

From the Administrator's Desk

Oftentimes it is very easy to get caught up in all the negativity that is happening on the news and on television. During just one weekend in April, the news reported over 30 shootings and incidents of crime in Chicago alone. However, there are so many reasons to be excited in Dolton, Illinois. Dolton has some of the brightest young people in Illinois. The Dolton Public Library District would like to invite all young people to submit their grades and let us know about the great things they are achieving in school, at church, or while working. This will help us to keep the spotlight on positive things that are happening in the community.

Debra Beal, Latia Cooper, and Billy Randle are all straight "A" students with perfect attendance!! Debra loves to watch wrestling and, when she is not studying, she likes watching movies and hanging out with friends. Her favorite book to read is *The Skin I'm In* by Sharon Flake. She also participates in the library's Reading Program and ongoing activities all year long. Latia Cooper loves the *Goosebumps* series. She also loves watching movies and playing games on the computer. She was recently selected to represent her school and the state of Illinois at the *Junior National Young Leaders Conference* in Washington, D.C. in fall 2008. Billy Randle is a big brother to two younger siblings. He loves sports and participating in trivia contests.

Steven Brown, Jonathan Garcia, Jose Garcia, Arianna London, Bre Shona Randle, and Juvon Randle have all "A's" and some "B's" on their grade sheets. They are working their way up to straight "A's"!! Steven and his family volunteer at the Dolton Public Library by organizing book donations. Arianna, Bre Shona, and Juvon are all active members of the Trivia Club and are also library volunteers. Arianna's favorite book series is *The Amazing Days of Abby Hayes* by Anne Mazer. She loves jumping rope...although she admits that she is better in singles than in doubles. Jonathan and Jose volunteer during Patron Appreciation Days as well as the yearly *Photos with Santa* program. They love science and working on creative science fair projects. They also love to read and to watch movies. Bre Shona and Juvon can usually be seen at the library assisting patrons in finding books or straightening up chairs after they have completed their homework assignments.

If you would like to meet some of these young academic superstars, we invite you to be a part of the library's group during the Fourth of July Parade. For more information and details, please call 708-849-2385 and let us know you would like to be in the parade! We look forward to hearing positive news from you!!

--Allison Heard

Summer Events For Adults

If you plan to attend an adult event at the Dolton Public 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. And 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!

Ahhh, Summertime!

What a great time to do some leisure-time reading! And what better way than by joining the *Dolton Public Library's Summer Reading Club for Adults*? This year's theme, *Go Anywhere with a Book*, will offer suggested reading lists that feature different locales to "visit" by way of books. Register on **Saturday, June 7** or anytime after; ending date is **Saturday, August 2**. When you sign up you'll receive your information packet and instructions. As usual, you may "read" fiction or non-fiction in any format – hardcover, paperback, large print or talking books. With gas prices as high as they are, we can still afford to *Go Anywhere with a Book!*

Vacation Photography

Whether your vacation takes you to exotic destinations, or to a nearby park, Glenn Carpenter will show how capture those special moments in artistic photos. Landscape, architecture, and family gatherings will all be discussed. **Monday, June 9 at 6:30 p.m.**

Vacation Photo Display

You'll have the opportunity to display your favorite vacation photo in our *Vacation Memories* display this September. Details will be announced at Glenn's *Vacation Photography class* on June 9, and will also be available in the library's hand-out rack after that date.

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Footnotes

The Dolton Public Library will be closed on July 4, Independence Day and September 1, Labor Day.

A special thank you to Dr. Steve Hofer for his wonderful Superman display in April!

Adult Services

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Fatherhood: the Hardest Job You'll Ever Love

Join Dave McMurtry of the University of Illinois Extension as he tackles the difficult role of fathers in our ever-changing world. This program will ask fathers to look at how they are involved with their children, and to consider the image they are presenting to their impressionable offspring. This evening is sure to inspire and encourage all fathers! Please pre-register. **Tuesday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m.**

Mastering Google's Picasa

Looking for a great system for dealing with your digital photographs? Vivienne Porter will explain all about **Google's Picasa**, a free downloadable program that will help you organize, edit and store your favorite photos. You'll also learn how to share your photos, print or export them to be printed, and safely provide a back up so that you don't lose them. Please pre-register. **Tuesday, June 24 at 6:30 p.m.**

Black Author Book Club

Our **Black Author Book Discussion** group will meet at **7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 26** to discuss Sidney Poitier's ***The Measure of a Man***. Multiple copies are available for checkout at the circulation desk.

