

CARROLL PUBLIC LIBRARY



The Carroll Public Library provides materials and services to promote and satisfy the thirst for information, knowledge and a good story.

Phone 792-3432

Book renewals taken by phone

Fax: 792-0141

Winter Hours: Monday- Thursday 9 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Friday- 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday- 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Current Programs:

Preschool Story Time with Nancy- Thursdays 10:00-10:30 am

Computer Instruction- Fridays with Lynette 9:00-10:00 am

Crafty Library Ladies- Tuesdays 10:00-12:00 and Wednesdays 6:30-8:00

Free movies- First and Third Friday at 6:00 pm

Monthly book discussions held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm

New Lights in the Library! New Circulation System in the Library! Carroll Public Library closed February 23- 28th

When the Carroll Public Library opens the doors March 2, 2009 many changes will have taken place. All of the lights on the adult side of the collection are being replaced with new energy efficient lights, which will

brighten the room up and save on energy costs. Anyone who has tried to read in the library or find books in the far corner stacks will appreciate this improvement.

These lights should pay for themselves in three to five years. The availability of rebates for the fixtures, plus the use of more energy efficient bulbs will result in much lower electric bills.

Many people have asked why we would make this improvement when we are looking at building a new facility. Our answer is a simple one. We anticipate being in this facility for at least three years, possibly more so the cost will be recuperated in that time span. If a new library becomes a reality, this current space will be ready for its next occupant.

Alexandria

The new circulation software being installed is an upgrade, which will be appreciated by many library patrons. You will now be able to see what books you have checked out, renew your books and reserve books in the library through an Internet connection any where in the world!

Librarians are often asked if we know what book a patron read. We don't keep that information, but you will be able to keep a list of books you have read or would like to read on this new system. Instructions will be posted on our web page and in the library. Just ask for help and we will show you how user friendly this new software is.

The link will be on our website on March 2 under the button "Find a Book or Movie"

www.carroll-library.org

e-mail us at

info@carroll-library.org

Carroll Friends of the Library

No Dues Until May 2009!

Stop by the library for a membership form.

Join Friends of the Library now and get 3 months' complementary membership. Yearly dues are \$5.00.

Thinkin' Lincoln!

March 19 7:00 p.m.



2009 marks the 200th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birthday. Why not check out one of our books on the 16th president? The president himself, in the form of Stan DeHaan, will be visiting our city on March 19th. He will be speaking to fifth graders at Kuemper and Adams elementaries during the day and at the CPL at 7:00 p.m. You'll want to be in attendance that night.

Book Nook Opens

Need a used book to read on an airplane or take to the beach on your winter get away? The Friends of the Library have opened a small used book room in the library. They have hardbound, paperback and some books on tape. They are asking for donations of 50 cents for paperbacks and \$1.00 for hardbound books. The Friends will use proceeds from this room to help fund activities they are planning for the library. The room is restocked weekly, so check back often. There are treasures to be found!



Home Book Delivery

Are you homebound or don't have a way to get to the library to check out a book? The Friends of the Library would like to deliver a book to your home. We are planning to deliver books twice a month. If you would be interested in this service, or know someone who would benefit, please call the library and leave your name and phone number. We will contact you once we have the logistics worked out.



Current Magazines

You asked for it, you got it. You will now be able to check out all current issue magazines for three days at a time, just like videos. \$1.00 fines will be assessed for late returns. We have subscribed to 25 new magazine titles we think will be popular with our patrons, so stop in and check them out. Back issues will still circulate for three weeks.

Friends of the Library Author Series

March 12, 2009

7:00 p.m.

Donald Harstad

Mystery writer, Donald Harstad of Elkader, Iowa, worked in law enforcement for over 25 years and served as the Clayton County Deputy Sheriff before his retirement.



Mr. Harstad will reflect on his life in law enforcement and his experiences as a writer. He has five published novels, all available from the Carroll Public Library and is working on two more. He is quoted as saying, "One of the great things about being a writer is you can kill people who annoy you!" This sense of humor appears in all of his books, so it should be an entertaining evening.

Congratulations to Joleen Brincks, the first winner of our WILBOR MP3 drawing. We will be drawing for another WILBOR MP3 player on March 7th. Stop in and sign up at the circulation desk.



What's My Library Worth to Me?

We hear gloom and doom on the economic front on a daily basis. We wonder when it will affect our city, family or home. We start cutting out little luxuries. We watch how our tax dollars are being spent and wonder if that is the wisest use of our hard earned money.

Libraries across the nation have seen an increase in use and the Carroll Public Library is no exception. Computer usage in January alone was up 10% over January, 2008.

So what would you save if you borrowed books from the library instead of buying them? Checked out magazines instead of subscribing? Borrowed videos instead of renting?

Check out the link on our website to the Library Use Calculator on the left side of our home page. We think you'll agree; the Carroll Public Library is a valuable resource for all area residents.

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