



Library Leaves

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WOODRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

SPRING 2010

THE BIG READ

The Help, by Kathryn Stockett, is the Big Read selection for 2010. Jackson, Mississippi, in the early 1960s is a challenging place to be a woman, whether a black maid or a white college graduate who wants to write. Three women, Aibileen, Minnie, and Skeeter, come together for a clandestine project that puts them all at risk. This is a timeless and universal story about the lines we abide by and the ones we don't.

Check out a copy of *The Help* and pick up the Big Read Resource Guide. Ten libraries are again participating in the Big Read: Clarendon Hills, Downers Grove, Hinsdale, Indian Prairie, LaGrange, LaGrange Park, Lisle, Thomas Ford, Westmont, and Woodridge. A wide variety of programs, films, and book discussions are being offered at these libraries and you can attend any one anywhere!

To see a list of programs at all the libraries, consult the Resource Guide. See page 4 for Woodridge Public Library programs.

COMMUNITIES THRIVE @ YOUR LIBRARY NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK, APRIL 11 - 17

Put a seed in some dirt. Water the seed. Feed it some plant food. What happens to that seed? It grows and develops and changes into something lovelier or more useful than it was.

Ideas are like seeds. If you put *an idea* into fertile matter (someone's open and receptive mind) and feed and water that idea with other ideas (similar or opposing--it doesn't matter--they both help to transform the original), what happens? That first idea sprouts and develops into new forms--plans, dreams and new ideas.

Libraries provide the water and plant food for transforming ideas and lives. They are the intellectual centers of their communities. By providing all manner of material resources, programs and experiences and a

place to contemplate and use those materials, libraries feed the life of the mind. Sometime during National Library Week, stop and take a moment to think about how the Woodridge Public Library has nourished and perhaps transformed your life.

DAVE RUDOLF'S BEACH PARTY Sunday, March 28, 2:00 PM

Kick-off Spring Break with this fun, interactive show, featuring hula hooping, bubbles, limbo-ing and much more. Dave will sing some original music as well as some "Fun in the Sun" songs such as "Hot, Hot, Hot" and "Sonora."



This family program, **for patrons three years of age and older**, is open to **Woodridge Public Library cardholders only**.

Please bring your Woodridge Public Library card to the Children's Reference Desk to **register and pick up tickets beginning Saturday, March 20**. Sorry, no phone registrations will be taken.

MANGO – NEW ONLINE LANGUAGE LEARNING!

What is Mango Languages? Mango is an online language system teaching conversational skills for a wide variety of languages.

Mango offers courses for English speakers in 22 different languages and English as a Second Language (ESL) courses taught in 14 languages.

You can access Mango from any computer connected to the Internet. All you need is a Woodridge Public Library card.

Check the Library's home page for more information as well as a link to this new online resource.

THE BIG READ

The Help by Kathryn Stockett.
See page 4 for program details!
Registration is required for all programs.



NEW FICTION

Allen, Sarah Addison / **The Girl Who Chased the Moon**
Emily Benedict, 17, moves in with her grandfather after the death of her mother, Dulcie. Emily learns that Mullaby, North Carolina, is a magical place and is befriended by baker Julia, a former adversary of her mother.

Blake, Sarah / **The Postmistress**
In 1940, newlywed Emma and postmistress Iris, both new to Cape Cod, listen to American Frankie Bard report on the London Blitz. Emma's husband, physician Will, travels to London to help and meets Frankie. Iris conceals a letter meant to give Emma, now pregnant, some bad news.

Erdrich, Louise / **Shadow Tag**
Artist Gil paints intimate portraits of his wife Irene. Irene is shocked when she discovers that Gil is reading her diary and starts filling it with lies.

Goodman, Carol / **Arcadia Falls**
Widowed Meg, researching fairy tales for her dissertation, gets a job teaching at Arcadia School in upstate New York which includes free tuition for her teenage daughter, Sally. Meg discovers that the school's history is full of secrets, then a student falls to her death during a festival.

Hannah, Kristin / **Winter Garden**
After their father's death, Meredith and Nina try to reconnect with their cold Russian mother, who's showing signs of dementia, and learn how little they know about her, except for the fairy tales she used to tell them.

Picoult, Jodi / **House Rules**
Emma is stunned when circumstantial evidence points to her son Jacob's involvement in the murder of his tutor Jess. Teenager Jacob isn't guilty, but Asperger's Syndrome makes his defense quite difficult.

