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Newsletter of the Oak Lawn Public Library

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Free to Read

To preserve intellectual freedom, libraries across the nation strive to provide access to a broad range of material and resources that fulfill the information and recreational needs of an entire community. The best part is that nearly everything is available for free!

Get a Library Card

All Village of Oak Lawn residents are eligible for a free library card. This privilege is also extended to Oak Lawn businesses and owners of property located in Oak Lawn. Stop by the Circulation Desk for more details or call 708-422-4990.

Patron Appreciation Day

Sunday, September 18 at 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Music | Refreshments | Giveaways | Prizes | Children's Craft

Let's celebrate the first Sunday that the library reopens with an afternoon of fun and festivities! It's also a time to acknowledge how important you are to the success of our library. The taxpayers of Oak Lawn deserve recognition for their longstanding and continued support for the growth and future of this library.

✓ **Musical Entertainment** -- The Windy City Harmonica Trio will perform impromptu mini-concerts on the first and second floor of the library between 1:00-2:30 p.m. The Harvest Moon Barber-shop Quartet will sing old-time favorites at various locations from 2:30-4:00 p.m. Drop in and enjoy music throughout the library!

✓ **Free Refreshments** -- Be our guest! Tasty treats available in the library's lobby, while supplies last.

✓ **Giveaways** -- The first 350 patrons to enter the building will receive a red, white and blue "Free to Read" silicone wristband.

✓ **Prize Drawing** -- Oak Lawn residents may enter to win one of ten \$5 gift certificates for The Food for Thought Café. Entry blanks will be available at the Reception Booth 1:00-5:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 18. The drawing will take place the following business day. Winners will receive their prize through the mail.

✓ **Children's Craft** -- The Youth Services Department will offer a special Drop In Craft project that day. Children are invited to stop in to color and create their own star necklace.



Anne and Jimmy Knight find a cozy spot between the stacks to enjoy a story. Sharing a love of reading is one of the greatest gifts you can pass on to a child.

NOTICE

- ✓ **CLOSED:** Monday, September 5 in observance of Labor Day
- ✓ **CLOSED:** Friday, September 9 for a Staff Inservice Training Day
- ✓ **CLOSED:** Saturday, September 10
- ✓ **OPEN:** Sundays at 1:00-5:00 p.m. beginning September 18

Fall Food Drive

Please help needy families in our area by donating nonperishable food and canned goods. You may drop off items in the library's lobby from Monday, September 19 through Friday, December 30. All food donations will go to Oak Lawn food pantries. *Thank you for your generosity!*





What's new? In the New Fiction and New Nonfiction areas you'll find many of the same titles now on sale at book stores. Why not save your money and check one out today!

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Mon. thru Thurs. 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Fri. and Sat. 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sun.* 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

* Closed Sundays mid-May through mid-Sept.

Board of Trustees:

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The library board meets every third Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Oak Lawn Rotary Room, lower level. Meetings are open to the public.

Director:

Dr. James B. Casey

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Linda M Olsen

THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The Oak Lawn Public Library is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Those planning to attend a program who need special accommodations or who have a question regarding accessibility should call the Administration Office, 708-422-4990, during regular business hours a minimum of seven days prior to the event.

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Wireless Internet Access



Our library now provides free Internet access points or “hot spots” for patrons with laptop computers or other devices capable of receiving wireless signals. Free “hot spots” are located near The Food for Thought Café and the Youth Services and Adult Reference Services areas closest to the elevator. However, the signal should be strong enough to be picked up almost anywhere in the building.

Wireless users should be aware of the following:

- ✓ Laptops or devices need to be “wireless ready.” Patrons are responsible for making sure that their computer has the correct settings and necessary hardware. Staff cannot troubleshoot connectivity issues. The library assumes no responsibility for damage to software or hardware.

- ✓ The Internet service provided through wireless transmissions is filtered. Even with filters in place, any restriction or monitoring of a minor's access to the wireless network remains the sole responsibility of the parent or guardian.

- ✓ Please be aware that printers are not available via the wireless connection. You may use workstations in the Computer Center for printing.

