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FALL
2013



THOMAS FORD CELEBRATES YOU!

The Library Board and staff are grateful not only for the tax support that the community provides, but also for the fact that residents avidly use our services and attend our programs. It's our pleasure to offer two Member Appreciation Concerts in September as a thank you for all YOU do for the Library! Since September is also National Library Card Sign-up Month, it's a great time to apply for a card if you don't already have one – and use yours if you do!

Sunday, September 22, 2 p.m., Macaroni Soup will present a participatory family music program that will have everyone singing, laughing, hopping and stomping. Children of all ages will have a fun-filled afternoon. This program is generously underwritten by the Thomas Ford Library Foundation. Light refreshments will follow.

Sunday, September 29, 2:30 p.m., The Convertibles, a doo-wop/barbershop quartet will entertain us with music from the Fifties and Sixties, along with a little comedy. This group packed our Friday at the Ford program several years ago, and is always entertaining. Please plan to join us! Light refreshments will follow.

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ADULT

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.
Register online, in person, or by calling (708) 246-0520.

AUTHOR TALK WITH KATHERINE WILLIS PERSHEY Wednesday, September 11, 7 p.m.

Local author Katherine Willis Pershey will speak about her memoir *Any Day a Beautiful Change: A Story of Faith and Family*. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

SOCIAL SECURITY: MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE Wednesday, September 18, 7 p.m.

Jim Flanagan of Bentron Financial Group explains key facts about Social Security for those who have not yet begun receiving benefits.

REDUCE ANXIETY AND STRESS IN YOUR LIFE Monday, September 23, 7 p.m.

Professional counselor Joy Davy will provide insights, tips and techniques anyone can employ to lead a calmer lifestyle. Learn how to find peace and balance amid life's increasing demands.

SILK SCARVES IN THE MICROWAVE

Thursday, September 26, 7 p.m.
You read that right. Carolyn Thomas Davidoff returns to teach a new method of silk scarf painting using that handy appliance you have in your kitchen. Every participant will leave with a scarf they have decorated. Please wear old clothes. A small materials fee will be charged.

IONE QUINBY: "GIRL REPORTER" FROM WESTERN SPRINGS

Wednesday, October 2, 7 pm.
During the "Roaring Twenties," a diminutive woman reporter from Western Springs became famous for covering police, gangsters, molls and murderers. Historians Genevieve G. McBride of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Steve Byers of Marquette University tell the story of a woman who stepped out of safe, suburban Chicago to tell the city's stories on the front page in the *Jazz Age*.

YOU CAN BREW IT!

Monday, October 7, 7 p.m.

Do you enjoy good quality craft beer? Home brewing is a fun and rewarding hobby that is enjoyed by millions. Award-winning home brewer Scott Pointon will discuss the equipment, ingredients, brewing process and resources available to would-be brew masters.

RESOURCES FOR THE UNEMPLOYED AND CAREER CHANGERS

Wednesday, October 9, 7 p.m.

Join College of DuPage adult admissions representative Angela Nackovic to learn about how to access college funding through the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), financial aid and scholarships for adults. Angela will also discuss programs and services available for adult learners at College of DuPage.

VINTAGE FALL FLAVORS

Tuesday, October 29, 7 p.m.

Amy Alessio—author, librarian, speaker—invites you to taste the flavors of fall with samples and recipes covering vintage cookbook autumn treats. Topics include apple delights, vintage Halloween traditions, pumpkins and more! Limit 30.

CARVE A TURKEY LIKE A PRO

Some day in November, 7 p.m.

Are you hosting Thanksgiving this year? Want to impress your guests with a gracefully carved bird? See it done the right way, and get some hands-on practice. Call the Library for the supply list for this free class.

PARANORMAL 101

Thursday, November 14, 7 p.m.

Melissa Tanner and her team of investigators from TnT Paranormal will discuss the methods they use when looking into alleged cases of paranormal or unexplained activity. Find out how they gather and review data, and if their experiences are indeed paranormal.

FRIDAY at the FORD

These concerts are free thanks to the support of the Western Springs Library Friends. Doors open at 7 p.m.
No registration required.

