

Autumn Events for Adults

If you plan to attend an adult event at the Dolton Library, please sign up by calling the library at 708-849-2385 so that we can set up enough chairs, copy enough handouts, or prepare enough refreshments. If there are not enough people signed up, a program may have to be canceled. If you sign up and find that you won't be able to attend, please call and ask to be removed from the list. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 1:30 p.m.

Ten Smart Ideas for a Slightly Crazy World. (or – Ten Ways Senior Screw Up Their Finances!)

The fine folks of Senior Financial Management will provide the facts that will help you keep your finances on track. Please pre-register; refreshments will be served.

Tuesday, Sept. 18 at 9:30 a.m.

Building a Better Memory.

Have you ever gone into a room and couldn't remember why? Are you still looking for something you put away for safekeeping? Molly Hofer, Family Life Educator for the University of Illinois Extension, will explain how memory changes as we age and give us some strategies for remembering better. Pre-register; refreshments at 9:00.

Thursday, Sept. 27 at 7:00 p.m.

Black Author Book Discussion.

This month we feature Book 3 of *Standing at the Scratch Line* by Guy Johnson. Multiple copies are available at the circulation desk. Newcomers are always welcome!

Friday, Sept. 28 at 10:00 a.m.

Better Your Balance.

Can you balance on one foot? The majority of Americans can't. Balance is a very important component of fitness, and it's one we don't often think about. As we age, our risk of falling increases, creating a plethora of problems that might be avoided if we make easy balance exercises a part of everyday life. Pre-register; refreshments at 9:30.

Thursday, Oct. 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Give Your Phone Bill a Check-up!

The Citizens Utility Board's phone experts will show you ways to cut your calling costs. See separate article for details. Pre-register.

Tuesday, Oct. 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Organize Your Home.

This workshop, presented by professional organizer Tiffani

Grant, will take you through the process of getting your home better organized. From the children's bedrooms to the kitchen, from the closets to the garage, here's your chance to learn decision-making guidelines, useful tips, and good organizing habits. Come get ideas to create the clutter-free home you deserve! Pre-register.

Thursday, Oct. 25 at 7:00 p.m.

Black Author Book Discussion.

Read *Dancing in the Dark* by Caryl Phillips and attend the October gathering of this lively reading group! Multiple copies will be available for checkout on Sept. 27.

Monday, November 5 at 6:30 p.m.

Healing Our Grief through the Holidays.

Do you dread the arrival of fall – particularly the month of November when Thanksgiving kicks off the holiday season? Holiday time can be particularly difficult for anyone mourning the loss of a loved one. Whether your loss is recent, or if you've struggled through several holiday seasons, join us to learn how to ease your pain and take a step forward on your grief journey. Theresa Parrish, a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor from Midwest Palliative & Hospice CareCenter will facilitate this workshop. Pre-register; refreshments will be served.

Wednesday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m.

Buying on eBay.

Just in time for holiday shopping, Vivienne Porter will walk you through the process of making purchases on eBay. Pre-register.

Thursday, November 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Veteran's Benefits.

Lemuel Slaughter, Team Leader at the Chicago Heights Vet Center, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, will explain federal and Illinois veterans' rights and benefits, and answer your questions. Pre-register.

Do YOU have the Smartest Card?

If you're like most people, you have many cards in your wallet. But do you have the one card that gives you free access to books, magazines, CD's, DVD's and the Internet? It's a library card! This card is more than an ID; it's an empowering card that allows you access to resources that most of us could never afford on our own. All residents of Dolton are eligible for a free library card; if you don't have yours, call or stop by the library to find how you, too, can carry the **Smartest Card!**



Adult Services

Give Your Phone Bill a Check-Up!

Most people pay too much for phone service because their bills are filled with pricey plans and services they just don't need. That's why the Citizens Utility Board (CUB), a non-profit group created by the State Legislature to fight for the rights of utility consumers, has launched a campaign to hold free phone-bill clinics across Illinois. **BRING YOUR PHONE BILL!!** Cub experts will sit down with you one-on-one, explain all the confusing charges on your bill, and help you sort through the perplexing calling plans being offered in the local and long-distance telephone markets so that you can make informed choices. **Thursday, Oct. 4 at 6:30 p.m.**

Discuss With Us

Come and connect with our **Black Author Book Discussions!** Join us as we discuss *Standing at the Scratch Line* by Guy Johnson on September 27 and *Dancing in the Dark* by Caryl Phillips on October 25. Although we normally meet at 7:00 p.m. on the last Thursday of each month, we'll have our November/December discussion, *Neecey's Lullaby* by Cris Burks, on Thursday, December 6. Books are available for checkout one month prior to the discussion date, and newcomers are always welcome!

