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## Four Lincolnwood Library Board Trustee positions on April 2005 Ballot

Four positions on the Lincolnwood Library Board of Trustees will be filled at the April 5, 2005 election. Three of these positions are for full six-year terms of office. The fourth is to complete the two remaining years of a six-year term that will not expire until April 2007.

Prospective candidates interested in running for a seat may pick up information packets at the Library's Adult Services Desk. Each packet contains the nominating petitions and other documents needed to file as a candidate. Additional information about filing requirements, the election, and the library itself is also included.

The candidate filing period runs from Monday, January 17, 2005 through Tuesday, January 25, 2005. By law, completed forms can only be accepted during this span of time. Names will appear on the ballot in the order in which the filing documents are received by the Library. Candidates must indicate on their nominating petitions whether they are running for a six-year position (a "full term") or the two-year term (the "vacancy").

To run, one must reside within the Library District and be a registered voter. The district's boundaries are the same as those for the Village of Lincolnwood. Required documents include a nominating petition with a minimum of 50 signatures from registered voters in the district and a statement of candidacy.

The Library Board, the District's governing authority, meets monthly to make decisions about library services, policies, finances, and other business. The Board also has four standing committees that meet as needed. Each library trustee serves on two of these committees. ■

## Library's Ethnic Fest a Rousing Success

Thanks to heavy community involvement, high attendance, and the library's newly redesigned and more functional interior, this year's ethnic fest, held at the library on October 10, proved to be even more successful than last year's event. A primary mission of the library is "...to bring the community together by celebrating its diversity..." Inspired by this mission, *The Many Faces of Lincolnwood* festival became a major annual activity at the library in 2003.

Every aspect of this year's event was a delight. Ongoing demonstrations in the library included *Origami* by David Goldman, *Mehndi* by Hajira Begum and Anum Raza, and *Chinese Calligraphy* and *Tea Ceremony* by Shao Chen-Lin. Musical, dance, and martial arts performances both entertained and

educated attendees throughout the day. And, thanks to the many individuals and community businesses that prepared and donated food, a diverse crowd of residents was able to sample a wonderful array of cuisines from around the world. ■

## Renovation

The Library's interior renovation project is nearly finished; and no, the Library isn't really any bigger! A more functional floorplan and vibrant décor just make it seem that way. Among the improvements are a computer room for adults; separate computer areas for youth; a new room with a mixed seating for quiet study and reading; a revitalized and already heavily used teen area; relocated service desks; and a new, larger area for audio-visual materials. If you haven't been to the Library for a while, drop by and take a look. And while you're here, why not browse for a book or video, use one of our public computers, attend a program, or simply relax in a lounge chair with a magazine or newspaper? ■

## Volunteer Opportunity

The VITA Volunteers in Teaching Adults; a volunteer organization of Oakton Community College/Alliance for Lifelong Learning working to increase literacy and ESL skills in adults. Interested in becoming a volunteer? Please call 847-635-1426.

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# Adult & Family Calendar

## SUNDAYS AT THE LIBRARY 2 P. M.

### ADULT PROGRAMS

**December 12** ■ *Moonglow*, a velvet-voiced trio, will harmonize on such favorites as *Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree*, *Java Jive*, *When I Take My Sugar to Tea*, *A Foggy Day in London Town*, *Blue Moon*, and will enhance the performance with their own winning personalities and presence.

**January 16** ■ *Di Bella Duo* presents selections from the great American musicals, operettas, and operas, as well as some musical "surprises" from composers like Rogers & Hammerstein, A. Lloyd-Weber, F. Lehár, G. Puccini and G. Verdi.

**February 20** ■ *Capt. Ric Murphy* has been a mainstay of the Windy City Folk/Rock, Blues and Irish Music scene for more years than he'd like to remember. His love of sailing Lake Michigan, as well the Caribbean and Pacific waters around San Diego, influenced him to become a master singer/songwriter in the style of Jimmy Buffett. He combines guitars, percussion and steel drum when performing Buffett favorites along with standards from the 40's and 50's.

### FAMILY PROGRAMS

**February 6** ■ *Great Big Faces* Paul Merklein paints six-foot tall faces of kids and adults in the audience to the tunes of top 40's rock and roll, otherwise known as art in action.

**March 6** ■ *Light Hearted Productions* presents *Untangling the Tale of the Big Bad Wolf*. The three little pigs are suing the big bad wolf and Judge Mr. Meaner needs help! In this 45-minute original court room comedy, the audience is asked to play the part of the jury. First, they will be given the opportunity to listen to the evidence, testimony and statements given by a whole list of Fairy-Tale Friends. Then comes the amazing part: the audience decides the ending! After the "jury" hands down its decision, the actors perform the chosen verdict.

*All Sunday programs begin at 2 p.m. and last about an hour. Tickets are required and are available free at the circulation desk to Lincolnwood residents 3 weeks before the programs and 1 week before to non-residents.*

### REGULAR ATTRACTIONS

**ESL: English as a Second Language** ■ Free class every Tuesday; registration on Tuesday, January 11. Class runs January 18–June 14, 6:30–9 p.m.

