

Library Matters

Winter 2006 Newsletter

The Greenwood Lake Public Library



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News from the Director...

Happy New Year! The Staff and Board of Trustees hope that you and yours enjoyed a joyous holiday season.

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of a wonderful new resource that is available to you. We have recently subscribed to NetLibrary, a source of downloadable, FREE audio books from NetLibrary and Recorded Books. They provide digital versions of the latest best sellers, book club favorites, award winning authors and more that you can download and listen to on your computer or portable listening device. You can access your library's eContent 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

To access NetLibrary, you must first come to the Greenwood Lake Public Library and set up your user ID and password on one of the library's public access computers. You must have a Greenwood Lake Public Library card to do so. Once this has been done, you can access your library account from any computer with Internet access. **Of special note**, books that are downloaded can only be reopened on the original computer on which they were downloaded. So, if you want to read the book on your home computer, **do not** download it on the library's computer. Also, if you do intend to use the library computers for reading, be aware that we do restrict such usage to one hour.

Once your ID and password has been set up, simply go to www.netlibrary.com and log in. Audio books are checked out for 21 days and will automatically self erase from your computer or portable device when due. Any questions you have about what portable devices can be used and what computer requirements are necessary can be answered in the Help section of the NetLibrary web site. We hope that you will find NetLibrary of value and that you will take advantage of this and all the other resources your library has to offer.

To update you on other library business, we are still without a children's librarian. As explained in our Fall 2005 newsletter, this position is difficult to fill. Civil Service requires that the library hire from a certified, qualified list, which has not yet been published. In the meantime, Tara Forte, who did such a great job in the Fall, will continue to coordinate our children's programming.

Also, Joan Carvajal, our Assistant Director and Head of Reference, Circulation and Adult Programming, is currently undergoing some health treatments and will be in and out over the next several months. Because of this, adult programming will be somewhat curtailed. This will not have too much of an impact in January and February since we normally keep our program schedule light due to the possibility of inclement weather. Joan will be back with us full time as soon as her treatments are completed. See Page 3 for further details.

Lastly, on a happier note, staff member, Brenda Dagele became engaged over the holiday season. We wish Brenda and her fiancée, Brad all the best!

Sincerely,
Stephanie Thiel

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Joan Carvajal

Computer Services – Ext. 17

Elizabeth Cisek

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TBA

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Tara Forte

Hours

Sunday 11AM-3PM

Monday 9AM-5PM

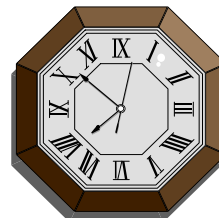
Tuesday 9AM-9PM

Wednesday 9AM-9PM

Thursday 9AM-9PM

Friday 9AM-5PM

Saturday 10AM-4PM



There is a book drop available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

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Children & Young Adult Happenings/News

Special Notice

As mentioned in our "News from the Director" column, we are still in the process of working with Civil Service to secure a children's librarian. Until this is settled, Tara Forte will continue to coordinate children's programs.

Storytime Fridays Ages 0-5 Years



Get your children ready for the wonderful stories, soothing music and gentle warmth of Tara Forte -- Storytime is back! Our Winter/Spring Storytimes will begin on Friday, February 10th. Storytimes will be offered as follows:

0-18 Months Accompanied by Parent/Caregiver

Fridays – 10AM-10:30AM

18 Months-3 Years Accompanied by Parent/Caregiver

Fridays – 11-11:30AM

3-5 Years

Fridays 1-1:30PM

Registration, by a parent/caregiver, is required and will be ongoing, beginning Friday, January 20th.



A Thank You Card Party Saturday, January 12th 10AM-12PM Hosted by Paula Eaton

Have you ever wanted to say thank you in a special way? Using rubber-stamping and scrap-booking techniques, we will create beautiful and long-lasting Thank You cards that you can give your very special loved ones for the holidays. Paula Eaton, our famous local artist, will be your host.

This program is for Young Adults in Grades 7-12. Register by January 12th, either in person or by phone 477-8377 Ext. 10. For further information on this program, call Tara Forte at 477-8377 Ext. 19.

