



# Preview

News and Information From Mount Prospect Public Library

September/October 2010

your guide  
SPECIAL PULL-OUT  
SECTION

## Going Green It's More Than Recycling

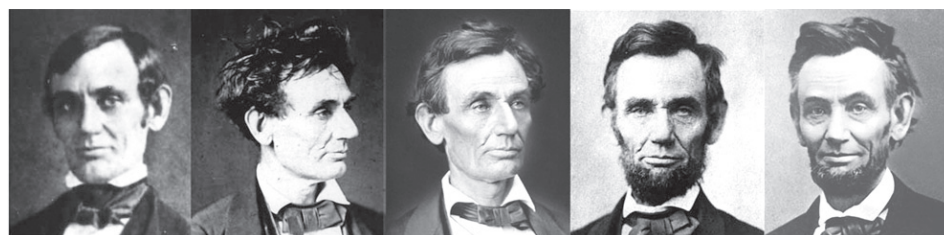
### Green Fair

Saturday, September 25, 1-3 p.m.

Going green is about considering the planet when you weigh your options. Every day we make decisions that either add to the stress on natural resources or lessen it. For example, the simple choice to buy locally grown food can benefit the environment in several ways: less energy is used to transport the food; fewer chemicals are used to keep the food from rotting on its way to market; and it helps support small local farmers and keeps the land for agricultural use as opposed to development.

The Library wants to help Mount Prospect residents make greener choices. On Saturday, September 25, from 1-3 p.m., the Library will host its first **Green Fair**. The afternoon will include information and entertainment for every member of the family and is designed to help you understand that you do not have to make radical changes to your lifestyle to have an impact. Small changes, especially if they are made in conjunction with others, can make a difference. The Green Fair will help bring the community together toward the common goal of treading a little more lightly on the earth.

—see Green Fair on page 7



## Abraham Lincoln: *Self-Made in America*

Tuesday, October 12-Tuesday, October 26

A world-class traveling exhibit, "Abraham Lincoln: Self-Made in America," featuring reproduction artifacts from the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum in Springfield, Illinois, is coming to Mount Prospect Public Library. This free exhibit is a wonderful learning opportunity, and all are invited to tour it during the Library's regular hours.

The exhibition covers Lincoln's childhood, his self-education, his careers as a surveyor and lawyer, his family life, the Lincoln-Douglas Debates, the 1860 presidential election, the Civil War, the 13th Amendment, the Emancipation Proclamation, his assassination, and other important events in his life. The reproduction artifacts on display, all modeled from originals in the Presidential Library and Museum, include: Lincoln's favorite books; his son Tad's toy cannon; the nameplate from his Springfield home; his stovepipe hat, which he used like a briefcase to hold important papers; a presidential campaign banner; an axe that Lincoln used to chop wood; the bloody gloves found in Lincoln's pocket the night of his assassination; and many other unique and interesting items.

"Abraham Lincoln, the son of a subsistence farmer, came of age during a dramatic transformation in America's economic life. Like many of

his contemporaries, he embraced a new emphasis on personal initiative, risk-taking, and ambition. He was only 22 when he left his family home to find his own way," notes Illinois State Historian Thomas Schwartz. "After enduring a series of personal failures in business, he became a prosperous attorney, devoted husband and father, successful politician, and, finally, the 16th President of the United States. While Lincoln benefited from close association with a number of powerful friends, his own talents and ambitions combined with hard work and a dedication to self-improvement to produce a unique American specimen—the self-made man."

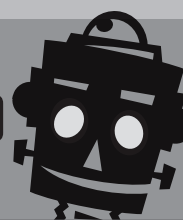
The *We, the People* program of the National Endowment for the Humanities provided major financial support for the exhibition and accompanying programs. The Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library Foundation and the History Channel provided additional financial and in-kind support. Additionally, the American Library Association and the Tribeca Film Institute of New York made strong contributions to the exhibit's programming.

You can learn more about Lincoln or find information about visiting the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum in Springfield at [www.PresidentLincoln.org](http://www.PresidentLincoln.org).

## Celebrate Your Freedom to Read!

## Think for Yourself

READ  
BANNED  
BOOKS



### September 24- October 1

Celebrate your freedom to read! Intellectual freedom—the freedom to access information and express ideas, even if the information and ideas might be considered unorthodox or unpopular—is the foundation of Banned Books Week. During this week we focus on the benefits of free and open access to information while drawing attention to the harms of censorship by spotlighting actual or attempted bannings of books across the United States. Stop by the Library to learn more.

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**The Library will be closed**  
Monday, September 6  
for Labor Day

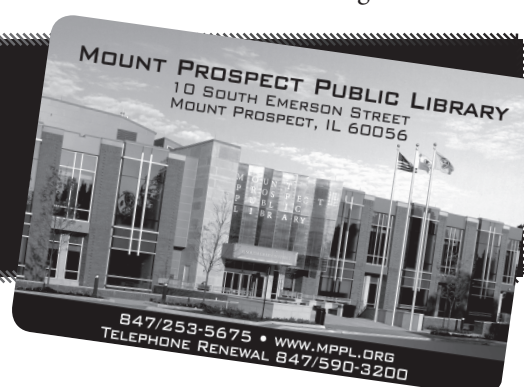
## Show Your Card It's Worth More Than You Think!

SEPTEMBER  
1-30

The deals are back! Your Library card can save you money on more than just books and DVDs. Get great deals at local restaurants, stores, and more. The Library has made agreements with over 75 local businesses to bring

you discounts and gifts just for showing your MPPL card. Go to our website, [www.mppl.org/events](http://www.mppl.org/events), for a complete list of participating businesses or pick up a brochure at the Library.

Don't miss out! The offers are only good for the month of September.



*Still don't have a Library card?*  
Then now's the time to stop in and apply for one; they are free to Village residents.

