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Lisle Lit Fest is November 15



Join us for "Lisle Lit Fest" on Saturday, November 15 from 2 - 4 p.m. Several local authors will describe their recently published books and the process of getting them from idea to published work. If you're an aspiring author, don't miss this discussion and question and answer session! The authors may make books available to purchase.

We will also be announcing the winner of our "Lisle Lit Fest" Essay Contest sponsored by Lisle Savings Bank. A panel of Lisle community members has selected a winner and two runners-up to be honored during the event. Don't miss this celebration of local writing talent!

6th Annual Business Partnerships a Success!

Forty-four businesses and nonprofits offered discounts to Lisle Library cardholders in September as part of the "I Love My Lisle Library Card" program. Five new businesses signed on to be part of the program this year. Many of these businesses also donated prizes for our Ready, Set, Go! open house in August. More than 240 residents registered for new Library cards and over 140 renewed their cards in September. Thanks to all for helping us celebrate National Library Card Sign-Up Month!



The Library will be closed:

November 27 (Thanksgiving)

December 24 (Christmas Eve)

December 25 (Christmas Day)

December 31 (New Year's Eve)

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Library Hours

Monday-Friday: 9:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday: 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday: 1-5 p.m.

Holiday closings are posted on lislelibrary.org.

Board of Trustees

Richard Flint, President Jay French, Vice President John Huff, Secretary Colleen Sehy, Treasurer Richard Adrian, Trustee Thomas Hummel, Trustee Maureen Rieck, Trustee

Board of Trustees meetings are held at 7:30 p.m., the second Wednesday of every month and are open to the public.

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Newsletter published bi-monthly.

If you are in need of an accommodation for a disability for a program or event, please contact us.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Greetings and Happy Holidays from the Lisle Library District!

2014 has seen much forward progress and many initiatives. In late May we reversed the direction of traffic flow in our parking lot and created new parking spaces for lowmobility patrons, increasing safety and convenience. In early June, our public art display space, Gallery 777, opened with exhibitions from three local artists; new exhibitions are displayed every two months. Our popular "Chess Mondays" chess club, which started in July, has had more than 20 attendees each session – we're happy to meet the needs of the many Lisle chess afficianados! Our Youth Services department inaugurated "Monday Fundays," which focus on events for grade schoolers, as well as their regular morning storytimes for toddlers.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Thank you for all you do to support the library, its mission and vision.

Richard Flint, President, Board of Trustees

Literacy/ESL Software Available



Learn English or brush up on your reading skills by using the software in our Literacy Room. Two computers have programs such as Job Help, Reading Horizons, Rosetta Stone (beginner through advanced), Tell Me More, English 1,2,3,4, Pronunciation Pairs and more. There is no registration required to use the programs. Computers are available on a first come, first served basis.

Mary Paliga, "ESL for You!" teacher (top right) helps Tony Chen (bottom right) and Lanying Gao (center) practice their English skills using our literacy computer.

Looking for other ways to improve your English skills at the Library?

- "ESL for You!" classes on Monday nights from 6:30 - 8 p.m. and on Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon.

> Mondays: November 3, 17; December 1, 15 Saturdays: November 1, 15, 29; December 6, 20

- English Conversation Group, led by Literacy DuPage tutor Jane Cox, every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month from 10:00 a.m. - noon.

For more information:

Contact Jean Demas, Adult Literacy Librarian, at literacy@lislelibrary.org or 630-971-1675, ext. 1002.

• WHAT'S NEW •

Books Donated to Lisle Township



(From left) Katharine Seelig and Paul Hurt of the Lisle Library District, Debbie Brown of Costco, Valerie Haug of Haug Chiropractic and Audrey Kast and Joe Konopacki of Insight Property Services present two baskets of donated books to Laura Pantaleo and Lois Biggins of Lisle Township.

"City Dog, Country Frog," "Eleanor and Park," and "Where's Walrus" were just a few of the new books donated by eight Lisle-area businesses to Lisle Township. These books, processed by the Lisle Library, will benefit Lisle youth served by the Lisle Township Food Pantry and General Assistance Programs. The idea for the collaboration grew out of the annual "I Love My Lisle Library Card" program, which celebrates National Library Card Sign-Up Month each September.

The businesses that contributed to this effort included: Choice Eye Care, Costco, Gonda & Moore, D.D.S., Hand-N-Paw, Haug Chiropractic, Holistic Health Care Centers, The Nook, and Insight Property Services.

In September, the books were presented to Lois Biggins, Director of the Lisle Township Food Pantry. Thanks to all who participated. Happy reading!

