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The monthly newsletter of the Des Plaines Valley Public Library District

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JUNE 2007

NEW!

Computer Classes
See page 2 for details.

Library Hours

Mon-Thu: 9am—9pm
Fri & Sat: 9am—5pm
Sun: 1—5pm

Lockport Library

Closed on Sat/Sun.,
June 16/17 for
Canal Days

Board Meeting

At Lockport:
Community Room
Tuesday, June 19
@ 7:00 p.m.

Book Discussion Groups

Lockport
2nd Tues. @ 10:30 a.m.
2nd Thurs. @ 6:30 p.m.

Crest Hill
3rd Tues. @ 11 a.m.
4th Tues. @ 7 p.m.
See p. 3 for details.

MISSION READ: To the Library and Beyond

Summer Reading programs for children and adults begin on **June 25th and run through August 4**. Don't miss the fun and the prizes when you participate in **Mission Read: To the Library and Beyond**. Registration for the children's program begins on Monday, June 25, at both locations, and is ongoing throughout the summer. The program for adults is open to ages 14 and up, so high school students are included in the Adult Program! Reading logs and prize drawing slips are available throughout the six-week adult program, which also begins June 25.

See page 4 for details about the
Adult Summer Reading Program!

KIDS KICK-OFF ON MONDAY, JUNE 25:

Children @ Crest Hill (ages 3 to 13) — Join us for one of two kick-off events. Skiddles the Clown will face paint and create balloon animals from 10 a.m. to noon. And, at 6:30 p.m., Tim Hannig will perform a special program called "Blast Off to Books."

Children @ Lockport (ages 3 to 13) — Join us for the "Blast Off to Books" performance by Tim Hannig at 3:30 p.m.

See page 4 for more information about the
Children's Summer Reading Program!

Computer Basics Class for Beginners

If you feel left behind when it comes to computers, then we can help you catch up with a **Computer Basics** class. The class will be held at Lockport Library on Tuesday, June 5, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. and at the Crest Hill Library on Tuesday, June 19, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Each class will be limited to 10 patrons. No computer experience is necessary.

The class is free, but registration is required. Just call us or visit the Reference Desk at either location.

Several other computer classes will be offered throughout the year. Look for classes on Email, the Internet, and Word in the next months.

Lockport Area Genealogical and Historical Society Annual Membership Dinner

On Saturday, June 23, 2007 the Lockport Area Genealogical and Historical Society will hold its annual dinner and membership meeting at the **Gladys Fox Museum**, Ninth and Washington Streets, Lockport, Ill. Loretto Dennis Szucs, editor of Ancestry Magazine will be our speaker. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. Dinner is \$15 per person which includes choice of Pot Roast or Tilapia. Please RSVP by June 15 to Gary Ward 815-838-2327. The public is invited.

Do You Suffer From Headaches or Migraines?

Get information about relieving the symptoms of stress headaches, migraines, tension headaches, and allergies at a lecture given by Dr. Vida Puodziunas of Healthy Connection Chiropractic & Rehab Clinic at the **Crest Hill Library** on Monday, June 11 from 7 to 8 p.m. Registration required. No charge. Call the reference desk at 815-725-0234 for more information.

Organizing Seminar June 28 in Lockport

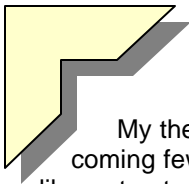
Organizing professional Beth Randall of Joe Organizer, LLC will speak on Thursday, June 28, at the **Lockport Library** from 7 to 8 p.m. Is junk mail taking over your desk? Are you afraid to open your closet? If so, Beth has the know-how and the experience to help you clear up messy areas and to keep them organized.

Beth, a member of the National Association of Professional Organizers (NAPO), is the first to acknowledge the old adage, "A place for everything, and everything in its place."

The program is open to the public and is free. Registration, however, is required. Please call the library at 815-838-0234 or stop by the Reference Desk while you are visiting us.

Visit our web site for all of your information needs!

<http://www.dpvlib.org>



The Director's Corner

by **Scott Pointon**

My theme for the month of June is **persistence**. In the coming few years this virtue will be necessary not only for library trustees and staff, but for the public who supports us as well. It is no secret that since 2004 our Library District has been in the planning stages of a great expansion of facilities and services. This process is slow and at times frustrating, but I want the public to know that we are still working hard to improve all that we do and provide for your future library needs.

At times like these, I take comfort in the inspiring words of great leaders who overcame adversity through persistence. My admitted passion for quotations leads me to share the following with you to consider as we persevere to improve our libraries:

- *Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any one thing.* **Abraham Lincoln**
- *It is common sense to take a method and try it. If it fails, admit it frankly and try another. But above all, try something.* **Franklin Delano Roosevelt**
- *We in America do not have government by the majority. We have government by the majority who participate.* **Thomas Jefferson**

Talk About Books!

June is traditionally the month of blushing brides, romantic weddings, and all-round joyous occasions. So aside from the fair weather and blooming flowers, why is June so fashionable a month to “get hitched”? June’s popularity may well date back to the early Romans, as June was named for Juno, the goddess of women and marriage.

Check out these sometimes funny, poignant and gorgeous books about wedding bliss.

