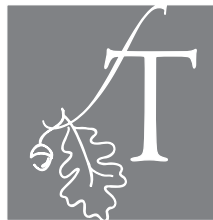


# The Ford Connection

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## *The Thomas Ford Memorial Library*



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## A Fond Farewell

### *The Retirement of Director Anne Kozak*

This fall the Thomas Ford Library community bids farewell to Anne Kozak as she embarks on her retirement adventures after 39 years of librarianship—30 as Director of Thomas Ford Memorial Library.

During Anne's tenure, Thomas Ford achieved many milestones: we became one of the first local libraries to computerize its service; we expanded and renovated in 1996; we entered the 21st century with downloadable media. Through these changes, Anne steadfastly balanced innovation with the core values of public library service: championing the library as a cornerstone of our community and a welcoming place of growth, learning, and enrichment for all.

"I am so fortunate," said Anne about her time as Director. "The relationships that I have made with the people who work in and use the Library have enriched my life in immeasurable ways." The Library community has been similarly enriched by Anne, and while we will miss the distinctive verve of

her leadership, we are enthusiastic about the future, as we have all been improved and empowered by Anne's example.

The Board of Trustees expresses sincere thanks and best wishes to Anne Kozak in her retirement. Anne's guidance has made the Library a welcoming and comfortable environment, much like a good friend or neighbor's home. Her genuine smile, love for our members, and dedication to our mission will be greatly missed, but her legacy of commitment, compassion, and excellence will continue to benefit our community for years to come.

## OPEN HOUSE

A community open house will be held at the Library from **1-3 on Sunday, September 25**. Please join us in thanking Anne for her outstanding directorship and in wishing her health and happiness in the years ahead.

# ADULT

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

## Indie Author Day

Saturday, October 8

11 a.m. - 12 p.m. - Local author panel

1 p.m. - 2 p.m. - Indie Author web Q&A

Join us for the inaugural Indie Author Day! At 11am we'll host a panel of local authors who will discuss their experiences writing and publishing, and at 1pm we'll stream a live web panel and Q&A with writers, agents and other industry leaders. Come to one or both for some inspiration and information!

## Italian Cooking Basics

Monday, October 10, 7 p.m.

Buon appetito! Chef Cherise will show you how easy and fun it is to make pasta from scratch and to prepare a delicious Italian meal that will have your dinner companions asking for seconds. The chef will include Homemade Linguine, Spicy Marinara Sauce, Chopped Salad & Vinaigrette, and Italian Biscotti Cookies. Tasty bites and recipes will be shared.

## HIDDEN STAR WARS

Monday, December 5, 7 p.m.

Experience Star Wars like never before with this thrilling insider's peek at one of the most treasured film series in the galaxy! Hear inside jokes, secret references, and dozens more exciting moments included by the filmmakers for Star Wars fans of all ages.

## Sacred Spaces: The Architectural Designs of Herbert A. Brand

Wednesday, October 12, 7 p.m.

Herbert A. Brand of Western Springs designed churches and houses through the Chicago area, including five churches in Western Springs. Grandson Charles M. Brand leads a visual tour of lost and existing local buildings.

## Using the Library from Home: Digital Books, Music, Movies, and Magazines

Wednesday, October 19, 7 p.m.

Have a busy schedule? Have trouble getting to the Library? Want books, magazines, movies, and music to come to you? Go digital! Reference librarian Rick Roche will show you how to use your library card to access titles with your computer, tablet, and smartphone from Hoopla, Media on Demand, eRead Illinois, and Flipster. Bring your device and your questions.

## Familiar Spirits

Monday, October 24, 7 p.m.

Familiar Spirits is an evening of supernatural theater, an interactive performance of spine-tingling horror stories, eerie true history, and inexplicable paranormal occurrences. Imagine...the lights go out and you spend a chilling hour as you become part of the mystery!

## Images of Patriotism in American Art

Monday, November 7, 7 p.m.

Art Historian Dr. Michelle Mishur presents this slide lecture about patriotic themes, symbols, and subjects in the history of American art. Dr. Mishur's program features a variety of paintings that inspire feelings of patriotism. She discusses images of George Washington, the American flag, the American landscape, and other subjects within their historic context.