Simmons, Dan / **Black Hills**
President Roosevelt travels to Mount Rushmore, still under construction in 1936. Papa Saha, a Sioux warrior who's been haunted by General Custer's ghost for 60 years, plans to blow up the monument he helped build.

Simonson, Helen / **Major Pettigrew's Last Stand**
A retired English gentleman, Ernest Pettigrew, is befriended and charmed by widowed Pakistani shopkeeper Mrs. Ali, but his son Roger disapproves.

Stabenow, Dana / **A Night too Dark**
Alaskan private investigator Kate Shugak resents the chaos and greed a nearby gold mine has created, attracting even the Aleut elders and her stepson Johnny. Kate's almost relieved to look into the case of a missing miner who may have tangled with a bear.

Willis, Connie / **Blackout**

Three young time travelers from 2060 are doing research in 1940s England and must remain when their equipment malfunctions. Eileen copes with a measles outbreak, Polly works in a London shop, Mike travels to Dunkirk, and they all try not to change history.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Join us for great reading and lively discussions at your Library, led by librarians. Register for any or all discussions and pick up a copy of the book at the Adult/Young Adult Reference Desk. Copies of the books will be available one month before the discussion.

Mornings – Third Tuesdays at 10:00 AM

March 16	The Mercury 13 by Martha Ackmann
April 13*	Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet by Jamie Ford
May 18	Baking Cakes in Kigali by Gaile Parkin

Evenings – Fourth Tuesdays at 7:00 PM

March 23	The Big Read: The Help by Kathryn Stockett
April 27	The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo by Stieg Larsson
May 25	Day After Night by Anita Diamant

*note different week

HONOR BOUND

The Library's commemorative program, known as **Honor Bound**, is a way to honor a person, event, or just to show your appreciation of the Library. A blank form and information may be found on the Library's Web site under **About Us>Donations**. Recent Honor Bound donations were all children books and include:

Donated by Women of the Moose, Chapter 973, Downers Grove: *Pyramid* by David Macaulay

Donated by the Woodridge Junior Woman's Club: *The Lion and the Mouse* by Jerry Pinkney, *The Smallest Snowflake* by Bernadette Watts, *Shades of People* by Shelley Rotner, and *Ten in the Meadow* by John Butler

Donated by the Woodridge Public Library Board in memory of Joan Pacanowski, former Library Trustee: *Wildlife Gardening* by Martyn Cox, *A Backyard Vegetable Garden for Kids* by Amie Jane Leavitt, *The Peter Yarrow Songbook: Let's Sing Together, All the World* by Liz Garton Scanlon, *Under the Snow* by Melissa Stewart, and *The Magical Snowman* by Catherine Walters

COMPUTER CLASSES AT WOODRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The following classes are free, one-time, hands-on sessions and are open to Woodridge Public Library cardholders only, ages 12 and up. For more information and to register, please ask or call the Adult/Young Adult Department Reference Desk. Class size is limited, so advance registration is required.

Registration begins on Monday, February 22 at 9:00 AM!

COMPUTER BASICS

Learn about the parts of the computer, using the keyboard and mouse, and the Microsoft Windows desktop.

Prerequisite: None.

Thursday	March 4	6:30 - 8:30 PM
Wednesday	March 10	10:00 AM - noon
Thursday	May 6	6:30 - 8:30 PM

FILES AND FOLDERS

Learn basic file and folder terminology and how to create, delete, rename, copy, and move files and folders in Microsoft Windows.

Prerequisite: Experience with the mouse/keyboard and Microsoft Windows.

Thursday	March 18	6:30 - 8:30 PM
Wednesday	March 24	10:00 AM - noon
Thursday	May 13	6:30 - 8:30 PM

INTRODUCTION TO THE INTERNET

Learn Internet terminology, how to use a Web browser, and how to search the Web.

Prerequisite: Experience with the mouse/keyboard and Microsoft Windows.

Wednesday	March 31	10:00 AM - noon
Thursday	April 8	6:30 - 8:30 PM

INTRODUCTION TO EMAIL

Learn email terminology and how to send and receive messages and attachments. Students will use Web-based email accounts for in-class purposes.

Prerequisite: Experience with the mouse/keyboard, Microsoft Windows and the Internet.