**Friends of the Lincolnwood Library** ■ 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. (unless otherwise noted)

**Humanities Treasures** ■ Every Wednesday, 1–3 p.m.

**Israel Stamp Club** ■ 4th Thursday of each month, 7 p.m.

**Lincolnwood Library Board of Trustees** ■ 4th Thursday January & February, 7:30 p.m. No board meeting in December.

**Literacy Classes: Learn to Read to Learn** ■ Registration for these free classes is Saturday, January 8, 10 a.m.–noon. Class runs January 15–June 4, 10–12:45 p.m.

**The Lorraine Heinichen Memorial Book Reviews** ■ First Friday. Coffee at 10 a.m.; program at 10:30 a.m.

**December 3** ■ Suzanne Hales reviews *A Girl Named Zippy: Growing up Small in Mooreland Indiana* by Haven Kimmel.

**January 7** ■ Sophie Black reviews *The Plot Against America* by Philip Roth.

**March 4** ■ Elise Ginsparg reviews *The Covenant* by Naomi Regan.

**April 1** ■ Suzanne Hales reviewer; title to be announced.

**Mac User's Club** ■ 2nd Thursday, 7–9 p.m.

**Movie Time: Classics Anyone?** ■ Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; repeats Thursday afternoon, 1:30 p.m. A short discussion of the movie will follow the showing.

**January 5 & 6** ■ *Mrs. Miniver* (1942) 134 min.

This story of an average English middle-class family begins with the summer of 1939, when the sun shone down on a happy, careless people, who worked and played, reared their children and tended their gardens in that happy, easy-going England that was so soon to be fighting desperately for her way of life and for life itself.

**February 2 & 3** ■ *Ground Hog Day* (1993) 101 min. Bill Murray does warmth in his most consistently effective post-*Stripes* comedy, a romantic fantasy about a wacky weatherman forced to relive one strange day over and over again, until he gets it right. Snowed in during a road-trip expedition to watch the famous groundhog encounter his shadow, Murray falls into a time warp that is never explained but pays off so richly that it doesn't need to be.

**March 2 & 3** ■ *La Grande Illusion* (French, 1931) 114 min. It's long been one of the revered classics of international cinema, but there is no fine layer of dust over *La Grande Illusion*. Jean Renoir's film is just as vibrant, exciting, and wise as it has ever been. The story is set during World War I, mostly in a couple of German POW camps, where two very different French prisoners plot to escape: the working-class officer Maréchal (Jean Gabin, the French Spencer Tracy) and the upper-class de Boieldieu (Pierre Fresnay). After it won a prize at the Venice Film Festival in 1937, the Nazis declared the film "Cinematographic Enemy Number One."

**Mother/ Daughter Book Club** for girls 5th grade and up ■ 2nd Sunday, 1 p.m. Pizza and salad are served. Please make reservations with Program Coordinator Julie Anne Nitz-Weiss, 847-677-5277 x 236 if you are interested in participating.

**Skokie Valley Lyric Opera Lecture Series** ■ Programs begin at 2 p.m.

**Sunday, December 5** ■ *A Wedding* presented by Philip Seward. William Bolcom's score and Richard Altman's recreation of his 1978 film make for a witty, satirical, and hilariously funny grand-opera of manners—or lack thereof.

**Sunday, January 23** ■ *Tosca* presented by Marian Goldberg. Puccini's thriller tells a tragic story of love and lust.

**Travel Through Time** ■ Slide lectures on 3rd Fridays. Coffee at 10 a.m., program at 10:30 a.m.

**January 21** ■ Jack Diamond presents a *Musical Biography of Frank Sinatra*.

**February 18** ■ Sonia Lawrentz presents *Winter Beauty in the Southwest*.

**March 18** ■ Roberta Sotonoff presents *Northern Territory of Australia: The Land That Time Forgot*.

**April 15** ■ Elise Ginsparg takes us on a walk through historic Philadelphia and introduces us to Rebecca Gratz, who was born in Philadelphia in 1781 into a wealthy and highly esteemed family that supported the American Revolution.



*Moonglow takes you on a nostalgic journey to a more lighthearted world, December 12.*



*Master singer/songwriter Capt. Ric Murphy performs folk, rock, blues and Irish music, February 20.*

## Youth & Teen Services

### Programs for Young Children

Registration for winter sessions begins Monday, Dec. 27.

- **Leap Frogs** *Leap into learning at the Lincolnwood Library!* Through a combination of picture books, flannelboard stories, songs and fingerplays, Leap Frogs provides a language-rich experience that emphasizes letters, numbers, shapes, and colors. The 6-week session includes five 30-minute storytimes, plus a 1-hour craft time the final week. Storytime sessions: Jan. 18–Feb. 24: Tuesdays 1:30–2 p.m. or Thursdays 10:30–11 a.m. Craft sessions: Tuesday, Feb. 22, 1:30–2:30 p.m. or Thursday, Feb. 24, 10:30–11:30 a.m. Minimum enrollment is 10 children. Sessions with less than 10 children enrolled will be cancelled.
- **Playtime at the Library** Young children and their parents/caregivers are invited to this play group. This is an opportunity for library staff to share books with children, and for caregivers to meet others with young children. Toys and snacks for the children will be provided. This program will be held Wednesday mornings, 10–11:30 a.m., Jan. 19–Feb. 23.
- **Storytime at Barnes & Noble** Stories and craft for young children at the Village Crossing store. First Friday of the month, 7 p.m.