Sticky Fingers?

Recently, several compact discs and DVDs have been returned to the library with sticky substances on them. As a result, there will be a minimum fine of \$1.00 to clean these items. If the compact discs or DVDs cannot be successfully cleaned, the maximum fine will be the price of each item. These fines go into effect on Saturday, September 1, 2007.

Donated Book Traverses Country

Occasionally a book truly tells a tale beyond its printed pages. Recently, Susan Korinko donated an 1899 German hymnal to the Dolton Public Library Archives. The inscription reads *Louisa Propper, Dolton, Illinois, September 16, 1901*. Well, Louisa Propper was the daughter of Colonel Frederick Christian Propper, a prominent citizen of the Dolton area, and Illinois as well. The Colonel had served in the Civil War at both Fredericksburg and Gettysburg, served as a delegate in the election of William McKinley, and even served as one of the president's pallbearers. What makes this donation so unusual? Susan Korinko's brother, Steven Johnson, found this book at a garage sale in Glendale, Arizona!

Footnotes

The Dolton Public Library will be closed on Monday, September 3 for Labor Day, and Thursday, November 22 for Thanksgiving. Regular Sunday hours - 12 noon to 4:00 p.m. - resume on October 7.

A special thank you to Melvina Stemley for her lovely display of handmade hats! Do you have a hobby or collection you would like to display? Call Peg (708-849-2385) for details.

From the Administrator's Desk. . .

Join the Dolton Public Library District as we celebrate you on Patron Appreciation Day, Monday, September 10, 2007! On this special day, the copy machine will be half price, and all computer usage will be free. Standard cost for printing will remain the same; reservations will be accepted, but all patrons must be on time in order for us to accommodate you.

In addition, yummy refreshments will be available until exhausted, we'll have a raffle for some really great prizes, and any adults who apply for a new library card will receive a special gift, while supplies last. It's definitely a day you won't want to miss.

See you on the 10th!

— Allison Heard

Dolton Public Library District

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the fourth Monday of each month.*

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

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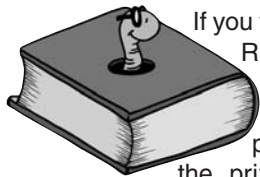
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Dolton Kids Read

As the new school year begins, we encourage all parents and caregivers to visit the library. This will help your children develop a habit of using the library, and acquaint you with the many programs that can help and encourage children in their academic and social pursuits. The library is meant to be a community asset, a place for quiet study and pleasant entertainment, and not the social playground it has recently become for some children and teenagers. We greatly appreciate your cooperation and welcome your support and volunteerism. We wish that, as you move into autumn, you will find comfort, joy, and most of all, peace!

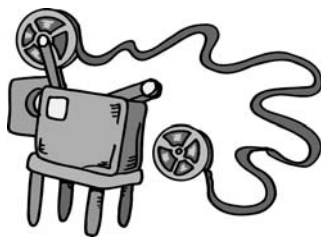
Fall Reading Program



If you took part in the Summer 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 who missed the reading program in the summer can start signing up for the Fall Reading Program which will run from Tuesday, August 28 through Monday, November 19, 2007. For more information, please come into the library and ask to speak to a Youth Services representative, or contact the Youth Services Department at 708- 849-2385.

Back to School Movie Presentation

Come join us on Wednesday, September 5th at 3:30 p.m. for a special movie that will certainly get you excited about being back in school. Bring your friends, family, cousins, and next door neighbors and we'll all relax, chomp on some popcorn, and enjoy this back-to-school special! Remember, all children under the age of seven must be accompanied by an adult or an older responsible sibling or guardian. We all look forward to seeing you!



Movie Time

Each Wednesday at 3:30 p.m., except for September 12th and November 7th, you're invited to relax and snack on popcorn while you watch one of our

movies. The fall series of movies will begin on September 5th; the list of movies to be shown is posted on the Josway Auditorium door. Don't forget, children under seven years old must be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times. Space is limited!