# Adult Events

(R) Registration required (NR) No registration necessary

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Please sign up for programs on the Internet at [www.mppl.org/events](http://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 MPPL card when registering. *The Library requires at least a one-week notice if special accommodations are needed.*

## Sweet Chicago: The Candy Capital

**Tuesday, September 7, 7:30 p.m.**

For most of its history Chicago produced about one-third of the nation's candy. The city has called itself the Candy Capital of America since the turn of the century. You probably know some of the candies made or invented here—Brach's caramels, Mars Snickers bars, Wrigley's gum, Cracker Jack, Curtiss Baby Ruth bars, Tootsie Rolls, Frango Mints, and Dove chocolates. Learn some of the history behind these treats and explore what made Chicago such a powerful location for candy makers. *This program is cosponsored by Mount Prospect Historical Society.* (R)

## Uncovering Your Family History With Ancestry® Library Edition

**Monday, September 13, 7 p.m.**

Whether you are just beginning to put together your ancestral story or are in the midst of the process, MPPL can help. Join librarians Anne Shaughnessy and Steven Browne for an overview of one of the most important online genealogical collections available today. This unique resource gives you free access to more than four billion names through census, church, court, immigration, and vital records, as well as record collections from Canada and other areas. Time will be set aside to explore the resource and ask questions. *This hands-on session will take place in the Computer Training room. Computer and keyboarding experience are recommended. Space is limited.* (R)

## Breaking In: The Basics of Writing for Magazines

**Tuesday, September 14, 7:30 p.m.**

Have you dreamed of writing for magazines? Want to see your byline in your favorite publication? While basic writing skills are essential, the keys to successful magazine freelancing are selecting and analyzing potential markets, developing winning article ideas, and crafting attention-getting query letters. This program will introduce you to some common magazine terminology and cover basics like how to find markets, come up with story ideas, and nail your first magazine assignment. Presented by Kelly James-Enger, author of eight books, including *Six-Figure Freelancing: The Writer's*

*Guide to Making More Money*, and over 800 articles for more than 50 national magazines. (R)

## Exercises to Help Those With Invisible Illnesses

**Wednesday, September 15, 7:30 p.m.**

Invisible illnesses, such as multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's, lupus, fibromyalgia, and chronic fatigue syndrome, can be physically draining. Learn how exercise can help those afflicted with an "invisible illness" live better. Joy Wagner, founder of fitMS, will demonstrate a variety of exercises designed for those with balance, stability, and fatigue issues. These exercises tap into the best of yoga, tai chi, and Pilates and aid in stress-reduction as well. (R)

## Contact Lenses for Every Eye

**Tuesday, September 21, 7:30 p.m.**

Contact lenses have come a long way since the first 1887 glass versions invented by physiologist Adolf Eugen Fick. Today's contact lenses are more comfortable and safer than even 10 years ago and offer new options for people with conditions like presbyopia, the loss of near vision that happens in middle age. Eirit Yonatan of the Eye Site in Mount Prospect will discuss the innovations in contact lenses that offer options for patients who need bifocal lenses, are over the age of forty, or have dry eye disease. (R)

## Green Fair

**Saturday, September 25, 1-3 p.m.**

Learn what it means to live green! We are bringing together representatives from over a dozen local organizations, including the U.S. Green Building Council, the Morton Arboretum, and the National Wildlife Federation, who will explain how you can make future-friendly choices today. Even the entertainment will be green—Jim Green, that is! Known as the Wandering Endorphan, Jim uses the acoustic guitar to create enchanting, percussively-driven soundscapes in a fresh and compelling way. (NR)

## eBay 101—Selling Basics

**Monday, September 27, 7 p.m.**

Ready to make some money selling some of your "stuff?" Then attend eBay 101-- Selling Basics with eBay University Instructor Jack Waddick. Jack will walk you through the keys to successful eBay selling...including the new features and

## Are you *LinkedIn*?

### LinkedIn 101: How to Put Social Networking to Work for You

**Monday, September 13, 7 p.m.**

LinkedIn has become the social network of choice for business professionals. It gives you access to people, jobs, and opportunities. Through it, you can build a network of trusted contacts and reach people either directly or through people you already know. It is a critical tool for career advancement and opportunities. Let Matt Prazenka, Peer Training Services, help you understand the power of LinkedIn, show you how to leverage it, and get you started on your profile. (R)



### LinkedIn 201: Getting More Out of LinkedIn

**Monday, October 4, 7 p.m.**

Take your LinkedIn networking to the next level at this workshop presented by Matt Prazenka of Peer Training Services. Learn advanced techniques that will improve your visibility and increase your network reach. This will be both a class and roundtable exchange of best practices. (R)

If, during these presentations, you would like to log on to LinkedIn using your laptop, please include a notation that you will be bringing your laptop when you register. The first 20 laptop registrants will be allowed to log on wirelessly during the presentation.

seller tools. This lively program will include real-time demos on eBay.com and plenty of time for questions. (R)

## Floral Design: Create an Autumn Centerpiece

**Tuesday, September 28, 7:30 p.m.**

Get ready for autumn by creating a beautiful fall centerpiece with help from Paul Seils of Busse's Flowers and Gifts. This handmade combination of fresh seasonal flowers and foliage will make a welcome addition to your home's table or hearth. Please bring a scissors and a small knife or pruner; all other materials are included. *There is a \$15 nonrefundable fee due at registration.* Please sign up at the Registration Desk. (R)

## Web Resources for Newshounds

**Tuesday, October 12, 7 p.m.**

**Wednesday, October 13, 2 p.m.**

Get the latest news from a wide range of sources with the click of a button. Your Library card gives you access to information from the local papers as well as media around the world, from any computer, any time of day. Reference Librarians Steven James Browne and Cynthia Dieden will provide an introduction and tour of MPPL's online resources, including *LexisNexis*, *InfoTrac*, *Chicago Tribune*, and *The Daily Herald*. Please register for one of these sessions. (R)

