Show Your Library Card

Your library card is worth more than you think this October! The Library will be partnering with community businesses for an event called “Show Your Library Card” this October 1 – 31. Simply show your library card at these participating businesses and receive a discount!

- **1 Stop Auto Shop**
  1210 North Main St., Chatham
  [www.1stopautoshopinc.com](http://www.1stopautoshopinc.com)/ 10% off any service.

- **doTerra Essential Oils**
  Anne Telzlaff, [www.fb.com/annetetzlaffhealthylivingtips/](http://www.fb.com/annetetzlaffhealthylivingtips/)
  Your choice of FREE 1 year wholesale account ($35 value) or FREE car diffuser with wholesale account/essential oils purchase.

- **Fantastic Sams**
  1013 Jason Place, Chatham
  [www.fb.com/FantasticSamsChatham/](http://www.fb.com/FantasticSamsChatham/)
  10% off all haircuts.

- **John’s Appliance Service Center**
  416 E. Walnut St., Chatham
  [www.appliancerepairandpartsspringfieldil.com](http://www.appliancerepairandpartsspringfieldil.com)/
  10% off service charges.

- **Lake Shore Learning Center**
  6100 S. 6th St. Frontage Rd., Spfd
  [www.fb.com/mylakeshorelearningcenter/](http://www.fb.com/mylakeshorelearningcenter/)
  Free enrollment ($35 value) for new customers and $10 off one weekly tuition for existing families.

- **Marine Bank**
  3120 Robbins Road, Spfd., [www.ibankmarine.com](http://www.ibankmarine.com)
  $50 when you open a new personal checking account and apply for a debit card.

- **Modern Woodmen of America**
  7036 Kingsmill Ct., Spfd., [www.modernwoodmen.org](http://www.modernwoodmen.org)/
  Free financial planning/life insurance/retirement consultation.

- **Titan Games**
  2205 Wabash Ave. Suite 103, Spfd
  [www.fb.com/titangamesspringfield/](http://www.fb.com/titangamesspringfield/)
  $5 off any purchase of $50 - $99 and $10 off any purchase of $100 or more. Can’t be used with store credit.

- **Trendsetters Floral**
  309 N. Main St., Chatham, [www.trendsetters-inc.com](http://www.trendsetters-inc.com)/
  10% off in-store fresh flower purchase.

- **Usborne Books**
  Kathy Cooney, [www.kathycbooks.com](http://www.kathycbooks.com)
  10% off regular order.

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**Stories from the Stacks**

I have been in the Springfield area for six months. My son began to love the Chatham Area Public Library since he came here for the first time. I like it here too. My son enjoys the picture books, the activities that the library holds and the most important one is that he can listen to Joyce's storytelling. He gains a lot from it and he won't miss one if he is available. My son and I are not English native speakers. What makes me happy is that he has made much progress since he came to the library once a week. We really do like it here!

*Xin Li and her son, Yichen Zhao*

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**Friends’ CaddyStacks Fundraiser**

Join us for two days of fun on **November 4 and 5** for our putt-putt fundraiser, benefiting the Friends of the Chatham Area Public Library! From 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 4 and from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 5, the Library will be transformed into 9 holes of family fun. Additional prizes will be given to those who *Beat the Pro* and for those who get a hole in one on the course. Those who plan to attend should arrive no later than an hour before we close, so they have enough time to complete their round. Cost is **$5 per person** and refreshments will be included with the price of admission.

*Please Donate New Children’s Books to the Holiday Book Drive in November*
TRICK OR TREAT FOR HALLOWEEN STORIES

All little ghosts, ghouls and goblins are invited to come as you aren’t for a spooktacular treat! Put on your costumes and head over to the Library for a night of fang-tastic fun and frightfully good boooooks. Registration is not required for any of these fearfully fun programs.

October 19
6:30 p.m. **VERy Scary Hour 🕵️‍♂️**
This program, designed for monsters 3rd grade and older, features very scary stories in the Library Gallery—if you dare! Ghouls and spooky creatures will be haunting the Library this evening. Please do not bring younger children to this program.

October 26
**FRIENDLY AND SLIGHTLY SCARY HALLOWEEN STORIES 🕷️**
Choose your Halloween story time based on your preference—Friendly or Slightly Scary Stories. No matter which you choose, everyone is invited for a snack! Both sessions are meant for little goblins through 2nd grade.

6:30 p.m. Come join us in the Library Gallery for a fun time of Friendly Halloween stories, then stay and enjoy a snack in the Activity Room afterward.

