

# NEWSLETTER

# Westchester Public Library

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## Is Your Library Card Ready for School?

September is Library Card Signup Month and a good reminder for parents and students to make sure each student's library card is up-to-date and clear of fines or fees. A library card is a powerful school supply that enables the student to use computers at the Library, chat with a live tutor online via **Live Homework Help**, access our many databases from home or school, and borrow materials here or at a neighboring library.

## Macy's Museum Adventure Pass

Beginning in September, the popular zoo passes will be retired and the Library will join other suburban libraries in offering Macy's new Museum Adventure Pass program. The Museum Adventure Pass program provides free passes to 17 museums and cultural institutions throughout the Chicago metropolitan area, including Brookfield Zoo. We will have a limited number of passes for each organization, all available on a first-come, first-serve basis (no phone or online reservations accepted). Passes will be available for checkout at the reference desks in the Adult and Youth Departments.

A patron can check out one pass per 7-day loan period. Each pass is good for one-time use for the designated museum (sorry, it's not transferrable). See the website for details, since admission offers and conditions vary by museum: [www.museumadventure.org](http://www.museumadventure.org). (For example, the Brookfield Zoo pass admits 2—the Morton Arboretum pass admits 4.)

This program is made available through a generous contribution from Macy's, the participating cultural institutions, and the Metropolitan, DuPage and North Suburban Library Systems.

## Playaways A Perfect Fit for Kids

The Library is rolling out a new collection of Playaways this September to encourage more recreational reading among kids. Studies have shown reading has a positive impact on a child's school performance and language skills. Children adapt to technology like fish to water and Playaways offer a "cool" way for kids to enjoy books. Playaways are pre-loaded digital audiobooks, with each book fitting in a small, portable, battery-operated player. Kids use their own headphones or ear buds for this popular format.

## November Special in Honor of Veterans

The Library is proud to help launch the opening of the **Moving Wall** exhibit coming to Westchester in November. The **Moving Wall** is a half sized replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, DC and will be on display at Mayfair Park, November 5-9.

On opening night, **November 5**, the Library will host "**War Correspondent in Viet Nam with a Camera**" at the exhibit site in Mayfair Park at 7:00 pm. Roger Mattingly was an Army publications photographer from 1970-1971 and will share his unique collection of photographs taken during the war.

Bringing the **Moving Wall** to Westchester began several years ago as the brainchild of Gary Kasanders and Tom Sullivan of the Veterans Day Run Committee. Since then, the project has garnered support from the Village, the Westchester Park District, the Chamber of Commerce, the Library and other organizations throughout the community. News updates regarding the exhibit and related activities can be found on the Westchester Chamber of Commerce website: [www.westchesterchamber.org](http://www.westchesterchamber.org)

## Research Pro Offers Wealth of Databases

Welcome to the newest development in electronic information: the marriage of the library catalog with commercial databases. The newest version of our online catalog, **ENCORE**, is now linked to **RESEARCH PRO**, a cluster of periodical databases to enable you, the searcher, to move seamlessly from a catalog search for library books and materials on a topic to magazine and newspaper articles found in databases. See *inside for details*.

## New Lobby Display Panel

This summer a new custom-designed display panel was installed in the lobby, compliments of a generous donation by the Friends of the Library. The new panel provides an attractive display for informational brochures and flyers. **Thank you, Friends!**

## Staff News

Please join us in welcoming Nicole Gleeson to the Adult Reference Department. Nicole is a graduate of the University of Illinois with experience in the publishing industry and currently enrolled in the masters' program in library science at Dominican University.

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Library Director Ruth McCrank ♦ Board of Trustees Jennifer Boyle *president*, William Ernst, Timothy Hinsdale,  
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## ADULT PROGRAMS

### PLEASE REGISTER IN ADVANCE

so we can plan for adequate seating.  
Call 708-562-3573 or stop by the Circulation Desk.

### International Literacy Day Tuesday, September 8

Celebrate adult literacy initiatives in our community. Literacy Volunteers of Western Cook County, School on Wheels (Sisters of St. Joseph) and Triton College provide English language instruction and adult basic education classes in our area. For more information: [www.westchesterpl.org/databases/db\\_literacy.htm](http://www.westchesterpl.org/databases/db_literacy.htm)

## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

The Book Discussion Group meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm and also 2:00 pm during winter months (Nov-Mar).

Sep 17 *The Other Boleyn Girl* by Philippa Gregory  
Oct 15 *Look Again* by Lisa Scottoline  
Nov 19 *Holmes on the Range* by Steve Hockensmith

## INTERNET CLASSES

All classes meet Wednesdays at 1:30 pm unless otherwise noted, and registration begins on the 1st day of the month in which the class is held. Students in the Beginner's Class should know how to use a mouse.