Fit on the Move

Join us as Tina Schmidt-McNulty shows us how to stay fit while we're on the road; these techniques will also be appropriate if you don't have exercise equipment at home! We always enjoy a visit from Tina, and come away with great ideas for staying healthy and fit. **Tuesday, July 8 at 6:30 p.m.** Please pre-register.

Ravinia 2008

The Metropolitan Library System has once again partnered with the Ravinia Festival to distribute free lawn passes to local libraries. All libraries have received a very limited amount of passes this year; each pass is marked with the performance date for which it can be used. Passes will be available starting June 7. See library flyers for full details.

Brookfield Zoo Program

The Brookfield Zoo continues to offer its ***Wild about Reading Library Pass!*** This program allows any combination of four adults or children free general admission during all public hours. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. This pass does not cover parking or other attractions and is not valid with any other promotional offers. All other rules and regulations established by the Dolton Public Library District apply. If you have any questions or need further clarification on the requirements and how you can check out a pass, please call the library at 708-849-2385.

Cool Off at the Library

This summer the Dolton Public Library will again serve as a cooling center for any seniors in need of relief on days of extreme heat. You are welcome to spend time at the library any time during regular hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please tell your friends and neighbors who may be in need of relief from the heat!

Take Me Along!

Whether you're taking a summer road trip or just plain relaxing, books in paperback and talking books are wonderful to have at your fingertips! The next time you're in the library, take a look at these collections; there's something for everyone, both children and adults. Make sure you have plenty around for those leisurely summer respites. You've been working hard; take a book-break today!

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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.

Dolton Kids Read

A special reminder to the parents and/or caregivers of our young people! Please remember that, at the library, all children under the age of seven must be accompanied by an adult at all times. If you have any questions regarding any Youth Services programs or events, please stop in and ask to see a member of the Youth Services Department, or give them a call at 708-849-2385

Summer Reading Program 2008: "Get In the Game, READ @Your Library" June 2 through August 1, 2008

Register to be a part of our summer reading program, **Get in the Game, READ@ Your Library**, which is this year's Illinois Library Association's theme. Sign up begins on Monday, June 2; registration for reading



and program participation will be ongoing until August 1. When participants submit book logs of the books that they have read, they will receive book bucks, imaginary money that can buy prizes and giveaways. This tool is designed to motivate our young readers to continue reading even though school is no longer in session. Make sure that you stop by the library to visit the Prize Palace, our display case of reading rewards. Join us for weekly clubs, movies, and other fun and exciting events from June 10 through August 1. We encourage patrons to visit the library to speak with the Youth Services Department regarding information on our programming for the summer. The program is not limited to Dolton area residents; it is open to all who are interested in participating.

The Summer Reading Program will be broken down in three different categories.

Category I: Younger readers whose parents are reading to them

Category II: Middle School readers

Category III: Teenage readers

How to sign up:*

Come join us from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Monday evening, June 2 for the **Grand Opening Celebration** of the summer reading program! Sign up in the Josway Auditorium and receive your free gift.

Other times when you can sign up:
Monday, June 2: 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 3: 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 4: 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 5: 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Friday, June 6: 12:00 - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, June 7: 12:00 - 4:30 p.m.

***All youth who are under the age of 14 years old and are not in high school must have a parent or guardian present to sign up for the summer reading program.**

Camp Story Time/Craft Time

Once again we want to make sure that the daycares/larger groups of kids have something too! Toddlers may have their **Toddler Time**, but the bigger kids can join us at **Camp Story Time/Craft Time**. This program of stories, films, games, and crafts will take place on Tuesday afternoons from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m., and is suitable for all ages. All children up to age 6 must be accompanied and supervised by an adult or an older responsible family member. For more information, please call us, or stop by the library for a brochure. Registration is required for this program.



