

May/June 2010

Saturday, May 1-Sunday, May 30 Tell US Your Story

Libraries have always worked to share the stories of others—now we want to hear from you! We are looking for real-life experiences that reflect the way the Mount Prospect Public Library has helped you in your life.

Whether you used the Library to find a new job, turn a hobby into a career, plan the perfect vacation, or something else entirely, we want to know how you did it and how the Library helped.

Tell us your story and you could be interviewed for our TV show, *Library Life!* Everyone who submits a personal, true story will receive a special thank-you gift.

Submission forms will be available beginning May 1. All stories must be received by May 30, 2010. You may submit as many stories as you like; however, each person is eligible for only one thank-you gift, regardless of the number of stories submitted. Thank-you gifts will be distributed in June.



In 1925, Helen Keller challenged the Lions Club to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness." The Lions accepted her challenge, and, today, sight programs continue to be a major emphasis among the many assistance programs championed by the Lions Club. As part of the "One Green World" summer reading programs, the Mount

Prospect Library will serve as a drop-off location for used eyeglasses and hearing aids collected by the Mount Prospect Lions Club.

"The eyeglasses we collect here in Mount Prospect literally end up all over the world," said Jerry Pospisil of the Mount Prospect Lions Club. "For many of those on the receiving end, it's really a miracle—they can see!"

According to the World Health Organization, over 150 million people have uncorrected refractive errors—

> near-sightedness, far-sightedness, and

astigmatism. Most of these problems could easily be treated with eyeglasses. However, the cost of vision exams and corrective lenses is out of reach for most of those in developing nations.

Because of their great volunteer network, it costs the Lions less than \$.08 to provide a pair of recycled eyeglasses and change someone's life. Imagine being able to see clearly for the first time, being able to keep your job because you have new glasses, or being able to get an education because you can see the page! What a great gift!

The Lions Club accepts prescription and reading glasses, sunglasses, magnifiers, metal and plastic frames, and hearing aids. Children's eyeglasses are especially needed. Eyeglasses are delivered to the Lions of Illinois Foundation in Sycamore where volunteers clean the eyeglasses; sort them by prescription strength; and package them for delivery to humanitarian organizations throughout the world. The Lions of Illinois

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Through their national organization, the Lions Club matches eyeglasses and hearing aids to individuals in need, primarily in developing nations. Children's eyeglasses are especially needed. Look for the Lions Club Donation box in the Library lobby.

7 Honored With Founders' Award

On April 25, the Library Board of Trustees honored seven outstanding individuals with the Library's Founders' Award. Sham L. Gupta, Adeline Kruse, Lu Leschyk, Dr. George F. Luteri, Laura L. Luteri, Janis O'Keefe, and Dorothy H. Perz were acknowledged at a luncheon held at the Library. The Founders' Award

is presented in recognition of exceptional support to Mount Prospect Public Library.



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The Library will be closed

Monday, May 31 for Memorial Day



Did you know?

We now have the ability to send you an e-mail message when material you have requested is available for pickup.

See the full details on Page 8!



One Green World Summer Reading Program June 1-July 31

Choose an easy way to go a little greener this summer: join the Library's Summer Reading Program. Between June 1 and July 31, read books, watch DVDs, and listen to CDs borrowed from the Library—it is one of the greenest choices you can make. Wonderful prizes that help make the world a better place will be awarded to participants of all ages. Register online or in person.

Make the world a little greener while giving the gifts of vision and hearing. During the months of June and July, the Mount Prospect Lions Club will collect used eyeglasses (prescription, reading, and sunglasses) and hearing aids at the Library during our One Green World Summer Reading program.



One Green World: Recycle Your Eyeglasses & Hearing Aids

June 1-July 31

Adult Events

(R) Registration required (NR) No registration necessary

Please sign up for programs on the Internet at **www.mppl.org/events**, at the Library, or by calling 847/253-5675, unless otherwise noted (NR). Priority registration is given to Mount Prospect cardholders for programs with limited attendance. Please have your Mount Prospect Library card when registering. *The Library requires at least a one-week notice if special accommodations are needed.*

Picture-perfect Switzerland

Tuesday, May 4, 7:30 p.m. Myrla Brand takes you along on her travels to Switzerland and answers pressing questions, such as, did the St. Bernard rescue dogs really bring brandy to stranded travelers? Through breathtaking pictures, Brand explores the Swiss people's unique relationship with the land, cows, cheese, and chocolate. She'll share tidbits about the craftsmanship and expertise that go into their famous watches, Swiss Army Knives, and alphorns. With four main languages and its varied landscape, architecture, and foods, you'll discover that Switzerland is a country of unity and diversity. (R)

What Is Facebook[®]? Monday, May 10, 7 p.m.

Facebook, like other social networks, is about getting in touch with others, and it isn't just for kids. Globally, 400 million people use Facebook to connect with family and friends, post information about themselves, and share photographs. This presentation will highlight what Facebook offers and introduce the lingo, such as tagging, friending and unfriending, poke, status, and the Wall. (R)

Henri Matisse: From Painting to Paper Collage Tuesday, May 11, 7:30 p.m.