\* indicates classes in Conference Room

September - Registration begins September 1

Mouse Mania	Sept 9
Beginner's Internet	Sept 16
Email Class*	Sept 23
ENCORE/Research Pro*	Sept 23 at 7:00 pm
ENCORE/Research Pro*	Sept 30

October - Registration begins October 1

Mouse Mania	Oct 7
Beginner's Internet	Oct 14
Email Class*	Oct 21
ENCORE/Research Pro*	Oct 21 at 7:00 pm

November - Registration begins November 1

ENCORE/Research Pro*	Nov 4
Beginner's Internet	Nov 11
Intermediate Class*	Nov 18

If you are unable to attend our classes, you will find a selection of tutorials on our website. Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to learn how you can get started — or go to our website [www.westchesterpl.org](http://www.westchesterpl.org), click on the **Senior Living** tab, then choose **Practice Sites for Internet Skills** in the left column. You will find mouse tutorials, Internet tutorials, puzzles and games that help develop hand and eye coordination on the computer.

## Practical Tips for Living Well in Challenging Times

Five local therapists share their favorite techniques for reducing stress and increasing life satisfaction.



**Monday, September 21  
7:00 pm**

Shirley Burnside, LCSW Elaine Fleming, LCSW  
Karin G. McNicholas, LCSW Mary Lou Tromanouser  
Mary Howard Schramer, PhD



## Foreclosure Seminar

Ahmad Sulaiman of the Law Offices of Sulaiman & Associates is a foreclosure defense attorney who will explain how foreclosure works, ways to avoid foreclosure, and the rights and responsibilities of homeowners.

**Saturday, October 10 10:00 am**

*Opening program for the Moving Wall exhibit*

## WAR CORRESPONDENT IN VIET NAM WITH A CAMERA

*With  
Roger Mattingly  
Army publications photographer,  
1970-1971*

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5  
7:00 PM AT MAYFAIR PARK**



## Net Results: ENCORE and RESEARCH PRO

Methods for finding information are evolving in new and exciting ways. Our newest version of our online catalog, **ENCORE**, can link your catalog search to **RESEARCH PRO**, a cluster of databases covering magazine and newspaper articles, and more!

- You will find links to access **ENCORE** or **RESEARCH PRO** directly on our website at [www.westchesterpl.org](http://www.westchesterpl.org). For either product, you will need to **login** with your name, your barcode number and your PIN.

**ENCORE** gives the SWAN online catalog a new look. The main screen has a single box for entering your search words (much like a Google screen) and results are displayed on a new screen with three columns. The center column shows the individual items retrieved by the search, just as you would expect.

The left column provides ready links to limit your search — to refine the search **by type** (author, title, subject), **by format** (book, DVD, CD...), **by collection** (items sorted by adult and juvenile collections in the individual libraries), **by location** (library holdings ranked by number of items related to the search), and **by year**.

The right column offers brand new features. First, you can refine your search with **Tags**. Think of these tags as prompts — words and phrases to link you to particular aspects of your topic. Search **diet** and you will see tags like **low fat diet**, **low cholesterol diet**, and **nutrition**. The next feature in this column lists **Popular Choices** — here the catalog has chosen 3 or 4 popular titles matching the words you search. The last feature is labeled **Articles & More** — and this will move your search terms into **RESEARCH PRO** to find articles in magazines and newspapers!

**RESEARCH PRO** is a federated search system. What does this mean? In the past, you had to search several databases or files one at a time. **RESEARCH PRO** lets you search multiple databases at the same time in one easy search. With **RESEARCH PRO**, you are logged into all the databases at once so you can pick and choose which files you want to search. You can choose a category like **News** to search a particular group of databases — or you can select a single database — or you can select several database from different categories. The choice is yours! Be aware the more files you search, the more articles you will retrieve.

Here are basic steps to help you begin searching **RESEARCH PRO**:

- The main screen for **RESEARCH PRO** is designed for a **Simple Search**. Enter the word(s) or phrases that best identify your topic in the search box. **RESEARCH PRO** will search what you enter as **keyword(s)**. You can narrow your search by changing **keyword** to search by **author**, **title** or **subject** words.
- Next, click the category or databases you want to search. Once you click on the search button, you will see a list of articles begin to display, with tabs on the left that note the number of articles found in each database.
- When you click on one of the items listed, a new window opens to display the full text of the article or the citation noting the source of the article accompanied by a brief summary of its contents. You may also see links to the article in HTML or in PDF format. Many, but not all, of the articles listed will provide the full text of the article.
- To refine your search further, you can choose the **Advanced Search**. This is a good option when you want several conditions met, such as articles on a particular subject written by a particular author.

