

BELLWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

SPRING NEWS 2008

Issue 02

Library Closings for Spring 2008

Friday, March 21
Monday, May 26

Library Board of Trustees

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Board Meetings are held at the Library the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

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Library Hours:

Monday-Thursday
9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday

9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday

9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Contact Us

Phone: (708) 547-7393
T DD: (708) 547-7475
www.bellwoodlibrary.org

After Hours By Phone:

Night Owl

Reference Service

(708) 547-7393

Monday - Friday

9:00 p.m. - 12 midnight

Saturday and Sunday

5:00 p.m. - 12 midnight

Earth Day Electronics Recycling Drive

Saturday, April 23 ~ 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.



Don't Throw Your Old Electronics Away!

Bring them to the Library on April 23 instead. In celebration of Earth Day, the Library is partnering with Unitec Recycling Corporation of Villa Park to rescue your old VCRs, phones, computer equipment and software from the landfill. Most equipment will be taken with no charge. Computer monitors have a small amount of hazardous substances inside of them, so they must be handled in a more costly way. (see chart at right).

Computer Monitor Fees

15" monitors - \$5.00
17" monitors - \$8.00
19" and up - \$10.00

Unitec will donate \$1.00 of every monitor fee collected to the Friends of the Bellwood Public Library. You will also receive a 10% discount off of a future purchase of refurbished computer equipment from Unitec.

Materials accepted are: *Computer systems, Computer monitors, Printers, Laptops, Computer peripherals (keyboards, cords, mouse, speakers, etc), Computer software, Electronic office/business equipment, Telecommunication equipment (phones/cell phones), Faxes, Copiers and Audio/video/VHS/DVD systems.* Sorry—no TV sets.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION



Please join us for the first Monday of each month for a lively discussion.

We meet in the lower level of the building in the small meeting room. A list of books that will be discussed monthly are listed below. Refreshments will be served. Please contact the Circulation Department for more information concerning the book discussion.

March 3 - *Don't Bite the Hand* by Sophie B.

April 7 - *After* by Maria Golden

May 5 - *The Between* by Tananarive Due

June 2 - *Wild Seed* by Octavia E. Butler

Each discussion begins at 7:00 p.m.

Spring Schedule of Teen Events

Teen Conversation Cafe
Wednesdays

March 5, April 2, May 7 ~ 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Teen Movie Review Club
Wednesdays

March 12, April 9, May 14 ~ 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Teen Book Club
Wednesdays

March 19, April 23, May 21 ~ 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Teen Game Day
Wednesdays

March 26, April 30, May 28 ~ 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.



The Bellwood Public Library is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who plan to attend any functions at the library and who require certain accommodations in order to allow them to observe and/or participate in any functions or who have questions regarding accessibility are requested to phone the library at (708) 547-7393 at least five working days prior to a function.

ADULT SERVICES

Don't Google Away your Paycheck!

While you may know you can search the archives for the West Proviso Herald and Chicago Tribune on those companies' websites, what you might not know is that they charge you to see the article! Don't pay a penny. Visit our website at www.bellwoodlibrary.org and click on the link for **Online Databases**. Your library card gives you unlimited access to full text articles in these newspapers for free! While you're visiting our website, check out all the other subscriptions we have for you: Auto Repair Reference Center, Ebsco MasterFile Elite for magazines, Learning Express Library for career information and practice employment tests, and many more. Use these tools to work in the comfort of your own home 24 hours a day.

Mind Your Own Business!

Check out the March 2008 issue of *Woman's Day Magazine* to learn more. Entrepreneurs may also be interested in *Black Enterprise*, *Business Week*, *Crain's Chicago Business* and the *Wall Street Journal*.

All these magazines and more can be found in the lower level of the library.

Free Programs

Register for any of these programs with the Reference Staff in person at the Bellwood Library or by calling (708)547-7393 ext 12.



Cash Dash

Tuesday, April 22, 2008
5:30-6:30 pm

Millions of people have cash or valuables owed to them. Find out if you are one of them from a representative of the Illinois Treasurer's Office who will be in the lobby of the library to look you up in the Cash Dash database and let you know if the State of Illinois is holding unclaimed property belonging to you, and how to claim it. This is a drop-in program. No registration is necessary.

Money, Banking and Credit

Tuesday, April 22, 2008
7:00-8:00 pm

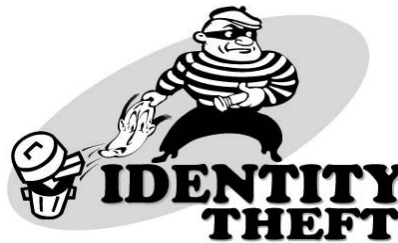
Learn practical money and credit management skills crucial to a sound financial future!

We'll discuss:

- Creating a spending plan
- Living on a reasonable budget
- How to shop for a credit card
- Maintaining a good credit history



If there's a teenager in your family, sign them up for a special *teen-oriented* presentation of "Money, Banking and Credit" at **4:00 pm** on April 22. Help a young person start out on the right foot financially!



IDENTITY THEFT

Wednesday, March 26
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Identity theft is one of the fastest growing white collar crimes in the nation today. This presentation includes information about the most common types of identity fraud, how to help prevent identity theft, and how to remedy the situation if one becomes a victim. It includes contact information for credit reporting bureaus.

