

OAK LAWN PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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Fall Travelogs

Four programs are scheduled for those who like to travel the quick and easy way — travelogs at the library sponsored by the Friends.

A truly remarkable slide presentation, **Climbing Mount Everest: Himalayas High**, will open the series at 7 p.m. Thursday, October 1. Vic Mesco, a 68-year-old resident of Evergreen Park, was the oldest member of an 18-man American Mount Everest Expedition Team which was formed to get supplies and food to the Mount Everest base camp at 17,500 feet. Mesco continued to climb and made it to 19,000 feet before having to turn back. Mesco will bring his slides, some of his equipment and his story to Oak Lawn through the courtesy of Evergreen Bank which was one of his sponsors for the adventure. Don't miss this opportunity to see the slides and meet the senior climber.

Yugoslavia Remembered will be presented by Steve Donn at 7 p.m. Thursday, October 15. The beautiful land that has been ravaged by civil war may never be the same again. But in this slide presentation you will be able to marvel and admire once more the buildings, landscapes and marvelous views.

A new adventure is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, October 29, when Dr. Floyd Woods shows his slides of **Belize on the Caribbean**. This seaport is the former capitol of the British Honduras. Dr. Woods' travels are for more than just pleasure; he and other optometrists are active in a volunteer program which gives eye exams and fits used glasses for people in remote back regions of Central and South America. You will enjoy his slides and his story.

Scandinavia in slides will be shown at 7 p.m. Thursday, November 5, by Paula and Stanley Sims. You will remember from their past appearances that their programs are synchronized with music and narration which includes background and history information.

Murder by the Book III

Calling all mystery fans! Get ready for another thrilling weekend at the library's annual Murder by the Book III. The first session will be at the Hilton Hotel, 94th & Cicero, beginning at 7 p.m. Friday, November 6. It will include lectures and book signings. The remainder of the program will be at the Oak Lawn Library. Times are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, November 7, and noon to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, November 8. Sunday's program includes an afternoon tea.

Registrants can pay \$5 for each day or pay \$15 for all three days. Lunch with the authors on Saturday is optional for a \$15 charge. Reservations will be accepted at the library beginning October 30.

The following authors have been invited: Sister Carol Anne O'Marie, Dorothy Cannell, Diane Mott Davidson, Mary Monica Pulver, Alzina Stone Dale, Eleanor Taylor Bland, Barbara Schaaf, William Love, Debbie Brod, Mark Zubro, Ron Levitsky and Mike Raleigh. Also invited are private investigators Sandy Martin and Larry Mayer.

The program is a joint effort of the library and the Southwest Mystery Book Guild.



Recently elected officers of the Oak Lawn Library board are Robert E. Honkisz, secretary; Evelyn Goltz, vice president; Shirley A. Barrett, president; and Lois Gasteyer, treasurer. The board meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month. Meetings are open to the public.

Sunday With Friends Series

Sunday Tea with the Authors is the great kick off program for the fall season of Sunday with Friends, the annual program series sponsored by the Friends of the Oak Lawn Library. Won't you join us from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, September 20, to meet the authors and chat with them over Sunday Tea? Guest authors include William Love, mystery writer; Cathie Linz, contemporary romance writer; Delores Bius, religious and education writer; and Barbara Schaaf, true crime and political writer. John Toner, pianist, will provide background music on the library's grand piano. The authors will be introduced, say a few words and then be available to have refreshments and conversation with those who attend. Here's your chance to meet the people who write the books, stories and articles that you like to read. This should be a friendly, pleasant Sunday afternoon.

Reel to Reel, a three-member ensemble that plays traditional music of Ireland, will be featured at 2 p.m. Sunday, September 27. Its members include Liz Carroll, the Chicago-born, All-Ireland fiddle champion; John Williams, All-Ireland concertina champion and accordion player; and Jim Dewan, guitarist and vocalist. The group performs across the United States and Ireland. You don't have to be Irish or wear green to attend this program, but the Irish are sure to be here in great numbers. The Friends are planning some Irish refreshments. The program is free with seating on a first-come, first-served basis.