Somebody is going to die if Lilly Beth doesn't catch that bouquet : the official southern ladies guide to hosting the perfect wedding by Gayden Metcalfe. Even those who have never attended a wedding in the South will find laughter in the pages of this deliciously entertaining slice of Southern life and love, complete with recipes, advice, and a huge dose of that famous charm. **At Crest Hill and Lockport Libraries—395.22 MET**

The complete idiot's guide to the perfect wedding by Teddy Linderman. Forget that silly title, you're no idiot, but you do want your wedding to be magical and memorable, so let this book help you actually relax, take a breath and enjoy this time. Great advice on how to plan the big event without going crazy. We don't want a bridezilla, now do we? **At Crest Hill and Lockport Libraries—395.22 LIN**

So whether you're planning something to rival one of those ostentatious Hollywood nuptials, or opt for a simple ceremony in a flower-filled meadow, think about sending me an invite...still single and still “sort of” looking. *B Krakovec*

Secrets to Feeling and Looking Younger

If you want to increase your energy, lose weight, improve your health, increase self-esteem or just fully enjoy life (and who doesn't?!), you'll want to attend a workshop given by Dr. Vida Puodziunas of Healthy Connection Chiropractic & Rehab Clinic at the **Crest Hill Library** on Wednesday, June 13, from 7 to 8 p.m. Registration required. No charge. Call the reference desk for more information @ 815-725-0234.

Up and Coming Book Discussions...

Our book discussion groups meet monthly at the Lockport and Crest Hill libraries. New members are always welcome. Books are available for pick-up one month before the discussion dates from the respective libraries. For more information, please call Manager of Adult Services Shannon Pohrte @ 815-838-0755.

Lockport Mornings, 10:30am, 2nd Tuesdays

- June 12: *Saving Lives and Saving Money*, by Newt Gingrich
- July 10: *The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother*, by James McBride...A memoir by an accomplished journalist and artist about growing up in an interracial family.

Ravenous Readers, 6:30pm, 2nd Thurs. @ Lockport

- June 14: *Slaughterhouse Five*, by Kurt Vonnegut
- July 12: *The Narrows*, by Michael Connelly...The sequel to *The Poet* features L.A. homicide detective Harry Bosch in this police procedural mystery.

Crest Hill Daytime, 3rd Tuesdays @ 11 a.m.

- June 19: *The Five People You Meet in Heaven*, by Mitch Albom
- July 17: *Blink: The Power of Thinking Without Thinking*, by Malcolm Gladwell...A collection of interesting studies of how and why the judgments we make in the “blink of an eye” can be our best judgments.

Crest Hill Evenings, 4th Tues. @ 7 p.m.

June 26: *The Alchemist*, by Paulo Coelho... When a shepherd boy travels to Egypt in search of worldly treasure, he is rewarded with knowledge and wisdom.

The Crest Hill Evening Group will take a break in July and August but will be back in September.

It's Time for the Summer Reading Program!

Mission Read: To the Library and Beyond...

June 25—August 4

Registration for the Summer Reading Program at the Crest Hill and Lockport libraries starts Monday, June 25, and is ongoing throughout the event, which ends on Saturday, August 4. All children ages 3 to 13 can participate.

Circle your calendars now for the special **Kick-Off** activities scheduled for June 25. For details, see page 1. Upon sign-up, all children will receive the calendar of events that includes craft days, science shows, animal shows, a magic workshop, a visit from the NASA Aerospace Bus, a final party at Dellwood Park, and much more! The complete calendar of events is accessible from our web site @ <http://www.dpvlib.org>.

In addition to participating in any or all of the special programs, children who sign up for **Mission Read** will receive incentive prizes for achieving reading goals. Children will be required to read alone (or be read to) for a total of 12 hours in 15-minute increments to finish the program and be eligible for all prizes. For every three hours read, children will receive a special reading incentive prize to keep them going towards their goal of 12 hours. For more information, see Patty Kulesza at Crest Hill or Jane Gardner at Lockport.

Summer Classes for the Little Ones @ The Lockport Library

Register **now** for the Seven-Week Summer Sessions of Story Time, Toddler Time and Terrific Twos.

- **Toddler Time — Ages 3 months to 3 years with Parent or Caregiver.** Tuesdays, June 12 to July 31. Times: 10 to 10:30 am, 10:45 to 11:15 am and 6 to 6:30 pm. No fee.
- **Summer Story Time— Ages 3 to 6 years.** Wednesdays Starting June 13 to August 1. Times: 10 to 10:45 am, 1 to 1:45 pm, and 6 to 6:45 pm. Limit 25 per time session. Cost is \$5.00 craft fee, Nonresident fee includes Craft Fee \$10.00.
- **Terrific Twos — Ages 24 months to 36 months.** Thursdays, June 14 to August 2. Times: 10 to 10:30 am and 10:45 to 11:15 am. Limit 25 per time session. No fee. For more information contact **Jane Gardner**, Lockport Library's Children's Librarian, 815-838-0755.

Classes for the Little Ones @ The Crest Hill Library will resume in the fall.

Adult Summer Reading Program

Summer reading — it's one of the pleasures of the season! We have books, audio books, and magazines to keep you amused, thoughtful, and informed all summer long. And, we have some wonderful prizes — just for reading!

Just like last year, the program is actually two programs. We'll have weekly prize drawings for gift certificates and goodies donated by our generous local merchants. All adults (14 and up) can enter the weekly drawings every time they visit the library and check out materials.

And, we'll be giving away four fantastic baskets at each location to those who choose to complete reading logs and enter those logs in a drawing that will be held at the conclusion of the program. One log = 6 books or audio books. The more you read, the better your chances of winning.

Join the Adult Summer Reading Program, starting June 25!

The Des Plaines Valley Public Library District is subject to the requirements of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals who require certain accommodations in order to observe and/or participate in the library's activities, or who have questions regarding the facilities are requested to contact Scott Pointon, Director, at 815-838-0755 or 815-725-0234, promptly to allow the Des Plaines Valley Public Library District to make reasonable accommodations for those persons.