ROBBIE MALKOWSKI

Friday, September 20, 7:30 p.m.

Take a musical trip with vocalist Robbie Malkowski and jazz pianist Dave Turner as they perform the best of the Gershwins, from 1919's "Swanee" to 1938's "Love is Here to Stay."

DAVE RUDOLF

Friday, November 1, 7:30 p.m.

Enjoy an evening of acoustic music from this Grammy-nominated, gold record winning guitarist/singer, as he mixes his own compositions with favorites from the 60s and 70s.



Dave Rudolf

DECORATIVE SOAPS

Tuesday, December 3, 7 p.m.

Pretty, useful and consumable embellished soaps make ideal hostess gifts and add a festive touch to the powder room. Make some with a holiday theme, or an everyday pattern at this free class.

HOLIDAY APPETIZERS

Wednesday, December 11, 7 p.m.

Need ideas for your holiday parties? Andrew Comens will demonstrate dishes including fresh tomato salsa, guacamole, tortilla roll-ups filled with roasted pepper, olives and green onions, and sesame chicken bites. Limit 35.

JOIN A GROUP

These ongoing library groups are free for all to attend, with no registration required.

KNITTING CIRCLE

Every other Thursday at 1 p.m.

September 5, 19, October 3, 17,

November 7, 21, December 12

Come enjoy knitting, conversation and light refreshments.

INVESTMENT

DISCUSSION GROUP

Second Tuesdays at 7:15 p.m.

September 10, October 8,

November 12, December 10

Local amateur investors discuss stocks, bonds and other financial securities.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



Join us for lively discussions on the first Wednesday of each month, October through May (except January). Book reviews and information about upcoming books are available at the Reference Desk. Extra copies are available at the Library approximately one month before the discussion.

THE ROUND HOUSE by Louise Erdrich

Wednesday, October 2, 2013, 7:30 p.m.

Winner of the National Book Award, this is one of Louise Erdrich's best. It's a tale of crime and revenge, and coming-of-age, told from the adult perspective of Joe, about a hate crime against his mother when he was 13. This suspenseful mystery, richly told with warmth and even humor, explores the impact of the event and its aftermath on Joe's family and his Ojibwe Native American community.

ARCADIA by Lauren Groff

Wednesday, November 6, 2013, 7:30 p.m.

This beautifully written novel follows the life of Bit Stone, from his birth in a utopian community in upstate New York through his career in New York City as a photographer, ending in 2018 when Bit is 50. Groff brings to life the 1970s commune in a way that is timeless. Reviewers praise her exquisite prose: author Richard Russo says that "it's not possible to write any better without showing off."

WILD by Cheryl Strayed

Wednesday, December 4, 2013, 7:30 p.m.

After the death of her mother, Cheryl Strayed's life fell apart as she began using drugs and her marriage ended in divorce. In a desperate effort to save herself, she resolved to hike the Pacific Crest Trail alone despite her inexperience as a backpacker. This inspiring memoir describes her three-month journey, both along the trail and internally, with vivid description and insight.

Starting this Fall Science Fiction Book Club

Our new Science Fiction Book Club will be getting together to discuss one classic SF book a season. Don't worry if you are new to the genre, this club will be a great place to start.

THE LATHE OF HEAVEN by Ursula K. Le Guin

Monday, November 18, 7:30 p.m.

Winner of the Locus award for best novel and nominee for the Hugo and Nebula, *The Lathe of Heaven* follows mild mannered draftsman George Orr, who discovers that his dreams have the power to change reality. Should he stop himself from bending the universe to his unconscious will, or should he try to harness his powers to remake the world as a paradise?

F I L M DISCUSSION G R O U P

ROBOT & FRANK

Friday, September 13, 7 p.m.

In the near future an ex-jewel thief receives a gift from his son: a robot butler programmed to look after him. Soon, the two friends try their luck as a heist team.

SEARCHING FOR SUGAR MAN

Friday, September 27, 7 p.m.

Two South Africans set out to discover what happened to their unlikely musical hero, the mysterious 1970s rock 'n' roller, Rodriguez.

BERNIE

Friday, October 11, 7 p.m.