## eBay Advanced Selling

**Monday, October 18, 7 p.m.**

Go beyond the basics of eBay selling and learn the best formats and techniques

for developing a successful eBay-based business. Jack Waddick, an eBay University Instructor, will lead this informative demonstration of the new advanced tools, tips, and strategies used by some of eBay's most successful sellers. This lively session will include real-time demos on eBay.com and plenty of time for your questions. (R)

## Google: Don't Just Search—Create Documents, E-mail, and More

**Monday, October 25, 7 p.m.**

Most people know Google as a search engine, but it offers so much more, for free! Join us on the road to Google enlightenment with an overview of some useful Google features, including Gmail, Google calendar, Google docs, and more. This demonstration program will be held in Meeting Room A. (R)

## Paranormal 101: An Introduction for the Novice Ghost Hunter

**Tuesday, October 26, 7:30 p.m.**

What is the difference between a ghost, a spirit, and a haunting? Find out when researchers from TnT Paranormal Investigators explain their field and detail their methodology for investigating evidence of alleged cases of paranormal, or unexplained, activity. The team will also address the dangers associated with ghost hunting. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and to share their personal encounters with the paranormal. (R)



# ANNUAL CULTURAL SERIES: A SOUTH AMERICAN CARNIVAL

North America may share the western hemisphere with South America, yet for many of us this continent remains a land of mysterious jungles and lost empires. While the countries of South America share a common history—a land inhabited by indigenous people intruded upon by European conquerors 500 years ago, followed by colonial rule and bitter wars for independence—each country has its own distinct character. During our Annual Cultural Series, you will come to know the different people, culture, landscape, and food of this vast continent.

South America comprises 12 countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, and Venezuela and an overseas department of France, French Guiana. Several different languages are spoken across the continent; however,

Spanish and Portuguese are the two most prominent.

The fourth largest continent, South America is home to some of the world's greatest natural wonders: the largest waterfall, Angel Falls in Venezuela; the largest river (by volume), the Amazon; the longest mountain range, the Andes; the driest place on earth, Atacama Desert; and the largest rainforest, the Amazon Rainforest.

Spend the month with us as we explore pre-Columbian civilizations and colonial architecture, experience the unique blend of past and present as expressed in the lively South American music and dance, and marvel at the dramatic vistas and biological diversity that stretch from the Caribbean to Antarctica.

## Festival Night: Viva Brazil!

**Friday, October 1, 7:30 p.m.**

Enjoy the samba, a unique style of Brazilian dance, and a vivid display of exotic costumes at this dazzling dance show that combines elegance with all the energy, color, and passion of Brazil! Join us as we launch our monthlong cultural celebration of South America when these talented dancers bring the culture, glamour, and traditions of exotic Rio de Janeiro's Carnival to Mount Prospect. (R)

## Chile: Land of Intriguing Contrasts

**Tuesday, October 5, 7:30 p.m.**

Chile stretches 2700 miles, from the driest desert in the world down to the southernmost point of mainland South America. In between are rich, fertile fruit-bearing fields, active volcanoes, and a long coastline of rocky cliffs, islands, and beaches. Join District 214's Community Education Travel Manager Linda Kerr as she takes you on a virtual tour of this South American country, its people, places, and threatened inhabitants—the colonies of Magellanic Penguins in Seno Otway. (R)

## The Amazing Amazon

**Tuesday, October 12, 7:30 p.m.**

Starting as a glacial trickle in the Andes, the Amazon River pours into the Atlantic Ocean after a 4,000-mile tortuous journey across South America. Life along this river can often be dangerous and hostile. Let Bill Helmuth guide you deep into the rainforest and down the intriguing and fascinating Amazon. Learn how outside forces are destroying the surrounding habitat and threatening the tribal Indians' way of life. (R)

## Adventure in Argentina

**Tuesday, October 19, 1:30 p.m.**

Argentina offers a breadth of experiences for both nature lovers and sightseers. Traverse the Patagonian steppe, walk among penguins, and witness the thunderous waterfalls of Iguazú. Marvel at the stunning scenery of the Lake District, Patagonia's glacier-carved landscapes, and painted Andean deserts. Experience the cosmopolitan feel of Buenos Aires and the passionate exuberance of the tango. Presented by District 214's Community Education Travel Manager Linda Kerr, this program will take you 5,000 miles away to Argentina. (R)

## Machu Picchu: Lost City of the Incas

**Wednesday, October 20, 7:30 p.m.**

In 1911, explorer Hiram Bingham discovered Machu Picchu, a lost and forgotten city of the Incas. Considered one of the most important archaeological events of the twentieth century, this discovery yielded the finest collection of Inca buildings in all of Peru and reveals much about Inca royal traditions and religious rites. At the same time, there is enough mystery about the site to inspire the imaginations of contemporary people. Professor Jeff Mishur discusses Inca building practices and highlights some of the important elements of Machu Picchu, such as the Royal Mausoleum. Mishur will also discuss examples of Inca sculpture and decorative arts. (R)

## Capoeira: Afro-Brazilian Dancing With a Touch of Martial Arts

**Sunday, October 24, 2-3 p.m.**

FOR ALL AGES

Capoeira is a unique style of dance, a martial art combined with acrobatic movements set to

music, that began 500 years ago during Brazil's slavery era. It offers an elegant yet physically powerful form of creative self-expression. It also provides a great way to get both an aerobic and anaerobic workout in a fun and rhythmic format. Enjoy a highly energetic demonstration of this agile and acrobatic dance and learn a few moves for yourself. You'll quickly see why this style of dance is finding its way into exercise studios across the nation. (R)

