

TEENS

Energy: Teen Leadership Academy

The academy creates youth leaders that will assume leadership roles throughout the community. Teens will gain skills that can be utilized throughout life and will have fun doing so! Participation in this academy will look impressive on college applications and resumes. For more information, check out the teen events blog at <http://homerlibrary.org/teenevents.asp>.



TEEN BLOGS

Teen Events

Keep informed on teen events and library news.

www.homerlibrary.org/teenevents.asp

Teen Book Reviews

Post book summaries and reviews on the books you've read.

www.homerlibrary.org/teenreviews.asp

Check out our Teen Website!

www.homerlibrary.org/teens.asp

YACs

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) is a young adult group that meets monthly, which often undertakes community projects. YAC's meet at the Library on the last Wednesday of the month. New members are always welcome!

Teen Techies

Teen Techies help update the teen website and work on teen technology projects. This group meets the last Tuesday of the month. Contact Alex

Teen Tech Week

March 4th - 10th

Watch our teen events blog for more information on special events.

HTML CLASS

Wednesday March 7th @ 7 pm



Check out a "Brookfield Family Zoo Pass" from the Homer Library!

Call us at (708) 301-7908 for details.

Homer Township Public Library

Winter/Spring Library Programs 2007

Sign-up Begins Monday, Jan. 29th

Business Computer Classes



Cost of classes \$10 each

Excel (Formulas) Thursday, Feb. 1st	7 pm
QuickBooks (Creating a company) Tuesday, Feb. 6th	7 pm
Excel (Pivot Tables) Thursday, Feb. 8th	7 pm
QuickBooks (Accts Receivable) Tuesday, Feb. 13th	7 pm
QuickBooks (Accts Payable) Tuesday, Feb. 20th	7 pm
QuickBooks (Payroll) Monday, Feb. 26th	7 pm

Story Hour can help children develop better listening skills and prepares them for more structured activities. Our winter sessions will run for 6 weeks.

No Story Hour the weeks of April 2nd & 9th

Children must be 3 years of age at the beginning of each session.

Sign up begins Jan. 29th
Story hour starts Feb. 5th

Story Hour

Monday	9:30 am 1 pm
Tuesday	9:30 am 1 pm
Wednesday	1 pm
Thursday	9:30 am 1 pm

Kids Craft Classes

Visit the Library for Craft Descriptions

Groundhog Day Craft
Tuesday
Jan. 30th
7 pm
\$3.00

Froggy Craft
Monday
March 19th
7 pm
\$3.00



Bunny Windsock
Monday
April 2nd
7 pm
\$3.00

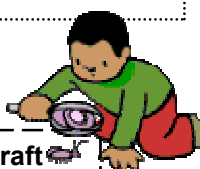
Welcome Spring Craft
Tuesday
April 10th
1 pm
\$3.00

Valentine's Day Puppy
Thursday
Feb. 8th
7 pm
\$3.00



Mother's Day Craft
Monday
May 7th
7 pm
\$3.00

Don't Bug Me Craft
Tuesday
May 22nd
7 pm
\$3.00



Computer Classes

The library provides computer classes on Introduction to Computers, Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. Classes will be held towards the end of each month with registration starting at the beginning of that month. For more information on the month's classes, please contact the library.

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2006 - A Very B U S Y Library Year!

The newest statistics from the annual report are in.
To recap this past year:

- ➔ We held a total of 393 programs, averaging more than one per day.
- ➔ We average about 600 visitors daily; attendance shows 197,820 visitors annually.
- ➔ We check out **602 items daily** or 204,873 annually. Material loans have increased 34%.
- ➔ 64% of our residents have library cards. We are above the state average of 52%.
- ➔ The library collection contains 135,804 items (books, CDs, etc.).
- ➔ Staff answered 8,996 reference questions annually (about 26 per day).
- ➔ We registered 2,060 new cardholders; a 25% increase over last year.

Notices & Online

Circulation Possibilities



- ✓ Get an email when a hold is available for pick up.
- ✓ Get a reminder 3 days before your items are due.
- ✓ Get news and announcements from the library by email.
- ✓ View your account online and renew your items.



Senior Tax Assistance

The Senior Services Center will be providing help to seniors with their taxes. No appointments are necessary. The sessions are on Thursdays from 9 am to 12 pm during the tax season.

Feb. 1st & 15th * March 1st & 15th * April 5th

Book Discussions

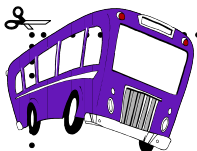


TEENS 5TH GRADE AND UP

The Teen book discussion group will meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Books are selected by the participants and will be available at the Circulation Desk several weeks before the discussion.

ADULT

The adult book discussion group meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month. New participants are always welcome. Books are available for checkout at the Circulation Desk several weeks before the discussion.



Bookmobile News

New Stops! New Times! New Color!

Please check out the new bookmobile schedule which begins January 8th. To better accommodate our customers, we will begin our afternoon runs a half hour later. We hope to see you all on board in the new year!

New bookmobile stops

*Cedar Ridge - Country View Estates
Twin Lakes - The Fields
Kingston Hills - Ertn Hills*

Watch for and enter the **Winter Date Due Slip Contest** for the bookmobile. The contest will run from January 29th to February 24th. Forms will be available on the bookmobile or at the library.

Programs

Identity Theft Awareness Seminar <i>Susan Kelbus from Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc. will give tips on how to protect yourself from identity theft and what to do if your identity is stolen.</i>	Monday Feb. 5th 7 pm Adult
Will County Workforce Services <i>The Mobile Learning Center from Workforce Services Division of Will County provides state-of-the-art technology and support for people looking for jobs.</i>	Thursday Feb. 15th 10 am -12 pm Adult
General Organizing for Everyone <i>Beth Randall, a.k.a. "Joe Organizer," will give tips and ideas of ways to get organized for the last time! Beth Randall, owner of Joe Organizer was featured on a news segment on CBS 2 Chicago.</i>	Tuesday March 13th 7 pm Adult
Holocaust Remembrance <i>Aaron Elster, a child survivor of the Holocaust, will speak about his life before, during, and after the Holocaust.</i>	Tuesday March 27th 7 pm Family
Pirate Science Treasure Hunt* <i>Dig up facts about minerals and fossils. The class is limited to 20 participants.</i>	Wednesday April 11th 1 pm
Science Safari * <i>Mike Offutt presents an entertaining look at some laws of science. Demonstrating oddities and seemingly magical "tricks," with explanations of the scientific principles which make these remarkable feats possible! Program will be held at the Hadley School gym.</i>	Thursday April 12th 10:30 am Family
Quick-n-Easy Home Decorating <i>Julea from Reinventing Spaces will show you how to sass up your space! A comprehensive workshop on quick and easy decorating using existing belongings for your home environment.</i>	Thursday April 19th 7pm Adult
Chicago Public Sculptures in the Loop <i>Michelle Paluch-Mishur will introduce the audience to the variety of public sculptures currently on display in and around the Chicago "Loop" and provide an art historical context for each.</i>	Tuesday May 1st 7 pm Adults
First Ladies as Activists and Leaders <i>Rhode Scholar, Sharon Alter, compares and contrasts the roles, trials and tribulations, and accomplishments of Betty Ford, Rosalynn Carter, Nancy Reagan, Barbara Bush, and Hillary Rodham Clinton as First Ladies. This program is made possible in part by an award from the Illinois Humanities Council, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Illinois General Assembly.</i>	Thursday May 3rd 7 pm Anyone

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