate the season at our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Open House. Take this opportunity to reacquaint yourself with everything the library has to offer. Attend a program, check out new items, and enjoy cookies, mulled cider and coffee throughout the day. Be on the lookout for special door prizes. We can't wait to celebrate another amazing year at the library!



# New Online Resource! . Science In Context

If you're looking for homework help, the latest science news, or hands-on projects and experiments, Science In Context can help! This engaging resource has in-depth information on hundreds of science topics, ranging from general topics like biology and physics to specific issues like soil and robotics.

Science In Context give you the pure information you need, along with today's headlines and videos showing how scientific disciplines relate to real-world issues. Continuously updated content ensure that you will be getting the newest information available, and carefully curated links and multimedia combine to make your research well-rounded. Whether you're a student, a teacher, or a lifelong learner, try Science in Context! Visit our website at www.winfield.lib.il.us and log in with your library card number.

### **Announcements**

- The Winfield Library Friends will start accepting book donations on February 8 for the March book sale. We cannot accept donations before that date due to a lack of storage space. We appreciate your donations and your understanding.
- We're adding more magazine titles for adults starting in January 2016. If you're a fan of *More*, *Mental Floss*, *Us Weekly*, *Yoga Journal*, and *Sci-fi*, make sure to check them out in the new year!
- If you are homebound, we deliver. Please call (630) 653-7599, and a staff member will deliver your library materials.
- Visit Our Teen Blog!
   Check out our blog for new books, book reviews, upcoming teen events, and more. Comment and let us know what events or books you want us to offer! Visit <a href="https://www.winfieldya.wordpress.com">www.winfieldya.wordpress.com</a>
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# **Youth and Family Events**

### Storytime

January 4 -

February 4



# Toddler Time Mondays at 9:30 a.m.

■ Toddler Time is designed for children ■ 18 months to three years with a ■ caregiver. Registration required.

### Preschool Storytime Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytime is designed for children three to six years old.

Registration required.



### Baby Time Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.

It's never too early to start

reading to your baby! Baby Time is especially for babies from birth to 18 months with a parent or caregiver. Reading short books, singing, and doing active rhymes stimulates brain development and helps babies learn language. Registration required.

# Shake It Up Storytime! Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

Join us for a super fun storytime with a focus on music, movement, dancing and lots of make believe. Ages 18 months to 6 years old. Registration required.

### **Book Munchers Book Club**

Just for 6-7 year olds! Books will be available one month in advance. Please bring a snack if your child has food restrictions. Registration required.

**Thursday, December 17, 4:00 p.m.** *Stuart's Cape* by Sara Pennypacker

Thursday, January 21, 4:00 p.m. Double Trouble: Show and Tell by Abby Klein

**Thursday, February 18, 4:00 p.m.** *Leroy Ninker Saddles Up* by Kate DiCamillo

#### The Kids Breakfast Book Club

Ages 8-12. Books are available one month in advance. Registration required.

Saturday, December 5, 9:15 a.m. *Trouble-Maker* by Andrew Clements

Saturday, January 2, 9:15 a.m. *Replay* by Sharon Creech

**Saturday, February 6, 9:15 a.m.** *The Strange Case of Origami Yoda* by Tom Angleberger

Winfield Library All Ages Chess Club
Sat., December 5, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Sat., December 12, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Sat., January 2, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Sat., February 6, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Learn to play chess and develop your skills with local instructor Larry
Lundstrom.

# Crafty Kids: Ornament-Making Extravaganza

Thursday, December 3, 4:00 p.m. Create a handprint snowman "snow filled" keepsake ornament, and a golf ball painted snowman baby at our ornament making event. Grades 1-6. Registration required.

# Storytime with Mrs. Claus and Santa Saturday, December 12, 10:00 a.m.

Listen to holiday stories read by Mrs. Claus, and enjoy a special visit from Santa Claus! Take this opportunity to have your picture taken with Santa and receive a goody bag from Mrs. Claus. Free tickets are available November 28.

### Snuggle Up With a Good Book December 14-28

Visit the youth department between December 14<sup>th</sup> and December 28<sup>th</sup> and check out a holiday grab bag. Staff will stuff them with their favorite books, movies and more. Keep the kids entertained over break with puzzle pages, activities sheets, a craft and even a sweet surprise! Bags will be available for babies, preschoolers, and readers through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

# Chicago Wolves "Read to Succeed" January 2-30

Set a reading goal and turn in a completed reading log on or before January 30 to enter the prize drawings for Chicago Wolves merchandise. For children in preschool through sixth grade.



# The Frog Lady Friday, January 15, 10:30 a.m. Kids, get up close and personal

with over 20 live reptiles and amphibians with the Frog Lady's hands-on herpetology program. Free tickets available January 2.

# Crafty Kids: Snowy Birch Trees Saturday, January 16, 10:00 a.m.

Come learn with local artist and teacher Ms. Marisa Lynn Choate and create *Snowy Birch Trees*. We will use a variety of mixed media techniques including block printing, ink, and acrylic painting Please bring an 11x14 inch canvas and we will supply the rest. Grades 1-6. Registration required.

# LEGO Club: Mechanical Puzzle Challenge Monday, January 18, 3:00 p.m.

Calling all Lego fans! Build a LEGO mechanical puzzle and then figure out how to slide the parts together to make the shape. Ages 6-12. Registration required.

# Crafty Kids: Watercolor Art Friday, February 5, 3:30 p.m.

Transform an ordinary glass bottle into a stunning watercolor work of art with nail polish and make felt flowers for someone special. Grades 1-4. Registration required.

### Spy Kids Challenge Monday, February 15, 10:00 a.m.

So you want to be a spy? Your mission, should you choose to join us, will be to find hidden clues, go through a laser maze and more. Ages 6-12. Registration required.