## FRIDAY at the FORD

*We open our doors at 7 p.m. for our free concerts sponsored by the Western Springs Library Friends. No registration. Come early to get a good seat.*

## The True Blue Birds

Friday, September 16, 7:30 p.m.

Presenting "Sing A Song of Joy: Folk Songs and Psalms from Ancient to Modern," the local duo of Rebecca Hemminger (soprano from La Grange Park) and Susan Dudek (flute from Willow Springs) make their Ford debut.



*The True Blue Birds*

## Curtis and Loretta

Friday, November 11, 7:30 p.m.

Curtis & Loretta will perform their original songs celebrating heroic actions of individuals, couples, and communities.

## Painted Velvet Scarves

Thursday, November 10, 7-9 p.m.

Carolyn Thomas Davidoff is back and brings her expertise in scarf painting. Learn a technique for painting on velvet. Each participant will paint a scarf, which can be taken home the day after the program. \$10 materials fee.

## NaNoWriMo Write-In

Thursday, November 17, 5-9 p.m.

It's National Novel Writing Month! Work on your NaNoWriMo novel by the glow of the fireplace in our lovely Reading Room. Snacks, giveaways, and word sprint contests will be offered throughout the evening!

## JOIN A GROUP

*These ongoing Library groups are free for all to attend; no registration required.*

### Knitting Circle

Every other Thursday, 1 p.m.  
September 1, 15, 29, October 13, 27,  
November 17, December 8

Join our knitting circle for knitting, conversation, and light refreshments.

### Investment Discussion Group

Second Tuesdays, 7:15 p.m.  
September 13, October 11, November 8,  
December 13

Local amateur investors discuss trends in stocks, bonds, and more.

### Western Springs Writers Society

Mondays and Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
September 8, 26, October 13, 31,  
November 10, 28, December 8  
Have a writing itch? The Western Springs Writers' Society (WSWS) welcomes all writers from the community to discuss and hone their craft with other local writers. Whether this is your career or hobby, writers of all levels and genres are invited. Questions in advance? Please contact Marie Gerken at [marie@gerken.org](mailto:marie@gerken.org) or Jim Swinehart at [jswinehart@clausen.com](mailto:jswinehart@clausen.com).

## BOOK CLUBS

*Library book clubs are open to anyone who enjoys good books! Extra copies of the books are made available at the Library one month before the discussion. Book reviews and other information can be viewed at the Reference Desk.*

### Book Discussion Group

*Suite Française*

by Irène Némirovsky

Wednesday, October 5, 7:30 p.m.

Two powerful novellas of occupied France, written as the author was experiencing the occupation. Némirovsky died in Auschwitz in 1942, leaving the work unfinished and undiscovered until its publication in 2004.

*Long Man*

by Amy Greene

Wednesday, November 2, 7:30 p.m.

A hauntingly beautiful tale about the last few hold-outs in a Tennessee town about to be flooded by the TVA dam in 1936.

*My Brilliant Friend*

by Elena Ferrante

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

The story of two girls growing up in a poor neighborhood in 1950s Naples, the first in an internationally acclaimed quartet of books about their lives. Translated from Italian.

### Science Fiction Book Club

*Sleeping Giants*

by Sylvain Neuvel

Monday, November 14, 7:30 p.m.

Mysterious artifacts buried deep within the Earth begin to surface. A group of misfit scientists and military personnel try to unravel their meaning while dealing with an increasingly tense political climate. "Masterfully blends elements of sci-fi, political thriller and apocalyptic fiction... A page-turner of the highest order." —*Kirkus Reviews*

## FILM DISCUSSION GROUP

*We open the doors at 6:45 p.m. for these after-hours film discussions. They are drop-in events; no registration necessary.*

### The Lady in the Van

Friday, September 9, 7 p.m.

A man forms an unexpected bond with a transient woman living in her van that's parked in his driveway.

### He Named Me Malala

Friday, September 23, 7 p.m.

A look at the events leading up to the Taliban's attack on a Pakistani schoolgirl for speaking out on girls' education followed by the aftermath, including her speech to the United Nations.

### Mediterranea

Friday, October 7, 7 p.m.

Two men make the dangerous journey from Africa to Italy for a better life, but then face hostility and violence.

### Psycho (1960)

Friday, October 21, 7 p.m.

In this classic Hitchcock film, a secretary steals \$40,000, goes on the run and checks into a remote motel run by a young man and his dominating mother.

