

From the Administrator's Desk. . .

The Dolton Public Library enhances the economic, social, and cultural vitality of the community through high quality resources, services, and programs. Our vision is to promote personal enrichment, encourage literacy and the love of reading in all age groups. Whether the facility is a meeting place or a center of formal and informal instruction, our vision is to empower people with the tools and skills needed to develop their personal, professional, and educational goals.

It is our hope that patrons will use all library services in this spirit by respecting the library facility as well as the presence of other patrons. Our goal is to serve our patrons in a respectful, courteous, and friendly manner. We encourage you to take advantage of our diverse services and programs and to offer any suggestions that you believe will benefit the Dolton community.

— Allison Heard

Library Closings

The Dolton Public Library will be closed on **Good Friday, April 6; Easter Sunday, April 8; and Memorial Day, Monday, May 28.**

Database Workshops Offered

The Dolton Public Library will be conducting workshops on databases that are available at the library. These databases include Millennium Circ, genealogy (Heritage Quest and Ancestry Library Edition), Ebsco Magazine Index, SWAN Online Catalog, FirstSearch (for books not in our system), Encarta, and Winway Resume. All of these are easy to learn! Sessions will be held on **Wednesday, March 7 at 6:00 p.m.; Thursday, March 8 at 10:00 a.m.; Wednesday, April 4 at 6:00 p.m.; and Thursday, April 5 at 10:00 a.m.** Signup is not required; meet in the Josway Auditorium at the times listed and Anne Graese and Frances Turner will show you how to use the automation in this library.

Know Your Rights Seminar

Doris Moy of the Illinois Department of Labor will present a one-hour information session explaining the *Illinois Equal Pay Act and the Victims' Economic Security and Safety Act (VESSA)* at **6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 7.** Do you feel that someone of the opposite gender at your work place is making more money than you for doing the same work? Wage discrimination based on gender is prohibited by the *Illinois Equal Pay Act*. Do you know that if you are a victim of domestic or sexual violence, or have a family member who is a victim, you may take unpaid leave from work to seek medical attention or obtain counseling? *VESSA* ensures that you can. Both employers and employees can learn the details at this free seminar. Please pre-register.

Basics of Beading

Learn the basics of beading at this special *Girls Night Out* for women and high school girls! Lilly Staehlin of Homewood's *Bead Tribe* shop will help you create a beaded bookmark Wednesday, March 14 at 6:30 p.m. No tools needed. Registration in person is required; a \$10.00 fee must be paid at signup. Registration closes on Monday morning, March 12. Sorry, no refunds after the close of registration. Space is limited so come in and sign up today!

Women's Safety

Learn how to protect yourself - on the streets, while driving, walking or jogging, or at home. A must for all women; teenage girls are welcome, too! Thursday, March 22 at 6:30 p.m. Please pre-register; refreshments will be served.

Black Author Book Discussion

Our wonderful book discussion group will discuss *A Piece of Cake* by Cupcake Brown at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 29. Newcomers are always welcome. Multiple copies of the book are available for checkout at the circulation desk.

Check page 2 for April and May events for adults!

Adult Services

Celebrate National Library "Month" April Events for Adults

We have so much planned, we're celebrating National Library Week all month! Unless otherwise noted, **please pre-register** for all adult programs by calling the library at 708-849-2385. Programs may be cancelled if enrollment is insufficient!

Tuesday, April 3 at 7:00 p.m. - Total Sox!

Richard C. Lindberg, author of *Total White Sox*, will entertain us with 11 decades of Sox history, from the team's humble beginnings in 1900 through the 2005 World Series miracle. He may even give us some predictions for this season! All ages.

Wednesday, April 11 at 7:00 p.m. - Homeschooling.

Karen Hoogland and Karen Laurenzana, both homeschoolers, will explain how they got started and will answer your questions about curricula, testing, state laws, and more.

Visit Karen's website at www.IllinoisHomeEducation.org

Monday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m. - Bond, James Bond.

Everyone knows which secret agent drives a car that turns into a boat at the flick of a switch, and drinks his martinis shaken, not stirred! It's Bond. James Bond. Robert Weinberg, author of *The Science of James Bond*, will explain the science behind the gadgets, exploits, and enemies of the world's greatest spy. All ages.