American Folk Music featuring Dan and Dona Benkert is scheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday, November 15. The Benkerts are the founders of the Warrenville Folk Music Society. They perform at festivals, concerts, dances and various historical society events throughout the Chicagoland area. Their arrangements of "old time" and traditional folk tunes showcases their musical talents. They present a variety of styles based on authentic American folk music played on traditional instruments such as the mountain and hammer dulcimers, fiddles, banjos, guitars and spoons. Along with the music they will present the story of American music. Families are invited to share this entertaining and educational experience. This is music for all ages. Perhaps the Friends will be spotted in appropriate costumes serving refreshments. There is no charge, but seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Youth Services Fall Programs

Young people, ages two to 14, are invited to participate in the fall programs planned by Youth Services. Included are story hours, story times, newsletter experience, volunteering, American Girl series and some very special events.

Toddler Time and Preschool Storyhour are series offerings for specific preschool ages. Advance in-person registration is required and enrollment is limited. **After School Story Time** is for children from kindergarten through third grade. Advance registration for this series can be in person or by phone.

Kids' Gazette is for youngsters in grades four through eight. Those who enroll will work together to produce a bi-monthly newsletter. Registration begins on September 7.

Students in grades five through eight can volunteer to assist with displays and help with programs and special projects by signing up for the **Junior Friends of the Library** when registration begins September 14.

Meet the American Girls, a successful summer series, is offered again for those who were not able to attend before. Grades three through eight can register beginning October 26.

A special **Science Project Workshop** is set for October 8 for grades four and up and their parents. Oak Lawn teachers of science, English and graphic arts will take the group through the steps of putting together a science project. Registration begins September 21.

The Great Literary Ant will be offered from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, November 21, in celebration of Children's Book Week. Author and publisher James H. Lehman will be the featured speaker. He will discuss writing and publishing children's books and will tell stories, show slides and answer questions. Free tickets will be available beginning November 9 on a first-come, first-served basis.

A program brochure with all the details about Youth Services programs can be picked up in that department.

Fall Festival of Stories

The second annual Fall Festival of Stories is scheduled for 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Sunday, September 13, at Centennial Park, 9301 Nashville. The event is co-sponsored by the Oak Lawn Library and the Oak Lawn Park District. In case of rain, the festival will be held in the Community Pavilion, 9401 S. Oak Park.

The program includes music on the hammer dulcimer, melodian and concertina presented by Diane Ipel and Rob Williams during the first hour. Beginning at 6 p.m. professional storytellers will provide entertainment for all. Refreshments will be available.

This is true family entertainment. Those who come should bring blankets or lawn chairs and should be prepared to listen to

Dan Keding's stories and songs as he accompanies himself on an acoustic guitar. Nancy Donoval, Mary Ringenberg and Eleanor young have that special knack of getting audiences involved in the fascinating stories they tell. Shanta, who wears colorful African costumes, enralls young and old alike with her African folk instruments and her tales of Africa, the Caribbean and America.

The program is open to everyone without charge.

Discover! Read! Overwhelming Success

Summer in the Youth Services Department was very busy. A total of 1,967 young people read more than 29,300 books during the Discover! Read! summer reading program. This enrollment was 389 more than last year. Certificates of participation will be delivered to the schools in September. Those who are not in Oak Lawn schools can pick up theirs at the library.

A special Cosmic Creativity book will be created from the writings and drawings of reading club members. Copies will be available in the library some time this fall. Schools whose students submitted entries will receive copies. Winners in the Cosmic Creativity drawing were Meghan Walsh, grade six, Sward, and Norra Snare, five years old, home schooled.

Post cards were handed out to members with the suggestion that they be mailed back to the library from vacation trips. Maria Jucius, a seventh grader at St. Linus, sent a card from Lithuania which was the farthest point.

Winners of autographed paperbacks in the weekly drawings were as follows; week one, Robert Honkisz, grade one, Sward; week two, Nicholas Villasenor, grade one, St. Germaine; week three, Matt Evans, grade four, St. Catherine; week four, Sean Lewis, grade one, Kolmar; week five, Tracy Leithleiter, kindergarten, Covington; week six, Angela Zakes, grade four, Harnew; week seven, David Lundeen, grade four, Covington; week eight, David Appel, grade one, Covington.

Space Cadets, part of the summer program for young volunteers, recorded 25 volunteers contributing 147 hours of service during the eight-week period. In a special summer hunt, Waldo was hidden each day and was found 40 times in 48 days.