Get In the Game, READ@ the Movies

At 1:30 p.m. every Wednesday, beginning June 4, you can stop by the Josway Auditorium and watch one of the many mystery movies that we have planned to show. Popcorn will be available for munching. Don't forget, children under seven years old must be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times. The list of movies for the summer is posted on the Josway Auditorium door. Space is limited!

Black Men Read Aloud

Since this program was such a favorite last summer, we just have to do it again! Join us on Thursday, June 12 at 1:30 p.m. to hear a story read by some of the men who are pillars of our community. Each reader will discuss the book that he has read, and answer questions about his career. Come spend time with us and get a chance to meet some interesting and positive gentlemen.

Now We're Cooking

This program was such a hit this past spring that we have decided to do it again this summer! **Now We're Cooking** is open to all, but children under the age of 7 must be accompanied by an older responsible individual. Specific dates of this program will be announced. Call or visit for the details.

Toddler Time

Starting June 10, and continuing each Tuesday, is our favorite program for the little ones, **Toddler Time**. **Toddler Time**, which is held from 10:45 - 11:45 a.m., is designed for children between the ages of 18 months and 4 years old. **To attend our program, toddlers must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.** Call for more information.

Get In the Game, READ @Your Library Scavenger Hunt

Come and help the Youth Services Department find the hidden pieces of the mysteries that lie within the Dolton Public Library. We definitely need your help to solve this caper! For ages 7-12; sign-up is required at the front desk or by phone. **You must pre-register in order to participate in the scavenger hunt. Date and time to be announced.**

Youth Services Calendar

June

- 2 Summer Reading Program registration begins/ Grand Opening Sign-up Celebration
- 4 Get in the Game, READ @the Movies
- 7 End of giveaways for Summer Reading Program registration
- 10 Toddler Time
Camp Story Time/Craft Time
- 11 Get in the Game, READ @the Movies
- 12 Black Men Read Aloud
- 17 Toddler Time
Camp Story Time/Craft Time
- 18 Get in the Game, READ @ the Movies

- 24 Toddler Time
Camp Story Time/Craft Time
- 25 Get in the Game, READ @ the Movies

July

- 1 Toddler Time
Camp Story time/Craft Time
- 2 Get in the Game, READ @the Movies
- 4 Library Closed/Fourth of July Holiday/Get in the Game - join us at the annual parade!
- 8 Toddler Time
Camp Story Time/Craft Time
- 9 Get in the Game, READ @the Movies
- 15 Toddler Time
Camp Story Time/Craft Time

- 16 Get in the Game, READ @the Movies
- 17 Black Women Read Aloud
- 22 Toddler Time
Camp Story Time/Craft Time
- 23 Get in the Game, READ @the Movies
- 29 Toddler Time
- 29 Camp Story Time/Craft Time
- 30 Get in the Game, READ @the Movies

August

- 2 Get in the Game, READ! Summer Reading Program Finale featuring "Mojo 'B' Happy"

Black Women Read Aloud

Join us at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 17 as we listen to notable women from our community as they read their favorite stories and offer us some collective words of wisdom. This event will take place in the Kopac Room. Please make plans to join us for this interesting event.

The Youth Culture Club

This new club that we are starting for the summer is open to all young people and will enhance their knowledge of cultures other than their own – all while having fun! The club will feature movies, music, food, and other fun surprises. Dates and times of this program will be announced during

the summer. Please watch for flyers and announcements at the library.

The Get In the Game, READ @Your Library Finale featuring "Mojo 'B' Happy"

Marjeane Nicholson, a well known and respected children's performer and a past Dolton resident, will blaze her way to the Dolton Public Library on Saturday, August 2 at 1:30 p.m. to celebrate the close of the summer reading program with her clown show antics. Join us for fun and entertainment, face painting, temporary tattoos, and more to help cheer you up while encouraging you to continue to **Get In the Game, READ @Your Library.**

We'll have snacks, prizes, and just an all around good time. **This event is for all who have participated in the summer reading program, and is by invitation only.**

Congratulations, Diamonique!

The Youth Services Department would like to congratulate Diamonique Johnson for winning the **Flying High Plane Painting Contest**. Her plane not only showed great artisanship, but she was able to give her plane a lot of personality by adding additional art work along with her painting. Well done, Diamonique!

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