Thursday, April 26 at 7:00 p.m. - Book Discussion.

Our Black Author Book Discussion group will meet to discuss *In Sheep's Clothing* by Mary Monroe. Copies of the book will be available for checkout starting March 29.

Saturday, April 28 at 1:00 p.m. - Simple Scrapbooking.

Do you want to start scrapbooking, but are daunted by the immensity of such a project? Starlet Sannito will explain and demonstrate how to start with a smaller project, such as a scrapbook highlighting only a day at the beach or baby's first Christmas. While this will not be hands-on scrapbooking, Starlet will show us the basic materials and techniques which can give us the encouragement we need.

May Events for Adults

Thursday, May 3 at 6:30 p.m. - Herb Gardening.

Herbs delight the senses whether you choose to cook with them, craft with them, or just enjoy them as fine, fragrant flora. Nancy Pollard, University of Illinois Extension Horticulture Educator, will present tips on growing herbs in your garden and landscape. Pre-register by Monday, April 30.

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Difficulty Reading Small Print?

If you have difficulty reading regular print, we have a large selection of both talking books and large print titles. Also, you may qualify to receive talking books through a special Library of Congress program, *Voices of Vision*. If you have questions about our collection, or about *Voices of Vision*, please contact Peg at the library. Also, if there are certain authors you would enjoy in large print or talking books, let Peg know.

Dolton Public Library District

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<http://www.doltonpubliclibrary.org>

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The Library Board meets at 7 p.m. on

the fourth Monday of each month.

Meetings are open to the public.

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Library Hours:

Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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Dolton Kids Read

As the winter leaps into spring, we encourage all parents and caregivers to visit the library with their children. Not only will these visits help the children become regular library users, it will make them aware of the many resources and programs that can help and encourage them in their academic and extracurricular pursuits. We strongly discourage the use of the library as a "social playground," and ask you to stress that it is, instead, a wonderful community asset, a place for quiet study and pleasant entertainment in our otherwise stressful and hectic society. We greatly appreciate your cooperation and welcome your support and volunteerism. May your spring be peaceful, comfortable, and joyful.

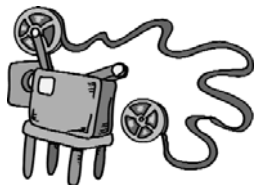
Spring Reading Program

Just a reminder to those who were a part of the **Winter Reading Program**: you can still turn in your book logs to claim prizes! Keep an eye on the prize palace as we add even more prizes. We want our kids to continue reading - that's what this is all about. All kids out there who missed the reading program in the winter can start signing up for the **Spring Reading Program** which will run from Friday, March 9, 2007 through Friday, May 25, 2007. For more information, please speak with a staff member from the Youth Services Department.



Movie Time

On Wednesday afternoons at 3:30 p.m. you can relax and snack on some popcorn while you watch one of our movies. The list of movies to be shown this spring will be posted on the Josway Auditorium door. Space is limited! **Don't forget, children under seven years old must be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times.**



Dave Dinaso and His Lizard Friends Returns!

Once again *The Traveling World of Reptiles* is visiting the Dolton Public Library! This free event, to be held from 4:00 to 5:15 p.m. on Thursday, March



8, 2007, is definitely a show that the whole family will not want to miss. For more information about this program or any other Youth Services program, please call us at 708-849-2385, or stop by the library.

Come Twist 'n' Shout with us again!

The incomparable Holly Nagel will teach you to wiggle and shake your hips as she demonstrates her hula dancing skills. Holly is a serious pro at what she does and I can guarantee that you and the family will have loads of fun at this event. Come join us on Thursday, May 10, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. in the Josway Auditorium.



Craft Time

You have made this program such a success! Here it is once again. If you are between the ages of 7-12, we invite you to be a part of our *Craft Time*. Beginning on Tuesday, March 6, and running through Tuesday, May 15, *Craft Time* will take place on the first and third Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the Kopac Room.

