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News You Can Use!

Lansing Public Library now has **e-books!** You can download an e-book to your home computer, laptop, or PDA for free! We have about 200 titles available in a variety of subject areas! Visit our website for more information!

Are you registered to vote? Residents of suburban Cook County may register to vote at the Library! If you are not registered, if you have moved or if you will be 18 before Nov. 2, you need to register by Oct. 5 to be eligible to vote in the November Presidential Election!

Vacation Planning? Make the library your first stop! We have new travel guides!

Books from the **T. F. South Summer Reading lists** are available at the library. There is an easy link in the catalog under the "For Students" tab. You can check to see which titles are available or you can place a hold for titles that are checked out.

September is **National Library Card Sign-Up Month!** Get your library card today!

September 25-October 2, 2004 is **Banned Book Week.** [Details-page 3]

Teachers are always welcome to **schedule a class visit to the library.** With advance notice, we can prepare bibliographies and handouts to assist your

students and explain the resources the library offers. Students can have the opportunity to use the catalog and other resources with library staff available to answer questions and guide their research. Contact the Reference Dept. to schedule your visit.

Lansing Public Library and Friends of Lansing Public Library **accepts donations** of used adult and children's books, audio books and music for their Book Sales.

We are unable to accept donations of: Reader's Digest condensed books, Textbooks, Magazines, Encyclopedias over five years old, or Books with mold or mildew.

Book Sale
Saturday, July 10
10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Someone You Should Know...



William "Bill" Babcock has been the Executive Director of Lansing Public

Library for over nine years. His previous library positions have been at Lemont Public Library, Naperville Public Library and Markham Public Library. He received his Master of Library and Information Science Degree from Dominican University in 1983. In addition, he also holds a Bachelor of Music

Education Degree from Sherwood Music School and a Master of Music Degree from DePaul University. Currently he is working on a Doctorate in Business Administration at Argosy University. Bill is a member of the American Library Association Accreditation Team, which is the group that certifies library school programs. Bill enjoys gardening, woodworking and his two dogs, Cleopatra and Minuet. He is also the organist at his church.

Library Closed

We will be closed Monday, July 5, 2004 and Monday, September 6, 2004.

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Adult Programs & Services

July marks the beginning of our new **“Lunchtime Sleuths” book discussion!** Bring your sack lunch and discuss this month’s mystery selection! Pick up the book now at the Circulation Desk.

Remember, all of our monthly **book discussions** are open to anyone who has read the current selection.

It’s not too late to sign-up for **“Tales of Trails.”** Our **2004 Adult Summer Reading Program** continues through July 31. Read and enter to win fabulous prizes!



Mobile Driver Services Facility will visit the library July 16 from

9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in the Community Room. Services provided are: **Driver’s License renewal**, Identification Cards, **Vehicle plate renewal stickers**, corrected license, duplicate license, written examinations and vision screening. Call the Adult Services Dept. for more information on fees and acceptable identification.

University of Illinois Extension **gardening** power-point/teleconference programs continue. Each lecture is by an expert in the field. **Butterfly Gardening:** July 1 at 7 p.m.; **Lawn Care:** Sept. 7 at 1 p.m.; **Small Fruits for the Home Garden:** Sept. 21 at 1 p.m. Register to reserve your handouts.

Registration is going on now for all adult programs in this issue!

Reserve your seat early!

Our popular **“Purls of Wisdom” Knitting & Crochet Circle** resumes in September. Check with the library for dates & times.

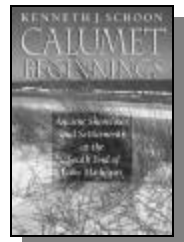
Lansing Police Officer Aaron Barnes continues to present a series of **crime prevention programs**. Upcoming topics are **Mail & Telemarket Fraud:** July 30 at 10:00 a.m.; **Identity Theft:** Aug. 26 at 10:00 a.m.; **[to be announced]:** Sept. 24 at 10:00 a.m.



We’re excited to announce an **armchair travel series** of slide-lectures! Dr. Phyllis Kozlowski will present **China for Armchair Tourists:** July 26 at 7 p.m.; **Pullman: Its Past and Its Future:** Aug. 23 at 7 p.m.; **Egypt: Land of the Pharaohs:** Sept. 1 at 7:00 p.m.