What's new at Gallery 777?



October/November: Studies in Surrealism, oil paintings and pastels by Stephanie Boesso



December/January: *Transformations in Printmaking and Collage*, by Nancy L. Staszak

A sampling of **what's new** at Lisle Library. To find all new titles, go to lislelibrary.org. Click on the "New Materials" link under the "New and Notable" menu.

FICTION BOOKS

Florence Gordon by Brian Morton
The Paying Guests by Sarah Waters
Big Little Lies by Liane Moriarty*
Queen Bee Goes Home Again
by Haywood Smith
Rooms by Lauren Oliver



NON-FICTION BOOKS

Cosby: His Life and Times by Mark Whitaker Fire Shut Up in My Bones by Charles M. Blow This Changes Everything by Naomi Klein After Lincoln by A. J. Langguth



YOUTH SERVICES BOOKS

Penelope Crumb is Mad at the Moon by Shawn K. Stout Where I Belong by Mary Downing Hahn One Tough Chick by Leslie Margolis Anna's Heaven by Stian Hole Mr. Frank by Irene Luxbacher



AUDIOBOOKS

The Golem of Hollywood by Jonathan Kellerman and Jesse Kellerman Eden in Winter by Richard North Patterson The Good Girl by Mary Kubica Her Last Whisper by Karen Robards Don't Try to Find Me by Holly Brown



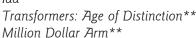
CDs

747 by Lady Antebellum 1989 by Taylor Swift Partners by Barbara Streisand Bulletproof Picasso by Train Big Revival by Kenny Chesney



DVDs

Godzilla** The Rover** Ida**





VIDEO GAMES

NHL 15 Destiny NAtURAL DOCtRINE FIFA 15



^{*} Large Print Available **Blu-Ray Available

• ADULTS •

Register for all programs and classes online through the calendar at lislelibrary.org or by calling 630-971-1675.

Adult Craft: Simple Holiday Gift Ideas

Wednesday, November 12, 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Meeting Room A

Do you wait until the last minute to buy gifts? Have a hard-to-shopfor friend? This year, give something handmade! Come learn how to make simple and unique DIY gifts with a personal touch. We'll learn to make photo transfers, natural air fresheners, custom packaging, and more!

Chess Openings: A Global Introduction

Thursday, November 20, 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Meeting Room A



Learn the basics of a variety of effective chess openings. We'll review opening principles and talk about resources for further improvement. Openings to be reviewed: Italian, Spanish and Scotch Games, the Scandinavian, French, Sicilian

and Russian Defenses. We'll also briefly look at the Budapest, Slav and Dutch Defenses, along with the Catalan, the Danish Gambit, and the London System. Our globetrotting wouldn't be complete without a glance at the Polish Opening and the English Opening... So pack your bags -- let's go!

Reducing Stress Through Meditation

Tuesday, December 2, 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Meeting Room A/B

The scientific community has recently been exploring the use of meditation as a healing modality. Join Michael Ribet, meditation expert and International Human Unity Conference delegate, as he discusses the extraordinary effect of meditation to reduce stress-related responses, improve concentration, and enhance clarity of thought. He will also present a simple, yet powerful meditation technique that can enrich one's life both personally and professionally and help with seasonal stress.

Adult Craft: Winter Bird Feeders

Tuesday, December 9, 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Meeting Room B



Many people associate bird feeders with warm weather, but winter is a great time to help birds because food is scarce. Feeders not only provide essential nourishment for birds, they also provide people with colorful entertainment during drab winter months. Come learn how to make a variety of ornamental bird feeders using pines cones and cookie cutters.

Computer Classes:

Technology Tutors: One-on-One Help

Tuesday, November 18, 2 - 4 p.m. | Meeting Room B

Need help attaching a file in email, obtaining driving directions with Google maps, or uploading a photo in Facebook? We can help! Adult Services now offers one-on-one sessions for basic computer questions. Our librarians can assist computer users with basic Microsoft Office questions, internet searching, and utilizing e-mail. You must register for a 30 minute session on a computer topic of your choice. (Call 630-971-1675 and ask for Jen Ohzourk ext. 1506 or Elizabeth Hopkins ext. 1504.) If you reach voice mail, please leave your name and number and tell us what your computer challenge is and what you would like to learn. We will assess your needs, and register you for a convenient session time.

Please note - these sessions are for basic computer/searching questions only. We cannot troubleshoot or repair malfunctioning devices. Patrons must use the provided library laptops, not personal devices, during each session.