Henri Matisse is widely regarded as one of modern art's greatest artists. On the occasion of the 2010 Matisse exhibition at the Art Institute of Chicago, art historian Jeff Mishur presents this lecture that examines Matisse's career from his association with Les Fauves, or the Wild Beasts, to his work with paper cutouts. The program will explore Matisse's fascination with the processes of making art as well as his connections with fellow modernists such as Picasso. (R)

Coping With Job Loss: Overcoming the Obstacles

Monday, May 17, 7 p.m.

A job loss can be traumatic. It can have a profound effect on your emotional and physical well-being. Kathleen Canfield, Director of Career Services at Harper College and a licensed professional counselor, will address the psychological aspect of job loss and ways to rebound. She will then get you on the path to your next job by outlining strategies, detailing research techniques, and helping you identify transferable skills. (R)

Stay Sharp! Garden Tool Care and Sharpening Tuesday, May 18, 7:30 p.m.

Nothing makes gardening harder than a dull tool! Join fellow Master Gardener Sam Darin to learn how simple it is to keep your tools in top condition and sharp enough for the toughest task. He will demonstrate the best techniques to sharpen a myriad of tools, including shovels, loppers, spades, and pruners. Sam will also discuss proper methods of winter tool storage. *This program is cosponsored with the Mount Prospect Garden Club.* (R)



Self-paced Learning Lab: E-mail

Thursday, May 20, 1-3:30 p.m.

Drop in to the Computer Training Room to use our computers and get one-on-one e-mail help. Whether you need help signing up for a free e-mail account or want to learn how to send and receive e-mail messages, this open lab time is your chance to practice your skills with the assistance of an expert tutor. Library computer trainer Michelle Vonderhaar will be on hand to answer your individual questions. *No registration required; stop in anytime between 1 and 3:30 p.m.* (NR)

Salad Dressings for Success

Tuesday, May 25, 7:30 p.m. We are throwing away the rule book on vinaigrettes and using a host of unexpected ingredients to create new kinds of salad dressings! Watch the Whole Foods Market culinary team think outside the traditional oil and vinegar bottles to give dressings—and salads—new life. Recipes and taste portions will be provided. **There is a \$2 nonrefundable fee due at registration,** and space is limited. Please sign up at

Creative Composting With the Urban Worm Girl

Tuesday, June 1, 7:30 p.m.

the Registration Desk. (R)

Composting with worms, also known as vermiculture, is a simple, clean, and odorless way to recycle kitchen waste. You can use worm composting in your house or apartment to harness the natural wisdom and efficiency of red worms, thus reducing the amount of garbage being sent to landfills and nurturing the symbiotic relationship between the earth and its inhabitants. During this program, the Urban Worm Girl will show you how a pound of hungry worms fed kitchen scraps, such as eggshells and paper towels, will provide you with nutrient-rich fertilizer. (\mathbf{R})

What's It Worth? Antique Appraisals at MPPL

Tuesday, June 8, 7:30 p.m. Those antiques gathering dust in the attic or basement might be worth something! Antiques teacher and appraiser Karl Gates will present a general history of appraising and an overview of current trends in the antique world. Gates, a former appraiser for the U.S. Department of Treasury, has conducted several appraisal seminars at MPPL in recent years. Gates will appraise one item brought from home by each guest. To have an item appraised a **\$4 nonrefundable program fee is due at registration.** There is no fee to hear Mr. Gates' presentation, but registration is required. Please stop by the Library to register for either an appraisal or to simply observe the program. *Appraisal participants must bring their receipt showing payment for tonight's appraisal.* (R)

Making the Most of Your Digital Photographs

Tuesday, June 15, 7:30 p.m. How does a digital camera differ from your father's (or mother's) 35mm camera? Is film going the way of the dinosaurs? Learn more about the features and functionality of digital cameras, how to save files to your computer, and e-mail pictures to friends and family. This program also offers a demonstration of the free Google® software program Picasa[™] for Windows or Macintosh computers. Picasa allows users to crop and rotate; enhance image quality; make slideshows, screen savers, and gift disks; and order prints online. (R)

Exploring Internet Sites for Genealogists

Thursday, June 17, 7 p.m. The Internet brings numerous free genealogy tools to your fingertips. Let genealogy librarian Anne Shaughnessy show you some of these online resources and help you evaluate the information they provide. This hands-on class will be held in the Computer Training room and will allow time for you to do personal research and ask questions of our genealogy librarian. Computer and keyboarding experience are recommended. **Space is limited to 10.** (R)

Investing: 10 Reasons to Be a Long-term Bull Thursday, June 17, 7 p.m.

Does the current market have you a little skittish about investing? Achieving your financial goals means you need to stay focused on the endgame. To reach your goals, you'll need to invest whether the market is up or down. Brian Hamm, Financial Advisor with Edward Jones, will offer reasons to be optimistic about the long-term prospects of the financial markets. He will explain inflation, deficits, and stock valuation. With a little courage, patience, and discipline, you can position yourself to recoup any losses you may have experienced and continue toward your financial goals. (R)



America in 1832: The Black Hawk War Saturday, May 22, 2 p.m.