Introducing...

James E. Baker, new head of the Technical Services Department. Before coming to Oak Lawn, he was the technical services librarian at the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy in Aurora. In addition to library work, his past experience includes high school teaching and employment in the automotive parts industry. James is married, and his wife, Tam, works in the pharmaceutical field.

He received a BA in comparative literature from Indiana University and an MLS from the University of Illinois/Champaign. He is currently working on a PhD in English at the Chicago campus of the University of Illinois.

Local History Report

The local history section of the library is a treasure trove of information about Oak Lawn and surrounding areas with some special emphasis on Chicago history. A wealth of local material includes local newspapers on microfilm back to 1933, photographs, newspaper clippings, high school yearbooks, local phone directories, oral histories of some of the early residents, government documents and other archival materials.

Certain portions of the collection are easy to access by specific topic. For example, the growing photograph section is classed in a computer catalog that can be accessed by key search words such as lake, tornado, Covington or Harnew.

Assistance is needed from the public to gather additional material. If you have any old Oak Lawn High School or Richards High School yearbooks that you can bear to give away, the library would like to add them to the collection. The following missing years would be especially welcome: OLHS, pre-1954; 1963-1965; 1987 and Richards, pre-1966; 1982 and 1986. Old Oak Lawn telephone books are being sought. Any pictures or home movies of events of historical value to the community will enhance the collection. These might include Round Ups, civic ceremonies, park programs, organizational activities, high school plays and athletic events. The library would like to borrow them, make copies and return them to the owners. Librarian Barbara Wolfe is the person to contact about local history contributions, second floor, Reference Department.

Library Board Members

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Friends Fall Trips

You will want to sign up for several of the trips offered this fall.

Ring of Fire at the Omnimax Theater on Thursday, September 10, is the first outing. The bus will leave at 10 a.m. for the 10:50 a.m. show. A box lunch will be served. The cost is \$15 for members, \$17 for others. Deadline for reservations is September 6.

On Wednesday, October 21, the trip is to the Schubert Theater to hear and see Rosemary Clooney and Michael Feinstein in a matinee performance of **Say It With Music**. Cost is \$35 for members; \$37 for others. Deadline to register is September 25.

The Bartered Bride at the Lyric Opera is scheduled for Saturday, November 7. This is an evening performance. The cost is \$38 for members; \$40 for others. Reservation deadline is October 17.

A Christmas Carol at Goodman Theater has always been a favorite of the Friends' "trippers". This year the group will see a matinee performance on Sunday, November 22. The cost is \$27 for members; \$29 for other adults; and \$25 for children.

Naperville Settlement, a working museum village, will be set up for a Christmas celebration when the Friends travel there on Saturday, December 5. The sights and sounds of a 19th century village alive with old-fashioned Christmas festivities will greet the visitors. There will be costumed villagers, Father Christmas, Victorian carolers and possibly Scrooge may be lurking about. This is Chicago's only living history museum. It covers 13 acres and contains 25 historic structures which are open to the public. Lunch at the nearby Winberies Restaurant is included in the trip. Cost of the trip is \$22 for members; \$24 for others.

Questions about the trips and tours should be directed to Jeanette Fowler, evenings, 708-636-5018.

Dee Kopf Memorial Dedication

The Friends of the Library organization had been looking for a way to honor Dee Kopf, Oak Lawn Librarian for 30 years, who died in 1990. Installation of an outdoor fountain and beautification of the surrounding library grounds was deemed appropriate. Now that the work has been completed, the dedication ceremony has been scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Sunday, October 4.

The public is invited to join in honoring the memory of this beloved lady. She was well-known throughout Oak Lawn and the surrounding areas. People of all ages remember her as a friend. She gave freely of her time and energy to support the library and its programs. In 1976, she helped to start the Friends of the Oak Lawn Library and remained active with the group until her death. Unless she was out of town, she was a daily library visitor. Her spirit and enthusiasm were an inspiration.

Book Discussion Groups

The Friends book discussion groups begin fall schedules in September and continue until November. The afternoon group discusses stories; the evening group discusses books. Interested readers are invited.

Afternoon sessions are set for 1 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month beginning September 9. The evening meetings begin at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month beginning September 10.