Tuesday	May 4	6:30 - 8:30 PM
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YOUR LIBRARY@HOME

Did you know that you can find magazine articles, research a company, access car repair manuals, brush-up on your math and more, using your computer? Learn about the many free, online subscription databases that you can use at home or work, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with this quick tour!

Prerequisite: Experience with the mouse/keyboard, Microsoft Windows and the Internet.

Thursday	April 15	6:30 - 8:30 PM
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INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT EXCEL

Learn how to create, edit and format a simple spreadsheet and how to perform calculations.

Prerequisite: Experience with the mouse/keyboard and Microsoft Windows.

Tuesday	March 30	6:30 - 8:30 PM
Saturday	May 15	10:00 AM - noon

INTERMEDIATE MICROSOFT EXCEL

Learn how to organize and work with data, and how to use basic functions and formulas.

Prerequisite: Experience with Microsoft Excel.

Tuesday	April 13	6:30 - 8:30 PM
Saturday	May 22	10:00 AM - noon

INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT POWERPOINT

Learn how to create and run a basic slide show with text and graphics. This is a *two-part* class (students must register for *both* parts).

Prerequisite: Experience with the mouse/keyboard and Microsoft Windows.

Tuesdays	March 16 & 23	6:30 - 8:30 PM
Tuesdays	May 11 & 18	6:30 - 8:30 PM

INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT WORD

Learn how to create, format, save and print a document and how to insert clip art.

Prerequisite: Experience with the mouse/keyboard and Microsoft Windows.

Wednesday	April 21	10:00 AM - noon
Thursday	April 29	6:30 - 8:30 PM

LIBRARY JOB CLUB

Unemployed? Underemployed? Thinking about re-entering the job market or changing jobs? Come to the Library Job Club on Mondays from 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM, (or until we get the job done). The Job Club facilitator will help participants navigate the rough waters of unemployment and job change. Job Club members learn to write résumés and cover letters, develop interviewing skills and find job leads. No sign-up, no fee, just drop in.

The Library Job Club is co-sponsored by the Woodridge Public Library and Lisle Township Youth and Family Services, 630-968-2087.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Registration is required for all programs. Register at the Adult/Young Adult Department Reference Desk or by phone.

RIVETING RIO

Wednesday, March 3, 7:00 PM

Rio de Janeiro, an exotic Brazilian city of over 10 million people, has an exuberant personality. Bill Helmuth will take us to Sugar Loaf Mountain, Christ the Redeemer statue (one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World), Copacabana Beach, and the super colorful Carnival Parade. We will also see the world's largest waterfall, Iguacu Falls, and descend deep into Itaipu, the world's biggest hydroelectric dam.

STEVE COOPER: JAZZ MEMORIES

Sunday, March 14, 2:00 PM

Popular bandleader Steve Cooper returns (last time he did Big Band Memories) with his clips of great moments in jazz, featuring Louis Armstrong, Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Al Hirt, Henry Mancini, and many others. This is a program everyone will enjoy!

LOVE LETTERS: A PLAY

Wednesday, April 7, 7:00 PM

To celebrate National Poetry Month we are offering a two-person play, *Love Letters*, by A.R. Gurney, which is a type of poetry through letters. The letters a man and a woman write to each other span 50 years and chronicle their disappointments and happiness, and the long-standing relationship between the two of them. This is lovely, funny, charming, and touching.

SERENITY GARDENS

Sunday, April 11, 2:00 PM

Learn how to inexpensively transform your backyard or patio into a tranquil haven. Kathleen Obirek, a landscape designer, will show you how to create elegant and relaxing spaces. Discover how to screen a section of your yard with container plants, giving you a sense of enclosure without isolation. A door prize will be given away!

STEVE JUSTMAN: VINTAGE FOLK AND CLASSIC COUNTRY

Sunday, April 18, 2:00 PM

Steve has been performing Americana music in the Chicago area for many years. He is returning here to entertain us with his guitar and banjo and his unique blend of folk, country, country rock, and bluegrass. As Steve says: "It's all about entertainment!"

HOME BUYING SEMINAR

Wednesday, May 12, 7:00 PM

Are you ready to buy a house? If so, you should attend this information-packed panel discussion, featuring a real estate professional, mortgage lender, credit advisor, real estate attorney, and an insurance representative. Bring your questions!