- ✓ Wireless access is not secure. Use caution. Any information being sent or received could potentially be intercepted by another wireless user. All laptops or devices should have up-to-date virus protection.

- ✓ Wireless access must be used in a legal manner. Connecting to the library's wireless network means that you agree to abide by the Oak Lawn Public Library Access to Electronic Information Policy. Copies of this policy are available at all public service desks.

It's Never Too Early to Start



Our library is happy to offer new parents a free Newborn Packet full of information and surprises. If your child is six months or younger, just bring in proof of residency and sign up your baby for his or her first library card at the Circulation Desk. Then, head over to the Youth Services Department to receive your free goodies. This program is funded in part by the Friends of the Oak Lawn Library.

Magazines and Newspapers

The library's Periodicals Unit carries hundreds of magazines and newspapers to satisfy the needs and interests of a diverse readership. Next time you stop in, why not take a look at the latest issue of:

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| ✓ AARP: The Magazine | ✓ Guns & Ammo | ✓ Vegetarian Times |
| ✓ American Baby | ✓ Health after 50 | ✓ Village Voice |
| ✓ Antique Review | ✓ Los Angeles Times | ✓ Vogue |
| ✓ Baseball Digest | ✓ Modern Bride | ✓ Wall Street Journal |
| ✓ Boston Globe (Sunday) | ✓ New York Times | ✓ Working Mother |
| ✓ Car & Driver | ✓ Organic Style | |
| ✓ Catholic New World | ✓ PC World | |
| ✓ Cooking Light | ✓ Playboy (age 18 & over) | |
| ✓ Crain's Chicago Business | ✓ Practical Homeschooling | |
| ✓ Dog Fancy | ✓ Rock N Rap Confidential | |
| ✓ Field & Stream | ✓ Taste of Home | |
| ✓ Guitar World | ✓ Teen People | |



ILA Librarian of the Year Award

Our own Dr. James B. Casey is the latest recipient of the prestigious Illinois Librarian of the Year Award issued by the Illinois Library Association. Each year, the award recognizes “a librarian’s distinguished service and leadership in Illinois libraries.” Recipients are chosen for their impact and positive contributions to libraries on the local, state and national level. Casey was nominated for this award by peers in the library field.



In his more than 13 years at our library, Casey has led several capital projects, including the building expansion and renovation project completed in 2004 that increased the library’s overall size by 25 percent and allowed for countless additions and improvements to the facility and library services. Previous building projects addressed replacing the library’s carpet, roof and HVAC units. Over the years, Casey obtained grant money to remodel the library’s 2,600 sq. ft. public meeting rooms and upgrade the public elevator and two public service desks for handicapped accessibility. Since starting at our library, Casey guided efforts to offer access to new technologies, including the creation of a library-wide computer network with Internet access, an interactive web site (www.oaklawnlibrary.org) and most recently wireless Internet access throughout the building.

Casey has remained actively involved in numerous professional organizations, including the Illinois Library Association (ILA) and the American Library Association (ALA), where he has served on seven project-oriented committees and most notably as an elected member of the ALA council since 1996. On a local level, Casey participates in committees and action groups led by the Metropolitan Library System (MLS), the largest library system in the U.S., comprised of more than 576 member libraries across Chicagoland.

Library Foundation

The Oak Lawn Community Library Foundation is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) charitable organization that formed in 1993 to raise money and ensure that our library can grow to meet the challenges of tomorrow. For additional information, call 708-422-4990 or visit their web site (www.oaklawnlibrary.org/lib-fnd.htm).