## Bossa Tres: Brazilian Concert

**Wednesday, October 27, 7:30 p.m.**

Experience the rich and soulful rhythms of Brazilian music. Bossa Tres brings an authentic taste of Brazil with its unique blend of solo vocals, brilliant harmonies, virtuosic guitar, and percussion. (R)

## FOR YOUTH

*See program descriptions on Page 6.*

## Create-a-Craft: Amazon Art

**Friday, October 8, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.**

FOR ALL AGES (NR)

## Book Voyagers: Life in a Rainforest

**Monday, October 18, 4:15-5:15 p.m.**

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*Each program is limited to a crew of 30 voyagers, so sign up today! (R)*

## SUPER Saturday!: Storybox—World Tales

**Saturday, October 23,**

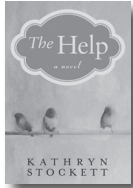
**11-11:45 a.m.**

FOR ALL AGES (R)

## BOOKS AND CONVERSATIONS

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

### Food for Thought



**The Help**  
by Kathryn Stockett

**Wednesday,  
September 1, 1 p.m.**

Limited and persecuted by racial divides in 1962 Jackson, Mississippi, three women, including an African-American maid, her sassy and chronically unemployed friend, and a recent college graduate, a white woman, team up for a clandestine project.



**Pope Joan**  
by Donna Woolfolk Cross

**Wednesday, October 6,  
1 p.m.**

For a thousand years men have denied her existence—Pope Joan, the woman who disguised herself as a man and rose to rule Christianity for two years. Now this compelling novel animates the legend with a portrait of an unforgettable woman who struggles against restrictions her soul cannot accept.

### Coffee, Books, & More

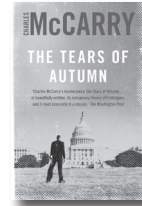


**Homer & Langley**  
by E.L. Doctorow

**Wednesday,  
September 15, 10 a.m.**

A tale inspired by a true story finds the blind Homer Collyer closeted within a once-grand Fifth Avenue mansion with his damaged brother and remembering

a life marked by colorful characters, political events, and technological achievements.



**The Tears of Autumn**  
by Charles McCarry

**Wednesday, October 20,  
10 a.m.**

Paul Christopher begins to investigate the assassination of John Kennedy in 1963, thinking it results from the Vietnamese assassination of Ngo Dinh Diem.

### Coffee & Conversation

**Friday, September 17, 7:30 p.m.**

**Friday, October 15, 7:30 p.m.**

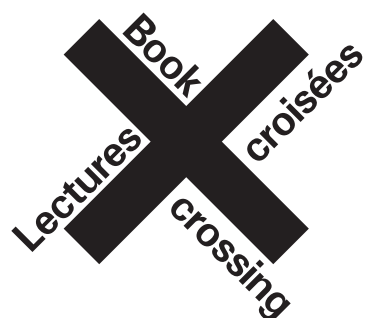
Coffee & Conversation, the Library's monthly current events discussion group, provides an open, nonpartisan forum for community members to share their views. The evening's coffee is generously provided by **Starbucks Coffee**, 100 W. Northwest Hwy, Mount Prospect. (R)

### Movie Lovers Club

Director Tim Burton

**Monday, September 13, 1 p.m.**

Director Tim Burton is well known for his offbeat and visually captivating film style. Join us for a casual discussion of Burton's dynamic career, crafted from his background as an animator to his rich collaborations with actors such as Johnny Depp, Michael Keaton, and Helena Bonham Carter. This discussion will be led by Donna Culhane. (R)



## Book Crossing: An Intercontinental Discussion

**Sunday, October 10, 2 p.m.**

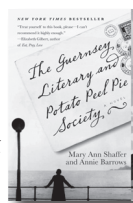
Take part in an intercontinental book discussion with our Sister City, Sèvres, France. Read both *Suite Française* by Irène Némirovsky and *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer & Annie Barrows. Then, come share your thoughts about these two books. We will videotape the discussion to send to our friends in France. You are also welcome to write down your thoughts on the joint blog, <http://sevres-associatif.fr/sevresmppl>, which can be read by residents of both towns. No French required. Just click the American flag



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for a Google transduction (French for translation), and you can see what they are saying in English. (R)

## MOVIES AND MORE

### Movies @ MPPL

#### *The Ghost Writer*

[2010; Rated PG-13; 128 minutes; Drama]

*Starring Ewan McGregor, Pierce Brosnan, Kim Cattrall.*

*Directed by Roman Polanski.*

**Wednesday, September 1, 7:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, September 9, 1 p.m.**

In this film adaptation of the Robert Harris novel, *The Ghost*, a successful British ghostwriter agrees to complete the memoirs of former British Prime Minister Adam Lang. His agent assures him it's the opportunity of a lifetime, but the project seems doomed from the start—not least because his predecessor on the project, Lang's long-term aide, dies in an unfortunate accident. As the ghostwriter works, he begins to uncover clues suggesting his predecessor may have stumbled on a dark secret linking Lang to the CIA. (R)

#### *Letters to Juliet*

[2010; Rated PG; 105 minutes; Romantic Comedy]

*Starring Amanda Seyfried, Vanessa Redgrave, Gael Garcia Bernal.*

*Directed by Gary Winick.*

**Wednesday, October 6, 7:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, October 14, 1 p.m.**

When a young American travels to the city of Verona, home of the fictional star-crossed lover Juliet Capulet of Romeo and Juliet fame, she joins a group of volunteers who respond to letters to Juliet seeking advice about love. After answering one letter dated from 1957, she inspires its author to

travel to Italy in search of her long-lost love, setting off a chain of events that brings love into each of their lives. (R)

### Movie Discussion

#### *Sunset Boulevard*

[1950; Not Rated; 110 minutes]

