

# Prairie Trails Public Library District

NOVEMBER 2008

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## Library Board Meetings

The Library Board  
meets on the second  
Thursday of each month  
at 7:30 p.m.



**Library Hours**  
Monday through  
Thursday 9 a.m.  
to 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



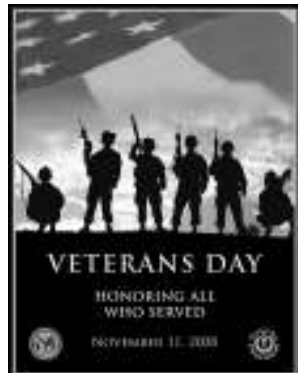
**Library Closed**

**Thanksgiving Eve**  
Wednesday, Nov 26<sup>th</sup>

**Thanksgiving Day**  
Thursday, Nov 27<sup>th</sup>

Patrons with  
disabilities who plan  
to attend library  
programs and require  
certain accommodations  
are asked to contact the  
library  
at (708) 430-3688

Dan Kloemper  
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## JOIN US VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION & U.S.O. CANTEEN SALUTE



Join us on November 11, 2008 as the library and the Stickney Township Office co-sponsor their 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Day Celebration. The event kicks-off at 10:45 a.m. at the Veterans Memorial on State Road and Melvina. At 11:00 a.m. a moment of silence will be observed in honor of the men and women who serve and have served in our country's military. Immediately following this ceremony, the attendees are invited to go to the library where coffee, punch and cake will be served. Performer Donna Nowak will entertain the audience with her *Big Band USO Tour* which offers a musical history of the United Service Organization. Get ready to sing along with the Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy, hear stories of Bob Hope, sit under the apple tree with the Andrew Sisters and more.



Prairie Trails Library is an Official Partner in the Veterans History Project of the American Folklore Center of the Library of Congress, and of the Illinois Veterans' History Project. Illinois Patriot Information Forms are available at the reference desk for those who wish to honor the patriots in their family -- living or deceased.

The purpose of the Veterans History Project at Prairie Trails Public Library District is to interview local veterans to preserve their memories and honor their actions. In conjunction with the Veterans History Project at the Library of Congress, we will interview veterans and civilians about their wartime experiences, record the interviews, and make them available to the public through online transcripts. Every interviewee will be given an audio and written transcript of the interview. A copy and transcript of the interview will also be sent to the Folk Life Center at the Library of Congress.

If you would like to be interviewed for the Veterans History Project, or would like to volunteer to assist there are contact sheets at the reference desk.

# Children's Programming



## Vote for Books Party

Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup>  
at 4 - 5 p.m.

All Ages

Join us for a celebration of the books that you voted the best in the library. All ages are invited to this party to hear the stories, win prizes and have fun. You must vote at least once to join the party.  
Registration required.

## Chess Night

Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

All Ages

Come and play chess with old and new friends of all ages. It's a chance to learn if you've never played before and a chance to build your skills if you

already know the game.  
Registration required.

## Globe-trotters

Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>  
at 4 - 5 p.m.

Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Children in grades 2 - 5

Ever wonder about the world we live in? Join us as we celebrate the culture, crafts, stories, sports and more from different countries around the world.  
Registration required.



## Thanksgiving Stories and Crafts

Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:30 p.m.

All ages family event

Join the library as we celebrate Thanksgiving. Hear stories and make crafts for this most delicious of holidays.  
Registration required.

## Girls' Night Out

Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup>  
at 7 - 8 p.m.

Grade 5 - 8

Does December stress you out? If so, come to the library for an evening of girl crafts, games and lots of fun.  
Registration required.

## Drama Club

Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.

Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.

Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.

Grades 3 - 5

Do you love to act out? Come out to the library and practice your dramatic skills. No experience necessary but silliness is mandatory!  
Registration required.

## Toddler Story Time

Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>  
at 10 a.m.

Birth - 3 years

Bring the babies out for a winter story time. Parents must accompany children.  
Registration required.

## Teen Programs



Grades 6-12

Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 7-8 p.m.

Show off your inner rock star and come out to the library for an evening of Guitar Hero.

## Twilight Party

November 17, 7 - 8 p.m.

Children in grades 6-12

Team Edward! Team Jacob! Test your vampire knowledge as we celebrate the final book and the movie release. Come share your love of all things Twilight.  
Registration required.

## Holiday Family Event

Tuesday, December 2, 7 p.m.

All Ages

Make a craft - trim the library's tree - and join us for punch and cookies! This parent/child event will begin with a craft. Immediately following the craft

project, attendees will be able to decorate the library's traditional holiday tree, followed by a treat of cookies and punch.

## Mother-Daughter Book Club



Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>  
at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>  
at 7 p.m.

Ages 14+

Mark your calendars for the beginning of our Mother-Daughter book club. The first get-together will be to discuss and choose the titles we'll read so bring your suggestions! The first book we'll be reading is Sue Monk Kidd's The Secret Life of Bees.

Participants should be 14 years or older.  
Registration required.



## Holiday Extravaganza for Teens

Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>

at 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Grades 6 - 12

Celebrate the holiday season with your friends! We'll be making gingerbread houses while we watch the greatest Christmas movie ever: *A Christmas Story*.

Red Rider Bee-Bee guns should be left at home.

Registration required.

# Adult Programming



## Haunted Histories

Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

Professional actor Terry Lynch returns to regale us with spooky stories. Sit back and listen, if you dare, to the chilling tales of the historical hauntings of the Midwest. Goosebumps guaranteed!

