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## Message from the Director



**What's Next?** That is a question I field many times a day from residents interested in knowing how our construction plans are coming along. Our design process is just kicking off. The Library Board is seeking input from a variety of sources to refine the design concepts. In the near future, we will also begin the Village Commissions approval process. Consistent with our commitment to keep residents informed and involved, we are planning a community meeting this spring to share the renderings of the design to that stage. This would include the interior, exterior, landscaping, and energy plans. Please watch for announcements of the date and time.

Although actual construction is still far off, there are sounds of construction near our Circulation department as we install a RFID system for patron convenience and improved accuracy. A new interior "window" has been created. Library materials returned through that window are automatically checked in, reducing error and getting materials back to the shelves more quickly. We are also combining our Teen and Media service desks into one unit at a more convenient location for improved service. Look for our new, welcoming Information desk and hot beverage vending near the Library entrance, and patron-oriented checkout stations in Youth Services as well as at the Circulation desk. (Thanks to the Friends for purchasing the first of three new stations!) We welcome resident feedback to make these services even better in the new construction.

Bottom line: We never stop seeking ways to better serve our library patrons and community.

## Faster, More Accurate Service with RFID and Self Check

As the Library plans for a large-scale renovation project, we are making a series of service improvements that will have immediate benefits for our patrons before implementing them in a reconfigured building.



We have recently put Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) tags in all of our materials to increase the speed and accuracy of checking items in and out of the Library. RFID will check in items instantaneously, with nearly 100% accuracy. Items will automatically be sorted upon check-in and get back on the shelves and into circulation more quickly.

RFID tags will also allow patrons to quickly and easily use new checkout machines installed on the Library's upper and lower levels. Self-check stations help patrons get their selections out the door and home to enjoy sooner. Staff members will be available all hours of operation to assist patrons with these new stations.

Patrons who require assistance with library card registration or questions about their account will now be able to take their time working with a circulation staff member away from busy checkout lanes. In addition, an Information desk near the front gates will also help patrons get speedy responses to our most frequently asked questions.

Implementing RFID at this time will also greatly improve the Library's ability to keep track of materials during an extensive renovation project. Read more about the Library's next steps in the Message from the Director.

## Where's One Book, One Zip Code?

Discussions and events tailored to the 2011 community-wide reading program selection, *Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close* by Jonathan Safran Foer, will take place this fall to coincide with the 10-year anniversary of September 11, 2001. This year's remarkable selection introduces Oskar Schell, the nine-year-old son of a man killed in the World Trade Center attacks, as he searches the five boroughs of New York City for a lock that fits a black key his father left behind.



The OBOZ Steering Committee is in the process of planning this year's supporting events, including a live, teleconferenced interview with the author. If you are interested in sponsoring or presenting a program of interest to the community, please contact Karen Kleckner at (847) 580-8950.

# Adult Programs

Programs are free and open to the public. Please register in advance at [www.deerfieldlibrary.org](http://www.deerfieldlibrary.org) under "Programs & Classes" or by calling (847) 945-3311.

## Author Visit: Marilyn Brant

*Sunday, March 6, 2 p.m.*

Meet award winning local author Marilyn Brant who will read selections from, and sign copies of, her new book *Friday Mornings at Nine*. Marilyn's first book *According to Jane* is listed by Buzzle.com as one of the best romance novels of all time.



## Adult Rosemary Sazonoff Writing Contest Reception

*Sunday, March 13, 2 p.m.*

Celebrate the winners of the adult portion of the Rosemary Sazonoff Writing Contest as they read their winning entries, and then enjoy a light, catered buffet. All entrants, guests, and other creative writing fans are welcome to attend, but please register in advance.

## Goodbye Snail Mail - Hello, E-mail...

*Saturday, March 19, 10:30 a.m.*

Part of our Basic Computer Skills series, a Reference Librarian will discuss the basics of setting up and using e-mail. Learn free, easy ways to keep up with family and friends online.