Facebook for Beginners

Tuesday, December 9, 2 - 3 p.m. | Meeting Room B

Are you brand new to Facebook and looking to create your own account? Join us as we cover creating a Facebook profile, finding Facebook friends, understanding the Facebook homepage and your personal timeline, uploading photos, and adjusting privacy settings. *Please note - a current email account is required.*

Résumé and Cover Letters: Best Practices

Tuesday, December 16, 7 - 8:00 p.m. | Meeting Room B

Looking for tips on how to make your résumé and cover letter stand out in a positive way? Are you wondering how to make the best first impression on a potential employer? This class will show you the basics of crafting a resume and cover letter using Microsoft Word, as well as providing research tips on job searching.

"Chess Mondays"



Now starting at 6:00 p.m.! Our Chess Mondays are so popular that we've extended programming through the end of December. We will continue our drop-in, open sessions on Mondays from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. Players of all

ages and levels are welcome to come and play! Please check our web calendar for full details or contact Jen Ohzourk (ohzourkj@lislelibrary.org) for more information.

• ADULTS •

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Senior Spotlight

Each month, the Library features enriching and helpful programs specifically for our seniors. Suggestions and topics of interest are welcome.



Yoga for Seniors

Thursday, November 6, Noon - I p.m. | Meeting Room A/B

Instruction will include posture sequences in which relaxation/meditation and stretching techniques are introduced. Just about anyone can practice yoga because there is an emphasis on advancing gradually, sensibly, and safely. Instructor Jean Graham brings over 10 years of practice and teaching along with advanced studies in Yoga History at University of Chicago.

Improve Your Memory with Dr. Burton L. Fischman

Thursday, December 4, 2 - 3:30 p.m. | Meeting Room A/B

The ability to remember well is critical to success in almost everything we do. Dr. Burton L. Fischman will help you and boost your confidence by learning memory improvement strategies! Discover the magic of mnemonics -- methods and systems for improving your memory. Learn techniques to help you retain information more readily—including numbers, names, and faces.

Lyric Opera Community Lecture Series

As the Lyric Opera begins its 2014-2015 season, the Library invites you to learn about the various operas being performed this season.

The series gives an overview of the story, biographical information about the composer and librettist, and musical highlights. Whether you are a season ticket holder, an opera lover, or a novice who just wants to learn more, this series is for you!



Porgy and Bess

Tuesday, November 4, 7-8:30 p.m. | **Meeting Room B** Porgy and Bess is the great American opera — bursting with iconic songs that have moved easily into the worlds of jazz and pop, becoming hits again for generation after generation.

Anna Bolena

Tuesday, November 25, 7 – 8:30 p.m. | Meeting Room B



Anne Boleyn may be Queen of England, but she doesn't stand a chance. Henry VIII wants her gone — with Jane Seymour taking her place on the throne and in his bed. And Henry's minions do the dirty work, finding "proof" of Anne's infidelities. Donizetti exploits all of the glories of the human voice in this bel canto gem and trail-blazes with a theatricality that

hadn't been seen in opera before.

Book and Film Groups

Titles available at Reference Desk

Booked for the Day

"flislelibrary.org/bookedfortheday Covering fiction, nonfiction and classics

Mondays, 11 a.m., Meeting Room B

November 3: *The Sibling Effect* by Jeffrey Kluger December 1: *The Rosie Project* by Graeme Simsion

Fixed on Fiction

*dislelibrary.org/fixedonfiction

Primarily fiction - contemporary/historical/classics

Thursdays, 7 p.m., Meeting Room B

November 13: And the Mountains Echoed by Khaled Hosseini

December 11: Justine by Lawrence Durrell

Just the Facts Nonfiction

*Blislelibrary.org/justthefacts

Discuss nonfiction, including history and memoirs

Wednesdays, 7 p.m., Group Study Room

November 12: Quiet The Power of Introverts in a World that Can't Stop Talking by Susan Cain

December 10: The World's Strongest Librarian by Josh Hanargarne

Murder Among Friends Mystery

'd lislelibrary.org/murderamongfriends Variety of mysteries; often with author call-ins/appearances

Thursdays, 7 p.m., Meeting Room B November 20: A Deeper Darkness by J.T. Ellison December 11: Last Rituals by Yrsa Sigurdardottir

Science Fiction/Fantasy

fislelibrary.org/sciencefictionfantasy
SciFi plus fantasy equals a very lively group

Wednesdays, 7 p.m., Meeting Room B November 19: Lock In by John Scalzi

December 17: The Bone Season by Samantha Shannon

Just Between Frames Film Group

fislelibrary.org/justbetweenframes

Current and classic movies for film lovers 17 and up

Mondays, 6 p.m., Meeting Room B November 24: Night of the Iguana December 15: Beat the Devil

YOUTH AND TEEN PROGRAMS

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Storytimes for Young Children

This Fall Storytime session runs from **November 4 – December 11.** Registration is now open for each six week session. Space is limited.