### Truth

Friday, November 4, 7 p.m.

Newsroom drama detailing the 60 Minutes report investigating George W. Bush's military service, and the subsequent firestorm of criticism that cost anchor Dan Rather and producer Mary Mapes their careers.

### Son of Saul

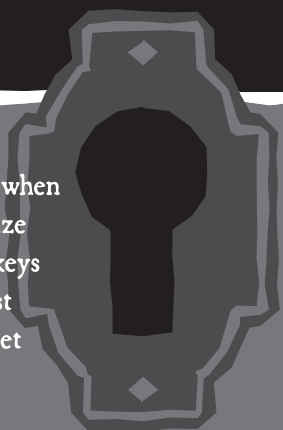
Friday, November 18, 7 p.m.

A prisoner working in the crematorium in Auschwitz believes he has found his child's body, and tries to save it from being burned in order to find a rabbi and perform a proper burial.

## LOCKED IN THE LIBRARY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 7 P.M.

You're working on your laptop in the Reading Room when it gets quiet, the lights go out and suddenly you realize you've been locked in! Solve the puzzles to find the keys and unlock the door before you're caught by the ghost of Thomas Ford. Sign up in teams of up to four or get matched on site. *Registration deadline October 13.*





# YOUTH

**Registration is required for all programs and storytimes unless otherwise noted and begins on Thursday, September 8.**

*Have your library card ready to register online, in person, or by calling (708) 246-0520. First preference will be given to Western Springs residents.*

## **R.E.A.D. to the Dogs @ the Library**

Tuesdays, September 13, October 11, November 8, and December 13 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! Reading time is a one-on-one experience; no parents or siblings are allowed. Sign up for one 15-minute time slot either in person or by phone.

## **Family Storytime**

Thursdays, September 15, October 20, November 17, 6:45-7:30 p.m. All ages  
Hear stories, sing songs, and make a craft in this special evening storytime for families.  
**SEPTEMBER 15:** Stinky, Smelly Stories.  
**OCTOBER 20:** BOO! Come in costume, if you'd like, to this Halloween-themed storytime.  
**NOVEMBER 17:** Cozy Pajama Storytime; feel free to wear your jammies!

## **Zentangled Critters Art Workshop**

Monday, October 17, 4:30-6 p.m.

Grades 1-3

After looking at patterns in nature, young artists will create a unique animal from checkerboards, spirals, weaves and geometric shapes. What bold animal lurks in your imagination?

## **Halloween Storytime and Costume Parade**

Friday, October 28,

11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Ages 3-6

After a spooktacular storytime, join us for a costume parade through the Library. We will be trick-or-treating in Youth Services, Adult Services, and at the Circulation desk, so bring something to hold your goodies. Costumes strongly recommended but not required.

# THANK YOU SPONSORS!

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Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art  
Lou Malnati's  
Raging Waves  
Shedd Aquarium  
Windy City ThunderBolts

## **Thank You, Teen Volunteers!**

The Library is grateful for the dedicated crew of 50 teen volunteers who helped with the Youth Services Department's Summer Reading Club. Whether volunteers assisted with registering children, gave out prizes, or prepared materials, their time and efforts were greatly appreciated.

## **MADCAP PUPPET THEATRE** *presents* **'MONKEY SEE MONKEY DO'**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1-2 P.M. FAMILIES WELCOME**



There's no business like monkey business! Max and Vinnie are expert zookeepers, but keeping the rascally monkeys from getting into trouble is easier said than done. When Mr. Cleaver, the zoo manager, decides to send one of the monkeys to another zoo, it's time for their great escape! Go with the monkeys as they explore new exhibits at the zoo. Each one is a backdrop for exciting stories from around the world. Recommended for children between 5-12 years.

# LITTLE MISS ANN

Thursday, September 22, 4:30-5:15 p.m.  
Families welcome

At this family concert, kids (6 years and under) can experience the unique live music of Little Miss Ann, a veteran instructor at the Old Town School of Folk Music. She performs an upbeat, interactive mix of folk-rock music with rich vocals and simple instrumentation.