*Starring Gloria Swanson, William Holden.*

*Directed by Billy Wilder.*

**Wednesday, September 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Joe Gillis (William Holden), a broke and cynical young screenwriter, is attempting to ditch a pair of repo men late one afternoon when he pulls off L.A.'s storied Sunset Boulevard and into the driveway of a seedy mansion belonging to Norma Desmond (Gloria Swanson), a forgotten silent movie star whose brilliant acting career withered with the coming of talkies. The demented old movie queen lives in the past, assisted by her devoted butler, Max. Norma dreams of making a comeback in a remake of *Salome* to be directed by her old colleague Cecil B. DeMille (as himself), and Joe becomes her literary and romantic gigolo. (R)

#### *Do the Right Thing*

[1989; Rated R; 120 minutes]

*Starring Danny Aiello, Ossie Davis, Ruby Dee, Spike Lee. Directed by Spike Lee.*

**Wednesday, October 13, 6:30 p.m.**

During the hottest day of the year in the Bedford-Stuyvesant area of Brooklyn, racial tensions are quickly inflamed and violence ensues. This blood-boiling, 24-hour period will change the lives of its residents forever. (R)



## JUMP START YOUR BUSINESS

**Online Marketing and Social Media for Small Business**  
Tuesday, September 14, 8:30 a.m.

**Top 15 Website Mistakes**  
Thursday, October 7, 8:30 a.m.

## Senior Session

### Keeping Your Balance and Preventing Falls

**Tuesday, September 21, 1:30 p.m.**

Losing your balance and falling can be unnerving; for a moment your world is literally turned upside down. At this month's Senior Session, an occupational therapist from Alexian Rehabilitation Hospital will discuss the prevalence and consequences of falls, the leading risk factors for falls, and how to prevent them. You will leave this program armed with information about assisted devices, home safety, community resources, and the tools necessary to decrease your risk of falling. (R)



# SEPTEMBER


**1 Show Your Card—It's Worth More Than You Think!**  
September 1-30


**FOOD FOR THOUGHT Book Discussion,**  
*The Help* by Kathryn Stockett,  
Wednesday, September 1, 1 p.m. (NR) 

**MOVIES @ MPPL: *The Ghost Writer***  
Wednesday, September 1, 7:30 p.m.  


**2 Fall I Storytime Lottery Ends**  
Thursday, September 2


**6 Library Closed for Labor Day**  
Monday, September 6

**7 Sweet Chicago: The Candy Capital**  
Tuesday, September 7, 7:30 p.m. 

**8 Homeschool Connection**  
Wednesday, September 8,  
10-11:30 a.m. (NR) 


**Mad Scientists Club,** Wednesday,  
September 8, 4:30-5:30 p.m. 


**MOVIE DISCUSSION:**  
*Sunset Boulevard*  
Wednesday, September 8, 6:30 p.m. 

**9 Hip, Hip, Hooray! It's Grandparents Day!**, Thursday,  
September 9, 10-10:45 a.m. 


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**11 Scoop Up a Good Read**  
at Capannari's, Saturday,  
September 11, noon-12:30 p.m. 


**12 Storytime Favorites at the Farmers' Market,** Sunday,  
September 12, 10-10:30 a.m. (NR) 


**13 MOVIE LOVERS CLUB: The Films of Director Tim Burton**  
Monday, September 13, 1 p.m. 


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**16 Regular Board Meeting,**  
Thursday, September 16, 7 p.m.

**17 COFFEE & CONVERSATION**  
Friday, September 17, 7:30 p.m. 


**18 Battle of the Bands at Capannari's,** Saturday,  
September 18, 2-5 p.m. (NR) 

**20 TREES & SEEDS INTERGENERATIONAL BOOK DISCUSSION**  
*The Saturdays* by Elizabeth Enright  
Monday, September 20, 6-7 p.m. 

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**24 BANNED BOOKS WEEK: Think for Yourself and Let Others Do the Same**  
Friday, September 24-Friday, October 1

**25 SUPER SATURDAY: Guitars of Spain,** Saturday, September 25,  
10:30-11:15 a.m. 





**Green Fair,** Saturday, September 25,  
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**26 BOOK CROSSING: Teen Discussion,** Sunday,  
September 26, 2-3 p.m. 

**27 eBay 101 Selling Basics**  
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**28 Floral Design: Create an Autumn Centerpiece,** Tuesday,  
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**29 Fall Classic Raffle**  
Wednesday, September 29-  
Sunday, October 10

Adult  Teen   
Youth  All Ages   
(NR) No registration necessary

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# OCTOBER



**1 Festival Night: Viva Brazil!**  
Friday, October 1, 7:30 p.m.  


**2 Storytime Favorites at Borders**  
Saturday, October 2, 11-11:30 a.m.  
(NR) 



**3 Chess for All Ages**  
Sunday, October 3, 2-4 p.m. 


**4 Foundation Fundraiser: An Inspiring Afternoon With Barbara Rinella**  
Monday, October 4, 1 p.m.  *\$18 fee*



**LinkedIn 201: Getting More Out of LinkedIn**  
Monday, October 4, 7 p.m. 

**5 Chile: Land of Intriguing Contrasts,** Tuesday, October 5,  
7:30 p.m.  

**6 FOOD FOR THOUGHT Book Discussion**  
*Pope Joan* by Donna Woolfolk Cross  
Wednesday, October 6, 1 p.m. (NR) 

**MOVIES @ MPPL: *Letters to Juliet***  
Wednesday, October 6, 7:30 p.m.  


**7 JUMP START YOUR BUSINESS: Top 15 Website Mistakes**  
Thursday, October 7, 8:30 a.m. 

**8 CREATE-A-CRAFT: Amazon Art**  
Friday, October 8, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.  
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**10 BOOK CROSSING: An Intercontinental Book Discussion**  
Sunday, October 10, 2 p.m. 