Both groups meet in the lower level conference room. Kathy Gaynes, discussion coordinator, can supply additional information, 708-424-4494.

Be A Wise Shopper

It's easy to be a wise shopper when you consult the library's **Consumerfile**, a collection that is available in the Reference Department. This service includes magazines, books and indexes, all loaded



Dorothy Zmich, reference librarian in charge of the **Consumerfile**, invites patrons to examine the materials for information about how to shop and buy wisely.

with information about product quality or containing guides to consumer purchasing or aids for consumer complaints.

Magazines in the collection are **Consumer Reports**, **Consumer Digest** and **Consumer's Research**. Some of the books are **Consumer Guide** and **Consumer Reports**; these are annual buying guides that contain evaluations of hundreds of products. Also on hand are the **Consumer's Resource Handbook** and **Consumer Sourcebook**. Both are designed to aid consumers in making purchasing decisions and in handling complaints to manufacturers.

Indexes in the file include **Consumers Index to Product Evaluation** which provides leads to articles in more than 100 periodicals and **Infotrac Magazine Index** which covers consumer interest articles in more than 400 general interest magazines.

New publications are added regularly to the collection. The staff also issues research guides periodically. **Consumer's Notebook**, also available, has indexes to the major product evaluation magazines, Better Business Bureau hotlines and other consumer helps. Reference librarians are ready to assist those who are interested.

Are you planning to buy a new or used car? **Consumerfile** has an abundance of information on new and used cars including price guides for both. Want to locate a Chamber of Commerce in another state? You can find it here. Be a wise shopper with library help!

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Address _____ State and Zip _____

Date	TRIP	#of tickets	Total Cost
Sept. 10	Ring of Fire/Omnimax	_____	_____
Oct. 21	Say It with Music	_____	_____
Nov. 7	Bartered Bride/Lyric Opera	_____	_____
Nov. 22	Christmas Carol/Goodman	_____	_____
Dec. 5	Naperville Settlement Museum	_____	_____

Grand Total \$ _____

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JEANETTE FOWLER, 10028 S. CICERO AVE., OAK LAWN, IL 60453

Special Interest Meetings

Great Books Discussion Group The Great Books discussion group, sponsored by the library, begins its sixth year with a meeting from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 29. Those who are interested in reading, discussing and learning from the great works of literature are invited to participate. In the Great Books program, adults meet informally to discuss and to explore at their leisure and on their own terms the ideas of great thinkers and writers such as Plato, Aristotle, Shakespeare, Flaubert and many others who represent traditional and modern literature. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays. Call the coordinator, Dr. Ernest Jaski, during the day for additional information 312-735-3000, ext. 391.

Irish Genealogy Seminar Librarian Kathy O'Leary will conduct a two-session seminar on Irish genealogy from 7 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Tuesdays, October 20 and October 27. Handouts will be distributed. There will be time to use reference materials. There is no charge.

O'Leary is the editor for the Chicago Genealogical Society, a post she has held for four years. She has spoken on Irish genealogy at the South Suburban Historical and Genealogical Society and in programs at the Oak Lawn Library. She has been to Ireland five times and conducted many hours of research in the National Archives, National Library and other facilities.

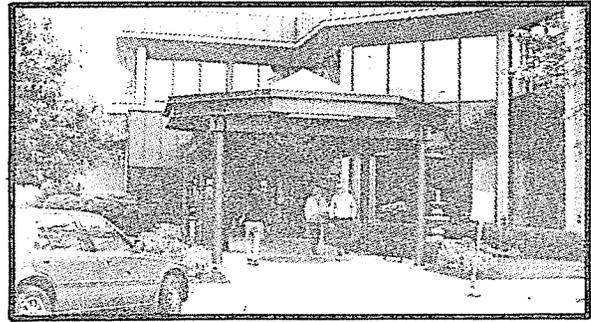
Stamp Collecting Details have not been completed, but a very special cooperative program between the library and the US Postal Service has been scheduled for noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, October 24. **Stamp Collecting** for young people in third grade and up will be held in the lower level meeting room. A new issue of stamps will be available for cancellation. Watch for more news in the library.