### Programs for School Aged Children

- **Stamp Club** for students continues. Meetings are twice a month, on Wednesdays, from 3:30–4:15 p.m. with leaders John Kradin and Harold Stral. Dates are Dec. 1 and 15; Jan. 5 and 19; Feb. 2 and 16; March 2 and 16.
- **Chess Club** for 1st–6th graders. Meets 3–4:30 p.m., Sundays, Jan. 30–Feb. 27, taught by community member Larry Rabyne.
- **Game Day** Monday, Feb. 21, 2–4 p.m. (No school, District 74.) No registration required.
- **Stories Surprise** Great stories and related fun activities for grades K–3. Tuesdays, 3:30–4:15 p.m. Winter session dates: March 1–March 22. Registration required.

### Programs for All Ages

No registration required for these programs.

- **Crafts** Winter crafts for children of all ages. Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2–4 p.m.
- **Family Storytimes** The entire family is welcome to attend this all-ages storytime. Each session features a combination of stories, songs, and rhymes. Wednesdays, 7–7:30 p.m., Jan. 19–Feb. 23.
- **Afternoon at the Movies** Monday, Jan. 17, 2–4 p.m. Title to be announced. (No school, District 74)

### Winter Giving Letter

*The Lincolnwood Public Library seeks: to create and sustain a sense of place for Lincolnwood residents; to bring the community together by celebrating its diversity; and to offer individuals a gateway to knowledge, discovery, and self-fulfillment.*

–LINCOLNWOOD LIBRARY MISSION STATEMENT

Dear Lincolnwood Resident and Library Supporter:

The holiday season is right around the corner, and if you're like us, the promise of joyful camaraderie, family celebration, and communal good cheer can be dampened by a host of practical considerations that always seem to spoil the mood – like the **annual holiday gift dilemma**. Grandpa doesn't even wear ties any more; it's impossible to buy anything for Aunt Zadie, not even a restaurant gift certificate; and your child's teacher definitely does not need another coffee mug! And besides, who has the time to think about all these gifts, let alone shop for them?

Take heart! The Lincolnwood Library might just have a perfect solution, one that also gives you an opportunity to help the Library better serve our community. Please consider making a year-end, tax-deductible gift to the Library in honor of a family member, special friend, or deserving colleague. You can also make a donation simply to acknowledge your or your family's enjoyment of the library and the help you've received from our great staff.

The Library is an important community resource. It contributes much to the quality of life in Lincolnwood. Open seven days—and nearly 70 hours—a week, it offers books and other collections, access to computers and online resources, and wonderful services and programs for all ages. The Library is also a center of culture, art, and music; a source for information, including homework help; a resource for the imagination; and a gateway to lifelong learning.

With generous support from Library taxpayers, supplemented by important additional help from the Friends of the Library, we have been able to expand our collections and services, increase our programming, and redesign and revitalize the Library's interior spaces.

Your year-end contribution will help the Library keep pace with the increasing demand for books, video and audio materials, electronic resources, programs, and new services, and will do so while you also honor or remember an individual or an occasion with a gift that everyone in the community can share and appreciate!

Please clip and return the donation form on page 4 with your tax-deductible donation of any amount. (Or, you can stop by and fill out a form at the Library.) We will gladly send an acknowledgement to the individual or organization you specify, informing them of your gift and the role that they—thanks to you—have played in helping the Library continue to meet the challenge of serving our great and increasingly diverse community.

Best wishes for the holiday season! We hope that you and your family will take full advantage of the Lincolnwood Public Library and its many resources and services during the coming year.



BETTE L. SILVERMAN  
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Library Director

**Lincolnwood Public Library  
Donation Form**

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**News from the Friends**

The Friends **Annual Holiday Bake Sale** will be at the Library on Friday, December 10 (1–5 p.m.) and Saturday, December 11 (10 a.m.–4 p.m.). Delicious cookies, desserts, snacks and more will be available for sale. Some of the best bakers in the village will be providing goodies. If you would like to donate baked goods for the sale please contact Judy Weiss, 846-674-2363.

Also on sale will be handbags, jewelry, make-up (Avon on Friday; Mary Kay on Saturday), and other assorted gift items as well as used books, including children’s books. If you have books to donate, please bring them to the Library’s Circulation Desk.

Friends do make a difference. Help the Library by supporting the Friends. ■

**We are open . . .**

Monday–Thursday	9 a.m.–9 p.m.
Friday	9 a.m.–6 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Sunday [school year only]	12:30 p.m.–5 p.m.

**We are closed . . .**

Friday, December 24–	at 12:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 26	
Friday, December 31–	at 12:30 p.m.
Sunday, January 2	



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