**Fall Classic Raffle—*Drawing***  
Sunday, October 10, 2:30 p.m.

**11 Fall II Storytime Lottery Begins**  
Monday, October 11


**CHAT & CHEW: Book Crossing — Two Books, One Discussion**  
Monday, October 11, 1-2 p.m. 



**12 Abraham Lincoln: Self-Made in America,** Tuesday,  
October 12-Tuesday, October 26


**Web Resources for Newshounds**  
Tuesday, October 12, 7 p.m. 

**The Amazing Amazon**  
Tuesday, October 12, 7:30 p.m.  

**13 Web Resources for Newshounds**  
Wednesday, October 13, 2 p.m. 

**MOVIE DISCUSSION: *Do the Right Thing***  
Wednesday, October 13, 6:30 p.m. 



**14 MOVIES @ MPPL: *Letters to Juliet*,** Thursday,  
October 14, 1 p.m.  

**15 COFFEE & CONVERSATION**  
Friday, October 15, 7:30 p.m. 



**16 Friends Book Sale,** Saturday,  
October 16, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.


**17 TEEN READ WEEK: Books With Beat,** Sunday,  
October 17-Saturday, October 23

**Friends Book Sale**  
Sunday, October 17, noon-4:30 p.m.

**18 BOOK VOYAGERS: Life in a Rainforest,** Monday, October 18,  
4:15-5:15 p.m.  

**eBay Advanced Selling**  
Monday, October 18, 7 p.m. 

**19 Adventure in Argentina,** Tuesday,  
October 19, 1:30 p.m.  

**20 COFFEE, BOOKS, & MORE Discussion, *The Tears of Autumn* by Charles McCarry,** Wednesday,  
October 20, 10 a.m. (NR) 



**Machu Picchu: Lost City of the Incas**  
Wednesday, October 20, 7:30 p.m.  


 Annual Cultural Series


**21 Fall II Storytime Lottery Ends**  
Thursday, October 21


**Regular Board Meeting**  
Thursday, October 21, 7 p.m.



**23 SUPER SATURDAY: Storybox—World Tales,** Saturday,  
October 23, 11-11:45 a.m.  

**24 Capoeira: Afro-Brazilian Dancing With a Touch of Martial Arts,** Sunday, October 24,  
2-3 p.m.  

**25 Google: Don't Just Search—Create Documents, E-mail, and More,** Monday, October 25, 7 p.m. 

**26 Polish Storytime—Polskie Bajki**  
Tuesday, October 26,  
10-10:30 a.m. 

**Paranormal 101: An Introduction for the Novice Ghost Hunter**  
Tuesday, October 26, 7:30 p.m. 

**27 Bossa Tres: Brazilian Concert**  
Wednesday, October 27,  
7:30 p.m.  

*Coming in November*  
**Creative Paper Crafts for the Holidays**  
**Tuesday, November 2, 7:30 p.m.**  
*\$10 fee*

# Youth Activities

(R) Registration required (NR) No registration necessary

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## Homeschool Connection

**Wednesday, September 8, 10-11:30 a.m.**



Start off the season right with the Homeschool Connection! Whether you're already homeschooling or just thinking about it, drop by MPPL to network with other homeschooling families. Learn about our valuable services and resources that can assist you with projects, research, and more, as well as Library programs to enhance or supplement your curriculum. Children are welcome. (NR)

## Hip, Hip, Hooray! It's Grandparents Day!

**Thursday, September 9, 10-10:45 a.m.**

• for children age 6 and under

Grab your grandmas and grandpas and bring them to this special storytime to celebrate just how much they mean to you. Together you'll listen to stories, sing songs, share snacks, and have a grand ol' time! (R)

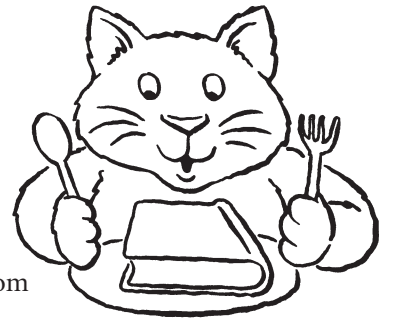


## Fun With Books!

### Open Storytime

**Tuesdays, 6:30-7 p.m., Wednesdays, 9:30-10 a.m., Fridays, 10:30-11 a.m.**

Children ages 6 and under and their families are invited to attend these 30-minute sessions that feature stories and songs. *An adult must accompany children under the age of three.* These sessions run from September 13 to October 22. (NR)



### Scoop Up a Good Read at Capannari's

**Saturday, September 11, noon-12:30 p.m.**

Don't miss this storytime for families at Capannari's, located at 10 S. Pine Street. Pizza, juice, and, of course, ice cream will be provided. *This session is limited to 30 attendees so be sure to register!* (R)

### Storytime Favorites

**Sunday, September 12, 10-10:30 a.m.**  
@ Farmers' Market

**Saturday, October 2, 11-11:30 a.m.**  
@ Borders Mount Prospect



Stop by and enjoy a family storytime featuring *The Napping House* by Audrey Wood and *Zee Is Not Scared* by Michel Gay plus favorite songs and rhymes. These books are part of Book Crossing, our intercontinental reading program with our Sister City, Sèvres, France. *An adult must accompany children under the age of 3.* (NR)

### Polish Storytime Polskie Bajki

**Tuesday, October 26, 10-10:30 a.m.**

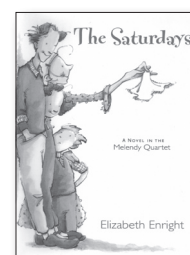
Enjoy a morning session of stories, songs, and rhymes presented primarily in Polish for children of all ages. *An adult must accompany children under the age of three.* (R)



## Trees & Seeds

**An Intergenerational Book Discussion**  
—for all ages

Parents, grandparents, and children are invited to dinner and a lively book discussion of a family story that makes a great read-aloud. Books are available at the Youth Services Desk. (R)



***The Saturdays* by Elizabeth Enright**  
**Monday, September 20, 6-7 p.m.**

Meet the Melendys! Tired of wasting Saturdays doing nothing but wishing for larger allowances, the four Melendys start the Independent Saturday Afternoon Adventure Club (I.S.A.A.C.). If they pool their resources and take turns spending the whole amount, each can have at least one memorable Saturday afternoon of his/her own. Before long, I.S.A.A.C. is in operation, and every Saturday is definitely one to remember.