CONTAINER GARDENING

Sunday, May 16, 2:00 PM

Lift your landscape design off the ground and onto patios and balconies with a "moveable garden." Kathleen Obirek, a landscape designer, will share her expertise in growing trees, shrubs, etc., in containers, and how to overwinter them. The program is free, but for \$9 (cash only) you can purchase a packet including detailed instructions, booklets, and product samples. A door prize will be given away!

THE BIG READ

Descriptions of the **Big Read** programs held at the Woodridge Public Library are below, and the **Resource Guide**, available at the Library, lists all programs at all the libraries. *The Help*, by Kathryn Stockett, is the **Big Read** selection for 2010.

Registration is required for all programs. Register at the Adult/Young Adult Department Reference Desk or by phone.

HOUSEHOLD CLEANING 101

Monday, March 8, 7:00 PM

Beth Randall of Joe Organizer offers simple solutions to clean just about anything in your house. Some of the cleaning products suggested are common household staples. She discusses cleaning routines, motivation, decluttering, and other great tips.

HISTORY SINGERS: MR. TAMBOURINE MAN

Sunday, March 21, 2:00 PM

The 1960s were turbulent, filled with changes and contradictions. But there was one unifying factor--the music that reflected the times. This program includes three sections. *It's Only Love* covers the theme of love. *Dear Prudence* addresses life, self, and experience. *The Times They Are A-Changin'* includes songs about political conscience, its frustrations and inspirations.

BOOK DISCUSSION

March 23, 7:00 pm

Join us for a lively discussion of *The Help*, by Kathryn Stockett.

JACQUELINE KENNEDY: THE AESTHETICS OF STYLE

Tuesday, April 20, 7:00 PM

Dr. Michelle Paluch-Mishur examines First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy's impact on culture, illuminating the relationship between her style, grace and poise, and her interests in fashion and art.

SEWING 101

Monday, April 26, 7:00 PM

Eve Kovacs, a member of the Chicago American Sewing Guild, will give an informal talk with personal anecdotes about sewing. She will discuss why people sew, what is involved in making a garment, a quilt, etc. What is simple? What is advanced? She will bring samples of things she has made, including some "high end" articles and wearable garments.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise noted, registration is required for all programs. Storytimes, Toddler Times and Baby Lapsits are open to Woodridge Public Library cardholders only. Most Children's Department programs are open to children who attend District #68 schools, and have a valid card from their home library. Please have your library card when you register. Call the Children's Department for details on all of these events.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

BABY LAPSIT / TODDLER TIME / STORYTIME

SPRING SESSION: Monday, March 15 -

Thursday, April 22

Registration begins: Saturday, March 6

9:00 AM in person, 10:00 AM by phone

Children must turn the correct age for the spring session by Monday, March 1.

BABY LAPSIT I – 3 - 11 months + caregiver

Baby Lapsit I is a gentle 15-minute storytime of fingerplays, soft movement activities, and a story shared with your baby. Fifteen minutes of playtime and social time will follow the program.

Tuesdays 10:30 - 11:00 AM

BABY LAPSIT II – 12 - 23 months + caregiver

Baby Lapsit II is a more energetic 15-minute storytime for our crawlers and walkers with simple stories, songs, fingerplays and movement activities. Fifteen minutes of playtime and social time will follow the program.

Mondays 10:30 - 11:00 AM

Tuesdays 9:30 - 10:00 AM

TODDLER TIME – 2 year old + caregiver

Toddler Time is a twenty-minute story program for 2-year-olds (or young 3's) and caregiver.

Tuesdays 7:00 - 7:20 PM

Wednesdays 10:30 - 10:50 AM

Thursdays 9:30 - 9:50 AM

STORYTIME – 3 - 5 year olds

Storytime is a half-hour story program for 3- to 5-year-olds (not in Kindergarten).

Mondays 9:30 - 10:00 AM

Wednesdays 9:30 - 10:00 AM

7:00 - 7:30 PM

Thursdays 10:30 - 11:00 AM

7:00 - 7:30 PM

SPANISH STORIES AND SONGS

Wednesdays, March 17 - April 21, 1:30 - 2:15 PM

Presented by Nancy Ortiz, MSW, a parent educator with the Parents as Teachers program of Metropolitan Family Services, this story program is for Spanish-speaking mothers and children, birth to 36 months old. Each program will consist of stories, fingerplays, songs, and playtime. Nancy will end each program sharing

information regarding upcoming events and highlighting a community resource. The program is presented completely in Spanish; therefore, it is not intended for those interested in learning Spanish. For more information, or to register for this program, please call Eliane Stefango at 630-784-4825.