The Oak Lawn Story

Don’t miss your last chance to own a limited-edition book about the Village of Oak Lawn, with more than 230 fascinating historic photographs and stories from the archives of the Oak Lawn Public Library. Copies of “The Oak Lawn Story” are available at the library’s Reception Booth. The price is \$25.00, which includes a \$7.00 tax-deductible donation to the Library Foundation. Accepting checks or money orders only, made payable to: *Oak Lawn Community Library Foundation.*

The Community Library Book

The Oak Lawn Community Library Foundation is now accepting contributions for “The Community Library Book,” a fund raiser offering individuals and local businesses an opportunity to create a lasting legacy and show their support in a highly visible way. For a \$25 minimum tax-deductible donation to the Library Foundation, you may dedicate one or more square feet of the library for yourself, your business, in honor of a friend or in memory of a loved one. To recognize this gift, the honoree’s name will be engraved on a “Community Library Book” plaque to be prominently placed in the library’s lobby. The first nine volumes are on display near the Cook Avenue entrance.





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 IDENTIFICATION SLIPS ARE NOT TO BE DISTRIBUTED IN FRONT OF ANY JEWEL-OSCO.





✓ Shop at ANY Jewel-Osco store on September 19, 20 or 21 to raise funds for the library.

✓ Just cut out and present this slip to your cashier and the Oak Lawn Community Library Foundation will receive 5% of your total purchase. Thanks!

Adult Summer Reading Report

One hundred twenty four teens and adults participated in the library's eight-week summer reading program.

We would like to thank the following local businesses for donating valuable prizes that were awarded through a special drawing: Hilton Oak Lawn Hotel and Conference Center | Palermo's Italian Cuisine | Tenth Planet

Patron Recommendations

Each year, members of the adult summer reading club write book reviews. Six hundred fifty eight reviews were returned in 2005. Here is a sampling. All annotations may be viewed at the Readers Advisory Desk.

✓ *All American Girl* by Meg Cabot (JUV/FICTION/CABOT) Sam is a girl who saves the President from an assassination attempt. She then must deal with paparazzi and falling in love with the President's son. -- Reviewed by Kate Brett

✓ *At Risk* by Stella Rimington (FICTION/RIMINGTON) The mystery of this book is twofold: 1) Who are the potential killers? 2) What or who are their targets? A very taut story about Agent Liz Carlyle, working with the joint counter-terrorists group of British Security Services, trying to track down and detain unknown but suspected assassins. Inter-service rivalries cloud, confuse and camouflage clues hampering her investigations. -- Reviewed by Bob Wolf

✓ *The Ordering of Love* by Madeline L'Engle (811.54/L'ENGLE) Oh! What sonnets! If anyone has lost a lover by death, her sonnets provide a complete catharsis for mourning. This author articulates her wisdom very well in poetry. -- Reviewed by Margaret Schaaf

✓ *Paladin of Souls* by Lois McMaster Bujold (FICTION/BUJOLD) Ista flees her home on the pretense of a pilgrimage, but in actuality leaves to flee memories and a household who thinks her mad. She meets the 5th god, face to face, who appoints her to the job of demon catcher. Thrown into a siege and invasion, Ista must find out who she is, accept her past and define her future. -- Reviewed by Audra Gray

✓ *Zorro* by Isabel Allende (FICTION/ALLENDE) An ingenious plot giving the origins of the Zorro legend, including the mythology of his name. A very absorbing story, well-told and paced. -- Reviewed by Emil Zmek



2000 Books! Barbara Bailey of Worth reached the CDM Club's 1,000 book goal a second time. It took three years to finish the last 1,000 books, by reading about one book each day. Her favorite authors are Beverly Lewis, Janette Oke, Melody Carlson, Lori Copeland and other writers of inspirational fiction.

CDM Adult Reading Club

Keeping with the momentum of the summer reading program, patrons high school age and up are invited to join the CDM Adult Reading Club. Members read at their own pace and earn prizes after completing 50, 100, 500 or 1,000 fiction or nonfiction books at the young adult or adult reading level. Stop by the Readers Advisory Desk for more details and some reading suggestions.

Discover Great Books

The Ernest B. Jaski Oak Lawn Great Books Group meets September through May on the second and fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. to discuss and interpret significant works of fiction, philosophy, political science, poetry and drama. Meetings are held in the Mary Nelson Room. For more information, contact Marcia McGerty, 708-974-1673, or Jim Clauter, 708-423-3994.