In small-town Texas, the local mortician befriends a wealthy widow, though when he kills her, he goes to great lengths to create the illusion that she's alive.

THE AMERICAN SCREAM

Friday, October 25, 7 p.m.

An original documentary which follows three families in a small seaside town in Massachusetts as they prepare for their annual homemade haunted houses.

MONSIEUR LAZHAR

Friday, November 8, 7 p.m.

At a Montréal public grade school, an Algerian immigrant is hired to replace a popular teacher who committed suicide. While helping his students deal with their grief, his own recent loss is revealed.

RESURRECT THE DEAD: THE MYSTERY OF THE TOYNBEE TILES

Friday, November 22, 7 p.m.

An urban mystery unfurls as one man pieces together the surreal meaning of hundreds of cryptic tiled messages that have been appearing in city streets across the U.S. and South America.

YOUTH

Registration begins Tuesday, September 3 and is required unless otherwise noted.
Have your Library card ready to register online, in person or by phone. First preference will be given to Western Springs residents.

WHAT CHILDREN LEARN AT THE LIBRARY

Early childhood experiences at the Library have a positive impact on ability to learn language and reading skills later on. For babies through age five, the best ways to get them ready to read are: Talking (T), Singing (S), Reading (R), Writing (W) and Playing (P). Library programs involving all five activities are coded ALL.

EARLY LITERACY PARENT AND CHILD WORKSHOP

Monday, September 9,

10:30-11:30 a.m. OR 7-8 p.m.

Families and caregivers welcome
Find out about early literacy and why it's important. Before children can learn to read, they must develop a range of early literacy skills. Learning these skills begins at birth, and has a long-term impact on children's reading achievement and academic success. As your children's first teachers you are in the best position to help your children develop these skills. This workshop presents the five early literacy practices along with interactive activities that parents, caregivers and children can enjoy together. (ALL)

R.E.A.D. TO THE DOGS AT THE LIBRARY

Tuesdays, September 10, October 8, November 12, and December 10, 7-8 p.m.

Beginning or independent readers love to practice reading aloud to one of the dogs from Hinsdale Humane Society's Pet Assisted Learning program because it's pressure-free! Sign up for one 15-minute time slot either in person or by phone starting September 3.

FAMILY STORYTIME

Thursdays, September 12, October 10, November 7, and December 12, 6:45-7:30 p.m. Families welcome

Hear stories, sing songs and make a craft in this special evening storytime for families. (ALL)

FRANKIE ACE, COMEDY MAGIC

Saturday, September 14 , 1-1:45 p.m.

Families welcome
For 18 years, Frankie Ace has been performing comedy magic at restaurants, parties and corporate events. His show is the perfect combination of silly, mystery and laugh-out-loud fun. Parents say they've never seen their children laugh so hard! (T, P)

LEGO CLUB

Tuesdays, October 15, November 19, and December 17, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Grades 2+

Join the club and be challenged! At each meeting you will be given a different secret building challenge. After building for 45 minutes, we'll write descriptions of our creations and display them in the Youth Services department. (T, R, W, P)

INCREDIBLE BATS

Wednesday, October 23, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Families welcome

There are many fears and misconceptions about bats, but they are vital to a healthy environment. Join Sharon Peterson as she dispels the myths surrounding these misunderstood creatures with a multimedia presentation and live fruit bat demonstration.

BRINGING LITERATURE TO LIFE

Monday, November 11 , 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Families welcome

You'll laugh out loud as nationally known family entertainer Chris Fascione brings children's stories and classic literature to life with his high-spirited and innovative performance. Chris creates colorful characters through his unique combination of acting, storytelling, comedy and juggling. A Storytelling World Award winner, Chris brings out the kid in everyone. (T, P)



SEPTEMBER 16 - OCTOBER 25

READ 'N' RHYME ROMP

Mondays, 9:45-10:15 a.m.

OR 10:30-11 a.m.