Travel back in time to this seminal American event that took place in Illinois. Native Americans had crossed and recrossed the Mississippi into Illinois countless times before April 5, 1832, but when Black Hawk and his band of Sauks and Mesquakie did so on that day, it sparked a war that involved the Illinois militia and the U.S. Army. A costumed

interpreter, representing a soldier with the Illinois Mounted Militia, will provide insight into the events leading up to the war, the Sauk and Mesquakie nations, and the early Illinois frontier. He will then take you to the battlefields of Northwest Illinois and on to the aftermath of the war, the Asiatic cholera epidemic brought by the Army units, and the perspectives of key historic figures, including Abraham Lincoln, Winfield Scott, and Jefferson Davis. *This program is cosponsored with the Mount Prospect Historical Society.* (R)

Self-paced Learning Lab: Office 2007, Including Word[®], Excel[®], & PowerPoint[®]

Monday, June 21, 7-9:30 p.m. Do you have questions about working with the 2007 versions of Word, Excel, or PowerPoint? Drop in to the Computer Training room to use our computers and get one-on-one help with these Office 2007 applications. Whether you need help formatting a document in Word or want to learn how to add a slide in PowerPoint, this open lab time is your chance to practice your skills with the assistance of an expert tutor. Library computer trainer Michelle Vonderhaar will be on hand to answer your individual questions. No registration required; stop in anytime between 7 and 9:30 p.m. (NR)

Online Job Search Essentials

Thursday, June 24, 7 p.m. If you are in the market for a job, then you know about Monster and CareerBuilder—but how comfortable are you with using them? Let Librarians Patricia Smolin and Jon Birnbaum show you some tricks of the trade for creating your online job search accounts, uploading or copying your résumé to online job applications, and searching for job types, location, and salary range. Be sure to bring your current résumé on a USB flash drive, and you must have an active e-mail address. Computer and keyboarding experience are recommended. **Space is limited to 10.** (R)



One Green World: Grow It! Can It! Eat It! Tuesday, June 29, 7 p.m.

You can be a successful gardener and make the world a little greener. This class will take you through the process of choosing, planting, nurturing, and harvesting vegetables that are ideal candidates for canning. Never canned or preserved anything? We'll show you the basic steps and share easy recipes so you can enjoy the "fruits" of your labor all year long. Already thinking of questions or concerns? Make this class more personally rewarding and productive by posting your specific questions on our "Public Green" blog found on our Web site, www. mppl.org/research. We'll forward your questions to the presenters. (R)

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Senior Session

Songs With Style: A Musical Performance by Still Acting Up! Tuesday, May 18, 1:30 p.m.

Enjoy an afternoon concert featuring original songs by Still Acting Up!—a seniors group for our Senior Session. Chicago actor Jill Shellabarger directs this group of talented seniors who write their own original musical productions, from book and lyrics to the music itself. Still Acting Up!, based at the Skokie Park District, is a professional musical troupe with almost 20 members over the age of 60. Originally created to dispel the myths of aging, it has grown into a respected company that writes and performs its own musicals on topical issues that appeal to people of all ages. *This performance is sponsored by The Friends of the Library*. (R)

Maximizing Your Social Security Benefit Tuesday, June 15, 1:30 p.m.

Social Security is probably one of your most valuable retirement assets. How and when you claim your benefits are important decisions, especially for those who work past age 62 and for married couples who must coordinate two benefits. Government pensions can also affect Social Security benefits. At this month's Senior Session, Karen Chan, Extension Educator with the University of Illinois Extension, will explain the latest rules and detail planning strategies to help you get the most out of your Social Security benefits. (R)

"High School Reunion" With the Encore! Singers

Tuesday, June 22, 7:30 p.m.

Let songs made famous by the Chiffons, the Association, the Beatles, Journey, Styx, and Carrie Underwood take you on a magical mystery tour of music spanning the past four decades. The Buffalo Grove Encore! Singers return for a memorable concert featuring hit songs from the 60s to the present day. Their "High School Reunion" performance will bring back memories of dances, football, theater, and "the crowd." *This concert is sponsored by the Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation*. (R)

IUMP START YOUR BUSINESS

The Library and the Chamber of Commerce have come together to present a series of programs designed to help local businesses be successful. Get tips, techniques, and valuable information from experts in their fields. Attend one program or the entire series—either way, you will have new tools to help you grow your business.

How to Survive and Thrive Tuesday, June 8, 8:30 a.m.