Craft Time

You have asked for it and here it is! If you are between the ages of 7-12, we invite you to be a part of our *Craft Time*. Beginning on September 4th, and running through November 20th, *Craft Time* will take place on the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 3:30 -4:30 p.m. in the Kopac Room. For more information, please call us at 708-849-2385, or come into the library and ask to speak to a Youth Services representative.



Toddler Time

Starting on September 11th, and running through November 27th, toddlers and their adult caregivers are invited to join us for *Toddler Time*. This program, which will run from 10:45 to 11:45 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.

South Suburban Humane Society "Adopt a Pet" Program

October is *Adopt-A-Pet and National Safety and Protection Month*. The Dolton Public Library has invited the South Suburban Humane Society to come out

and share with everyone how they can adopt their own pet. The Humane Society will bring in a few



animals that are eagerly awaiting new families. They will also answer questions about what to do if you are no longer able to care for a pet, and tell us about the various animals that are at their shelter. This event will take place on Thursday, October 11th at 3:30 p.m. For more information or to sign up, please come into the library or call us at 708-849-2385.

The Head, Heart, Hands Creative Arts Studio

Boy, did we have amazing fun with Ms. Claudia McFarlane this summer! You all have requested that she make her way back to the Dolton Public Library once again. Ms. McFarlane will join us on Thursday, September 13th at 3:30 p.m. in the Josway Auditorium to help us explore and express the horizons of our thoughts through art. Everyone is sure to have a fantastic time, as you always do. **Remember, minors under the age of seven must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or responsible individual.** Space is limited for this program, so please call the Youth Services Department at 708- 849-2385, or come into the library and ask to speak to someone from the Youth Services Department.

Youth Services Calendar

August

- 28 Fall Reading Program
- 29 Movie Time Presentation

September

- 4 Craft Time
- 5 Back to School Movie Presentation
- 11 Toddler Time
- 13 Creative Arts Studio
- 18 Craft Time
- 19 Movie Time Presentation
- 25 Toddler Time
- 26 Movie Time Presentation

October

- 2 Craft Time
- 3 Movie Time Presentation
- 9 Toddler Time
- 10 Movie Time Presentation
- 11 South Suburban Humane Society Adopt a Pet Presentation
- 16 Craft Time
- 17 Movie Time Presentation
- 23 Toddler Time
- 24 Movie Time Presentation
- 31 Movie Time Presentation

November

- 6 Craft Time
- 13 Toddler Time
- 14 Movie Time Presentation
- 19 End of Fall Reading Program
- 20 Craft Time
- 21 Movie Time Presentation
- 22 Thanksgiving/Library Closed
- 27 Toddler Time
- 28 Movie Time Presentation

A Great Thank You and Well-Deserved Kudos!

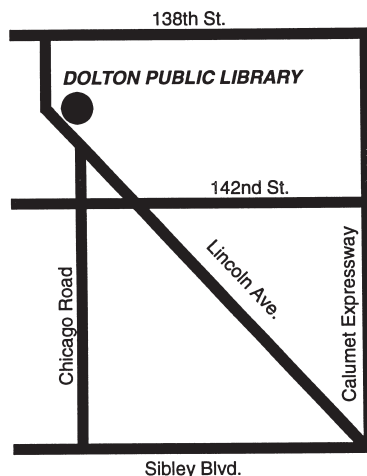
The Dolton Public Library District would like to thank the following companies and individuals for their sponsorship of our *Summer Reading Program* for 2007: Old Country Buffet and Robbie Richards; White Castle and Cathy Shearer; MB Financial Bank and Tom Sanders; State Farm Insurance and Georgelyn Hicks; McDonalds and Meleny Vezzani; Target and Rachel Wielgos; The Brunswick Zone and Melissa Mollett; Fairway Finer Foods and James Robertson, Sr.; Merlin Muffler and Al Salazar; Mix N Match Popcorn and Lee Sanders; and Wendy's and Eric Simpson.

The *Summer Reading Program* was an overwhelming success and we could not have done this without the above named sponsors' assistance. We are all happy to report that a total of 140 children signed up for this year's summer reading program. We all greatly and warm-heartedly thank all of our participating sponsors.

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.

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