3-23 months w/adult (choose either session on Mondays)

Help your baby grow up to love books! Share stories, songs and rhymes with your little one in this lapsit program, and introduce him or her to a lifetime of reading fun and language enjoyment. This program works best for one adult with one baby. (ALL)

TODDLER TIME

Tuesdays, 10-10:30 a.m. OR

Thursdays, 10-10:30 a.m.

2-3 years w/adult (choose Tuesdays OR Thursdays)

Introduce your toddler to early literacy storytimes. Early literacy practices help in building the foundation of reading for your child. This program works best if there is one adult with one toddler. Adults are encouraged to participate with their toddlers and expand their learning by repeating the activities listed on the handout at home. (ALL)

STORYTIME PALS

Mondays, 1:30-2 p.m.

OR Wednesdays, 10-10:30 a.m.

3-5 years (choose Mondays OR Wednesdays)

Hear stories, sing songs and have fun with your friends. Storytimes will practice early literacy skills that children need to learn before they can read. (ALL)

LEGO PLAY DAY

Monday, November 25

10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

All ages. Drop in.

Build with our Legos and Duplos. Your creations will be displayed for your friends and family to see. No registration required. (T, P)

MAKE A HOLIDAY GIFT IN A JAR

Tuesday, December 3, 4-5 p.m.

Ages 6+

Make a sweet gift for someone special, like a parent or teacher, by layering different snack foods (including tree nuts and peanuts) into a large, decorated mason jar. You can also make a holiday card to go with the gift.

WESTERN SPRINGS CHRISTMAS WALK @THE LIBRARY

Saturday, December 7, 2-4 p.m.

Families welcome

Meet the famous Mouse from the book series by Laura Numeroff (If You Give a Mouse a Cookie, If You Take a Mouse to the Movies, and more). Mouse loves to have his picture taken with new friends, so bring your camera! We'll also do some fun crafts. (T, W, P)

WIGGLEWORMS

HOLIDAY MUSIC PROGRAM

Wednesday, December 18, 4-4:30 p.m.

OR 4:45-5:15 p.m. (choose one time)

Families welcome

The holidays are fast approaching! Mark your calendar for this popular holiday music program at the Library. Julie Helenius is a longtime Wiggleworms instructor with the Old Town School of Folk Music. She will bring elements of that program to this holiday show that will be a rollicking good time for families. Sing along with your children, play finger games, do circle dances and play rhythm instruments especially designed for little hands. (S, P)

ARTWORK NEEDED!

Are you a preschool or art teacher who wants to showcase your students' artwork? Is your child part of a group that makes art, such as Brownies, Cub Scouts, or other clubs? The Youth Services Department welcomes the use of our display wall to highlight our community's young artists. Please email dana@fordlibrary.org for information or to reserve the wall.

JUST IN TIME FOR SCHOOL!

Access these new online resources from our website:

1 TumbleBookLibrary is a collection of TumbleBooks (animated, talking picture books) with fiction, nonfiction and foreign language titles, Read-Alongs, TumbleTV and Tumble Puzzles & Games.

2 TumbleBookCloud Junior is an online collection of ebooks and read-along chapter books, graphic novels, educational videos and audio books! It's designed specifically for kids in grades two to six. Unlimited access is available from any device with an internet connection.

These books feature adjustable text sizes, full narration and a read-along function that highlights text as it is read. These features make TumbleBookCloud a great tool for reluctant readers and ESL students. Plus, all these options can be switched to manual so readers can read at their own pace. Teachers can take advantage of lesson plans and quizzes that accompany the books.

3 Encyclopedia Britannica Online has content for all ages—from elementary students to college students from business professionals to curious seniors. The Britannica Online for Kids includes two complete encyclopedias: Compton's and Britannica Elementary Encyclopedia. Students can get help on research papers, book reviews and more from the student center on this online resource. Engaging video, animation and audio clips are also available.

To access these resources, visit our website www.fordlibrary.org. Go to the Kids and Homework Help section and you will find links to these resources.

THANK YOU SPONSORS!

The Western Springs Library Friends have always been a generous sponsor of the Summer Reading Club. Thank you for supporting this year's

program, "Dig into Reading."