Guest Authors Featured Two mystery authors will be guests at the Southwest Mystery Book Guild's meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, October 26, in the lower level meeting room. Californian Audrey Peterson will speak. She wrote **The Nocturn Murder, Murder in Burgundy** and **Death in Wessex**. Also appearing is Chicagoan Mike Raleigh who wrote **Murder in Belmont Harbor**. His latest book is **Murder in Uptown**. The public is invited. For additional information contact Susan Baird, Patron Services department head.

HOURS

Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Closed Sundays from Memorial Day to Labor Day



Work has been completed on the covered entrance for the disabled on Raymond Avenue. First floor restrooms also have been modified to meet legal specifications. The library is equipped with an elevator so that patrons have access to all three library levels. Those who need additional services should contact Library Director James Casey.

Biographies Only

A new "biographies only" section has been established in the Reference Department. More than 2,000 volumes of biographies and autobiographies are on the shelves arranged by Dewey Decimal numbers. Those who are interested in specific persons can get the numbers at the reference desk. According to the staff, many patrons just want to browse through the section, a practice that appears to lead to a lot of good reading. Staff members will direct you to the biographies area.

Notes and Totes

Do you need to write a note to a special friend? Do you need a bag for all of the books you want to read? The answers to both questions can be found at the circulation desk where exclusive library note cards and tote bags can be purchased. Proceeds help the Friends to support library programs.

Computer Catalog Instruction

Instruction for operating the library's computer catalog is available at any time from the staff at the Reader Services Desk located on the first floor at the Cook Avenue entrance. Those who are interested in more specific instruction are invited to computer classes held each week at 7 p.m. on Monday* at the same desk. Registration is not required.

*Note: This is a change. Classes were formerly held on Wednesday.

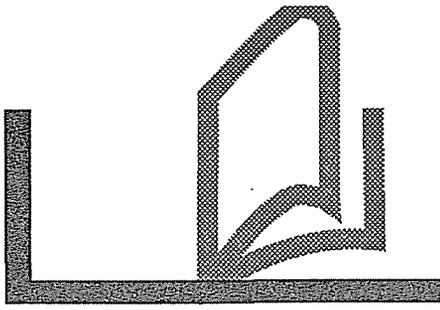
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DISCOVER! READ!

Summer Reading Program Begins

Beginning June 1 and continuing until August 7, young readers have an opportunity to participate in DISCOVER! READ! which is this year's theme for the library's summer reading program. The program includes a full schedule of activities to go along with the reading of books. This year, for the first time, the library will have "registration only" for the first two weeks. Those who sign up will receive a theme bookmark and a full explanation of the entire summer's happenings. This would be the perfect time to check out some books to read at home.

Beginning June 15, the participants start recording books they have read from their own reading level. They will receive a reading chart and a post card to take home when they read their first book. They will record their books on the chart and bring it into the library to have it stamped.

Each school in Oak Lawn will be represented by a soaring space traveler flying on the wings of a book. These posters will be displayed on the wall of the Youth Services department. Names of those who register will be added to their school space traveler poster. In addition, those who read beyond specified goals will be able to place their names among the stars on the library wall. Prizes will be given. At the completion of the program, certificates will be awarded.

"Books have the answers! What's your question?" is a weekly drawing that is open to all members. Each reading group will have a different question to answer each week. Another activity is "Fill the world with books," an attempt to fill a globe with a grain of sand for each book read by members.

In addition to the ongoing reading, a whole range of special events is planned for members. Following is a listing with brief descriptions.

Explore Native American Culture: Those in grades two to six can learn about native American Indians who discovered American more than 10,000 years ago.

On the Wings of Books: A five-week storyhour series for children three to eight years old and their families is Wednesday evenings in July.

Meet the American Girls: Felicity, Samantha, Kirsten and Molly are "on loan" for this program which includes games girls played long ago, family tree research and a tea party. This is for grades three to eight on Thursday mornings during July.

Exploring Entertainment: Special guests will be on hand for four Friday afternoon programs.

- Discover the World Above, July 10, grades K-8, featuring Greg Lopatka from Adler Planetarium

- Animal Inventors, July 17, ages 3-12, featuring Christine Buik of the Chicago Region Interpreters

- Are Computers Magic? July 24, grades K-8, with Dave Meyer of the Magic of Reading

- Discover the Past, July 31, grades 3-8, speaker Jean Dunerley, living history interpreter

There's even more to keep youngsters busy — postcards to send back from vacations; a search for Waldo; two activity sheets each week to challenge active minds; an opportunity to volunteer and help with the DISCOVER! READ! program. June 1 is the first day of registration for children from preschool through eighth grade.