College Savings Month

In September, take advantage of the library's many resources to help you plan a college education.

✓ *Not Paying for College* -- Thursday, September 29 at 7:00 p.m. -- See "Adult Programs."

✓ *College Catalogs* -- The library's Adult Reference Services Department maintains a collection of up-to-date college catalogs for Illinois state and private schools, which may be checked out for your convenience.

✓ *Career Center* -- Find out the educational requirements for a particular field or vocation in this special area of the Adult Reference Services Department.

Crime Prevention Month

This October, the library will present a series of programs for children and adults with your safety in mind.

✓ *Child I.D.* -- Saturday, October 15 at 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. -- See "Children's Programs."

✓ *CSI: Crime Scene Investigators* -- Tuesday, October 18 at 4:00-5:00 p.m. -- See "Teen Programs."

✓ *How to Avoid Identity Theft* -- Wednesday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m. -- See "Adult Programs."

Free Health Screenings



The Oak Lawn Community Partnership will offer free blood pressure screenings and more in the library's lower level meeting room on Wednesday, October 12 at a new, earlier time, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

New web address: www.oaklawnlibrary.org

Adult Programs



Unless otherwise stated, the following programs are offered free of charge on a first-come, first-seated basis in the library's lower level meeting rooms. Please note that three programs involve advance registration and two require a \$10 fee. For more information, call Linda Olsen, 708-422-4990.

Patron Appreciation Day Mini-Concerts

Sunday, September 18 at 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Enjoy 20 minute mini-concerts presented in different locations on the first and second floor of the library. You're welcome to stand and watch or have a seat nearby.

✓ **Windy City Harmonica Trio** -- 1:00-2:30 p.m.

✓ **Harvest Moon Barbershop Quartet** -- 2:30-4:00 p.m.

Deep Ocean Adventure

Wednesday, September 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Katherine Millett will describe 27 days at sea on an expedition to the East Pacific Rise and show a film shot 1½ miles deep in a submarine. Marvel at eyeless crabs and other creatures beyond the sun's reach. See where tectonic plates slide apart, volcanoes erupt and sulfide chimneys release hot fluid into near-freezing water.

Not Paying for College

Thursday, September 29 at 7:00 p.m.

Advance in-person or phone registration requested

Certified Financial Planner Joseph Orsolini will introduce strategies to maximize financial aid eligibility, exploit tax-savings opportunities and target the right colleges for affordability. To receive a special packet of handouts, in-person or phone registration is required. Non-registered patrons are welcome to attend this program and listen in.

Open Mike Short Story & Poetry Reading

Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00 p.m.

Share original poetry and short stories! Five minute time limit for all readers. Sign in at the door to read. You are also welcome to just listen. Light refreshments.

Writer's Workshop

Saturday, October 8 at 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Advance in-person registration and \$10 fee required

Barbara Gregorich will lead a half-day workshop on the basics of writing and getting published. Fiction, non-fiction, children's material and magazine articles will be explored. Learn about how and where to get ideas, writing proposal and query letters, outlines and sample chapters, getting a contract, rewriting and promoting your work. Registration begins Saturday, September 3 at the library's Reception Booth. Fee: \$10. Limit: 35 participants. Light refreshments.

Cities of the Dead

Monday, October 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Bill Hinchliff will present a slide show and lecture exploring sights and stories from some of Chicago's great Victorian cemeteries, including Graceland, Rosehill and Oak Woods. Hinchliff has been a docent with the Chicago Architecture Foundation since 1976.

AARP 55 Alive

Thurs. & Fri., October 13 & 14 at 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Advance in-person registration and \$10 fee required

A two-day refresher course that meets the needs of drivers age 50 and up. Many insurance companies offer discounts to those who complete the course. Registration begins Saturday, September 3 at the Reception Booth. Fee: \$10. Limit: 24 participants. Light refreshments.

Sunday With Friends: The Dixie Dogs

Sunday, October 16 at 2:00 p.m.