Kid's Movie Days 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the Month 1-3PM



Join us at the library for a great movie, popcorn and soda (or water, if you prefer). Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult or older sibling. Registration is not necessary. Call ahead for the titles. This program begins on Saturday, January 21st and ends on Saturday, April 15th.



Game Nights Every Wednesday 7-9PM



Love to play board games...Well come to the library's Youth Study Center every Wednesday night, beginning January 25th and play your favorite board games. Popcorn, soda and water will be available for those of you who like to snack as you play.

Besides our usual collection – Trivial Pursuit, Monopoly, Sorry, Battleship, Cranium, Clue, Jumanji, Yahtzee and Balderdash - we will be adding some new games!

Registration is not required, but you must be in Grades 5-12 to play. This program will end on Wednesday, April 5th. For further information on this program, call Breanne Tempe at 477-8377 Ext. 16.

Family Game Night... On Wednesday, February 15th, we will be having a special *Family Game Night*. Not only can Grades 5-12 come to play games, but children in Grades K-4, accompanied by a parent or guardian, can come as well. While the kids are enjoying their games, the parents can attend a "Chat with the Principal" meeting with John Kolesar, Principal of Greenwood Lake Elementary School. Coffee/Tea will be served. We hope you will take advantage of this unique opportunity to talk to your children's principal while, at the same time, your children get to enjoy an evening of fun playing games!

New Children's Books - Coming Soon!

Fiction

Doreen Cronin: Click, Clack and More

The Complete Series – 6 Titles

The Bobbsey Twins

Complete Series – 6 Titles

Dora the Explorer

Complete Series – 6 Titles

Pink and Rex

Complete Series – 6 Titles

Dragon Slayers' Academy

Complete Series – 6 Titles

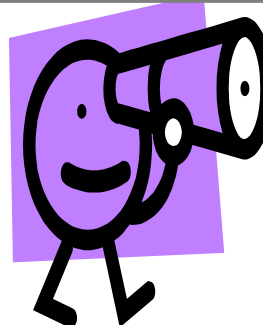
Hank Zipzer: The World's Greatest Underachiever

Complete Series – 9 Titles



School Projects

Teachers, parents and students...When a school project is assigned, which requires library research, please let us know. We will gladly pull the appropriate material needed and put it on our School Project shelves. You can contact Tara Forte, Elizabeth Cisek, Joan Carvajal or Stephanie Thiel with this information. *Please help us to help you more efficiently.*



Keep your eyes and ears open for news of more Children or Young Adult Programs.

Watch for flyers in the library and schools or ads in the Greenwood Lake News.

Adult & Family Happenings/News

Special Notice

As mentioned in our "News from the Director" column, Joan Carvajal, our Assistant Director and Adult Program Coordinator, is currently undergoing some health treatments. As a result, our adult programs for the Winter and Spring will be lighter than usual.

Temporarily, we will not be presenting an Independent Film on the second Tuesday of each month; however, these films will be available to borrow. See Page 4 for New Library Materials to see the title of the current new independent film. Also, for those of you who have registered for computer classes, there will be no computer classes until Fall 2006, at the earliest.

Ongoing Programs

Scrabble Club

Don't have anyone to play Scrabble with - join our **ADULT** Scrabble Club! Enjoy dessert & coffee with other Scrabble enthusiasts and play at the library the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month from 7-8:45PM. Register in person or by phone (477-8377 Ext. 10).

The Collectible Series

The Collectible Series, coordinated by Kelly Corrado, features local collectors and their treasures. It is open to both children and adults. These collections are on display at the library on a rotating basis, with new collections exhibited every two weeks. We plan an exciting lineup of collections during the Winter. Stop by the library to view them all. If you are interested in exhibiting your collection or need additional information, please call Kelly Corrado (477-8377 Ext. 18).

Local Artist's Display

You may have noticed the artwork that has graced the walls of the library. Each month, we feature a different artist. We also hold a "Meet the Artist" reception where you can meet the current month's artist and view more of his/her work. If you are a local artist and would like to have your work shown, please call Kelly Corrado at the library (477-8377 Ext. 18).