Little Movers & Shakers, Ages 6-24 months

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Meeting Room A

Toddler Storytime, Ages 2-4

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Meeting Room A/B

Preschool Storytime, Ages 3-6

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. YS Activity Room

Special Event: Thanksgiving Storytime

Tuesday November 25, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. Meeting Room A/B Before you celebrate Thanksgiving with your family, celebrate with us! We are having a Thanksgiving themed storytime with stories, songs, and a craft. For ages 2-5. No registration necessary.

Special Event: Holiday Hop

Tuesday December 16, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. Meeting Room A/B While storytime sessions are on a break, we will dance, wiggle, and shake to some hoppin' holiday tunes -- be sure to wear your dancin' shoes! For ages 2-5. No registration necessary.

Kids Programs & Events

Monday Fundays

A Traditional Thanksgiving

Monday, November 3, 4 - 5 p.m. | Meeting Room A/B

The first Thanksgiving was very different from the holiday we celebrate today! Our program today will include traditional fall crafts, food and games from the time of the Pilgrims arrival in America. Please advise staff of any food allergies. For grades K-5. Registration required.

Matisse Masterpiece

Monday, November 10, 4 - 5 p.m. | Meeting Room A/B



Create a brilliant, colorful cut-out collage using nothing but paper, scissors and glue. We'll learn about the French artist Henri Matisse, a colorful dreamer who "painted" with colored paper – he

called it "drawing with scissors." For grades K-5. Registration required.

Bugs!

Monday, November 17, 4 - 5 p.m. | Meeting Room A/B



Ladybugs and spiders and butterflies -- oh my! Examine real spider specimens, make your own bug catcher out of recycled materials, and learn more about our favorite insect friends! For grades K-5. Registration required.

iPad Art

Monday, November 24, 4 - 4:45 p.m. | Meeting Room A

We will be exploring and creating digital art through fun and educational iPad apps. You will even get the chance to see one of your drawings come to life as a 3D animation! iPads provided. For grades K-5. Registration required.

Snow Much Fun!

Monday, December I, 4 - 5 p.m. | Meeting Room A/B

Get ready for some good old fashioned winter fun—no gloves or hat required! Join us for icy experiments, wintery treats, cool crafts, and more! For grades K-5. Registration required.

Science Saturdays

Mad Scientists

Saturday, November 1, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m | Meeting Room B



Science involves trial and error and even some mishaps! So, be a Mad Scientist for a day and perform experiments that stretch the mind and the imagination. Changing matter physically and chemically has never been so much fun! For grades 3-6. Registration required.

Sink or Swim

Saturday, December 6, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. | Meeting Room B

What makes some things float while others sink? This and other pressing questions about buoyancy will be answered today when we put several materials to the test! For grades 3-6. Registration required.

Special Programs

Pokémon Club

Wednesdays, November 5, 19 & December 3, 17, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. YS Activity Room

Do you think you have what it takes to be the best? Join other aspiring trainers at our Pokémon Club! We will play a few Pokémon themed games and play both the card and video games. Play, trade, and meet some other trainers! For grades I-6. No registration necessary.

YOUTH AND TEEN PROGRAMS

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Mario Kart Tournament

Fridays, November 14 and December 12, 4:30 - 6 p.m. | Meeting Room B

Think you've got what it takes to be Lisle's best Mario Kart Racer? Enter and compete for the title. This game is rated E. Ending times for this event may vary by up to 15 minutes. For grades 2-6. No registration necessary.



Tutoring with the Benet National Honor Society

Every Tuesday from 3:30 - 5 p.m. | YS Activity Room

K-8 students! Come into youth services any Tuesday for free homework help with tutors from the Benet High School National Honor Society. Tutoring services are free and do not require any preregistration.

NaNoWriMo

Thursdays, November 6, 13, 20, 6:30 - 8 p.m. | YS Activity Room

Need some space to work on your novel? We will have a distraction free room set up for our NaNoWriMo participants to use and do all we can to help you reach your word count goal by the end of the month. For grades 2-12. No registration required.