Reserve your seat now for the slide lecture **Calumet Beginnings: Regional History From the Ground Up** Sept. 9 at 7:00 p.m. Ancient beach on Ridge Road, a Revolutionary War battle on the beach of Lake Michigan, Spanish invasion along Sauk Trail, Bailly’s trading post on the Little Calumet River, and more!

Presented by **Ken Schoon, author of Calumet Beginnings: Regional History from the Ground Up.**



Dr. Schoon’s book was featured on the PBS program *South of Chicago: Suburbs, Steel Mills, Shoreline.*

Register for Adult Programs at the Circulation Desk, Adult Services Desk, or call 474-2447, ext. 120.

Book Discussion Selections

July 12 — *The Protector* by Dee Henderson 10:30 a.m.
July 21 — Thrillers 6:30 p.m.
July 27 — *The Mysterious Death of Meriwether Lewis* by Ron Burns 11:30 a.m.
Aug. 3 (10:30 a.m.) and **Aug. 4** (7 p.m.) — *Stone Heart* by Diane Glancy
Aug. 9 — *It Had To Be You* by Linda Windsor 10:30 a.m.
Aug. 18 — *Mystery Goes on Vacation* 6:30 p.m.
Aug. 24 — *Murder at Wrigley Field* by Troy Soos 11:30 a.m.

Sept. 7 (10:30 a.m.) and **Sept. 8** (7 p.m.) — *Back When We Were Grownups* by Anne Tyler
Sept. 13 — Everybody reads...Miss Read 10:30 a.m.
Sept. 15 — *No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith 6:30 p.m.
Sept. 28 — *Woman in the Dark* by Dashiell Hammett 11:30 a.m.

Friends

Friends of Lansing Public Library Meetings are from 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. in the Community Room.
 July 12, 2004
 August 2, 2004
 September 13, 2004

Mark your calendar for the Friends of Lansing Public Library **Book Sale** July 10 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Visit our website for more details on upcoming programs!

www.lansing.lib.il.us



Teen Scene (6th-12th Grades)

Summer Reading is going on now through Aug. 7, (grades 6 & up). If you haven't signed up, stop by the Library and do so. Read each week to earn cool prizes!

New for 2004! This year the state of Illinois announced a new reader's choice award for high school students, called the **Abraham Lincoln Award**. This award is similar to the Rebecca Caudill award for middle school students but for readers in grades 9-12. Come in and check some out so you can vote for your favorite this winter! If you're interested, ask for details in our Young Adult department!

Random Reads Book Discussions are open to teens who have read the book. Visit the library to pick up a copy of the book! July 13 at 7:00 p.m. discuss *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* (grades 7 & up); Aug. 17 at 7:00 p.m. discuss

Stuck in Neutral (grades 8 & up); Sept. 7 at 7:00 p.m. discuss *Life of Pi* (grades 9 & up).

Upcoming teen programs include: **Ice Cream Social** (all ages) on July 21 from 2-4 p.m.; **Montana Mysteries** (grade 6 & up) **July 29 at 10:30 a.m.** We'll talk about ghost stories, ghost towns & make a project. *Advance registration required. Sign-up begins July 1.* **Oregon...Or Else!** (grade 6 & up) **Aug. 19 at 10:30 a.m.** Play a pioneering game & make a project. *Advance registration required. Sign-up begins Aug. 9.* The annual **Battle of the Books** (grades 6-8) is a game-show style competition where teams compete to find out who knows more about this year's Rebecca Caudill nominees!

Aug. 9 from 6-8 p.m. *Advance registration required.* Stop by the Young Adult Department for more info on everything happening!

Banned Book Week

Elect to Read a Banned Book! Celebrate your freedom to read what YOU choose.

Visit our displays of books that have been challenged over the years.

Adult Services will give away 10 books that have been challenged or banned. Entry forms will be available Sept. 20-25.

Young Adult Services and **Youth Services** patrons can enter a drawing to win a banned book by checking out a challenged or banned book.

For more information, visit the Teen & Young Adult Dept. or call 474-2447, ext. 119.

Youth Programs & Services

Youth Services is busy!

Fall Story times resume in September. Please visit the website or call us for ages, dates & times!

"Discover the Reading Trail," our **2004 Youth Summer Reading Program** continues! Sign-up through July 24. Valid library card required to sign-up.