### Donuts with Dad Saturday, February 20, 9:30 a.m.

Meet us in the Youth Services Department to share donuts and read. For kids with an adult.

### I Love Reading! February 1 - February 29

If you love to read, help us decorate Youth Services with pretty hearts. Pick up a book log starting February 1, read nine books, and turn in the log for a reward. For children up to grade 4.

# **Adult Events**

Crafters' Circle

Sat., Dec. 5, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Sat., Jan. 2, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Sat., Feb. 6, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, this program is for you. Join us and learn how to make a cable knit headband ear warmer and a cowl. Children ages 8 and up are welcome.

### "It's Snow Much Fun at the Library" December 7 – February 26

Register for our NEW Winter Reading Program. Stop by either desk to pick up a program sheet and write down the names of nine books read or programs attended (including the Open House) to be eligible to win a Target gift card.



### Home Energy Savings Workshop Wednesday, December 9 1:00 p.m.

SCARCE and Elevate Energy, both local nonprofits, show us how to cut electric and gas bills during the cold winter months. We will become experts on understanding bills, practicing energy efficiency, and boosting home comfort in a cost-effective manner, making smart use of available incentives. Registration recommended.

# Christmas Movie Screening Wednesday, December 16, 1:30 p.m.

Join us for a special showing of the 1938 version of Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* featuring Reginald Owen. The movie will begin immediately following our Mysteries at Lunch book discussion of *A Christmas Carol Murder*, and refreshments will be served. Registration recommended.

### Family Game Day Saturday, January 16, 2:00 p.m.

Tired of being cooped up inside your house? Come to the Library and have fun! We will provide Chess and Scrabble, and families can bring other games to share as well. No registration required.

**Soups and Stews** 

Tuesday, January 19, 6:30 p.m.

Chef Dave Esau shows us how to prepare savory soups and stews. Samples will be available. Registration required.

# Lions Club Vision Screening Saturday, January 30, 10:00 a.m.

Drop-in vision screening for residents of all ages. Screening will be done by Dr. Carolyn Karworski.

### **Senior Program Series**

### Tai Chi for Wellness Thursday, January 14, 1:00 p.m. (Snow Date of January 21)

Renee Ryan, Co-Director of the Lightheart Center, demonstrates the basic techniques of this system of gentle physical exercise. Participants are asked to wear comfortable shoes and clothes to facilitate movement. Registration required.

### Wellness at DuPage Convalescent Center

Wednesday, February 24, 10:00 a.m. Lauren Cleary from the Center talks to us about the supervised fitness and health programs provided by the Wellness Center on the DuPage County Campus. Registration recommended.

# 2016 Historical Program Series



Presented in partnership with the Winfield Historical Society.

# Below Stairs Tuesday, January 26, 7:00 p.m.



Just in time for the Downton Abbey series finale! Leslie Goddard portrays Margaret Powell, the kitchen maid and cook

who worked in several stately English homes in the 1920s. Powell shares stories about the work it took to run a wealthy household.

### **Job Search Workshops**

Secrets of Successful Resume Writing Tuesday, February 16, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Learn what you should and should not include on your resume, and bring your resume to review. Registration recommended.

Job Interviewing Workshop Tuesday, February 23, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Learn the importance of "soft skills," the five types of interviews, nonverbal communication, and more! Registration recommended.

### Join a Book Group

### Off the Shelf Book Group

Books are available one month in advance at the upstairs service desk.

#### A Christmas Carol

by Charles Dickens Tuesday, December 1, 7:00 p.m.

### The Namesake

by Jhumpa Lahiri Tuesday, January 5, 7:00 p.m.

### Chicago Death Trap: the Iroquois Theatre Fire of 1903

by Nat Brandt Tuesday, February 2, 7:00 p.m.

### **Mysteries at Lunch Book Group**

This book group will now meet the **third** Wednesday of the month.

#### A Christmas Carol Murder

by Leslie Meier Wednesday, December 16, 12:15 p.m.

### Maigret in Holland

by Georges Simenon Wednesday, January 20, 12:15 p.m.

### No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency

by Alexander McCall Smith Wednesday, February 17, 12:15 p.m.

# **Winfield Library Friends**

### Thank You, Friends Supporters

The Friends would like to thank everyone who came out to the fall book sale. Thanks to your support, we raised \$2000 for the library. We appreciate those who donate books as well as those who purchase them at the sale.

### **Book Donations**

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### **Upcoming Friends Meetings at the Library**

Monday, January 4, 7:00 p.m.

Monday, February 8, 7:00 p.m.

The Library Friends is welcoming new members! Please see the enclosed membership form. We had a terrific 2015, and we can't wait to see what 2016 brings with your help.

This year we held two book sales; funded printing and mailing of the quarterly newsletter; and marched with library staff and trustees in Winfield's Good Old Days parade.

We can't wait to see how we grow this year, but we need your help. Your talents and ideas will help us continue to thrive. Please attend a meeting this winter and see how you can become a part of this enthusiastic and dedicated group of library supporters. Join a group that makes a difference in your community. The Friends' efforts directly support library endeavors, and we'd love to welcome new members.



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### **Library Hours**

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

### **Library Closings**

Thursday, Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Friday, Dec. 25 - Christmas Day Thursday, Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve Friday, Jan. 1 - New Year's Day

### **Library Board of Trustees**

Will Mego, President Cindy Keck, Secretary Robert W. Brown, Treasurer Malcolm Boyle Rebecca Johnson Mike Shanahan Carol Tenyak-O'Connor

### **Upcoming Board Meetings**

Meetings are open to the public. Wednesday, December 9, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 13, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 10, 7:30 p.m.

**Director:** Matthew Suddarth **Newsletter Editor:** Joey Barszcz

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