This economy is generating incredible risks for small businesses and threatening their survival. This workshop will help business owners arm themselves with resources to not only increase their chances of survival but to become more competitive. Led by Sue Smedinghoff, Small Business Counselor with Illinois Small Business Development Center at Harper College, this highly interactive business assessment workshop will identify potential business, technological, natural, or hazardous risks, introduce risk management tools and continuity plans, and provide strategies to mitigate the overall impact of a potential risk event. The goal is to create a survival plan that will help you build a stronger, more resilient business. (R)

LIBRARY LIFE

Library Life is our award-winning, monthly cable television program about the Mount Prospect Public Library, produced in cooperation with the

Village of Mount Prospect. Host Cathy Cushing provides an in-depth look at the events and happenings at the Library. Each 30-minute episode includes book reviews, compelling interviews, upcoming events, monthly program highlights, and Library trivia. Airs daily at 2 p.m. and 10 p.m. on Comcast (channel 15) and WOW (channel 6). AVAILABLE ON www.mppl.org

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Summer Reading: One Green World

America During Revolutionary Times **SUPER** *Saturday!* Juggling With a Side of Laughs

June 2010

Community Flavors: An International Cooking Class

SUPER Saturday! Young Yogis

SENIOR SESSION Songs With Style – A Musical Performance by Still Acting Up!

Features subject to change.

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BOOKS AND CONVERSATION

Books are available 30 days prior to each discussion at the Fiction/AV/Teen Desk. (NR)

Food for Thought

The Boy in the Striped Pajamas JOHN BOYNE

The Boy in the Striped Pajamas: A Fable by John Boyne Wednesday, May 5, 1 p.m.

Bored and lonely after his family moves from Berlin to a place called "Out-With" in 1942, Bruno, the son of a Nazi officer, befriends a boy in striped pajamas who lives behind a wire fence.

Shanghai Girls

by Lisa See Wednesday, June 2, 1 p.m.

Forced to leave Shanghai when their father sells

them to California suitors, sisters May and Pearl struggle to adapt to life in 1930s Los Angeles while still bound to old customs, finding themselves facing discrimination, and confronting a lifealtering secret.

Coffee, Books, & More Wednesday, May 19, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, June 16, 10 a.m. These sessions meet the third Wednesday of each month for a thought- provoking discussion of a specially selected book. For this month's title, please inquire at the Fiction/AV/ Teen Desk or call 847/253-5675.

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Coffee & Conversation

Friday, May 21, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 18, 7:30 p.m.

Coffee & Conversation, the Library's monthly current events discussion group, provides an open, nonpartisan forum for community members to share their views. This moderated discussion strives to encourage greater understanding of diverse viewpoints and offers a venue where people can participate in honest discussion. The evening's coffee is generously provided by Starbucks Coffee,

100 W. Northwest Hwy, Mount Prospect. (R)

If You Like...

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo by Stieg Larsson why don't you try... Don't Look Back by Karin Fossum

Box 21 by Anders Roslund

Jar City by Arnaldur Indridason

Unseen by Mari Jungstedt **Detective Inspector Huss**

by Helene Tursten The Man from Beijing by Henning Mankell

Adult Summer Reading Program

Tuesday, June I -Saturday, July 31

Join our Summer Reading challenge: unearth a new author; cycle through our suggested titles; discover a passion for nonfiction; plant a garden; and tap into our DVD resources. This summer we are creating the perfect climate to help you go a little greener. As you progress through the reading program, we'll provide you with quick and easy tips to make

simple, everyday green choices that can help our planet. Even our prizes are going green: gift certificates to a local garden center, doormats made from scrap rubber, baskets created out of reclaimed (and sanitized) chopsticks, and many more...over 60 prizes in all. Signing up is easy-stop by the Fiction/AV/Teen Desk or go online beginning June 1.

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MOVIES AND MORE

Movies @ MPPL



It's Complicated [2009; Rated R; 120 minutes] Starring Meryl Streep, Steve Martin, Alec Baldwin. Directed by Nancy Meyers. Wednesday, May 5, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 13, 1 p.m. Jane is the mother of three grown kids, owns a thriving business, and has an amicable relationship with her exhusband, Jake. But when an innocent meal turns into the unimaginable-an affair—Jane finds herself cast in the role of the other woman. When an architect falls for Jane, he soon realizes he's become part of a very complicated love triangle. (R)



Up in the Air [2009; Rated R; 108 minutes] Starring George Clooney, Vera Farmiga, Anna Kendrick, Jason Bateman. Directed by Jason Reitman. Wednesday, June 2, 7:30 p.m Thursday, June 10, 1 p.m.

Ryan Bingham (Oscar[®] winner George Clooney), a corporate downsizer, spends most of his days traveling around the country. His life of constant flight suits him-he wants no attachments. But two things suddenly threaten his vacuumsealed world: his company decides

Robert Redford

Monday, May 10, 1 p.m.

We are going to talk about movies—ones we love, ones we don't-and the actors and directors behind the films. Join us for our inaugural discussion, which will focus on film legend Robert Redford, actor, director, and producer. Reacquaint yourself with his work by stopping by the Fiction/AV/Teen Desk to pick up a DVD or two. Whether you've seen just a few or all 42 Redford movies, here's your opportunity to chat about them with fellow movie lovers. This discussion will be lead by Donna Culhane. (R)

to do layoffs via video conference so they don't have to pay for travel, and Bingham meets a woman who seems to be the female version of him... and, of course, he starts to fall in love. (R)

Movie Discussion

Vertigo

[1958; Rated PG; 126 minutes] Starring James Stewart, Kim Novak, Barbara Bel Geddes. Directed by Alfred Hitchcock.