PROGRAMS FOR GRADES K - 3

NO SCHOOL SPECIALS!

School's out and nothing to do? Bring a school-aged friend and come to our **No School Specials**. Anyone **K - 6th grade** is welcome. Bring your own lunch for the Brown Bag Movie events; preschoolers may also attend movies if accompanied by an adult. Registration not required. Programs will be held on the following days and times:

Tuesday, March 30, 11:30 AM

Brown Bag Movie - Title to be Announced

Wednesday, March 31, 2:00 - 3:30 PM

Games and Activities - LEGOs, Board Games and more

Thursday, April 1, 2:00 - 3:30 PM

Games and Activities - LEGOs, Board Games and more

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK May 10 - 16

4 TEENS

*Programs for students in grades 7 - 12**

HOW TO GET A JOB IF YOU'RE A TEENAGER

Tuesday, March 2, 7:00 PM

Tips gleaned from the experts to fortify your chances of success will be delivered in a one-hour presentation by Library staff.

SUPER SMASH BROTHERS MELEE AND BRAWL TOURNAMENTS

*Ages 10-18

BYOC and please Register.

Pulaski Day

Monday, March 1 1:00 - 4:00 PM

Friendlies or The Other March Madness?

Monday, March 29 1:00 - 4:00 PM

April

Go outside and play

See www.wplvg.org
for winners, dates and photos

MOTHER'S DAY CRAFT Tuesday, May 4, 7:00 PM

Make something special for that special someone. Call to register for free supplies.

FREAKING OUT? Thursday, May 27, 5:00 - 8:45 PM

Are you freaking out about finals? The Library meeting room is open for cramming. Snacks provided. Please register.

GOAT

Looking for a few good kids



Be a consultant. Join the Group of Advising Teens once a month. Applications are available at the Adult/Young Adult Reference Desk.

WHERE IS YOUR TEXTBOOK?

It's here. The Adult/Young Adult Department has the basic textbooks for Downers Grove South, Jefferson Junior High, Lakeview Junior High, St. Scholastica and Lemont District 113.

UNRETURNED LIBRARY MATERIALS

Over the past several years, the number of unreturned library materials has increased. Costs for replacing those materials have also increased. In order to reduce the number of unreturned items, the Library has decided to utilize the services of a collection agency to achieve that goal. Other libraries have found that using such a service has helped them get 50-75% of their materials back.

Beginning this month, Library accounts with **unreturned material** as of January 1, 2008 and going forward will be sent to collections and/or credit reporting agencies. This will not impact those accounts only with **finest**—just those with materials showing as **not returned**.

The company with which the Library has contracted is Unique Management Services, Inc. Letters or calls from them are to be considered legitimate correspondence regarding a Library account.

FOR OUR PATRONS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Any individual needing special accommodations for a program should call the Adult/Young Adult Reference Desk, 630-964-7899/TTY 630-964-7986, at least five days in advance.

CANCELLING HOLD MATERIALS

You've been asking ... many of the Library's users have been asking for the ability to cancel requests for material they no longer want or need.

Beginning on or around Monday, March 8, users will be able to cancel holds from the "My Account" section of the SWAN Online Catalog. Many users have also been asking why they get duplicate requests when they only want one request. The SWAN Software Support center reports that when placing requests, using the browser's (Internet Explorer, Firefox, etc.) "Back" button will cause duplicate requests to appear on your account. Please use the menu options/buttons on the SWAN Online Catalog pages.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK APRIL 18 - 24

In recognition of National Volunteer Week (Sunday, April 18 - Saturday, April 24) we would like to acknowledge our volunteers of the past year.

THANK YOU WOODRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS OF 2009!

Samia Arbid	Rahul Koshy
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ASK GEORGE

News about the Library and its resources



Q: Does the Woodridge Public Library have an e-newsletter?

A: Yes. You can now request that the Library's monthly e-newsletter be sent to your in-box the first Tuesday of each month. Our email newsletter discusses upcoming programs, book discussions,

exhibitions, selected new materials, and much more. It's a great way to keep current with the Library and its resources. Subscribing is easy. Go to the Library's home page and click on the "newsletter sign up" link. Also, this link will take you to a list of other e-newsletters discussing different types of new and interesting Library materials (e.g., new fiction, recommended children's books, new DVDs, nonfiction bestsellers, romance, and teen books).