## Launching Millennials

*Wednesday, March 23, 7 p.m.*

Millennials (that generation born between 1980-2000) have a unique set of expectations, values, and challenges when looking for a job. Dave Gladstein shares tips for bridging the gap between college and the work world.

## Basic Financial Literacy @ DPL

*Tuesday, April 5, 7 p.m.*

Stock Options! Roth IRA! Ever wonder what these financial terms mean? DPL celebrates *National Financial Literacy Month* with this program to explain basic financial and economic terms. Join a Reference Librarian for great resources and Carl Birkelbach, President at an investment advisory firm for more than 40 years, to learn more about this topic.

## Improv Commandos

*Saturday, April 9, 2 p.m.*

Share the excitement of a live, unscripted comedy performance created entirely from audience suggestions and featuring improv games similar to those seen on *Whose Line is it Anyway?* You can even volunteer to join the Improv Commandos onstage! This show is best suited for ages 13 and up.

## My Media Mall!

*Saturday, April 16, 10:30 a.m.*

A great program for all of those with new e-readers! Learn more about the Library's FREE downloadable audiobooks, eBooks, and even videos. Library staff will walk you through finding compatible devices, looking up titles, placing holds, and downloading the materials to various devices.

## WWII Naval Intelligence

*Wednesday, April 20, 7 p.m.*

Phyllis Soybel, CLC Political Science Professor, will discuss WWII naval intelligence, from signal intelligence to counter espionage to the rescue of POWs from occupied territory. Co-sponsored by the Deerfield Area Historical Society.

## Native Uses of Native Plants

*Wednesday, May 4, 7 p.m.*

Go back to a time when there wasn't a grocery store and pharmacy on every corner. A representative from Lake County Forest Preserve District will share how some native plants were used by Native Peoples and settlers for food, medicine, and other purposes.



## Peter Nye and the Chicago Bluegrass Band

*Sunday, May 15, 2 p.m.*

Lively instrumentals and soulful vocals provide a feel-good romp for music lovers of all ages. Deerfield resident Peter Nye and his band will have you tapping your toes and slapping knees in no time!

## Digital Photos Galore!

*Saturday, May 28, 10:30 a.m.*

Wondering how to share your digital pictures? Learn how to use different online digital photo programs. A Reference Librarian will demonstrate how to use programs such as Snapfish, Shutterfly, and Picasa to share your pictures with friends and family!

## AARP Tax Aide Programs

*Tuesdays and Fridays, through April 15, 1 - 4 p.m.*

IRS-certified volunteers for the AARP will provide help in completing simple tax returns. You don't have to be an AARP member or a senior citizen to receive assistance. Please bring copies of your returns from last year and all tax forms you receive (W-2s, 1099s, etc.). No appointment needed.

## MONDAY NIGHT MOVIES

All films will start at 6:30 p.m.  
Please register in advance.

### March 14: SECRETARIAT • Rated PG

Diane Lane stars in the story of Penny Chenery, a housewife who agrees to care for her ill father's stables. Despite her inexperience, Penny raises Secretariat to be one of the most famous thoroughbred race horses of all time.

### March 28: THE SOCIAL NETWORK

Rated PG-13

Mark Zuckerberg launched Facebook in 2004, and the controversy over the social networking site's beginnings continues to this day. *Social Network* is one interpretation of Zuckerberg's quick rise to extraordinary success.

### April 11: HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON

Rated PG

Based on the popular children's book, *How to Train Your Dragon* follows the adventures of a young Viking who has to mark his passage to manhood by capturing a dragon!

### April 25: WAITING FOR SUPERMAN • Rated PG

From the Academy Award-winning director of *An Inconvenient Truth*, this documentary explores the American public education system by following the stories of five young students and their families.

### May 9: PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: THE CURSE OF THE BLACK PEARL

Rated PG-13

See how it all began in this first installment of the *Pirates* series and gear up for the May release of *Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides*.