## Magic Matt's Magic Show and Learn a Trick

Saturday, November 12, 1:30-3 p.m.  
Grades 1-3

Magician Matthew Scherer presents an introduction into the world of magic. Students will enjoy learning from a special collection of magic tricks prepared by Mr. Scherer. The program features a 40 - 50 minute family-fun magic show followed by 30+ minutes of magic instruction and discussion. Mr. Scherer will teach simple magic tricks with basic items from around the house including coins, paper clips, rubber bands, etc. Mr. Scherer encourages parents to attend this program to share and encourage their child's magical experience.

## Clifford at the Library

Saturday, December 3, 2-4 p.m.

Families welcome; drop in  
Visit the Library during the Western Springs Christmas Walk and meet Clifford. From 2:30-2:45 we will have a special storytime with Clifford. Drop in for photo opportunities and activities.

## Winter Holiday Tales

Monday, December 12, 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Families welcome

Celebrate the season as nationally-known family entertainer Chris Fascione brings multicultural winter holiday tales from around the world to life! These may include Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa tales for children 5 years and up. Full of energy, humor, and imagination, Chris creates colorful characters through his unique combination of acting, storytelling, comedy, and juggling. Chris is a Storytelling World award winner.

## LEGO CLUB WITH THE MUSEUM OF SCIENCE & INDUSTRY

Wednesday, November 16,  
4:30-5:30 p.m. Grades 1-3

The Museum of Science and Industry will be hosting a LEGO® design challenge at the Library. Race against the clock to create a vessel that travels underwater and other fun challenges for a chance to win prizes and discounted passes to see Brick by Brick, MSI's latest hands-on exhibit! It features more than a dozen giant structures by LEGO® Certified Professional Adam Reed Tucker, including a 60-foot Golden Gate Bridge, the International Space Station and Roman Colosseum.



# FALL STORYTIMES

September 19—  
November 11

## READ 'N' RHYME ROMP

Mondays, Tuesdays, or  
Fridays, 10-10:30 a.m.  
3-23 months w/adult

Help your baby grow up to love books! Share stories, songs, and rhymes with your little one in this lapsed program and introduce him or her to a lifetime of reading fun and language enjoyment. This program works best if there is one adult with one baby. The adults are encouraged to follow along and do the activities with their baby.

## TODDLER TIME

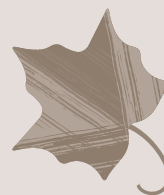
Wednesdays, 10-10:30 a.m. or  
Thursdays, 10-10:30 a.m. or  
Thursdays, 11-11:30 a.m.

2-3.5 years w/adult  
Introduce your toddler to early literacy storytimes. Early literacy practices help build the foundation of reading for your child. This program works best with one adult to one toddler. Adults are encouraged to participate along with their toddler and repeat the activities at home.

## STORYTIME PALS

Mondays, 1:30-2 p.m. or  
Wednesdays, 11-11:30 a.m.  
3.5-5 years

Hear stories, sing songs, and have fun with other children. Storytimes will highlight early literacy skills that children need to learn before they can read.



# TEEN

Teen programs are open to those in grades 6–12.

Registration is required for all Teen & Tween programs unless otherwise noted.

## LOCKED IN THE LIBRARY: CAN YOU ESCAPE?

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 5:30-8 P.M.**

Back by popular demand, another round of puzzles, hidden clues, and teamwork in the darkened library. Register in teams or get matched on-site, then work together to find all of the clues, solve all of the puzzles, and beat the clock. *Registration deadline October 15<sup>th</sup>.*

### Teen Book Club

Sunday nights, September 11, October 30, December 4. 5:15-6:15 p.m. at the Starbucks on Burlington in Western Springs

High school students who love to read are welcome to join us for lively chats about a different book each meeting. Pick up a copy ahead of time at the Circulation desk. In September we will read Roshani Chokshi's blockbuster debut *The Star Touched Queen* and select October's book. Drop in, no registration required.

### Practice SAT

Saturday, September 17  
9:45 a.m.–1:45 p.m.

### Practice ACT

Saturday, October 8  
9:45 a.m.–1:45 p.m.

Prepare for the New SAT and ACT by taking a free practice test scored by C2 Education. Participants will receive a free detailed score analysis and conference with the program director of C2 Education.

### Note-Taking and Study Skills

Wednesday, September 21, 7-8 p.m.  
Make this your best school year ever with great tips that will help you this year and beyond. This seminar outlines strategies for note-taking and study skills. Presented by C2 Education.