We also extend an appreciative thank you to all of our sponsors:

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Lou Malnati's
Morton Arboretum
Museum of Science + Industry

Oberweis Dairy
Raging Waves Waterpark
Shedd Aquarium
Skydeck Chicago
Snackers Cafe
Thomas Ford Library Foundation

2013 SUMMER READING STATS

We had 1,018 children participate in our "Dig into Reading" Summer Reading Club:

Baby Diggers (0-23 months): 44
Little Diggers (2-4 years): 185
Big Diggers (5 years+): 789
Breakdown by area schools:
Laidlaw: 196
Field Park: 185
Forest Hills: 132
St. John of the Cross: 130
LaGrange Highlands: 55

We congratulate all the children for reading this summer and reaching their goals.

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.
Register online, in person, or by calling (708) 246-0520.

CODING CLUB

September 24, October 8, 22, November 12, 26, December 3, 17, from 3:45 to 4:45pm

Want to learn some basic computer coding from the ground up? Twice a month we'll work together, step by step, to make a basic webpage and computer game, and in the process learn HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. Bring a laptop if you have one. You must have an email address to participate.

10-1 BOOK CLUB

Are you the one everyone asks for good book suggestions? Do you want to know more about the best books of the year? Join us for discussions, debates, and maybe even author events! This is a joint club amongst several area libraries and schools, so it's a great place to meet people who share your passion. Visit <http://tentooneblr.tumblr.com/> for meeting times and locations.

SPA NIGHT!

Tuesday, September 24, 7 p.m.
Come blow off some back to school steam by making a moisturizing scrub for your skin, sampling healthy, energizing smoothies, and learning some relaxing yoga poses good for mind and body. Wear comfy clothes.

MEXICAN SUGAR SKULLS

Tuesday, October 29, 3:45 p.m.
Decorating and giving skulls made from sugar is a traditional part of Day of the Dead celebrations in Mexico. Come decorate your own sugar skull and learn a bit about this holiday.

4TH ANNUAL EXTREME GINGERBREAD CHALLENGE

Thursday December 5
6:45-8:30
It's back! Come make and decorate a festive creation that's too sweet to eat. We'll display entries in the lobby to be voted on during the Christmas Walk, or you can take your tasty treat home at the end of the night.

HUNGER GAMES AFTER HOURS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16
6:30-9 P.M.

Are you getting excited for Catching Fire to hit the theaters? Relive the excitement with our own version of The Hunger Games, then stay to watch the first movie. We'll give you pizza even if you're not the winning tribute! This after-hours event is open to teens in 6th grade up only. You're welcome to leave before the movie, but no re-entry is allowed.

EXAM CRAM

Tuesday-Thursday December 17-19
6-10pm
Finish the semester strong! Snacks, drinks, and group study space will be provided to our high school patrons. Stay till 10 with a valid high school ID.

THANKS VOLUNTEERS!

We are so grateful to our teen volunteers for sharing their time, smiles, and summer with the library and the children of Western Springs. From everyone who helped register children for the Summer Reading Club to our Big Book Buddies, each of you helped our summer reading programs run smoothly. TFML teens are the best!

BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS FOR TEENS AND PARENTS

Make the best of the library as you head back to school by checking out these resources you may not be aware of:

IN-LIBRARY

The Education Resource (ER) Collection is filled with test prep books, college guides, and more to supplement your research and preparation for higher education.

Because we know kids and teens develop at their own pace and have diverse needs and interests, the Teen Lounge has material for students in grades 6-12; the Youth Services Department serves birth-8th grade. The whole collection is open to you and we're here to help you navigate it!

ONLINE

Encyclopedia Britannica Online: It's not the dusty tome you remember. Check out their online content for timelines, interactive maps, videos, and images to inform or put the finishing touch on reports

Gale Virtual Reference: AP Euro students, meet your new best friend. This collection of digitized reference books is a great source for finding information about historical topics, health, science, and literature as well!

Novelist Plus: Book report? Find a book that meets the criteria (page number, topic) that also hits on your reading preferences (fast paced, humorous, etc) with this useful book finding database.

Help Me Find A Good Book!: Fill out this brief form and Heather, the teen librarian, will email you back with a personalized list of reading suggestions for recreational reading or to meet assignment needs.