Wednesday, May 12, 6:30 p.m.

A gripping detective story or a delirious investigation into desire, grief, and jealousy? A retired police detective must overcome vertigo and his obsession with a friend's wife in this eerie tale of passion. Although not a box-office success when originally released, Vertigo consistently ranks among the top 10 movies ever made in the once-a-decade Sight & Sound International Critics' Top *Ten* Poll. (R)

Cinema Paradiso

[1989; Rated R; 123 minutes] Starring Jacques Perrin, Philippe Noiret, Leopoldo Trieste, Salvatore Cascio. Directed by Giuseppe Tornatore.

Wednesday, June 9, 6:30 p.m.

This 1989 Oscar®-winning film (Best Foreign Language Film) takes place shortly after World War II in a small Italian town. A young boy, Salvatore, is mesmerized by the movies shown at the local theater. He befriends projectionist Alfredo, who mentors him and ultimately tells him to leave home to pursue his dreams. Now a famous film director, Salvatore returns home for the first time 30 years later for Alfredo's funeral and is overcome with warm memories of his childhood even as the town has changed. In Italian with English subtitles. (R)



May

1 Tell Us Your Story Saturday, May 1-Sunday, May 30

Free Comic Book Day Saturday, May 1

Red Cross Babysitting Clinic Signup Starts Today, Saturday, May 1 **①**

3 Generating Leads for Your Business or Job Search Monday, May 3, 7 p.m. ©

Picture-perfect Switzerland Tuesday, May 4, 7:30 p.m.

5 Caribou Coffee Storytime Wednesday, May 5, 11-11:30 a.m. •

FOOD FOR THOUGHT Book Discussion, *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas: A Fable* by John Boyne Wednesday, May 5, 1 p.m. (NR)

MOVIES @ MPPL: It's Complicated Wednesday, May 5, 7:30 p.m. (2)





Adult A Teen Youth All Ages (NR) No registration necessary Please sign up on the Internet at www.mppl.org/events, at the Library, or by calling 847/253-5675. Registration is required for all programs except those denoted by (NR). Programs are held at the Library unless otherwise noted. Fees, when applicable, must be paid at the Registration Desk and are not refundable unless the program is canceled. *The Library requires at least a one-week notice if special accommodations are needed.*

June

1 One Green World Summer Reading Program, June 1-July 31

One Green World: Recycle Your Eyeglasses & Hearing Aids June 1-July 31

Creative Composting With the Urban Worm Girl, Tuesday, June 1, 7:30 p.m.

2 FOOD FOR THOUGHT Book Discussion, Shanghai Girls by Lisa See, Wednesday, June 2, 1 p.m. (NR) (A)

MOVIES @ MPPL: *Up in the Air* Wednesday, June 2, 7:30 p.m. **(2)**

8 JUMP START YOUR BUSINESS: How to Survive and Thrive Tuesday, June 8, 8:30 a.m.

What's It Worth? Antique Appraisals at MPPL, Tuesday, June 8, 7:30 p.m. (2) \$4 fee

9 MOVIE DISCUSSION: Cinema Paradiso, Wednesday, June 9, 6:30 p.m. (2)

10 MOVIES @ MPPL: Up in the Air Thursday, June 10, 1 p.m. **14** Story Tots, Monday, June 14, 9:30-10:15 a.m. (NR) **O**

15 and a Published Author: Meet Kieryn Nicolas* Monday, June 14, 11 a.m.-noon T *At Starbucks, One West Rand Road, just down Kensington from Prospect High School

15 Open Storytime, Tuesday, June 15, 10:30-11 a.m. (NR) ♥

SENIOR SESSION: Maximizing Your Social Security Benefit Tuesday, June 15, 1:30 p.m. **Q**

Open Storytime, Tuesday, June 15, 6:30-7 p.m. (NR) ♥

Making the Most of Your Digital Photographs Tuesday, June 15, 7:30 p.m.

16 COFFEE, BOOKS, & MORE Discussion, Wednesday, June 16, 10 a.m. (NR)

How to Draw Mythological Creatures: Dragons, Unicorns, and Beyond Wednesday, June 16, 1-2:30 p.m. 🛇 **17** Regular Board Meeting Thursday, June 17, 7 p.m.

Exploring Internet Sites for Genealogists Thursday, June 17, 7 p.m.

Investing: 10 Reasons to Be a Long Term Bull, Thursday, June 17, 7 p.m.