**Don't forget to register!**

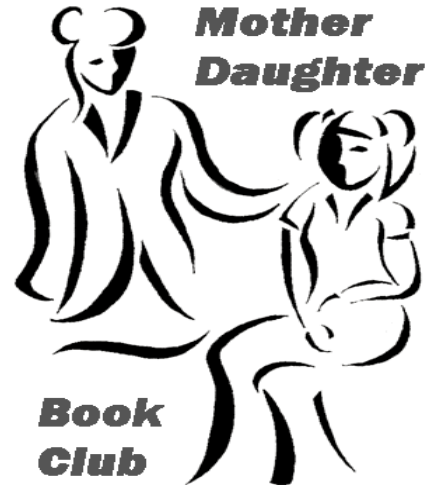


Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

## The Shop on Blossom Street

by Debbie Macomber will be discussed.

A limited number of copies will be available at circulation beginning October 16<sup>th</sup>.



**NEW!**

## Mother-Daughter Book Club

Tuesday, November 18 at 7 p.m.

The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd will be discussed.

A limited number of copies will be available at circulation beginning October 14.



### NO CELLPHONE USE IN THE LIBRARY



Patrons are expected to set their phones to mute (SILENT), so others are not disturbed by the ringing of cell phones.

If you need to use your phone or receive a call you may do so in the library foyer or outside the library building. We have benches in the parking lot path where conversations may be conducted as well.

## Classic Movies

Wednesdays at 1:30 PM on October 22 and 29 and November 5, 12, and 19

10/22 – *Wait Until Dark*

starring Audrey Hepburn and Alan Arkin



11/5 – *Being There*

starring Peter Sellers and Shirley MacLaine



10/29 – *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington*

starring Jimmy Stewart and Jean Arthur



11/12 – *The House on 92<sup>nd</sup> Street*

starring William Eythe and Lloyd Nolan



11/19 – *The Man Who Never Was*

starring Clifton Webb and Gloria Graham



Registration is **required** for all programs unless otherwise noted.

## HOLIDAY FAMILY EVENT

Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

This parent/child event allows you to – make a craft – trim the library's tree – and join us for punch and cookies! At 7 p.m., we will begin the event by creating your chosen craft project, then attendees are invited to use the library's non-breakable ornaments to decorate the traditional holiday tree. This will be immediately followed by a treat of cookies and punch.

The craft for this year is a Snowman Wreath

Since we need to order the selected craft for the participants :

**ONLY REGISTERED ATTENDEES WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE.**

Register at the library or by calling (708)430-3688. A parent (adult guardian) **MUST** be present during the entire event. A sample wreath will be on display at the library circulation desk. The wreaths will make a great holiday gift with that personal touch or serve as a lasting memory of a family moment.



## Mitten Tree



The library is sponsoring our 19<sup>th</sup> annual Mitten Tree. Donations of new mittens, gloves and scarves will be given to the non-profit organization, **Together We Cope**, which aids the homeless as well as those in need of emergency help. We will begin collecting items the Friday after Thanksgiving (November 28).

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## NEW AT THE LIBRARY

Immediately following our summer reading activities, the library continued to meet objectives of its Strategic Plan as follows:

The Youth Services Department received new matching wooden bookshelf end panels

The Youth Services Department received four new matching wooden book cases, preparing for an expansion of the Easy/Picture Book collection.

The Youth Services Department received a wooden shelf unit to display new books.

The Young Adult Department gained three more wooden book cases, preparing for an expansion of the collection.

The Adult Services Department received a wooden bookcase and LCD television to highlight the library's business collection which is expanding. The television provides on-going event/news updates as well as current stock information.

The Adult Services Department received a new wall unit wooden bookcase, preparing for an expansion of the large print book collection.

The Circulation Department received a new wooden, handicapped accessible table for placement of our self-checkout computer.

The Circulation Department received a new wooden work station that houses patron registration cards.

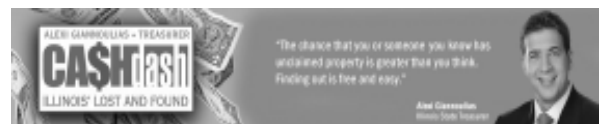
The Circulation Department received a new wooden bookcase unit for the sorting of returned materials.

The exterior of the building received a landscaping update (bush trimming, weeding, added mulch, etc.)

As the library prepares to celebrate its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of service to the communities of Burbank and Nottingham Park next April, we continue to work towards the completion of the phases (i.e. 2002 & 2004 building additions, 2006 & 2008 furnishing updates, etc.) of furnishing and collection updating to meet the needs of our patrons.



The library will also be hosting the Illinois State Treasurer's "Cash Dash" Program on November 11<sup>th</sup>. Search the state's unclaimed property database for your lost, forgotten or abandoned funds.



Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.

## ADULT COMPUTER CLASSES

### Introduction to Windows

Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.



An overview of how Windows works, where files are stored, and how to manage these files. The next step after **Introduction to Computers**. This class reviews some basic Windows features and goes deeper into the file structure of Windows. Students *must* already be able to use the mouse.

Classes are limited to 10 students. Attendees may not repeat classes. If needed, students may bring a translator to assist. Students must indicate that they are bringing a translator when registering for the class. A chair will be provided for the translator.

### FOR SALE:

Used Book Cases – Wood:

\*3 – three section/three shelf units – \$45 each – approx. 108”long x 56” tall

\*1- two section/three shelf unit - \$35 – approx. 72” long x 56 “ tall

Used wooden cabinet frame - \$10

Sylvania Supersaver Florescent light bulbs – brand new -34 watt - \$2 each

Used wall-mounted – electric - waterfall feature - Stone/Copper-toned – approx. 28” high and 24” wide/tapers down - \$75

Used wall mounted - drinking - water fountain - approx. 28” high, 18.5” deep and 17” wide - \$50