### NaNoWriMo Write-In

Thursday, November 17, 5-9 p.m.

Work on your NaNoWriMo novel for National Novel Writing Month. Snacks, give-aways, and word sprint contests will be offered throughout the evening! Drop in.

### Star Wars After Hours Interactive Movie

Friday, December 2, 6-8:30 p.m.

Relive the excitement of *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* in a whole new way with our interactive movie experience. Come in costume and snap photos with our green screen before the movie! All ages are welcome at this teen event.

### Exam Cram

Monday-Wednesday,  
December 19, 20, 21, 1-7 p.m.

Finish strong this semester! Exam cram is back, with snacks, quiet and group study, and by popular demand, tutors from C2 Education will be on hand to answer last-minute questions on Monday from 3-5. Drop in; no registration required.

## Harry Potter and the Cursed Child Table Read

Tuesday, November 22, 7-8:30 p.m.

Calling all Potterheads! Bring your copy of *The Cursed Child* or borrow one of ours for a lively reading of the play the way it was meant to be read. We'll divvy up parts and experience the Potters' new adventure out loud, reader's theater style. Hogwarts-themed snacks will be served.

# TWEEN SPACE

Grades 4-8

### STEAM Club:

#### Game Making with Bloxels

Alternating Wednesdays,  
September 7, 21, October 5, 19  
4-5 p.m. Grades 4-8

Bloxels were just released to the public this summer and we have them! Over the four meetings of STEAM Club this fall we will design a videogame with the Bloxels. Then we'll use the Bloxels app on our Library Kindles to make the games come to life.

### TFL Squad

Mondays, September 26, October 24  
and November 28, 4-5 p.m.

TFL Squad is our club for kids grades 4-8 who love all things library. It's an all-in-one book club, craft club, and a way to share ideas about library programs and topics! **SEPTEMBER:** Choose our fall book club reads. **OCTOBER:** Spooky Halloween candle jars. **NOVEMBER:** Make an emoji coin case as a holiday gift (or for yourself).

### Harry Potter:

#### Locked in Snape's Office

Thursday, November 3, 4-5 or 5-6 p.m.  
You snuck into Snape's office looking for the Half-Blood Prince's copy of the Standard Book of Spells that Snape confiscated. On his nightly rounds Filch finds Snape's door ajar and unknowingly locks you inside. You have 20 minutes to figure out how to escape before Snape finds you here and takes more than just points from your House!

### Gingerbread House Challenge

Tuesday, December 6, 4-5:45 p.m.

We'll supply the graham crackers, royal icing and candies galore. You supply the creativity to build an amazing gingerbread house. Leave your creation with us to display during the Christmas Walk, or take it home to enjoy for the season.

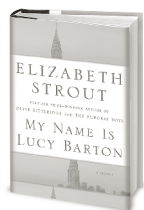


# One Author One Community

## A Conversation with Elizabeth Strout

Saturday, September 24 at 10 a.m.  
Ashton Place, 341 75th Street in Willowbrook

Eleven area libraries are coming together to host Pulitzer Prize winning author, Elizabeth Strout. Strout is the author of popular titles *Olive Kitteridge* and *Amy & Isabelle*, and her newest book, *My Name is Lucy Barton*, was released in early 2016. The author visit will consist of a moderated discussion with Rebecca Vnuk, a Q&A with the audience, and a book signing.



Elizabeth Strout won the 2009 Pulitzer Prize for fiction with her short story collection, *Olive Kitteridge*, which was also a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award. Her most recent novel, *My Name is Lucy Barton*, debuted to critical acclaim.

## The Ford Member Connection

*"The Ford Member Connection" spotlights a Library member in every issue. Please let us know whom you'd like to read about.*

Brigitta Denning has served on Thomas Ford's Board of Trustees, earned a library master's degree and became McClure's Library Media Specialist; here's a look at the woman behind the library shelves!

**Tell us about yourself.** John and I have been married for 20 years. We have three kids - Avery (17), Jack (15) and Leo (12).

**How did you decide to become a librarian?** When Avery was born, I received *The Read Aloud Handbook* by Jim Trelease and committed to reading aloud to my children; I searched for books they would love; volunteered in the school library; and then got my master's degree at the University of Illinois.