18 From Bibs to Books, Friday, June 18, 9:30-10:15 a.m. (NR) •

Open Storytime, Friday, June 18, 10:30-11:15 a.m. (NR) ♥

COFFEE & CONVERSATION Friday, June 18, 7:30 p.m. (2)

21 Story Tots, Monday, June 21, 9:30-10:15 a.m. (NR) ♥

CHAT & CHEW: *Found* by Margaret Peterson Haddix, Monday, June 21, 1 p.m.-2 p.m. •

BOOK VOYAGERS: Fun With Fables Monday, June 21, 4:15-5:15 p.m. ♥

Self-paced Learning Lab: Office 2007, Including Word[®], Excel[®], & PowerPoint Monday, June 21, 7-9:30 p.m. (NR)

22 Open Storytime, Tuesday, June 22, 10:30-11 a.m. (NR) ♥

Open Storytime Tuesday, June 22, 6:30-7 p.m. (NR) ♥

"High School Reunion" With the Encore! Singers Tuesday, June 22, 7:30 p.m. (2) 23 Red Cross Babysitting Clinic Wednesday, June 23, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. • \$15 fee

24 Online Job Search Essentials Thursday, June 24, 7 p.m. @

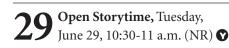
25 From Bibs to Books, Friday, June 25, 9:30-10:15 a.m. (NR) •

Open Storytime, Friday, June 25, 10:30-11:15 a.m. (NR) ♥

CREATE-A-CRAFT: Hooray, U.S.A.! Friday, June 25, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m. (NR)



28 Story Tots, Monday, June 28, 9:30-10:15 a.m. (NR) ♥



Open Storytime Tuesday, June 29, 6:30-7 p.m. (NR) ♥

One Green World: Grow It! Can It! Eat It!, Tuesday, June 29, 7 p.m. (2)

Youth Activities

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One Green World One Great Summer!

• for children up to age ||

Join this year's Summer Reading Program, **One Green World.** Read your way through a summer filled with prizes and lots of fun at the Library! **Register at the Youth Services Desk beginning Tuesday, June I!** The first day to pick up prizes is Monday, June 7. Every child begins the journey with a book log and a "green" gift and will be rewarded with a free book and tote bag for finishing the challenge! The last day to complete the program is Saturday, July 31.

Swietujmy Polski Dzien Dziecka! Celebrate Polish Children's Day!

Wednesday, May 19, 6:30-8 p.m.

Celebrate Polish Children's Day at the Library with a storytime in Polish and English, music, and a craft. Enjoy delicious ciastka/cookies and juice, too. Guests of all backgrounds are invited to register for this special event. *The program is best suited for 3-7 year olds and their families, but all are welcome.* (R)



Children under age 9 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration is necessary; just drop in. (NR)

Made for Mom Friday, May 7, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Hooray, U.S.A.! Friday, June 25, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

SUPER Saturday! —for all ages

Young Yogis

Saturday, May 15, 11-11:45 a.m. Learn how to pose like a cat, a dancer, a tree, or even a cobra during this interactive program for all ages! Certified yoga instructors Laurie Hanson and Susan Voigt of Multidimensional Therapies will lead children and families through a variety of poses that will stretch, bend, and relax your bodies. Yoga is a great way to strengthen muscles, gain flexibility, and improve coordination and posture. *This program is sponsored by the Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation in celebration of Asian Heritage Month.* (R)



Earthkeepers Saturday, June 26, 11-11:45 a.m. Get ready for an environmental adventure! Christine

Buik of C.R.I. KET (Chicago Region Interpreters) will guide an imaginary cross-country journey, during which expedition members will meet a variety of live animals, listen to Native American legends, and discover why environmentalism is so important. If you love animals, nature, and exploring, sign up for this Super Saturday today! (R) (R) Registration required (NR) No registration necessary

Fun With Books!



Summer Storytimes

—just around the corner!

Leap in and get away from the heat! Join us for one of our storytimes. *No registration required* during the summer; just join us at the appointed time. **These sessions begin Monday, June 14.**

Story Tots

• for children 2-3 years old and their parents or caregivers

Mondays, 9:30-10:15 a.m.

Designed to promote parent/child interaction, parents act as role models, leading 2- and 3-year-olds through finger plays, action rhymes, and sitting/ listening behavior. Time is allowed at the end of the session for book sharing, playing with toys, and interacting with the other children. (NR)

Open Storytime

Tuesdays, 10:30-11 a.m. Tuesdays, 6:30-7 p.m. Fridays, 10:30-11 a.m. Children ages 6 and under and their

Caribou Coffee Storytime

Wednesday, May 5, 11-11:30 a.m. Come to a special

storytime held at Caribou Coffee, located at 90 E. Northwest Highway, where

MPPL staff will present stories and songs to children and their parents. (R)

Chat & Chew —for youth entering 4th-6th grade

Chew on some good food while chatting about a great book! Spend an hour talking about favorite characters, villains, and storylines while participating in theme-related activities. Books are available at the Youth Services Desk. (R)

HADDIX Found



Found by Margaret Peterson Haddix **Monday, June 21,** 1-2 p.m.