### May 23: INCEPTION • Rated PG-13

In this action-packed psychological thriller, Leonardo DiCaprio plays a thief who possesses the power to enter other people's dreams.

## Career Advice

Tuesday, April 5

9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Career Counselor Roberta Glick of Jewish Vocational Service offers free, half-hour consulting sessions for adults. Please register in advance.

## Book Discussions in the Library

You can find copies of the discussion books at the Circulation desk one month prior to discussion.

### ■ Thursday, March 10, 10:30 a.m.

*True Grit* by Charles Portis

Pursuing a murderer who has escaped into Indian Territory, U.S. Marshal Rooster J. Cogburn teams up with a bounty-hunting Texas Ranger and Mattie Ross, a cantankerous young lady bent on avenging the murder of her father.

### ■ Thursday, March 17, 7:30 p.m.

*Dubliners* by James Joyce

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a discussion of this classic collection of short stories that evokes the character and atmosphere of the Irish city at the turn of the 20th century.

### ■ Thursday, April 14, 10:30 a.m.

*Brooklyn* by Colm Toibin

Leaving her home in post-World War II Ireland to work as a bookkeeper in Brooklyn, Eilis Lacey reluctantly parts with her mother and sister and discovers a new romance in America, until devastating news from home threatens her happiness.

### ■ Thursday, April 21, 7:30 p.m.

*The Lost City of Z* by David Grann

In 1925, Percy Fawcett vowed to find El Dorado in one of the most daring expeditions of the time. Fawcett was never seen again. David Grann has written an incredible story of adventure, intrigue, and obsession.

### ■ Thursday, May 12, 10:30 a.m.

*The Monster of Florence* by Douglas Preston

When Douglas Preston moved to a lovely farmhouse in Florence with his family he discovered his dream villa was the site of gruesome double murder. Teaming up with journalist Mario Spezi to investigate the murders, the two became suspects themselves.

### ■ Thursday, May 19, 7:30 p.m.

*Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonson

Major Ernest Pettigrew leads a quiet life in the English village of St. Mary, until an unexpected friendship with Mrs. Ali, the Pakistani shopkeeper, blossoms into something more.



## Library Poets

Wednesdays, March 2 – 23

Tuesdays, March 29 – May 31

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Local poets are encouraged to share their work, inspiration, and creative processes. The group is open to poets of all levels of experience and actively seeks new members.

## Great Decisions

Tuesdays, March 1 – 22, 7:30 p.m.

Tom Jester coordinates thoughtful discussions and stimulating analyses of some of the great issues of our time. Purchase discussion guidebooks at the Circulation desk.

## STORYTIMES

Registration begins Monday, February 28.

### Baby Lapsit Storytime

*Fridays, March 25, April 8, April 22, and May 6, 10:30 a.m. Ages 0 – 12 months*

It's never too early to start reading to your baby! Join us for a Baby Lapsit Storytime program with rhymes, books, and songs for you and baby, plus social time after the program.



### Fun for Ones

*Tuesdays, March 22, April 5, April 19, and May 3, 10:30 a.m. Ages 13 – 23 months and their parent or caregiver*

One-year-olds and their parents or caregivers are invited to a storytime just for them, including stories, songs, movement activities, rhymes, and social time after the program. This action-packed program will engage new walkers in early literacy activities and encourage a love of books and reading.

### Time for Twos

*Thursdays, March 17, March 24, April 7, April 14, April 21, and April 28, 10:30 a.m. Ages 24 – 35 months and their parent or caregiver*

Two-year-olds and their caregivers are invited to a special weekly storytime, including songs and movement activities designed just for them in the Storytime Room.