7:00 p.m. Those wishing for Slightly Scary Halloween stories can gather in the Library Gallery for stories with a slight thrill. (Remember to come to the Activity Room by 6:45 to gobble a treat before the stories begin!)

October 27
10:15 a.m. **PRESCHOOL HALLOWEEN STORIES 🎃**
It’s Hallo-scream! Preschoolers are encouraged to come dressed in their costumes for our regular Storytime to hear fun Halloween stories and complete a Halloween craft.

October 31
9:45 & 10:45 **HALLOWEEN BABYtALK LAP-SIT 🎃**
All Mummies, Daddies and other caregivers are invited to dress your babies in costume and bring them to our Halloween Babytalk Lap-Sit. This program is intended for parents/caregivers and their little ones, newborn-36 months, and features stories, fingerplays, and songs.

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Babytalk Lap-Sit - a program intended for children newborn - 3 yrs. with an adult, Tuesday morning at 9:45 and 10:45 a.m. This storytime includes stories, finger plays, and songs.
**Teen Trivia**

Get ready to show your wild side at our 15th annual Teen Trivia Night at the Chatham Area Public Library! Prove your crazy knowledge and have a blast by celebrating Teen Read Week on Wednesday, October 11. This year’s theme is “Unleash Your Story.” There will be prizes, food and fun for students 7th grade and up. Teens are invited to assemble a team of friends, don team costumes and compete for fun and prizes. Teams consist of 6 - 8 players, with prizes going to the top three winning teams, plus a prize for the team with the best costumes. Costumes are optional, but the winning team members will each take home an AMC gift card. Door prizes, pizza, candy and soft drinks are included in this fun evening. Sign up begins at 5:15 p.m.; we'll be finished at 8 p.m. Space is limited so arrive early to sign-up your team.

**Dress-Up Clothes Needed**

We are looking for donations of non-scary dress-up clothes to aid our little readers in growing their imaginations. If you have clean dress-up clothes or friendly costumes you would be willing to donate please drop them off at the front desk.

**Lego Day**

*Saturday, November 4*

Have you noticed the amazing Lego creations we have on display in the Children’s area? Have you wondered how your children can have their imaginations on display? These creative Lego pieces are the result of our Lego Days, and the next one is coming up! Join us on Saturday, November 4th from 10 a.m. – noon to be a part of the Lego fun!

**Make-It Take-It Holiday Craft**

Looking for a fun, FREE holiday craft activity to enjoy with your kids or grandkids? Bring them to the Chatham Area Public Library, where you'll have the chance to create a special holiday-themed craft project together. This "make and take" activity will be Saturday, December 9 from 10:00 a.m. - noon. Our activity room will be stocked with craft samples and supplies for you and your child to create a cute, easy holiday craft.

**1000 Books Before Kindergarten**

Sign-ups have begun for our newest program – 1,000 Books before Kindergarten! Any pre-kindergarten age child may sign-up for this rewarding program. To sign-up or for more information, please stop by the Children’s Department.

**AMERICAN GIRL EVENT**

Featuring Kaya

Wednesday, December 27

1 - 2:30 p.m.

Yes! It's almost time for our annual American Girl event, this year featuring Kaya. Kaya is an adventurous Nez Perce girl living in 1764 who has a deep respect for the earth and a great love for animals, especially her appaloosa horse, High Steps. Young readers, kindergarten age and older, and their parents are invited to join us as we welcome special guest Lyn Youngbuck to this event. Ms. Youngbuck, a Native American woman, will show artifacts, tell stories and answer questions to help us learn more about Native American peoples and cultures such as Kaya’s.

Registration is required for this event and is limited. You won't want to miss this special event. Call early to reserve your spot at 483-2713.

**Family Game Day**

Winter boredom kicking in? Join us in the library as we open up our galleries and fill them up with board games for our Family Game Day on Thursday, December 28 from 1 – 4 p.m. We will have games for all ages and ability levels. Librarians will be on hand to teach games and join in on the fun.

**Movies at the Library!**

Free admission, popcorn, and drinks!

11 and Up movie

Tuesday, January 2nd, 2:00 p.m.

“Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul”

Family Movie

Wednesday, January 3rd 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

“Despicable Me 3”

**Summer Reading Stats**

What a whirlwind of a summer! Thanks everyone for another amazing, record-setting year at the Chatham Area Public Library! This year we had 1,019 Summer Reading participants and gave out a whopping 5,024 prizes! Additionally, we had 165 Rubber Ducky readers and 127 Teen readers.