This seven-piece combo will delight you with sizzlin' hot improvisational New Orleans jazz. Their repertoire includes standard Dixieland favorites such as "Bill Bailey" and "When the Saints Go Marching In," along with unique ensemble interpretations of other popular swing and blues tunes. This concert is sponsored by the **Friends of the Oak Lawn Library**.

How to Avoid Identity Theft

Wednesday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m.

Identity theft and identity fraud are on the rise. The average victim spends three to six months attempting to resolve the problem. A representative from IL State Treasurer Judy Baar Topinka's Office will explain how thieves get your personal data, the warning signs that an older adult may be a victim and how to minimize your risk.

Lyric Opera Lecture Series

✓ **Carmen** -- Sunday, September 25 at 2:00 p.m.

✓ **La Cenerentola** -- Sunday, October 2 at 2:00 p.m.

✓ **Manon Lescaut** -- Sunday, October 30 at 2:00 p.m.

At each program, a member of the Lyric Opera Lecture Corps will explain the plot, give background on the composer and play musical selections. There are a total of eight opera lectures in the 2005-2006 season. Stop by the library's lobby for a complete schedule. All lectures are sponsored by the **Friends of the Oak Lawn Library**.

Children's Programs



Registration is now underway at the Youth Services Desk. Each child's library card must be presented to enroll. Preference is given to Oak Lawn residents and students. For additional information about these and other upcoming programs and activities, stop by the Youth Services Department for a Fall 2005 program booklet or visit the library's web site (www.oaklawnlibrary.org).

Early Fall Storytimes

Baby Business

Mondays, Tuesdays or Fridays at 9:30-10:00 a.m.
September 19 to October 21

(Ages 6 to 23 months) A first-time group experience for babies and their caregivers. Stories, fingerplays, songs, rhymes and puppetry introduce rhythm and language. Limit: 10 adult/child teams per series.



Toddler Time

Tuesdays or Fridays at 10:30-11:00 a.m.
September 19 to October 21

(Ages 24 to 36 months) Stories in books, songs, games, fingerplays, flannel boards and puppets introduce literature to the young child through interaction with an adult and other children of the same age. Limit: 10 adult/child teams per series.

Preschool Storytime

Mondays at 10:30-11:00 a.m., Tuesday afternoons at 1:30-2:00 p.m. or Tuesday evenings at 7:00-7:30 p.m.
September 19 to October 21

(Ages 3 to 5 years) Storytimes designed for children who are ready for social activity on their own for a short period of time. Limit: 25 children per series.

After School Storytime

Wednesdays at 4:00-4:45 p.m.
September 21 to October 19

(Grades K to 2) Storytelling, read-alouds, songs and games. Children in this age group are most receptive to literary experiences, as this is their peak learning period in reading readiness. Limit: 30 children.

Drop-In Storytimes

First Saturday of every month at 10:00-10:30 a.m.

(Ages 3 to 8 years and their families) Stories, songs, action rhymes and more for families on-the-go. No registration required -- just come to the Youth Services Program Room and join the fun! Parents are welcome to attend. Those who do not must stay in the library.

Book Clubs

Register four weeks in advance of each club meeting. Books will be available for check out at registration.

Mother and Daughter Book Club

Saturdays, 10/8, 11/5 & 12/3 at 11:00 a.m. - Noon

(Grades 3 to 6) Girls and their moms (or grandmas, aunts, etc.) are invited to explore great stories, take part in lively discussions and get the chance to know each other better. Light refreshments.

Father and Son Book Club

Saturdays, 10/22, 11/19 & 12/17 at 10:00-11:00 a.m.

(Grades 3 to 6) Together, fathers and sons can remind each other how much fun reading can be. Each month, there will be lively discussions and related activities. Light refreshments.

Special Children's Programs

Mystery Club

Mondays, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17 & 10/24 at 4:00-5:00 p.m.

(Grades 3 to 6) Young sleuths uncover mysteries through stories, crafts and games. Advance registration required. Limit: 30 children.