Imagine a plane carrying 36 babies and

no one else, not even a pilot, appearing without warning at an airport gate. Fastforward 13 years to find two 13-yearold friends, Jonah and Chip, receiving cryptic notes with messages like "You are one of the missing," and "Beware! They're coming back to get you." Then, suddenly, Jonah, his sister Katherine, and Chip are plunged into a mysterious struggle between two forces that want families are invited to attend these 30-minute sessions that feature stories and songs. *An adult must accompany children under the age of three*. (NR)

From Bibs to Books

• for children birth through 23 months and their parents or caregivers

Fridays, 9:30-10:15 a.m. Children will interact with their parents and caregivers, enjoying a variety of rhymes, simple stories, and songs during these 45-minute sessions. Time is allowed at the end of the session for book sharing, playing with toys, and interacting with the others. (NR)

Book Voyagers —for youth entering 1st-3rd grade

This group is for young adventurers who like to listen to stories, eat snacks, and participate in fun activities. (R)

Fun With Fables

Monday, June 21, 4:15-5:15 p.m. Have you heard the tales of The Hare and the Tortoise, The Lion and the Mouse, or The Ant and the Grasshopper? Join us for fables in which animals outwit, outplay, or outlast each other.

to dramatically alter their lives...and all choices might lead to disaster.

If You Like...

Shug by Jenny Han try...



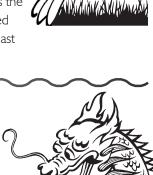
Scarlett by Cathy Cassidy

So Totally Emily Ebers by Lisa Yee

Pish Posh by Ellen Potter

Never Mind!: A Twin Novel by Avi

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How to Draw Mythological

Creatures: Dragons, Unicorns, and Beyond Wednesday, June 16, 1-2:30 p.m.

• for children entering grades 3-6. Attention, Harry Potter fans! Unicorn lovers! Eragon admirers! This popular drawing workshop is for you. Christine Thornton, a certified art teacher, painter, and children's book illustrator, will teach kids how to draw five mythological creatures. *This workshop is reserved for 25 Mount Prospect budding artists*, so sign up today! (R)

Teen Zone

News and activities for students and teens in grades 6-12!

Please sign up for programs on the Internet at **www.mppl.org/events**, at the Library, or by calling 847/253-5675, unless otherwise noted (NR). Priority registration is given to Mount Prospect cardholders for programs with limited attendance. Please have your Mount Prospect Library card when registering. *The Library requires at least a one-week notice if special accommodations are needed.*



SATURDAY, MAY 1

Attention, all teens and kids—it's the largest one-day comic book giveaway! MPPL is joining participating comic book shops around the world to give away comic books, no strings attached. On Saturday, May 1, stop by Fiction/ AV/Teen or Youth Desks—*limit one per person, while supplies last.* Books donated by **Comix Revolution,** 115 West Central Road, Mount Prospect.

15 AND A PUBLISHED AUTHOR: Meet Kieryn Nicolas

Monday, June 14, 11 a.m.-noon

Yes, just 15 and a published author. What's that like? How did it happen? Ask her yourself when she comes to Starbucks (One West Rand Road) to read from her recently published novel, *Rain.* Released as an e-book (think Kindle) and available in hardcover this August, *Rain* is a mystery with breakins, abductions, narrow escapes, and stolen birth certificates.

This program is presented by the Mount Prospect Public Library and will be held at the Starbucks at One West Rand Road, just down Kensington from Prospect High School. (R)



Kieryn is the youngest teen author to work with Echelon Press in the Young Adult category. She is a high school freshman (though she actually wrote the story when she was 13) who enjoys the normal stuff: writing, school, her yellow lab and black cat, spending time with friends, and chocolate. Talk to her about her pitch session with the publisher, the editing process (is it anything like English class?), and how she came up with the idea for the book. Advanced copies of her printed book will be available for purchase.

Red Cross Babysitting Clinic

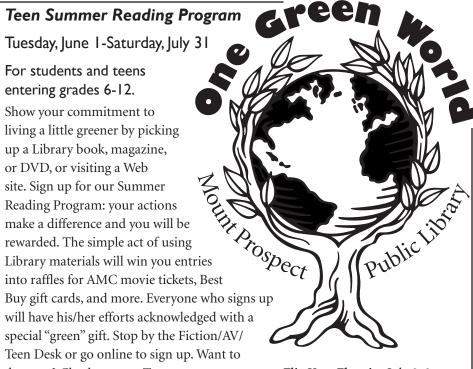
Wednesday, June 23, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Become a Red Cross-certified babysitter during this educational session that covers basic

childcare, emergency action, first aid, and more. **Registration begins May 1 and is limited to 10 Mount Prospect residents.** Register in person at the Library's Registration Desk. *This program requires a \$15 nonrefundable registration fee.* Participants must be 11 years old by the date of the program. (R)

If You Like...

If You Like Nail-biters, try...

Reality Check by Peter Abrahams Lucas by Kevin Brooks Incarceron by Catherine Fisher Breaking Point by Alex Flinn Dr. Franklin's Island by Ann Halam Invisible by Pete Hautman Liar by Justine Larbalestier Paranoid Park by Blake Nelson The Rules of Survival by Nancy Werlin Such a Pretty Girl by Laura Wiess



do more? Check out our Teen summer programs: *Flip Your Floppies*, July 9, 2 p.m. and *Get Creative and Go Green: Tie-dyed Crafts*, July 28, 2 p.m.