**Book Camp**

This summer at Book Camp our master builders made everything from robots to slime to moon mud to blizzards to marble runs and just about everything in between. And boy did we have fun! Thanks so much to all who participated in our camp this year and to our teen volunteers and readers. We can’t wait to “Camp” with you again next summer!
**Computer Classes**

Our Saturday morning computer classes are free and open to everyone. Classes are held in our computer lab on the following days. Registration is not required.

**Staying Safe Online - Saturday, October 7, 10 a.m.**
We will look at ways to stay safe online including tips for strong passwords, being able to identify and avoid some common online scams like phishing emails, and evaluate websites for safety and reliability.

**Microsoft Word - Saturdays, November 4 and 11, 9:30 - 11 a.m.**
Anne Godman will teach the basics of using Microsoft Word. The tips and topics discussed in this class will also be helpful when composing emails.

**Microsoft Publisher - Saturday, December 2, 10 a.m.**
Learn the fundamentals of making flyers, cards, banners, and more using Microsoft Publisher. We will make a Christmas card and learn how to use and edit templates.

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**Tea Tasting**

**Saturday, October 7, 10:00 a.m.**
Join us as Wendy Schluter hosts a tea tasting and shares information about different types of teas and her passion for them. Seating is limited, so please call the library to register.

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**Nuns, Nazis, & Notre Dame**

**Wednesday, October 18, 6:00 p.m.**
In Tim Pletkovich’s new book Nuns, Nazis and Notre Dame: Tales of the Great Depression, World War II and the Fighting Irish, he examines the early life of Gerald A. O’Reilly. Gerry’s story takes us from the alleys of trolley-car Brooklyn to the hallways of Notre Dame, to the innermost thoughts of an elite 10th Mountain Division soldier thrust into the horror of battle in Italy’s harsh Apennine mountains. Join us to hear the author speak about an interesting and inspiring man.

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**Outer Edge Book Club**

**The Outer Edge** is Chatham Area Public Library’s Science Fiction and Fantasy book club. Our next reads are:

**October 16 - I Am Not A Serial Killer by Dan Wells**
John Wayne Cleaver is dangerous, and he knows it. He’s spent his life doing his best not to live up to his potential. He’s obsessed with serial killers, but really doesn't want to become one. So for his own sake, and the safety of those around him, he lives by rigid rules he’s written for himself, practicing normal life as if it were a private religion that could save him from damnation.

**November 20 - Guards! Guards! by Terry Prachett**
Long believed extinct, a superb specimen of *draco nobilis* (“noble dragon” for those who don’t understand italics) has appeared in Discworld's greatest city. Not only does this unwelcome visitor have a nasty habit of charbroiling everything in its path, in rather short order it is crowned King (it is a *noble* dragon, after all...). Magic, mayhem, and a marauding dragon...who could ask for anything more?

**December 18 - Lost Gods by Brom**
Continuing the Outer Edge’s December tradition, we’ll be reading another book by Brom! In this one, a young man descends into Purgatory to save his wife and unborn child in this gorgeous, illustrated tale of wonder and terror from the mind of master storyteller and acclaimed artist.

**The Outer Edge** meets on the Third Monday of each month at 6 p.m. in the library. We require no commitment – come for one meeting or come for them all. Find us on Facebook: [http://tinyurl.com/OuterEdge](http://tinyurl.com/OuterEdge)

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**Spice of Life Book Group** is for adults 18 and older and meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

**December 5 - Me, Myself & Why?, Yours, Mine, & Ours, and You & I, Me & You** from the *FBI Outta the Bag* Series by Mary Janice Davidson

**Spicy Read: Merry Christmas Baby**

**January 2 - Next of Kin, Don’t Cry for Me, and ‘Til Death** from the *Rebel Ridge* Series by Sharon Sala
Bite Into a Good Book

On the third Wednesday of each month the book club known as Bite Into a Good Book meets in the conference room at noon. The following books have been chosen and we hope you will join us!

October 18 - Cutting for Stone
by Abraham Verghese. After Marion, fresh out of medical school, flees Ethiopia and comes to America, he finds refuge in his work as an intern at an underfunded, overcrowded New York City hospital. But when the past catches up to him, Marion must entrust his life to the two men he thought he trusted least in the world: the surgeon father who abandoned him and the brother who betrayed him.