### Preschool Pals

*Mondays, March 14, March 21, April 4, April 11, April 18, and April 25, 1:30 p.m. Or Wednesdays, March 16, March 23, April 6, April 13, April 20, and April 27, 10 a.m. Ages 3 – 5 years, but not yet in Kindergarten, and their parent or caregiver*

Preschoolers and their caregivers have a program just for them! We'll listen to stories, sing songs, and have fun, all while getting ready to read!

### After School Stories

*Thursdays, March 17, March 24, April 7, April 14, April 21, and April 28, 4:30 p.m. Grades K – 2*

This program is specifically designed for younger elementary school children and features stories and crafts. Caregivers must remain in the Library.

### Storytime, Milk, and Cookies at Panera Bannockburn

*Tuesdays, March 1, March 15, April 5, April 19, May 3, and May 17, 9:30 a.m.*

Children and their caregivers are invited to Panera Bread in Bannockburn for storytime, milk, and cookies.



## DROP-IN ACTIVITIES

### Family Times

*Saturdays, March 5 – May 28, 11 a.m. All ages*  
Come to the Picture Book Room for a drop-in storytime for the whole family.

### Annual Bookmark Contest

*Tuesday, March 1 through Thursday, March 31. Grades Preschool – 8*

Pick up your entry forms in the Youth Services department or on the Children's page on the Library Web site. Bookmarks will be on display for voting during the month of April. The winning bookmark will be given out during the Summer Reading Program. Please, only one entry per person.



### Celebrate Read Across America Day!

*Wednesday, March 2, All Day*  
*Children and their parent or caregiver*  
Read Across America Day is a national celebration of reading that takes place each year on March 2, Dr. Seuss' birthday. Celebrate by visiting the Youth Services department, reading a Dr. Seuss book, and doing a drop-in craft.

### Guest Star Storytimes

**Biscuit • Friday, March 11, 4 – 5 p.m.**

**Cookie Mouse • Friday, April 8, 4 – 5 p.m.**

**Clifford • Friday, May 13, 4 – 5 p.m.**

**Young children and their caregivers**

The stars of classic children's books continue their trips to the Library this spring! Each visit includes a brief storytime followed by a meet-and-greet with the character and coloring pages to do at the Library or to take home. (Don't forget to bring your cameras!)

## REGISTERED ACTIVITIES

*Registration begins Monday,  
February 28.*

### Rosemary Sazonoff Writing Contest Reception

*Saturday, March 12, 2 p.m.*

*Children and their parents or caregivers*  
All children who participated in this year's "A Dog's Life: Animal Essays, Stories, and Poems—Rosemary Sazonoff Writing Contest" are invited to this event. First-place winners in each age category will read their entries and receive their prizes. Light refreshments will be served.

### Go, Dog, Go!

*Saturday, March 26, 1 – 2 p.m.*

*Ages 3 – 5 and their parent or caregiver*  
Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the beloved classic, *Go, Dog, Go!* with crafts, games, songs, and stories. We'll have a woof-derful time! A puppy-licious snack will be served to all humans who attend.

### K-9 Reading Buddies of the North Shore

*Monday, March 21 and Monday, April  
18, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Grades 1 – 5*

Read to four-legged friends in this safe, non-judgmental program. Caregivers must remain in the Library.

### Bonding With Books: Parent/Child Book Group

*Saturday, April 9, 11 a.m. Grades 2 – 3  
with their parent or caregiver*

Read to your child, and then have your child read to you. *Mercy Watson to the Rescue* by Kate DiCamillo.

### Astronomy Under the City Lights

*Monday, April 11, 7 p.m., Rain date:  
Tuesday, April 12, 7 p.m. All ages*

The Astronomy Under the City Lights program of Lake County introduces children and adults to the spectacular views of the night sky. Lake County Astronomical Society members offer

telescopes and viewing guidance in Jewett Park where participants can see the Moon's mountains and craters and other planets of our solar system.