Toddler Time

Starting on March 13, toddlers and their adult caregivers are invited to join us for *Toddler Time*. This program, which will run from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays, is designed for children 18 months to 4 years old. **Remember - all toddlers must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.** Contact the Youth Services Department for more information.

Teen Book Discussion

Calling all High School Teenagers! Yes, this means you. The Dolton Public Library wants you to be a part of a book discussion group just for you. To make matters interesting, we would like you to come up with some suggestions for some books to be read and discussed for the program. If you are interested in becoming a part of this group, please speak to a Youth Services representative.

Black History Month Essay Contest Reception

To honor the esteemed students who found the time to participate in our **Black History Month Essay Contest**, we are holding an awards reception on Thursday, March 1, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. Prizes for the four best essays will be awarded. This event is by invitation only to the participants of the contest and their families. For further information, please call us at 708-849-2385 or stop by the library.

May Events for Adults

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Tuesday, May 22 at 7:00 p.m. - Your Credit Report.

Citibank will unlock the mysteries of reading your credit report. Participants are encouraged to bring along their credit report, preferably from Trans Union; our presenters will not explain each individual's report, but will go line-by-line to explain what everything means. Illinois residents may receive a free credit report through the state of Illinois sanctioned website www.annualcreditreport.com, or by calling 1-877-322-8228. See the *Your Credit Report* flyer in the library for more details.

Thursday, May 31 at 7:00 p.m. - Book Discussion.

Discuss *Angel of Harlem* by Kuwana Haulsey at this month's Black Author Book Discussion meeting! Newcomers are always welcome; copies of the book will be available for checkout starting April 26.

Get Caught Reading!

One of our May displays will feature posters of famous people who have been "caught reading." As an addition to our display, all patrons are invited to submit photos of family members they catch reading; full details on this display and information on how to submit a photo will be available in a flyer in the give-out rack near circulation. Catch someone reading today!

Food Drive Update

Our 10th Annual Food Drive was a huge success! Thanks to you, we were able to donate 272 non-perishable items to the Thornton Township Food Drive; in addition, 116 long-overdue library items were returned, and \$199.35 was forgiven in overdue fines. A job well done!

The Dolton Public Library is subject to the requirements of The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Anyone who plans to attend a program and needs special accommodations, or has a question regarding library accessibility, may phone the Business Office at 849-2385 at least 7 working days prior to the event.

Youth Services Calendar

March

- 1 Black History Month Essay Contest Reception (by invitation only)
- 6 Craft Time
- 7 Movie Time Presentation
- 8 Dave Dinaso's Traveling World of Reptiles
- 9 Spring Reading Program begins
- 13 Toddler Time
- 14 Movie Time Presentation
- 20 Craft Time
- 21 Movie Time Presentation
- 27 Toddler Time
- 28 Movie Time Presentation

April

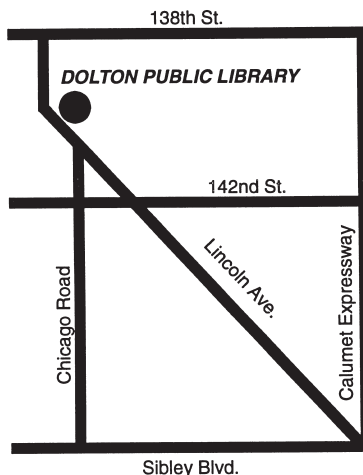
- 3 Craft Time Cancelled
- 4 Movie Time Presentation
- 6 Library Closed: Good Friday
- 10 Toddler Time
- 11 Movie Time Presentation
- 17 Craft Time
- 18 Movie Time Presentation
- 24 Toddler Time
- 25 Movie Time Presentation

May

- 1 Craft Time
- 2 Movie Time Presentation
- 8 Toddler Time
- 9 Movie Time Presentation
- 10 Holly Nagel's Twist & Shout
- 14 Movie Time Presentation
- 15 Craft Time
- 16 Movie Time Presentation
- 22 Toddler Time
- 23 Movie Time Presentation
- 25 Spring Reading Program ends
- 28 Library Closed: Memorial Day observed
- 30 Movie Time Presentation

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