**You're in your second year as the McClure Library Media Specialist; what's your job like?** Here are just a few examples: helping individual students find the "perfect book"; working with classes regarding plagiarism,

citations, and research. There's never a dull moment!

**How do you encourage students to use McClure's library and the Thomas Ford Library?** We help the students know the librarians through joint book talks and visits to Thomas Ford as a class. We also promote teens and tweens Thomas Ford activities, such as STEAM Club and Book Buddies. I ask my colleagues "across the street" for help with finding special resources for students and teachers, lending support for reading initiatives, and more. They're a great staff.

**We've been reading about computer coding events at McClure; can you give us an update?** Last year, we introduced our first Hour of Code and showed the movie CodeGirl to McClure and LTHS students. The interest has been outstanding; we're responding by continuing the Robotics

## from the Thomas Ford Library Foundation

Be sure to check your mailbox this fall for the Thomas Ford Library Foundation annual appeal. The Foundation uses the money raised from the appeal to supplement the Library's tax-based revenue. Contributions to the Foundation are also invested to build an endowment for future projects to ensure continued quality library services. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation this fall to the Annual Appeal.

## Friends' Fall Book and Bake Sale

**Friday, September 30, 6-8 p.m.**

Library Friends members only (anyone can purchase a membership online, at the circulation desk or at the sale)

**Saturday, October 1, 8am-1 p.m.**

**Sunday, October 2, 11am-1 p.m.**

Special bag sale prices

Please come and shop. All proceeds fund Library programs. Want to volunteer with set up or the sale? Contact [annweithers@gmail.com](mailto:annweithers@gmail.com)

## Brigitta Denning

elective and offering a Coding elective beginning this fall. I want to support students already involved in coding, as well as foster curiosity for the uninitiated through coding and "maker-type" activities.

**What is your biggest challenge?** How to keep kids excited about reading; I believe when students are intrigued by the books I share with them, they will make the time to read!



McClure librarian Brigitta Denning and her students enjoy the littleBits Space Kit and all of the Teen Tech Collection at Thomas Ford.

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**Monday - Thursday**  
9:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
**Friday & Saturday**  
9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
**Sunday**  
1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

### Library Closings

The Library will be closed on Monday, September 5 for Labor Day; Thursday, November 24 for Thanksgiving; Friday, December 9 for staff in-service; Saturday, December 24 and Sunday, December 25 for Christmas; and Saturday, 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.*

### Clean Green Products

**Tuesday, September 20, 7 p.m.**  
Botanicals have been used for centuries to clean and freshen people's homes and workplaces. In this class Megan Dunning of the Morton Arboretum will teach participants how to make environmentally friendly household cleaners, while also saving money and reducing chemical use. These are tried and true recipes for homemade, natural cleaning products. Attendees will make 5 sample recipes in class to take home.

### The Victorians and their Gardens

**Tuesday, October 18, 7 p.m.**  
What do carpet beds, moon gardens, cottage gardens, specimen trees, snowball bushes and fragrant peonies have in common? They're all part of the tapestry that made up the American Victorian-era garden. Nina Koziol, local gardening expert and author, will lead this trip back in time and illustrate ways that modern gardeners can apply the best ideas to come out of this era to their own backyards.

### Holiday Plants

**Tuesday, November 15, 7 p.m.**  
When the holiday flowers like poinsettias and amaryllis start showing up in the stores (or come to you as holiday gifts), will you know what to do with them? Join horticulturist Sharon Yiesla to discover ways to keep flowering holiday plants looking their best for a long time. We'll also look at the possibility of re-blooming some of them next year. Plants make the holidays even more festive – this lecture will help you make the most of their beauty.

## News from Our Neighbors

**LaGrange Public Library**  
(708) 215-3200  
[lagrangelibrary.org](http://lagrangelibrary.org)

### LGPL Confidential: *Double Indemnity*

**Thursday, September 22, 7-8:30 p.m.**  
*At La Grange Public Library*

Join us for the first meeting of a Film Noir discussion group. We will be exploring the history of this dark, distinctly American genre through clips and highlights from the 1944 classic *Double Indemnity*. Participants should view the film before we meet. The full film will not be shown. For assistance in obtaining a copy of the film, please call (708) 215-3220.

## Thomas Ford eNews

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