Q: I've researched stocks and mutual funds using Morningstar.com for the last few years. However, not all of the information is free to view. Does the Library plan to subscribe to and provide patrons with complete access to Morningstar.com?

A: The Library just started a subscription to Morningstar.com's Library Edition. You can find the link under "Business & Finance" on our Web site's "Online Databases" page. This well-regarded investment site is a great way to check up on your individual stocks and mutual funds. Quicktake Reports provide hundreds of financial data points on nearly 8,000 stocks and more than 13,000 funds. Additionally, over 50 stock and fund analysts provide guidance through a collection of Analyst Reports. This resource is available both from computers within the Library and remotely to patrons with a Woodridge Public Library card.

Q: I started spring-cleaning early this year and found a lot of old books in my house that I no longer need. Does the Library want them?

A: The Library does accept donations of some books that are clean and undamaged. However, textbooks and encyclopedias over five years old, as well as magazines and journals, cannot be accepted. Keep in mind that a donated book may be added to the collection, donated to another institution, sold in the ongoing Friends of the Library book sale in the lobby, or discarded. Any donated books that are added to the collection are done so as per the Library's Collection Development Policy. For more information about donating materials, please see the Library Web site's "Donations" page (under "About Us").

Q: How many items does the Library circulate?

A: In our last reporting year the Library circulated an incredible 607,493 items. This was a 5% increase over the previous reporting year. If you placed these items end-over-end, they would reach from Woodridge to

approximately Milwaukee. There were 353,969 items circulated from the Adult/Young Adult Department. Within this department the item breakdown included 44% books, 26% DVDs, and 6% music CDs. Of course, numerous other items circulated such as audio books, console games, cassettes, computer CD-ROMs, and VHS videocassettes. The Children's Department circulated 222,262 items in our last reporting year. Of these the item breakdown was 81% books, 8% DVDs, 3% CDs, and the remainder in other formats.

George Kalinka manages the Library's Adult/Young Adult Department.

Have a question you'd like answered via email or addressed in a future column? Send an email to: gkalinka@woodridgelibrary.org

DISTRICT 99 VISUAL ART SHOW

April 14 - April 30

The Woodridge Public Library Gallery will host the second annual Community High School District 99 Student Art Show Wednesday, April 14 - Friday, April 30.

The show will feature the 2D and 3D work from student artists at Downers Grove North High School (DGN) and Downers Grove South High School (DGS).

Last year, more than 40 student artists displayed over 60 pieces in the inaugural show. This event emerged from a desire for cooperation and collaboration between various governmental agencies that have an impact on the District 99 students.

"The 2010 show promises to be even more of an event," said DGS Fine Arts Chairman Glenn Williams. "We are excited that our partnership with Suzyn Mills and the *Great Frame-Up* store in Woodridge will continue to provide a national stage for our student artists."

A brief awards ceremony will take place Friday, April 30, at 7:00 PM, acknowledging the adjudicated winners in several categories. For more information contact Glenn Williams 630-795-8681, Brayer Teague 630-795-8081 or the Library.

SHOWING SOON AT THE WOODRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY GALLERY ...

March – Creative Digital Images Group: unique digital photography. **Meet the Artists reception, Friday, March 5 from 7:00 - 9:00 PM.**

Wednesday, April 14 - Friday, April 30 – District 99 Student Art Show: mixed media

May – Connie and Suzanna Simons: mother-daughter artists

(The Library Web site has more information on each monthly exhibit.)



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Monday-Friday 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

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LIBRARY CLOSINGS:
Easter, Sunday, April 4
Memorial Day, Monday, May 31

BE A FRIEND

Join the Friends of Woodridge Public Library and help support your Library through a variety of fund-raising activities-on-going book sales, and maybe an idea that you bring to the group. We also provide volunteer service to the Library when requested. We are a non-profit organization who strongly believe that our public Library provides a vital function in our community. Won't you join us and become a "FRIEND" of the Library.

FRIENDS Membership Application

Enroll me as a member of the Woodridge Friends of the Library

Name _____

Address _____

- _____ Individual . . . \$5
- _____ Organization . . . \$10
- _____ Life Member . . . \$100

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Date _____

(Please make check payable to Woodridge Friends of the Library)
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