

## Library Hours & Phone Numbers

<b>MOLINE PUBLIC LIBRARY</b> 3110 41st Street, Moline, IL 61265	<b>FRIENDS SALE ROOM HOURS</b> 3110 41st Street, Moline, IL 61265
<b>Monday-Thursday</b> 9:00 am - 9:00 pm <b>Friday</b> 9:00 am - 5:30 pm <b>Saturday</b> 9:00 am - 5:00 pm <b>Sunday</b> 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm	<b>Monday-Tuesday</b> 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm <b>Wednesday-Saturday</b> 10:00 am - 2:00 pm <b>Sunday</b> Closed
<b>IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS</b> Automated renew        1-888-542-7259 Main Number                762-6883 Circulation Desk            736-3384 Reference Desk             736-5737 Children's Desk             736-5739	<b>Donations</b> of gently used books, current magazines, audio and video media are much appreciated and can be tax deductible! Visit our <i>Friends</i> store for amazing selection! Please, only current National Geographics!

Friends of the Moline Public Library  
 P.O. Box 1201  
 Moline, IL 61266-1201

Winter 2009  
 News & Events  
 from the Friends

# Friends News & Views

MOLINE PUBLIC LIBRARY



### New at the Library- Playaways!

Playaway pre-loaded digital audio books are the latest addition to the Moline Public Library collection. An alternative to books on CD or cassette, the Playaway device is a compact, easy to use device which contains an entire audio book. You simply use your own headphones, press play and enjoy listening! Playaways allow users to “bookmark” to remember where you left off, speed up or slow down the narrator’s voice, and are lightweight, making them easy to carry with you. Fiction and non-fiction titles will be available for both adults and children, and check out like books!

#### What's New at the library?

##### Fiction:

*The Charlemagne Pursuit*  
 Steve Barry  
*Dashing Through the Snow*  
 Mary & Carol Higgins Clark  
*The Treasure* Iris Johansen  
*Scarpetta* Patricia Cornwell  
*Born to Run* James Grippando  
*Check shelf for other new books*

##### Non-Fiction:

*The Biggest Loser Family Cookbook* Devin Alexander  
*Mrs. Astor Regrets: The Hidden Betrayals of a Family Beyond Reproach* Meryl Gordon  
*Panic: The Story of Modern Financial Insanity.* M. Lewis  
*No Limits: The Will to Succeed* Michael Phelps

##### CD's:

*Lucky Old Sun* (Brian Wilson)  
*Acid Tongue* (Jenny Lewis)  
*Greatest Hits 3* (Tim McGraw)  
*Call Me Crazy* (LeeAnn Womack)  
*Learn to Live* (Darius Rucker)  
*Tell Tale Signs: Rare & Unreleased 1989-2006* (Bob Dylan)

### Events Of Interest for Adults:

- \***Roots of the Economic Crisis** a discussion of the cause of the current problems, Jan. 15 at 7pm, led by professor and historian Dr. Art Pitz.
- \***Battle Cry of Freedom: The Civil War Era** by James McPherson; a three-part discussion series March 12, April 9, May 14 at 6:30pm.
- \***Figge Art Talks to Go -The Big Picture** series. Jan. 17 at 2:30 pm; Leonardo's Notebooks. Feb, 9 at 6:30 pm; Work of Jacob Laurence.

### Book Club Selections

#### Page Turners Book Discussion Group:

Tues., Jan. 20 at 7:00 p.m.: *She Got Up Off the Couch* by Haven Kimmel;  
 (con't.)

Tues., Feb. 17 at 7:00 p.m.: *The Memory Keeper's Daughter* by Kim Edwards; and

Tues., Mar. 17, 7:00 p.m. *Worst Hard Time*- Egan  
**The Classics Club:**

Monday, Jan. 19 at 7:00 p.m.: *Madame Bovary* by Gustav Flaubert

Monday, Feb. 23 at 7:00 p.m.: *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte

#### \*Maltese Falcon Book Discussion Group:

Wed. Feb 18 - 3-part discussion *Maltese Falcon*  
 March 18 -Sam Spade short stories (register and request copy of the book); culminating April 8, *Maltese Falcon* movie 6pm; refreshments provided

\***Registration required** at 736-5737 or reference.

### Regularly Scheduled Story Times

- \***Wee Wiggler Toddler Time** -18-36 mo.+adult Mondays Feb. 2-March 2 at 9:30 or 10:45 am.
- \***Preschool Story Time** -3-5 yrs.not in Kinderg. Thursdays January 8-29, 10 am or 1:30 pm.
- \***Little Tykes: Fun and Learning**- birth-5+adult Monday Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 9 at 6:30 pm.
- \***Pajama Story Time**-wear pj's, bring stuffed toy Monday Jan. 26, Feb. 23, March 23 at 7:00 pm.
- \***Art Smart** - ages 8-12 hands on art experience Tuesday Jan. 27, Feb. 24, March 24 at 3:30 pm.
- \***Book Bunch Club** - book club for ages 7-8 Tuesdays Jan. 6- 27, Mar. 10-31, 6:30 pm
- \***Books Alive! Reader Theater** children all ages Wednesday Jan. 28, Feb. 25, Mar. 25 at 7:00 pm.