Dr. James Casey, Library Director

Meet the New Director

Dr. James Casey, the library's new director, began his tenure on March 1. In the brief period since he began, he and his wife, Diane, purchased and moved into a house in Oak Lawn during April. Jim also took time to meet the library staff and to get acquainted with the community and the Chicagoland area. He comes to Oak Lawn from the Pickaway County District Library, Circleville, Ohio, where he served as director from 1984 to 1992.

Dr. Casey considers it an honor and a privilege to be named as the director. He says that it is an important responsibility. "This library is the cultural pillar of Oak Lawn and the southwest suburban region," he said, "and one of the most important public libraries in Illinois." He noted that the library staff has been doing a fine job for many years and is serving a larger number of patrons each year.

What are the Director's goals for the library? He wants to maintain the high quality of service and improve it where possible. He intends to learn about the library, build up its strengths, get input from the library staff and then establish goals and priorities.

Dr. Casey is very interested in computers and microcomputers and the opportunities that are on the horizon of new technology such as microcomputer networks and CD-ROMS. These will provide more efficient data bases with easier access which, in turn, will save time and money and improve working efficiency. In the long run, according to Dr. Casey, it will enhance the capabilities of library personnel and reduce labor intensive jobs and tasks. "We can grow in technology; it's becoming more powerful and less expensive," he said.

In his leisure time, the director collects ancient Roman coins, reads mysteries and historical studies and admits to being a fan of pro basketball and pro football. He enjoys walking and jogging. He has been active in church activities.

He says that this area is far different from the rural county where he last served. "The environment is different, and the people tend to be more progressive; it's conveniently located near

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Friends Schedule Summer Trips

The Friends of the Library continue to plan and schedule bus trips to interesting, informative and exciting places. This summer is no exception. The arrangements have been made for music, drama, horse racing, food, transportation and fellowship. All reservations are taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

Riverview at the Goodman Theater is a melodrama with music set in Post-World War II. Popular songs of the period are featured. On July 9, the bus will leave the library at 12:30 p.m. for a matinee performance. Cost for members is \$19, others \$21. Deadline for tickets is June 10.

Ravinia will be visited twice in July. **A Night in Old Vienna** is on tap for July 19. The bus will leave the library at 4:30 p.m. Tickets are \$38 for members; \$40 for others. Deadline is June 30. **Andre Previn** is the feature for the second trip on July 31. The bus will leave the library at 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$38 for members; \$40 for others. Deadline is July 10.

Grant Park has not been forgotten by the Friends. On August 19, the bus will leave the library at 5:30 p.m. to take music lovers to hear a **Broadway Extravaganza**. Cost for the round trip ride is \$5 per person.

A Day at Arlington Race Track will be held on August 27. This outing includes a delicious buffet lunch and reserved seats. The bus will leave the library at 11 a.m. Cost of the trip is \$40 for members; \$42 for others. Deadline is August 10.

Coming up this fall is a trip to the Lyric Opera on November 7 to hear the **Battered Bride**. Additional information about that trip and others still to be scheduled will be available in the fall Newsletter. The Friends group is planning an exciting and interesting fall season!

Friends Sponsor Library Programs

Friends of the Library introduced an annual program series this year called **SUNDAY WITH FRIENDS**. The plan is to offer four or five quality Sunday afternoon presentations each year. These will probably include a variety of music, special reviews, visits with authors, speakers, performers or other stimulating and interesting activities. All costs are underwritten by the Friends; programs are open to the public without charge.

The **SUNDAY WITH FRIENDS** series was initiated on March 15 with a "big band sound" starring the Right of Way band. A full-house audience had a wonderful, toe-tapping time and an overwhelming urge to sing or hum along. The second in the program series on May 3 was a book review by the renown speaker Greta Wiley. Again, there was a full house with an attentive and appreciative audience.

The kickoff program for fall will be a **Sunday Tea with Authors** on September 20. Several writers already have indicated an interest in being involved and more will be joining them by the time of the event. Of course, a full listing and other details will be published.