We know this sounds complicated, but we are confident it will make sense once you begin searching and seeing results. With so many ways to search, we want to help you learn how to use these to your best advantage and our reference staff will be demonstrating the features of **ENCORE** and **RESEARCH PRO** in new classes added to our regular schedule of monthly computer classes. If you can't attend a class, librarians at the reference desks in the Adult and Youth departments will be happy to answer your questions.

Why did the Library add **RESEARCH PRO**? We believe in working with our consortium of SWAN libraries to provide you with the best selection of resources that we can afford and with products that offer the newest features and conveniences. Just be sure to keep your library card up-to-date so that you have ready access to this expanding world of information now available in the Library, at home, school, work — or even on vacation!



Please be advised that photographs taken at Library events may be used for promotional purposes.

Youth Programs reminder to parents and caregivers:  
Please remain with your children under the age of nine whenever in the Library.

# YOUTH PROGRAMS

Registration for fall programs begins Tuesday, September 1.  
Stop by the Youth Department to register.

## WRITE-A-BOOK CONTEST



All Westchester students in grades 1 through 8 are invited to submit a story to the Library's annual Write-A-Book Contest.

The theme for this year's contest is:

### CHANGE

Students will find contest information at schools and in the Youth Department. All entries must be turned in at the Library by Monday, October 26.

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES:** Monday, October 26

The **AWARDS CEREMONY** will be held on **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 at 1:30 PM.**

## THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Please join us in thanking a terrific team of summer volunteers who helped the youth librarians during the summer reading program: Chris Basuel, William Brown, Sabrina Cadena, Ryan Carag, Elise Carr, Gina Christopher, Brea Davis, Daniella DeFalco, Lily Galloway, Josh Grayson, Rachel Hosek, Rebecca Hosek, Sam Kaufman, Jenny Kvasnicka, Derek Kwok, Jasmine Lillis, Ryan Marquez, Akilah Mitchell, Ethan O'Hare, Pat Quinn, Angela Rini, Chloe Seegers, Amina Smajlovic, and Liesel Zuckswerth.

## CAPTION CONTEST

Are you looking for a challenge?  
Write a clever caption for the **SILLY PICTURE** hanging in the Youth Department and you could win yourself a **PRIZE, a DOO-DAD** or even a **THING-A-MA-BOB!**



**Captions are due Saturday, October 24**  
Winners will be announced the following week!

## TODDLER STORYTIME

For children up to age 3 1/2 and their parents/caregivers

Wednesdays

9:45 - 10:00 am

Sept 23 - Nov 18

OR

Thursdays

9:45 - 10:00 am

Sept 24 - Nov 19

## PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

For children age 3 1/2 - K

Wednesdays

10:30 - 11:00 am

Sept 23 - Nov 18

OR

Thursdays

10:30 - 11:00 am

Sept 24 - Nov 19

## MAGIC CARPET CLUB

For children in grades K-2

Wednesdays

4:00 - 4:45 pm

Sept 23 - Nov 18

## READING ROUND TABLE

For children in grades 3-8

Mondays

4:00 - 5:30 pm

Sept 28 - Oct 5 Cartooning

Oct 26 - Nov 9 Ipod, cell

phone & pen holders



## FAMILY STORYTIME

For all ages

Saturdays

9:45 - 10:15 am

Sept 26 - Nov 21



## FAMILY FILM NIGHT

Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm

Oct 7 Inkheart

Oct 14 Hotel for Dogs

Oct 21 Coraline

Oct 28 Race to Witch Mountain

PG, 106 min

PG, 100 min

PG, 100 min

PG, 99 min

## IN MEMORIAM

### EDDIE DANN

*HE LIVED A LIFE OF SERVICE AND COMMITMENT TO FAMILY, FRIENDS AND COMMUNITY. THROUGH THE YEARS, THIS FORMER LIBRARY TRUSTEE ENTERTAINED COUNTLESS CHILDREN IN THE YOUTH DEPARTMENT AS "SANTA."*

## Friends of the Library

### National Friends of the Library Week Begins October 19

The Friends have lined up a terrific schedule of activities for this week-long national celebration:

- Monday-Friday, Oct 19-23, 10:00—11:30 am  
Friends will host a hospitality table at the Library with coffee and cookies.
- Jewel Shop & Share certificates will be distributed at the Library throughout the week.
- Tuesday, Oct 20, 6:30 pm  
Special session of the Chess & Scrabble Club.
- Sunday, Oct 25, 2:00 pm  
The Friends Annual Meeting brings the week's celebration to a close with great entertainment.