Chair Exercise

Wednesday, April 23, 2008
10:00 am - 12:00 noon

So you can't do jumping jacks. You can still get in shape, improve your flexibility and your balance! At this free class, a trained instructor will teach exercises you can do sitting in your chair right at home.

Part of "Seniors, Let's Get Active! Week" (April 21-25). For more information and a full schedule of events, call West Suburban Senior Services at (708)547-5600.



Ask the Doctor About: Asthma

Tuesday May 20, 12 noon - 1pm or
Thursday May 22, 6:00-7:00 pm

Asthma affects an estimated 17 million people in the US alone. Learn more about this increasingly common breathing problem, including signs of an asthma attack or flare-up and how to control your symptoms. Dr. Modupe Oladeinde of Resurrection Healthcare will discuss how you can take control of your asthma symptoms and live an active life.



YOUTH SERVICES



BELLWOOD LIBRARY CELEBRATES **Cinco De Mayo**

The entire family will enjoy
this special celebration!

Monday, May 5 ~ 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.



STORYTIMES

TODDLER TIME

Mondays, 10:00 -10:30 a.m.

Registration Required

Ages: Birth - 5

Stores and activities especially for toddlers. This story-time will engage the most active toddler. **Limit 15**

DROP-IN STORY-TIME

Thursdays, 10:00-10:30 a.m.

Registration Required

Open to all children

Join the fun! Stories and activities are selected to capture a wide audience. **Limit 50**



MOVIE TIME

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

@ THE MOVIES

Registration Required

Ages 7-12

Get your homework done and then relax and enjoy a movie on the following Thursday afternoons:

Thursday, March 13

Thursday, April 17

Thursday May 15

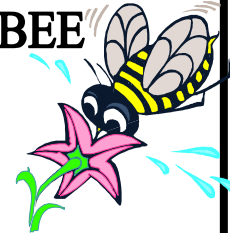
Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult. **Limit 20**

THE SPELLING BEE

Ages 7-12

Thursday, May 29 ~

4:00 - 6:30 p.m.



Kick off the spelling bee with us by watching the movie "Akeela and the Bee" and then challenge yourself by participating in a real spelling bee! Prizes for first, second and third place. *Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult..* Registration Required. **Limit 30. Call the Children's Department for more details.**

PRIVATE CLUBS

FOR BOYS ONLY

Registration Required

Ages 7-12

Time: 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Join us for games, movies, book discussions and so much more!

Wednesday, March 19

Wednesday, April 23

Wednesday, May 21

Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult.

Limit 20

JUST FOR GIRLS!

Registration Required

Ages 7-12

Time: 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Calling all girls ages 7-12.

Join the fun and share reading,

crafts, games and more.

Tuesday, March 4 & 18

Tuesday, April 1 & 15

Tuesday, May 6 & 20

Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult.

CRAFT TIME

AFTER-SCHOOL CRAFTS

3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Ages 7-12

Be creative and join the after-school craft sessions.

Thursday, March 6

Thursday, April 3

Thursday, May 1

Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult.

Registration Required

Limit 20

MOTHER'S DAY DROP-IN CRAFTS

May 8, 9 & 10

Be sure to stop by and create a special card for your mother.

POET'S CORNER

Celebrate Poetry Week

April 14 - 20

Children ages 7 - 12: Enter your best work to be showcased at the library!

ALL YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS ARE FREE!

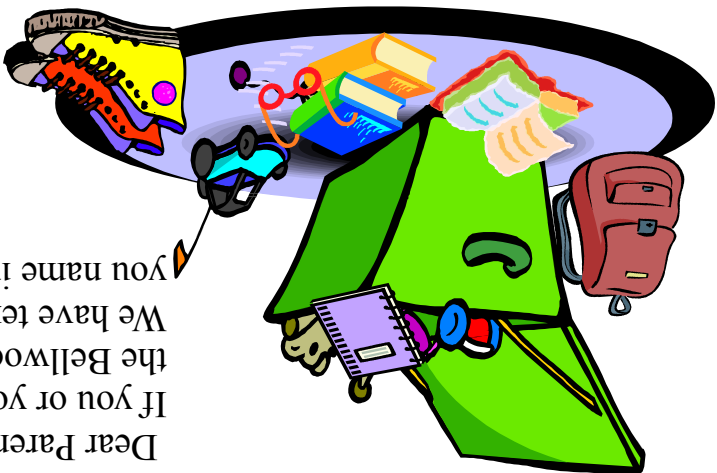
Lost and Found @ Bellwood Library!

Dear Parents or Caregivers,
If you or your children have missing items, please come to the Bellwood Public Library and check our lost and found. We have textbooks, notebooks, book bags, shoes, jackets, you name it. Before your replace it, check at the library first.

Thank you,

Jacqueline Spratt

Circulation Manager



Bring In
Overdue
Materials,
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Your Fines!



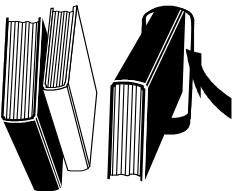
In Celebration of
National Library Week

April 14 through April 20

Bellwood Public Library will be holding an amnesty on all overdue library fines. Simply return any overdue library material and the fines will be waived.

It does not matter how long material has been checked out, the library is requesting all overdue materials to be returned.

**AMNESTY ONLY
INCLUDES ITEMS
RETURNED DURING
NATIONAL
LIBRARY WEEK.
PRIOR FINES WILL
NOT BE WAIVED.**



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Your Guide to

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