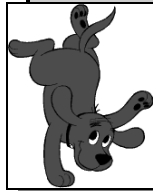
Registration is required for many summer events. We have a lot planned this summer, be sure to **visit the library or our website for more details on times, appropriate ages, and advance registration.** Upcoming events include: **Summer Storytimes; Grant Fitch: July 7; Explore the States Programs**-Learn about the 11 states Lewis & Clark traveled

through; **Get Discovered Reading:** July 11-17; **Ice Cream Social:** July 21; and **Lunch Bunch Book Discussions !** Full details when you sign-up for **Discover the Reading Trail!**

We will also conduct a **food drive** for Lansing Food Pantry.

In honor of National Library Card Sign-Up Month, **celebrate having a library card** with fun for the whole family! We'll have various activities, stories and a visit from a favorite children's book character. Sept. 28 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. *Most activities are geared at the preschool through second grade child, but there will be fun for all.* So get carded @ Lansing Public Library!

1/2 Price Scholastic



Book Fair

through

July 30

Hours

vary.

All teachers preschool through high school are invited to our **Teacher Breakfast** July 27 at 8 a.m. The Scholastic Book Fair will be open for your convenience. Come and let us know how we can work together to assist you and your students!

For more information, visit the Youth Services Department or call 474-2447.

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Reference Services & InterLibrary Loan, Ext. 109
Teen & Young Adult Services, Ext. 119
Youth Services, Ext. 112

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Saturday 9:00 a.m. -4:50 p.m.

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Treasured Titles

Lansing Public Library would like to recognize recent donations to the library collection. Thank you!

Denise Cox donated *Voices of Valor: D-Day: June 6, 1944* by Douglas Brinkley. A \$100 donation from Lansing Woman's Club was used to purchase: *Founding Mothers: the Women Who Raised Our Nation* by Cokie Roberts, *The Lost Pet Chronicles* by Kat Albrecht, *Aunt Dimity Snowbound* by Nancy Atherton, *The Forest Lover* by Susan Vreeland and *PS, I Love You* by Cecelia Ahern.

A \$400 donation to Friends from Lansing Lions was used to purchase audio books: *Guardian of the Horizon* by Elizabeth Peters, *In the Moon of Red Ponies* by James Lee Burke, *Kill the Messenger* by Tami Hoag, *Little Scarlet* by Walter Mosley, *Lost City* by Clive Cussler,

"R" is for Ricochet by Sue Grafton, *Sam's Letters to Jennifer* by James Patterson, *Second Chance* by Danielle Steel, *Taking* by Dean Koontz, *Ten Big Ones* by Janet Evanovich, and *Words of Silk* by Sandra Brown.

We were also awarded a \$400 grant from Suburban Area Agency on Aging, used to purchase: *101 Secrets for a Great Retirement* by Mary Helen Smith, *Ageless: Take Control of Your Age* by Edward Schneider, *Alzheimer's Early Stages* by Daniel Kuhn, *Caring for Aging Loved Ones* by Focus on the Family, *Complete Eldercare Planner* by Joy Loverde, *Eldercare for Dummies* by Rachelle Zukerman, *Encyclopedia of Alzheimer's Disease* by Elaine Moore, *Facing Your Fifties* by Gordon Ehlers, *Fantastic Discounts & Deals for Anyone Over 50!* by Janet Groene, *Financial Planning for Couples* by Adriane Berg, *The Forgetting: Alzheimer's*, *Portrait of an*

Epidemic by David Shenk, *Healthy Transitions* by Neil Shulman, *How to Retire Happy, Wild, and Free* by Ernie Zelinski, *Johns Hopkins Medical Guide to Health After 50* by Simeon Margolis, *Joy of Not Working* by Ernie Zelinski, *Learning to Speak Alzheimer's* by Joanne Coste, *My Time* by Abigail Trafford, *Quality of Life* by Janet Lembke, *Retire on Less Than You Think* by Fred Brock, *Retirement on a Shoestring* by John Howells, *Slow Your Clock Down* by Judith Reichman, *Social Security, Medicare & Government Pensions* by Joseph Matthews, *Talking to Alzheimer's* by Claudia Strauss, *We're Not in Kansas Anymore* by Walter Updegrave, *3rd Degree* by James Patterson, *Cat Who Talked Turkey* by Lillian Jackson Braun.

If you would like to make a donation to the library, please contact the Adult Services Dept. or call 474-2447, ext. 120