Two more music programs are scheduled this fall. One program will feature Irish music on Irish instruments and a chance to learn some of the history of Irish music. The final offering in this year's **SUNDAY WITH FRIENDS** will give the audience an opportunity to hear and learn about American folk music and instruments. Both of these are ideal family programs. Watch for the fall Newsletter to learn more.

Friends Sponsor Travelogs

Here's another group of programs that will be detailed in the fall issue — travelogs showing Scandinavia, the Himalayas, Yugoslavia, Belize and Turkey. These will be Thursday night presentations from September to November. Watch for the dates and times.

Library Note Cards Available

Finding the right card for birthdays or other greetings can be very time-consuming and unsatisfactory. So can the search for "just the right size" to dash off a quick note. The solution to these problems can be found at the library's Circulation desk. Note cards with two very attractive sketches of the library are available. The inside is blank so that the senders can write their own personal messages. Sets of ten cards with envelopes sell for \$2.50.

The card sales are a promotional idea of the Friends of the Library. Rose Franceschini, former library graphic artist, was commissioned to make two sketches showing both entrances to the library. Both views are included in the sets. The Friends group believes that this is a way for all library patrons to join them in supporting and sharing the Oak Lawn Public Library.

— TRIP REGISTRATION FORM —

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State and Zip _____

TRIP

		#of tickets	Total Cost
July 9	Riverview at Goodman Theater	_____	_____
July 19	Ravinia/Old Vienna	_____	_____
July 31	Ravinia/Andre Previn	_____	_____
August 19	Grant Park/Broadway	_____	_____
August 27	Day at Arlington	_____	_____

Total enclosed \$ _____

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Saturday Special: Senior Citizens Beware!

This is the time of year when con men and scam artists start to operate in full force. Unfortunately, they lean heavily on senior citizens when they look for victims. As a public service, the library is offering a Saturday special on June 20 to help seniors avoid being victimized by scam operators.

Program presenter is Bob Kiem, library security guard and Chicago policeman. He will show a 15-minute videotape which clearly demonstrates how a scam works, how clever the "scammers" are and how easy it is to be taken in by the process. Following the film, there will be a question and answer period.

The program will be held in the lower level meeting room at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 20. The public is invited.

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Chicago attractions; it's a marvelous, busy, thriving urban community.

Dr. Casey's wife also is a librarian, having recently completed her MLS degree. In addition, she is an ordained Lutheran pastor in ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.) Dr. Casey received his PhD from Case Western University and his MLS degree from State University of New York at Geneseo. He holds an MA degree in History from Cleveland State University and a BA in History and German from Lemoyne College. In addition to Pickaway County District Public Library, his professional experience includes serving as head librarian at Ohio Historical Society, head reference librarian at Western Reserve Historical Society and assistant reference librarian at Cleveland Public Library.

"I'm looking forward to my work here, pulling together all the good things we do and making them better. As a first step in communicating with the public, I have initiated a Public Opinion Notebook which is available to all patrons for questions and comments," Dr. Casey said.

Without a doubt, his influence and presence will become apparent soon in the library and in the community. His enthusiasm and leadership will bring new and exciting things to the Oak Lawn Public Library.

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Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Closed Sundays from Memorial Day to Labor Day



Alice B. Ihrig, Volunteer Coordinator, chats with one of her Live Wires, Pat Gulick, a volunteer in the Patron Services Department.

Be a Volunteer Live Wire

"I would love to volunteer at the library, but I don't have enough time," is a frequent comment to Alice B. Ihrig, the library's Volunteer Coordinator. "Not to worry," is her response. "The library can use whatever time slots you can contribute. You can become one of the library's **Live Wires**."

Interested people can find where they fit into the library's volunteer program by contacting the library, 708-422-4990, 9427 Raymond Ave. (S. 95th St. at 5300 W.) Many opportunities to serve are available in small commitments of time and on days that are the best for the volunteer.

Volunteer often state where they would like to volunteer, usually their favorite department. However, the schedule of things to do is wide open and varied.

Volunteers work directly with staff members in learning what needs to be done and how the library functions. According to Alice, it's needed, it's fun and it's appreciated. **Join the Live Wires.**

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