### Annual Meeting Celebration

The Annual Meeting of the Westchester Friends of the Library is set for **Sunday, October 25** at 2:00 pm in the Community Room and will feature the musical entertainment of **Pat and Kathleen Gilhooly's Variety Show**. With vaudevillian flair, this dynamic couple fills their audience with music and song that will have feet a-tapping. Dancing is encouraged!

At the top of the program, there will be a short meeting with announcements and the election for office of Recording Secretary and Treasurer. Nominations will be allowed from the floor. If you are interested in placing your name in nomination, please email the Friends president at [wfolpresident@gmail.com](mailto:wfolpresident@gmail.com).

### Membership Renewal

Membership in the Friends of the Library is on a calendar year basis and renewable annually. Members will be receiving a letter with a renewal form in late November so watch your mailbox. Membership is essential to the Friends' continuing support of the Library and its programs.



### Welcome New Business Members

The Friends are delighted to welcome new Lifetime Business Member, **Paul's Pizza**, and new Business Member, **Arin Gaither**, branch manager of **Harris Bank of Westchester**.

### Chess and Scrabble Club

The Chess & Scrabble Club is thriving. The Club is open to all members of the Westchester Friends of the Library. New members are always welcome and a membership table is available on meeting nights for those who wish to purchase a membership (\$5 per individual or \$10 for a family).

With the return of normal library hours, the fall meetings will begin at 6:30 pm in the Community Room.

Here are the dates to mark in your calendar:

Tues, Sept 15	Mon, Nov 2
Mon, Oct 5	Tues, Nov 17
Tues, Oct 20	

### Jewel Shop and Share Days

During the week beginning October 19, patrons can pick up Jewel Shop and Share certificates at the Circulation Desk for use at Jewel Food Stores the following week. Jewel will donate 5% of a patron's total purchase (excluding tax) when accompanied by a Shop and Share certificate. This is an easy and practical way to support the Friends.

### Homebound Library Services

Patrons who are homebound can arrange to have library materials delivered to their home by members of the Friends. Contact the Adult Department (562-3573) to sign up for this service.

### Book Rack

The Friends wish to thank patrons who contribute to the ongoing success of their Book Rack through donations and purchases. To keep the selection fresh and interesting, the Friends welcome gently-used books and magazines, especially ones pertaining to popular topics like health, cooking and self-improvement. Bring donations to the Circulation Desk.

### Next Board Meeting

You are invited to attend the next Board meeting of the Friends on Monday, October 19, at 7:00 pm at the Library.

## Making Life a Little Easier

**Normal hours return after Labor Day.** Beginning Tuesday, September 8, the Library will remain open in the evening until 9:00 pm Mondays through Thursdays, and open Sundays from 1:00—5:00 pm.

**New magazine.** The Library has added a subscription to the magazine *Diabetic Living* to the periodical collection.

**Digital Signatures.** In October, the Library will begin using digital signature pads for patrons to sign when applying for a library card or renewing an existing card.

**Labels on CDs and DVDs.** Please do not remove or reattach barcode labels on CDs and DVDs or you will be charged a \$5 fee for altering the surface of the disc.

### Important Safety Reminders for Kids and Parents.

- Parents and caregivers, remember to pick up your children at the Library **before** the library closes and make sure they have a phone number where you can be reached in the event of an emergency.
- Children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or an assigned chaperone (who is at least 16 years of age) and stay on the same floor at all times.
- Please park and lock bikes, strollers and wagons at the bike rack, away from the sidewalk areas serving the Library's entrance. Parents and caregivers, please see that your children have locks for their bikes!

## Library Hours

Labor Day - Memorial Day Weekend

Monday – Thursday	9:30 am – 9:00 pm
Friday	9:30 am – 6:00 pm
Saturday	9:30 am – 5:00 pm
Sunday	1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

## Special Closings

Sept 6 - 7 Sunday - Monday	Closed for Labor Day
Nov 6 Friday	Closed until noon for staff training
Nov 26 Thursday	Closed for Thanksgiving

**Library programs** are open to the public and we welcome patrons with disabilities. Please call (562-3573 or TTY/TDD 562-9364), visit or write us to discuss accommodations at least five (5) working days prior to a scheduled program.

Visit us on the web at [www.westchesterpl.org](http://www.westchesterpl.org)



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