### Pajamarama

*Wednesday, April 13, 7 p.m.*

*Ages 4 – 8 with their parent or caregiver*  
Children and their caregivers are invited to the Library for a pajama storytime, where there will be stories and songs around a "campfire." Children are invited to wear their pajamas and bring a stuffed friend to this fun program.

### Calling All Superheroes!

*Saturday, April 30, 1 p.m. Grades K – 2*

Bring your superpowers to the Library for an hour of world-saving fun! We will have superhero-in-training games, crafts, and a powerful snack!

### Read to Rover – A Special Needs Storytime

*Saturday, May 14, 2 p.m. Ages 5 and up  
with their parent or caregiver*

Come to the Library for an afternoon of "doggy tales" with special guest therapy dogs—Bailey, Kubla, and Sunny from Adventures with Bailey. These gentle dogs will be the perfect companion for children with special needs as they listen to their favorite dog-themed stories.



### Mad Hatters

*Saturday, May 21, 1 p.m.*

*Children and their parent or caregiver*  
Join the fun as members of the Junior League of Chicago present a zany book-based play that will have the whole family in stitches!

## HOMESCHOOL PROGRAMS

- **Discovery Center Museum presents:  
Invention Workshop**  
**Monday, March 21, 1 – 2:30 p.m.**
- **Project Fair**  
**Monday, April 11, 1 – 2:30 p.m.**
- **KidTrekks: Italy!**  
**Monday, May 16, 1 – 2:30 p.m.**

**These events are open to children of all ages with their parent or caregiver. Contact Kate Easley for more information: keasley@deerfieldlibrary.org or (847) 945-3311, ext. 8865.**

### S.T.A.R. Volunteer Program

Looking for something fun to do this summer? Come be a part of the S.T.A.R. Volunteer Program at the Library! S.T.A.R. Volunteers assist the Youth Services department by taking reports from Summer Reading participants, passing out prizes, and engaging children in discussion about books. If you are between the ages of 12 – 17, fill out the application and register for the training. Applications are due to the Youth Services desk by Friday, June 10. Volunteers must attend one of the following training sessions:

Thursday,	June 2,	4 – 5 p.m.
Saturday,	June 4,	2 – 3 p.m.
Monday,	June 6,	4 – 5 p.m.
Tuesday,	June 7,	4 – 5 p.m.
Wednesday,	June 8,	4 – 5 p.m.
Thursday,	June 9,	4 – 5 p.m.

### Book Buddies Volunteer Program

The Youth Services department is looking for volunteers to be Big Buddies for the Book Buddies summer program. Book Buddies will work with children entering grades 1 – 3 to read aloud together and talk about stories. These volunteers will play a vital part in helping new readers retain their skills during summer vacation. If you are interested in volunteering and between the ages of 12 – 17, stop by the Youth Services department to pick up an application. Please note that one hour of service per week for five weeks is required. Completed applications are due to the Youth Services desk by Sunday, June 12.

# In The Library



The Friends of the Deerfield Public Library are happy to report that through the community's support purchasing books from the Used Book Sale and annual memberships, we are able to fund the following items in 2011: partial funding for a New Early Childhood Literacy Station in Youth Services, a substantial collection of Blu-ray discs, and a Self-Checkout Station.

The Friends want to thank the community for their used book donations. The Friends continue to accept gently used hardback, paperback, and children's books, as well as DVDs and CDs. Please bring donations to the Circulation desk at the Library during regular business hours. Volunteers sort and shelve these donations, and we ask households to donate only two shopping bags or boxes per week.

We continue to need the support from the community with Annual Memberships. A Friends' membership is \$15 per year, but any amount is welcome. Please make checks payable to the Friends of the Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Rd., Deerfield, IL 60015.

The Board of the Friends next meeting will be held on April 27, 7 p.m. at the Deerfield Public Library. Community members and potential new volunteers are always welcome. Please contact the Friends at (847) 945-3311, ext. 8895 or at [friends@deerfieldlibrary.org](mailto:friends@deerfieldlibrary.org).