Oak Leaf SOCIETY

FOUNDATION NEWS

Thank you for the response to our Annual Appeal! Thomas Ford Library Foundation offers the opportunity to make a tax-deductable contribution to support one of the gems of Western Springs, our Library. Please know that donations are accepted at any time during the year, and may be designated in honor of or in memory of a loved one. These funds are invested to support special Library initiatives and build an endowment.

We encourage planned giving as specified in one's will or trust. Those individuals or entities that contribute generously to the Foundation are recognized as members of the Oak Leaf Society. To qualify, one must promise either a gift of \$10,000 or cumulative lifetime giving in excess of \$2,500. For additional information, please contact any board member or email foundation@fordlibrary.org—Bob Bures

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From the Friends

BOOK SALE: The autumn book sale is October 18-20. Doors open for the Friends' membership at 6 p.m., October 18. The sale on October 19 is open to all from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The best value is the Sunday bag sale, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. We are accepting book donations for the sale. All revenue from the sale supports Ford Library programs.

VOLUNTEERS: The Friends organization is seeking volunteers to serve on the Board of Directors. There are only five meetings per year and the time commitment is minimal. In order to maintain the organization in the coming years, we need new members. Should you have interest in joining the board, please email Jim McGuire at jmcguire1949@live.com.

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1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Library Closings

The Library will be closed on Thursday, November 28 for Thanksgiving; Tuesday and Wednesday, December 24 and 25 for Christmas; and Tuesday, December 31 for New Year's Eve.

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PAULINE KENNEDY GARDENING SERIES

Please join us for our Autumn gardening lectures, generously sponsored by the family of Pauline Kennedy.

SPRING IN A MINOR KEY: THE DELIGHTS OF UNUSUAL BULBS Tuesday, September 17, 7 p.m.

Everyone knows and loves tulips, daffodils and crocus, but many other fall-planted bulbs can add sparkling color, texture and charm to the Spring garden. Beth Botts, writer for the Chicago Tribune, will introduce us to interesting varieties of fall-planted bulbs that are definitely not run-of-the-mill. Make 2014 the year when your garden goes from good to great! Plant something new and different!

WORKING IN THE SHADE

Tuesday, October 8, 7 p.m.

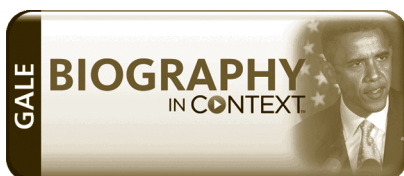
One of the beauties of Western Springs is the size and magnificence of the old trees which line the streets and protect its homes from the harsh rays of the sun. The shade created, while lovely, can present special gardening challenges. Marcy Stewart-Pyziak will teach attendees how to layer shade-loving plants; present examples of tough perennials, shrubs, and ornamentals; and give pointers concerning working with one of the toughest gardening sites of all, that of "dry shade".

FLORAL DESIGN WITH A FLAIR

Tuesday, November 19, 7 p.m.

The fall harvest season offers an abundance of natural elements perfect for floral arrangements and table decorations: mums, pumpkins, gourds, strawflowers, and acorns, to name a few. Just in time for Thanksgiving entertaining, Diane Carr will demonstrate design techniques that will help you to create autumn decorations with style and elegance... and on a budget! There will be time for questions and answers, so come prepared to be inspired.

FEATURED ONLINE RESOURCE



Gale Biography in Context is more than just a tool for students. It is a great resource for anyone wanting to learn about famous people

from history or in the news. Find encyclopedia profiles, interviews, magazine articles, photos and audio or video clips. Connect through fordlibrary.org. Have your Library card handy.

This Fall at LaGrange Library

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(708) 215-3200 lagrangelibrary.org

OLD-TIME RADIO WITH RADIO PLAYERS WEST

Sunday, September 29, 2:00pm

Thrill to the hard-boiled exploits of detective Philip Marlowe! Laugh at the zany antics of Fibber McGee & Molly and Abbott & Costello! See and hear live old-time radio plays, before your very eyes, with Radio Players West! Please register. (5 min/ 60 max)