Child ID Program

Saturday, October 15 at 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

(All ages) The Oak Lawn Police Department will be in the library's lobby to create Child ID cards for parents and their children. The identification cards include the child's thumb print, photo and space for personal information, which should be updated regularly. These cards help authorities locate children in the event of an emergency. Stop in anytime during this four-hour time span.

Halloween Party

Saturday, October 29 at 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

(Preschool to Grade 8) A not-so-spooky Halloween Party, where children can listen to stories, sing songs, play games and make crafts all with a Halloween theme. Come in costume! No registration required.

✓ **Registration begins Saturday, October 15 for Late Fall Storytimes and the Junie B. Jones Club**

Teen Programs

Sign up today at the Youth Services Desk. Teens (or their parents) must present the participant's library card to register. For more information, stop by the Youth Services Department for a Fall 2005 program booklet or visit the library's web site (www.oaklawnlibrary.org).

Teen Advisory Board

Third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

(Grades 7 to 10) The library's Teen Advisory Board (TAB) is back. The group meets monthly to advise the library on how it can better serve teens. Fall meeting dates are: September 21, October 19 and November 16. Light refreshments.

Junior Friends of the Library

September 12 through November 25

Orientation: Monday, September 12 at 4:00-4:30 p.m.

(Grades 7 to 10) Volunteers work for one hour a week in the Youth Services Department, assisting with displays, programs and other special projects. A great way to earn community service hours! Limit: 10 members.

Heroes of Karate

Saturday, September 24 at 12:00-1:00 p.m.

(Grades 7 to 10) Sensei Ed Wojciechowski, 5th-degree black belt in Shorin-ryu karate, will take you through a brief history of karate, the people who created it, and the ones who first brought it to the United States. Limit: 30 students.

CSI: Crime Scene Investigators

Tuesday, October 18 at 4:00-5:00 p.m.

(Grades 7 to 10) Evidence technicians from the Oak Lawn Police Department will demonstrate how they examine a crime scene, from lifting fingerprints to the special cameras they use to record information. Weather permitting, there will be a tour of their evidence truck.



Homeschoolers Wanted

The Youth Services Department is starting a new resource and sharing group for homeschooling families. Gatherings will be held on the second Thursday of each month. Activities include tours, library research skills, presentations and book discussions. This is an opportunity to meet and work with other families schooling their children at home. Register in-person or by phone at the Youth Services Desk beginning August 27.

- ✓ Thursday, September 8 at 10:00 a.m.
- ✓ Thursday, October 13 at 10:00 a.m.



Staff "Super Artist" Amanda Berlinski created dozens of artwork pieces that were on display during the Youth Services Department's 2005 summer reading program, "Superheroes -- Powered by Books." Each school was represented by a superhero symbol and children's names were added to the wall when they joined the club and again after reaching the reading goal for their age group.

Summer Reading Recap

The 2005 Youth Services Summer Reading Club was a terrific success, with 1,439 children in preschool through grade eight participating. Over the course of eight weeks, members read 21,983 books, completed activity sheets, attended programs, viewed movies, made crafts, earned prizes and had a good time visiting our library.

The Youth Services Department is grateful to Fire Fighter Rocci Padula, Police Officer Jim Pacetti, Paramedic Dan Grennan, Marine Colonel Art Clark and Doctor Gina Kring for their participation in the "Lunch with a Hero" program series. Shari Padula, Nancy Schroeder and Kal Shaar shared their time and resources to present programs on skin care and cosmetics for teens, jewelry making and comic book heroes.

Thank you to all our generous prize donors:

7-Eleven Food Store ~ 87 & Central | Ann Schroeder | Beggar's Pizza | Blockbuster ~ 104 & Cicero | Boston Market | Brunswick Corporation | Buscemi's Beef | Chicago Bears | Chicago Bulls | Chicago Cubs | Chicago White Sox | Chili's Grill & Bar | Claire's | Cupid Candies | Cyber Planet | Denny's ~ 92 & Cicero | DuPage Children's Museum | Fannie May Candies ~ 95 & Ridgeland | Fannie May Candies ~ 107 & Cicero | Food For Thought Café | Fox's Oak Lawn Restaurant | Goldie's Beads, Findings, Buttons & Crafts | Great American Bagel | Hilton Oak Lawn Hotel and Conference Center | Hollywood Park | Hollywood Video ~ 102 & Central | The Icing | Jr's Hotdogs | Kentucky Fried Chicken ~ 104 & Cicero | Loews Cineplex Entertainment | M.C. Boppers | McDonald's ~ 105 & Cicero | McDonald's ~ 95 & McVicker | Michael A's | Millie's Ice Cream Shoppe & Deli | Northwestern University | Oak Lawn Park District | Old Country Buffet | Palermo's Italian Cuisine | Pat's Hobbies & Crafts | Phil's Pizza | Potbelly Sandwich Works | Premo's Ice Cream | Starbucks | T-USA Martial Arts School | Taco Bell | Target ~ Crestwood & Bedford Park | Tenth Planet | A Touch of Ireland | White Castle | White Hen Pantry ~ 102 & Central | Windy City ThunderBolts



Friends of the Oak Lawn Library Footnotes

The Friends of the Oak Lawn Library is an organization of volunteers who promote use of the library, furnish equipment and materials that are beyond the library's budget and bring opportunities for cultural enrichment to area residents. For more information, call 708-422-4990 or visit their web site (www.oaklawnlibrary.org/friends.htm).

Dynamic Day Trips

✓ **Amish Country Shops** -- Tuesday, October 11. An Amish guide will lead an exploration of the culture and crafts practiced in Shipshewana, IN. Stops include an Amish noodle shop, buggy shop, cheese house, cabinet shop, quilt shop and bakery. Purchase unique items for yourself and prepare for holiday giving. At mid-day, take a buggy ride to an Amish home for a traditional thresher meal. This trip will not go to the Shipshewana flea market. Departs: 7:00 a.m. Returns: 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$66 for Friends members and \$71 for others. In-person registration: Saturday, September 17 at 9:00-11:00 a.m., in the library's lobby.

✓ **Holiday Fun Trio** -- Tuesday, November 15. Jaunt down to Joliet, IL to tour the historic Jacob Henry Mansion and enjoy a delicious lunch served in their newly opened ballroom, "The Abbey." Finish up at the beautifully restored Rialto Square Theatre with a dazzling performance of "The Geritol Follies," a hit holiday production featuring more than 50 singers and performers, all aged 60 and older. Departs: 9:30 a.m. Returns: 5:00 p.m. Cost: \$71 for Friends members and \$76 for others. In-person registration: Saturday, October 15 at 9:00-11:00 a.m., in the library's lobby.

✓ **Special Notice** -- Members must present a current membership card or receipt. Two ticket limit per person. Please be advised that trips sponsored by Friends of the Oak Lawn Library are not wheelchair accessible.

Recent Gifts to the Library

Since the completion of the library's building expansion project, the Friends have purchased more than \$28,000 in gifts for the library with funds raised through book sales and membership dues, including: Art and collectible books (\$3,000); Audio Books on cassette and CD (\$4,280); 30 copies of WebEyes software (\$300); Digital camera (\$500); Book carts (\$980); Computer projector unit (\$1,300); Movie License for showing films (\$720); "Big Books" storage cabinet (\$455); Rotating magazine racks (\$1,185); Misc. furniture (\$2,300); Step ladders/stools (\$825); CD cabinet (\$1,640); Computer accessories to assist the disabled (\$1,250); Globe and stand (\$400); Cabinets for staff workroom (\$6,000); "Sunday With Friends" concerts; Lyric Opera lectures.

The library wishes to thank the Friends and its more than 700 members for their generosity and support.

Discussion Groups

Meetings are held in the Mary Nelson Room.

- ✓ **Short Story Group -- 2nd Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.**
September 14 - "Bulldog" by Arthur Miller
October 12 - "The Tell-Tale Heart" by Poe
- ✓ **Book Group -- 4th Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.**
September 28 - "A Tale of Two Cities" by Dickens
The film "A Tale of Two Cities" will be shown
October 26 - "Bleachers" by John Grisham



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