Instagram Photo Challenge

November 3-7



Participate in the first EVER Lisle Library Instagram Photo Challenge. During November 3-7, visit @lislelibrary on Instagram to find out the daily challenge. For more information and the rules, visit the Front Street Teen Blog

and click on Teen Programs, or ask at either the Youth Services or Adult Services Reference Desk. No Instagram? No problem! Send your photos to tab@lislelibrary.org

YA Thursdays

Improv Workshop

Thursday, November 6, 3:30 - 5 p.m. | Meeting Room A/B

Do you enjoy theater, but hate memorizing lines? Do you ever wish that you could just make up your own stories instead of watching someone else's? Then Improv might be for you! Join us for a workshop where absolutely everything is made up. For 6th grade and up. Registration required

Let's Makey Makey Music!

Thursday, November 13, 3:30 - 5 p.m. | Meeting Room B

Let's make some music together—no instruments required. Come learn how to play the drums on tinfoil, or learn to play a guitar solo using bananas! Don't think it's possible? Come find out how it works. For 6th grade and up. Registration required.

Books & Bites

Thursday, November 20, 3:30 - 5 p.m. | Meeting Room B

Books and Food. Is there a better combination? Come talk about the books you are reading and then learn how to make (and then eat) some quick bites! For 6th grade and up. Registration required.

DIY Gifts

Thursday, December 4, 3:30 - 5 p.m. | Meeting Room B

Take a break from your homework and learn how to make your own gifts, and wrap them too! For 6th grade and up. Registration required.

Lets Makey Makey Movies!

Thursday, December 11, 3:30 - 5 p.m. | Meeting Room B

Let's make an animated movie using Makey, Makey! Learn the basics of animation and then record stories of your very own. For 6th grade and up. Registration required.

DIY Hot Chocolate & No-Bake Cookies

Thursday, December 18, 3:30 - 5 p.m. | Meeting Room A/B

It's cold outside! Learn how to make Hot Chocolate and No-Bake Cookies, they are sure to help you warm up! For 6th grade and up. Registration required.

Teen Programs & Events

lislelibrary.org/frontstreetteens

Magic the Gathering

Wednesdays, November 5-December 17, 6:30 - 8 p.m. Teen Study Room

Are you looking for somewhere to play Magic? The Group Study Room by the Graphic Novels and Teen section will be reserved for Magic the Gathering on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Bring your cards and meet other Magic fans (LLD does not supply cards, you must bring your own).

Teen DIY: Alternative Gift Wrapping

Tuesday, November 18, 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Meeting Room A

Try using alternative gift wrapping ideas this year – customized envelopes, printable gift tags, and unique wrapping paper make giving and receiving gifts much more fun! Come see how easy it is to personalize your gifts.

Teen Advisory Board

Friday, November 7 and December 5, 6:30 - 8 p.m. Meeting Room A

The Teen Advisory Board provides insight into current practices and makes recommendations on services that directly affect the young adults in our library community. New teens are always welcome to

Teen Finals Week at the Lisle Library

ROOM TO STUDY! We have space reserved for you - as well as light snacks during Finals Week in December. See our web calendar for days/times/areas.



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The Twangtown Paramours in Concert

Sunday, November 23 at 2 p.m. | Meeting Room A/B

The music of The Twangtown Paramours has been called "Sophisticated Americana", and is a hybrid of the Nashville and Austin music scenes. This acoustic duo is known for their well-crafted and award-winning songs, top-notch lead singing, and fine harmonies. They have opened for Joe Ely, Claire Lynch, Jimmie Dale Gilmore, Carrie Newcomer, and Kim & Reggie Harris. Their songs were and can still be heard on over 70 Americana, Folk, and independent Country radio stations world-wide.



The Bittersweet Christmas Band in Concert

Sunday, December 14 at 2 p.m. | Meeting Room A/B

The holidays are a mixed bag and so is the Bittersweet Christmas Band! From Thanksgiving through December 25th, traditional artists Phil Cooper, Kate Early and Margaret Nelson join forces with songwriter and "wise" woman Susan Urban for a show that presents every possible perspective on the holiday season from the reverent to the ridiculous. Two to four-part harmonies and masterful instrumentation on guitar, banjo, mountain dulcimer, hand drum and other percussion instruments make the Bittersweet Christmas Band an act not to be missed!



Bill Helmuth presents Christmas in the Holy Land

Thursday, December 18 at 7 p.m. | Meeting Room A/B

World traveler Bill Helmuth takes you on a remarkable journey to the Christian Holy Land following the footsteps of lesus from Nazareth to Bethlehem and finally to Jerusalem, where He died and Christianity was born. You will visit all of the significant sites that define the Christian Religion and gave a basis for a Faith that today numbers over 2,000,000,000 worldwide.