The Friends plan on selling used cookbooks again this year at the 2011 Deerfield Farmers Market. Look for us this summer!

## Coming Soon: Blu-ray

Thanks to a generous donation from the Friends of the Deerfield Public Library, we are currently building a collection of Blu-ray films! The new format will be available this spring.

## Attention Local History Buffs!

Recently, the Library acquired nearly 60 years' worth of bound *Deerfield Review* newspapers, dating back to 1945. Each volume includes original articles, photographs, obituaries, and advertisements.

## Coffee, Tea, and Quiet

A new hot beverage station on the Library's upper level now offers a wider variety of coffee options. Coffee will sell for 25¢ per cup and cups of cappuccino, mocha, or hot chocolate are only 50¢ each. This unit replaces the carafes of coffee that were available in the Fiction Room.

Moving the busy beverage station out of the Fiction Room will help reclaim that space for patrons looking for a quiet place to study, read, or just relax. Readers' Services staff still look forward to talking to patrons about books; they'll just be using their "library voices." Please help us keep this space one where peace and quiet are a priority.

## Did You Know? TV Turnoff Week is April 18 – 24, 2011

The Youth Services department offers a variety of games, puzzles, and coloring pages to make your visit to the Library an enjoyable one. Of course, there are also books, recorded books, and music to check out and keep you busy without turning on the TV! Need a recommendation? Stop by the Youth Services department!

## Did You Know? Print from Home

The Library offers remote printing from any computer with Internet access. Simply click on "Remote Printing" on the Library's home page and send your document to one of our print/copy stations to retrieve when you come in. Black and white printing is 10¢ a page; 25¢ for color.

## TEEN PROGRAMS

### ACT Practice Test

Saturday, March 5, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

For the first part of this ACT Prep program, students will take a fully-proctored practice ACT test and will learn what to expect in a test-like environment. Students will receive a comprehensive analysis of their performance on the test, detailing individual strengths and weaknesses. Be sure to bring a calculator, two #2 pencils, and wear comfortable clothes. Cell phones will not be allowed.

### Test Strategies 101

Saturday, March 12, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

In the second part of this ACT prep series, both parents and students are invited to learn how to score higher on the ACT test. The format and content of the test are explored, including ways to take advantage of the test format to maximize efficiency on the exam. This is an ideal follow-up to the practice test. Seating is limited, so be sure to register now.

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## Announcements

**The Library will open at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 22.**

**The Library will open at 1 p.m. on Friday, April 29.**

**The Library will be closed all day Sunday, April 24**

**The Library will be closed all day Monday, May 30.**

**The Deerfield Public Library Board meets at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month.**

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### Library Hours

Mon.–Thurs: 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  
Friday: 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Thank to local residents **Fred Gold** and **Richard Harris** for donating their time and talent to present exciting programs at the Library this winter.

Congratulations to everyone who participated in Reading Is Cool!, the third annual Winter Reading Program for young people. Incentives for the program were generously provided by the **Chicago Wolves**, who also sent one of their players, **Peter Mannino**, to visit the Library to motivate kids to read. **Panera Bread** in Bannockburn kindly donated vouchers for free kids' meals as an added incentive for kids to achieve their reading goals.

The Youth Services department would like to acknowledge the **S.T.A.R. Volunteers** who assisted with the Winter Reading Program by signing up participants, distributing prizes, and helping out at special Youth Services programs. Thank you for all that you do!

Thank you to **Barnes & Noble** at Deerfield Square for continuing to share their costumed characters with us! Check the Library's Web site for upcoming Character Visit storytimes.

The Youth Services department would like to thank the **Friends of the Deerfield Public Library** and **The Texas Friends of Michelle Root McDaniel** daughter of honoree **Mr. Allen Root** for generously sponsoring the purchase of an additional Early Literacy Station. Located in the Youth Services department, the station is loaded with more than 45 fun and educational software titles for kids.