### Special Programs for Kids

- \***Snowflake Mobile** Create floating snowflakes! Wednesday Jan. 14 (ages 6-9 yrs.) at 7pm.
- \***Winnie the Pooh Day!** Drop in Noon- 3pm Sunday Jan. 18 for crafts, games and snacks!
- \***Valentines Day Program** -Special craft! Wednesday Feb. 11 at 7:00 pm., (ages 6-9 yrs.)
- \***On the Loose with Dr. Seuss!** games, crafts Sunday March 1 noon- 3pm for all ages.

### Fun for Teens

- \***Teen Read Party**-(invitation only) Jan. 9, 6:30
- \***Teen Advisory Group** Jan. 8, Feb. 5, Mar. 5 3:30
- \***Teen Book Club** Jan. 15, Feb. 19, Mar. 19 7pm
- \***Registration required** 736-5739, limited seat.

### View from the stacks...

*Friends* has begun our **Membership Drive 2009!** We hope you enjoyed the *Friends* Annual Meeting on October 7th with talented ragtime pianist Brent Watkins, in grateful appreciation of your continued support of *Friends*. The funds generated by *Friends* membership drive and the *Friends* Sale Room have provided MPL with over **\$16,000 in programs and materials in 2008**, and your help is invaluable in allowing us to continue to provide quality programming for MPL! We would like to thank all of those generous supporters who responded to our Early Bird Membership letter; **if you have already joined for 2009 you will NOT find a membership form in this newsletter.** Truly, *Friends* could not exist without our faithful members who recognize that quality programs available for free at the library are mostly funded by *Friends*. As always, your donations of money and materials to *Friends* are tax deductible. We hope you will renew your membership and support your library- **you are appreciated!**

**Sale Room Closings** -Please note that *Friends* Sale Room will often **not** open during icy, snowy weather 'events'- our volunteers' safety is very important to *Friends*, and we hope you will understand and call circulation for information on store closings should you brave the elements and wish to shop.

### Latest Art Work in the Library

As you enter the Library you will notice that art work, other than that displayed in the Reher Gallery, is showing up in many areas. David Zahn, a local sculptor and teacher at Moline High School, has created a sculpture located (temporarily) behind the circulation desk, and it is indeed a very impressive work. The Library Board has continued to make selections to complement our library and encourage our appreciation and enjoyment of fine and whimsical works of art in all mediums. Take a tour and see if you can spot the latest additions to the collection!



### Moline Text Book Collection

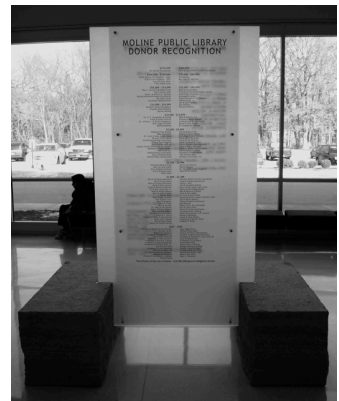
Did you know that District 40 has provided many textbooks from elementary schools as well as Middle school, all available for use by your young Moline student who has forgotten their book at school and needs to finish an assignment? This is a wonderful resource for your family, and these books are available for use within the library during normal library hours. Call and ask for specifics! Many titles available.

### Moline Yearbooks

MPL maintains a large selection of yearbooks from 1912 to present, all available for you to look up information about a classmate or a teacher! These volumes are kept in Local History Room and are a wonderful resource for those who are working on genealogy, reunion celebrations or just for fun. Check on second floor for the yearbooks you are interested in; also, occasionally Friends Sale Room has donated volumes for sale.

### Donor Recognition Plaque

The lobby has the honor of displaying the new Donor Recognition plaque, with one side for corporate sponsors, board members and architects, and the inside showing a list of those generous donors who helped make the construction of the MPL a reality. The stone base is quite impressive and the plexiglass holder of names provides a fitting reminder of how many people were committed to making the new facility a vital resource for the city of Moline, a place for people of many cultures to come and meet, learn, be entertained and enlightened, and to grow. We salute those who were able to provide funds for MPL, and hope you will stop in *Friends* Sale Room and note the framed record of *Friends* generous members, updated yearly, who provide funds for MPL programs and materials simply by joining each year.



### Book Review

Staff

### Erased: Missing Women, Murdered Wives by Marilee Strong

Ms. Strong is a journalist who does intensive research on each subject she writes about. Like her previous work, this is neither a pretty premise nor one most readers can identify with, but under Strong's tutelage, the reader will care.