## Chat & Chew: Book Crossing

—for 4th-6th graders



***Poor Little Witch Girl***  
by Marie Desplechin

***The Lightning Thief***  
by Rick Riordan



**Monday, October 11, 1-2 p.m.**  
Chew on some good food while chatting about two great books: *The Lightning*

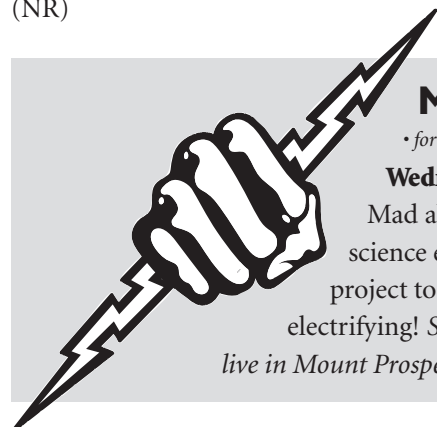
*Thief* and *Poor Little Witch Girl*. Would you rather be a Greek god or a witch? How are these books similar? How are they different? Join us for an hour talking about these books and participating in theme-related activities. Kids in France will also be reading the same books as part of Book Crossing, our intercontinental book discussion! *Books are available at the Youth Services Desk.* (R)

## Mad Scientists Club

• for 3rd-5th graders

**Wednesday, September 8, 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

Mad about science? Join us for fun hands-on science explorations and even create an amazing project to take home. Experiments this time will be electrifying! *Space in the lab is limited to 20 scientists who live in Mount Prospect—so register today!* (R)



## SUPER Saturday!

—for all ages

### Guitars of Spain

**Saturday, September 25, 10:30-11:15 a.m.**

The Guitars of Spain (Las Guitarras de España) is a world music ensemble with a "Spanish guitar twist." The group, which includes a singer, guitarist, percussionist, and dancer, will perform a fusion of Cuban Son, rumba, R&B, Latin-jazz, blues, and African percussion. The Guitars of Spain seeks to unite music, dance, travel, poetry, and culture while providing information about the music and dance. *This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month.* (R)

### Storybox—World Tales

**Saturday, October 23, 11-11:45 a.m.**

An original theatre performance brings funny, magical stories to life. Chicago Improv Festival Productions performs two folktales from Africa and South America with the creative use of long wooden sticks, multicolored cloths, and hand-held musical instruments. Get in on the act when the talented cast plays an improvisational storytelling game based on suggestions taken from the audience. *This program is sponsored by the Clough fund as part of the Library's Annual Cultural Series.* (R)

## Book Voyagers

—for 1st-3rd graders

*This group is for young adventurers who like to listen to stories, eat snacks, and participate in fun activities. Limited to 30 voyagers.* (R)

### Going Buggy

**Monday, September 13, 4:15-5:15 p.m.**

Let's find out what all the buzz is about in the world of insects.



### Life in a Rainforest

**Monday, October 18, 4:15-5:15 p.m.**

Come explore the beautiful sights and sounds of the rainforest and learn about some of nature's most colorful creatures. *This program is part of the Library's Annual Cultural Series.*

## Create-a-Craft

—for all ages

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



### Amazon Art

**Friday, October 8, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.**

Create your very own jungle of South American animals in honor of the Library's Annual Cultural Series.





# Teen Zone

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

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## Battle of the Bands @ CAPANNARI'S!



*Is yours the best band in Mount Prospect?* Find out at this musical competition. Bands will perform, judges

will score, and the crowd will have its say. So bring your friends and family to Moehling Park (where Lee DeWyze once played, next to Capannari Ice Cream) to help cheer on your band. Bands will perform one original song and one

If your band wants to participate, then you need to submit an application to Capannari's Ken Dix, [ken@capannaris.com](mailto:ken@capannaris.com), by September 1, 2010. All band members must be under the age of 21, and any member under the age of 18 must get parental permission. Sound board, speakers, microphones, and a sound tech will be provided.

**Saturday, September 18, 2-5 p.m.**

cover; top three bands on the leader board will play an additional song to determine a winner. (NR)



## TEEN READ WEEK: Books With Beat

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17-SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

Drop by MPPL during Teen Read Week to discover books with beat. A beat? As in a drum? What could we possibly mean by that? A good turn of phrase or well-crafted story

has its own beat—and how you package the words can also affect the beat. A well-performed audiobook has its own rhythm that sucks you into the storyline as much as the words themselves. Music is really poetry sung to a melody. The plots of movies are more powerful because of their soundtracks. All these “story” formats are available at your Library. Come check one out.



## 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. Aired daily at 2 p.m. and 10 p.m. on Comcast (channel 15) and WOW (channel 6).