Spotlighting Our Resources

Weiss Ratings

Weiss Ratings is a great source for accurate ratings that you can rely upon to make sound, informed financial decisions. They do not accept compensation from the companies they rate, nor do they give the companies an opportunity to preview the ratings or suppress their publication if they're unfavorable.

The books in this series cover stock investing, common stocks, stock mutual funds, bond and market mutual funds, property & casualty insurers, banks and thrifts, life-health & annuity insurers, and HMO's & health insurance. The library receives updated copies of this series on a quarterly basis.

Learning Express Library

For those of you who may not be aware of it, the library subscribes to a database called "Learning Express Library." This database provides a wonderful opportunity to practice, via online tests, many of the academic tests you or your children may have to take for employment or school purposes.

Learning Express Library offers a variety of tests under such headings as Academic, Advance Placement, Basic Skills, Civil Service, College Entrance Exams, Cosmetology, EMS, Firefighter, GED, Graduate School Entrance Exams, Law Enforcement, Military, Nurse's Aide, Real Estate, Teacher Certification, Technical & Career College, U.S. Citizenship and Toefl.

You can access this database on our public access computers at the library or at home. To access the database, go to the library web site at www.gwillibrary.org, click Links and click on Learning Express Library, then click the *New User* button (after you have used it once, you would click the *Returning User* button), enter your library bar code (on the back of your library card) as your ID, and make up a password. Once this is done, you are ready to use the database. The database will save the results of all the tests you take and you can take tests in portions to continue them at different times.

Helpful Internet Links for the Season

Tax Time

Federal Tax www.irs.gov

NY Tax www.tax.state.ny.us/

NJ Tax www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/index.html

College Time

FAFSA www.fafsa.ed.gov/

College Board www.collegeboard.com/

FinAid www.finaid.org/

FastWeb <http://fastweb.com/>

Homework Help

Kids Click! www.kidsclick.org/

IPL KidSpace <http://ipl.si.umich.edu/div/kidspace/>

Ask Jeeves Kids www.ajkids.com/

Librarians' Internet Index <http://lii.org/>

Yahooligans! <http://yahooligans.yahoo.com/>

AOL@SCHOOL <http://school.aol.com/students>

B.J. Pinchbeck's Homework Helper
<http://school.discovery.com/homeworkhelp/bjpinchbeck>

National Geographic Homework Help
www.nationalgeographic.com/homework/

New Adult Materials Available or Coming Soon!

Audio Books

Available Now

NetLibrary – Free Downloadable Audio Books (See our “News from the Director” column for details.)

Fiction

Coming in January

The Pale Horseman by Bernard Corwell
The Cat Who Dropped a Bombshell by Lillian Jackson Braun

Coming in February

Cell by Steven King
5th Horseman by James Patterson

Non-Fiction

Coming in January

Dave Barry’s Money Secrets by Dave Barry

Coming in February

Beyond Band of Brothers by Dick Winters

Biography

Available Now

My Friend Leonard by James Frey
(Author of NY Times Bestseller *A Million Little Pieces*)

Coming in February

Patton by Alan Axelrod

DVDs

Arriving Soon

March of the Penguins
Madagascar
War of the Worlds
Skeleton Key

Coming in January

Constant Gardener
Legend of Zorro
Tim Burton’s Corpse Bride

Coming in February

Elizabethtonn
The Weather Man
Rent

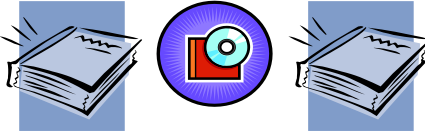
Coming in March

Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire
Good Night and Good Luck

DVDs – Independent Films

Spare Parts

Slovenia with English subtitles



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The closing policy for the library during inclement weather is as follows:

- If the schools are on a delayed opening, the library is on the same delay.
 - If school is closed, the library is on a two-hour delay. The decision to open the library or remain closed is made by 10AM.
 - Children’s programs that are scheduled during the hours of a library delayed opening or closing are cancelled.
 - The library may close early during a day or evening when the weather is inclement.
 - No fines will be assessed for library materials due on a day the library is closed or closes early.
- We are concerned for everyone’s safety. If you are unsure of the weather, please call us at 477-8377 Ext. 10. We will be happy to renew any library materials you have borrowed.

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