The author considers this subject too long ignored because women in general and pregnant women in particular are considered expendable by society. Strong anchors her research to the Laci and Conner Peterson case. Scott Peterson saw his unborn son as a threat to his vision of himself – debonair, foot-loose, man of the world who was entitled to the undivided attention of his spouse. Scott needed to *erase* them from his life.

There is bizarre psychology in each of the 50 other cases Marilee Strong presents to support her theory going back to the real-life murder of a pregnant woman in the early twentieth century. That murder was fictionalized by Theodore Dreiser in *An American Tragedy*.

You will marvel at the fantastical explanations given by men of "missing" partners.

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**Homework Help** has more hours! Access online homework help at MPL 4-9pm or from your home computer w/library card 4-10pm!  
 K-College and in English or Spanish- **Tutor.com** helps families!

### Did You Know...

...that you can get email notification of books and materials you requested that are ready to be picked up? No more missed phone calls from staff!

...that you can receive monthly updates of events at MPL on your email?

...that you can request materials from other libraries in our Prairie Area System using a computer and your library card number, and they will be sent to MPL for you to check out?

...the PrairieCat Library Catalog has a new look, with improved features for ease of use and even a Spanish language version?

...there is a new service called AquaBrowser, an improved online Library catalog? Check it out!

### Income Tax Forms Available, Plus AARP Returns to MPL!



MPL has a wall of tax forms and an entire counter of state and federal tax booklets available for you to pick up to complete your taxes for 2008. Located just past the circulation desk in the **copy center** is where you will find a stack of all these general tax forms. Ask the Reference Desk for specialized state or federal tax forms that can be downloaded by number and copied for just 20 cents per page!

And those talented tax preparers from **AARP** will return to help seniors with their taxes, starting Feb. 2 on Monday and Wednesday afternoons until tax filing day. Stop by to make an appointment in February, or ask Reference for other locations and hours for this wonderful free service for seniors.

### General Tax Forms Available to Public

#### Money Smart Week QC coming in April

Be sure to watch for financial literacy seminars to be held at MPL starting in mid April. And the Money Smart Kids Scholarship Contest will be offered again for college scholarship money for your child; their essay can be submitted online this year too. Make sure to check in mid January on MPL website or at Reference for more information on these great programs!

**Using your library card saves you money, and Inter-Library Loan saves you time! MPL offers free programs, music and movies to rent for only \$1; MPL shares resources- all you need is here!**

### Valentine Musical Event!

The Library has offered many interesting events for patrons of all ages, and this year they are working on an exciting musical program for Valentine's Day! Although still tentative, MPL hopes to have a musical program highlighting jazz's greatest female singers performed by Tracy Worth on Saturday, February 14! MPL musical events are always well received, and this program promises to be another great addition to the schedule. Ms Worth is a librarian and accomplished vocalist whose style and range are exceptional. Watch for notification of time of this event and bring your sweetheart to this free program sponsored, as always, by *Friends* of MPL! And don't forget the Valentine craft for kids 6-9 yrs. on February 11. Enjoy!

### Entertainment Videos and DVDs

MPL has started a new checkout policy for entertainment DVDs and videos- you will now be able to check them out for one week for \$1 rental fee (each)! MPL has many new titles as well as classic movies, and now you can take the whole week to watch one for a dollar! And don't forget *Friends* Sale Room has received many previously owned classic video tapes, now for sale for just \$1 each in our store! Revisit the classics and enjoy great entertainment on snowy nights with a fine selection of videos and DVDs, all from one stop at MPL!

### Gift Certificates and Book Bags

*Friends* Sale Room has a limited number of gift certificates for sale in one and five dollar denominations, suitable for gift giving. And there are also some *Friends* book bags featuring a picture of Moline Public Library on the front, available for \$15. In this climate of recycling and reusing, bringing your own bag to carry home your purchases and library materials just makes sense! Make sure to stop in and check out the supply of gently used books, magazines and media, including record albums, CDs, paperbacks, collector books, children's books and puzzles, as well as videotapes and books on tape. As always, we are the best deal in town!

### Finding Information on These is Easy!

MPL offers informational handouts on subjects like **Habitat for Humanity ReStore** (hours and address), **QC Arts Visiting Artist Concert Series** 2008-09(next: Santa Cruz River Band 1/31/09), **BHC GED** preparation class info., locations of local **food pantries**, the **Computer Society**, **AARP Driver Safety Program** course, **Spanish heritage** guide to QC as well as guides to **MPL internet** access and many other subjects of interest. There are **maps** of the area as well as **coupons** for local attractions, all available in the various copy centers in the library. Cruise the counters and wall 'pockets' for all the latest Quad City happenings!