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### September

MPPL Foundation Concert: The Four Bettys, Award-winning A Cappella Quartet

Click and Create: Computer Animation for Kids

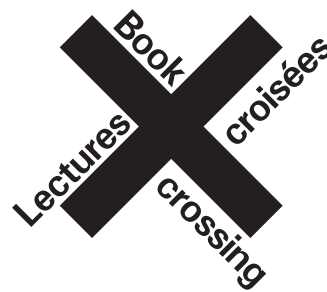
**SUPER Saturday!** Earthkeepers

### October

Storytime Favorites @ the Farmers' Market

Mad Scientist Club  
Sing Yourself Silly

*Features subject to change.*



## Book Crossing: Teen Discussion

**Sunday, September 26, 2-3 p.m.**

Did you enjoy *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins? Then try *Winter's End* by Jean-Claude Mourlevat. Both of these books are part of Book Crossing, the intercontinental book discussion with our Sister City, Sèvres, France. Come share your thoughts about these two books, and we will videotape the discussion to send to our friends in France. Want to get a peek at what the French teens are saying? Then read their comments on the joint blog: <http://sevres-associatif.fr/sevresmppl>. You don't have to read French. Just click the American flag for a Google



*Winter's End*  
by Jean-Claude Mourlevat

*The Hunger Games*  
by Suzanne Collins



transduction (French for translation), and you can see what they are saying in English. You are welcome to use the blog to communicate with your French counterparts as well. (R)

## Chess for All Ages



**Sunday, October 3, 2-4 p.m.**

Come to the Library for a special afternoon of open play chess. While a basic knowledge of the game is required, all ages and skill levels are invited. You supply the moves; we'll supply the chessboards. Refreshments will be served. *Children under age 9 must be accompanied by a responsible caregiver.* (R)

## Green Fair: Mark your calendar!

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**Scheduled participants** (partial list):

- ▼ NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION—information on how you can help protect wildlife in your own backyard, community, or school.
- ▼ THE GROVE NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK—learn about the delicate balance of wetland ecosystems.
- ▼ FRIENDSHIP PARK CONSERVATORY—take advantage of gardening programs and classes, including Master Gardener certification at this Mt. Prospect Park District facility
- ▼ U.S. GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL—understand sustainable residential choices, such as selecting green paint and “no-added-formaldehyde” kitchen cabinets.

The afternoon's entertainment will feature a concert by Jim Green, the Wandering Endorphin, playing the acoustic guitar.

Going green has its rewards—5 different green gift-bag prizes, including one specifically designed for children, will be raffled off during the fair. Receive one raffle ticket just for attending. Receive a second ticket for bringing one of the following items to be recycled:

eyeglasses, batteries, cell phones, athletic shoes, or bicycles.

### Quick green tips

- **Warm yourself, not the environment.** Put on a sweater. Every one degree you avoid in external heating (by keeping your thermostat down) will cut five percent from your heating bill.
- **Rechargers can be draining.** Unplug your rechargers when not in use. Leaving a recharger plugged into the power outlet means it could be drawing electricity all the time.
- **Don't mask odors.** Find the source of odors and fix them. Air fresheners, deodorizing sprays, and scented candles often contain alcohols, aldehydes, and other chemicals that can irritate eyes and respiratory systems. Open windows, sprinkle borax in the garbage can, and use partially filled dishes of vinegar to dispel odors.
- **Why buy when you can borrow?** Try borrowing seldom used items, such as power tools and camping gear, from family and friends. It takes a lot of energy to create something new when a perfectly good version is sitting, unused, in someone's garage. Libraries are also great lenders!

# The Foundation's Fall Classic Raffle

Wednesday, September 29-Sunday, October 10

Autumn kicks off in style at The Fall Classic Raffle, sponsored by the Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation, beginning Wednesday, September 29 and running through Sunday, October 10. The Fall Classic Raffle features twelve specialty theme baskets, each brimming with a bounty of fall favorites from football and fashion to tasty harvest treats.

The baskets will be displayed in

the Lobby for 12 days, giving everyone the opportunity to see the items firsthand. Purchase raffle tickets from a volunteer, or inquire at the Registration Desk. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. *Winners need not be present at the drawing to win.*

All proceeds from The Fall Classic Raffle benefit the Library's Foundation, which raises funds for special programming and events.



Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5 and are available for purchase September 29 through October 10. Drawing begins at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 10.

## FOUNDATION FUNDRAISING EVENT An Inspiring Afternoon With Barbara Rinella

Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation welcomes "academic entertainer" Barbara Rinella for her brand-new inspirational presentation that brings together the stories of two men, Andre Agassi and Greg Mortenson, whose life paths couldn't be more different but lead to the same conclusion: nothing has a greater impact on children's lives than the education they receive.

In his autobiography *Open*, Agassi, the famous tennis star with 8 Grand Slam titles over his 20-year pro career, takes an introspective look at his life. Agassi comes to understand that his lack of education has created difficulties on his journey, leading this successful tennis champion to focus his energy and means on the creation of a wonderful

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1 P.M.**

Tickets are \$18 and must be purchased at the Registration Desk by October 3 at 5 p.m.



Barbara Rinella

charter school for at-risk youth.

*Stones Into Schools* picks up where Mortenson's tale, *Three Cups of Tea*, left off as he attempts to bring schools to the isolated northeast corner of Afghanistan. This phase of Mortenson's crusade focuses on both the heroic efforts of a renegade group of men, with unrecognized and untapped talent, who became galvanized by the importance of girls' education and the triumphs of the young women who are now graduating from the schools.

This presentation, told in Rinella's

unique style, offers not only an uplifting account about the impact of a few impassioned individuals but also the opportunity to support the work of the Foundation, which sponsors Library programming and special events. Tickets are \$18 and must be purchased in person, in advance, at the Registration Desk by October 3 at 5 p.m. Payment must accompany registration. *No tickets will be available at the door on the day of the performance.*



## Friends Book Sale

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16**  
**9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17**  
**noon-4:30 p.m.**

Stock up on great books at bargain prices during the Friends of the Library's fall used book sale. Funds raised through the sale will help the Friends support additional Library programs, events, and services.

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