Late Start Chess Quest

Interested in

— Sign-up begins May 1—

Open Chess

through 8th grade

Ages

2-4 p.m.

ournament

for those entering kindergarten

• Saturday, July 24,

9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Chess for All

Sunday, August 8,

chess?

By Dan Hindmand *Prospector Now* Staff Writer

In any sport, a late start can be disastrous. Imagine if a runner in the 100-meter dash exploded from his blocks...only to trip on an untied lace. Or after the snap, the quarterback waits a fraction of a second too long for that perfect throw and winds up on the bottom of a pile of helmets and bodies.

Late-starts can be fatal.

Yet, Junior Arun Nadir, who placed fifth at state this year for chess, didn't

jump on the bandwagon until his sophomore year.

Until his second year at Prospect, Nadir, who learned how to play chess at eight years old, wasn't a big figure on the chess scene. He would play tournaments at Mount Prospect

Public Library, but other than that, his chess career was quiet. At least until he heard about chess club on the announcements during his sophmore year. He figured it'd be fun and joined. That year, he came in seventh at state, losing his last match.

Reflecting back, Nadir says the reason for his defeat was that he just got too excited. Fortunately, he returned this year with some experience under his belt.

"You have to learn not to move

quickly," said chess club coach Don Barrett. "Learn to study the board, then move one piece."

The big thing, according to Barrett, that separates chess from Prospect's other sports is "if you lose it's your fault."

When you hit a grand slam and the wind blows it past the base line, you can put some blame on Mother Nature. When you lose in chess, you can't whine that the wind smashed your queen with a rook.

Keeping that in mind, Nadir has

rocked the chess boards this year. For example, despite Prospect's loss to Schaumburg in November, Nadir was able to defeat his opponent by playing patiently from a weak position. Barrett says that in his senior year, Arun will probably be Prospect's second best player.

"I'd love to

see him play in the top 10 at state," said Barrett, "but it gets harder as you move."

However, the thing to keep in mind is how unpredictable chess can be. You've got to "watch out for crazy moves," according to Nadir. In chess, it is estimated that there are between 1043 and 1050 legal positions. One position can have between zero to 243 moves.

Barrett is in agreement, saying, "a game can turn on one move."

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How can using the Library help you go green?

Libraries can help save trees. Each year, about three billion new books are sold, requiring four hundred thousand trees to be chopped down. Choose a Library book instead. Our Library books, on average, circulate 16 times, with the record circulation being held by a Sidney Sheldon book, which circulated 296 times.

Libraries can help keep materials out of landfills. One hundred thousand DVDs and CDs end up in landfills each year. Choose a Library DVD or CD instead of buying one that you might end up discarding.

Libraries help conserve energy. Choose to use the Library's highspeed wireless instead of your slower dial-up service. It saves time, energy, and, ultimately, money. High-speed access users, on average, accomplish more than double the number of tasks online compared with dial-up users. This means it would take more than an hour to do via dial-up what you could do in thirty minutes via broadband. Take it a step further and bring your laptop to the Library. You'll not only be able to work faster using our high-speed WiFi, but laptops draw less power than desktops—about 50% less. If every computer user in the United States used a laptop, we'd save about \$2.5 billion in energy costs.

Read about other ways to go green in *The Green Book: The Everyday Guide to Saving the Planet One Simple Step at a Time* by Elizabeth Rogers, 333.72 ROG.

Don't miss these upcoming **GREEN** programs!

Creative Composting With the Urban Worm Girl • Tuesday, June 1, 7:30 p.m. One Green World: Grow It!

Can It! Eat It! • Tuesday, June 29, 7 p.m.

Lions

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Foundation has sent more than 5,000,000 plastic frame eyeglasses around the world since 1994.

So clean out those drawers and boxes and join the Mount Prospect Lions club in providing the gifts of sight and hearing and do a little recycling at the same time. The Lions Club donation box is located in the Library lobby and will be available throughout the One Green World Summer Reading Program. To learn more about the Lions Clubs International and their many programs, go to www.lionsclubs.org.



Keep 'Em Coming

Thank you for your donations of LEGOs and Duplos. In 2011, we will be introducing an exciting, new Youth program that will combine books with LEGO building. The more LEGOs we have, the greater the number of kids we can involve. If you have LEGOs or Duplos you can donate, please drop them off in Youth Services.

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What does e-mail notification mean to you? You will:

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- Get a heads-up when materials are coming due—with a link so you can renew the item.
- Save money—advanced warning helps you avoid overdue fines.
- Save the Library money—less spent on mailing notices means more money for Library materials.
- Save a tree—reduce paper notices.
 Save time—e-mail beats the post office and phone calls.

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- Go to "My Account" on our home page or from the catalog.
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Village-wide Garage Sale

Don't miss it– May 14, 15, and 16

www.mountprospectgaragesale.com

Find more local events at Village Vibe: www.mppl.org/services/community.html



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