November 15 - Hidden Figures: the American Dream and the Untold Story of the Black Women Who Helped Win the Space Race
by Margot Lee Shetterly. Among the group of dedicated female mathematicians, using pencils, slide rules, and adding machines to calculate the numbers that would launch rockets and astronauts into space, were a group of talented African American women. These overlooked math whizzes served a vital role during the early years of the U.S. space program.

December 13 - The Fire by Night
by Teresa Messineo. Jo McMahon and her friend Kay, who met in nursing school, now serve in World War II on different fronts. Jo tends to six seriously wounded soldiers in a makeshift medical unit in war-torn France. Kay is trapped in a squalid Japanese POW camp in Manilla, where thousands of Allied men, women, and children are awaiting their fates, which rest in the hands of a sadistic enemy.

Tuesday Evening Book Group

Everyone is welcome to our monthly meeting, the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. We discuss a mixture of fiction and nonfiction books. Here’s what we’re reading next:

October 10 – Murder on the Orient Express
by Agatha Christie (1934). On a three-day journey through the snowbound Balkan hills, Hercule Poirot must weed through an array of international suspects to find the passenger who murdered a gangster on the Orient Express.

November 14 – Loving Frank
by Nancy Horan (2007). Fact and fiction blend in a historical novel that chronicles the relationship between seminal architect Frank Lloyd Wright and Mamah Cheney, from their meeting in Oak Park, Illinois, when they were each married to another, to the clandestine affair that shocked Chicago society.

December 12 – The Trouble with Goats and Sheep
by Joanna Cannon (2016). England 1976. Mrs. Creasy is missing. The neighbors blame her disappearance on the heat wave, but ten-year-olds Grace and Tilly aren’t convinced. Inspired by the local vicar, they take matters into their own hands and go looking for God—believing that if they find Him they might also find Mrs. Creasy. Grace and Tilly go door to door in search of clues. As they try to make sense of what they’ve seen and heard, a complicated history of deception begins to emerge.

Craft Night!

Craft Night is the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.; each month we will do a make-and-take project. Registration is required. Our monthly craft night is possible because of donations, if you’d like this to continue, consider donating for future crafting fun!

October 17 – Wood pumpkins. We will be decoupaging scrapbook paper onto wood to make cute fall pumpkins.

November 21 – Felt fox coffee sleeve. We will be gluing and sewing a cute felt coffee sleeve to look like a fox. Keep this for yourself or share with a friend.

December 19 – Holiday gift tags. We will be making Christmas and holiday gift tags.

LinkedIn Business Educational Session

Tuesday, October 24, 6:00 p.m.

LinkedIn can be a powerful tool in your social media strategy, but is often overlooked even by those professionals that are on it. Learn how to use LinkedIn for business development and branding. Grow your network, engage with groups, and share content on this powerful platform for business professionals. This is a free program provided by the Chatham Area Chamber. For more information or how to join the Chamber, please call the Chamber office. Refreshments will be provided by the Chatham Area Chamber. Please RSVP on or before Monday, October 23 to reserve your seat by calling 217-483-6450.
Writers’ Group
Our Writers’ Group meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. We welcome writers of all levels of experience and genres to join us for critique of member’s pieces, writing exercises, and discussion. Our upcoming meetings will be on October 25, November 15, and December 27. The November meeting has been moved up a week due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Please email info@chathamlib.org for more information.

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<td>11 &amp; Up Movie: “Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul” 2 pm Spice of Life Book Group 6 pm Winter’s Tale Adult Reading Program Begins</td>
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Fri.  9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat.  9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sun.  CLOSED

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Library Holiday Closings

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
Wednesday, Nov. 22 - Closing at 1 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 23 - Friday, Nov. 24 - Closed

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
Saturday, December 23 - Closed
Monday, December 25 - Closed

NEW YEAR’S DAY
Monday, January 1 - Closed

Summer Sale Success

The Friends of the Library held their annual Sweet Corn Book & Bake sale in July and raised $1,114.65. Thank you for all of the charitable book donations, great volunteers, bakers, and shoppers. Funds raised from this sale will assist in funding children’s and adult programs, materials and equipment. Special thanks to Friends member and Bookstore volunteer, Paul Ogden, who donated more than 1,300 books to the Library, bookstore and book sale in a span of six months. Thanks Paul!

Light Bright!

In October, the main area of our Library will be transformed. The Library Board approved the bid from B&B Electric to remove our expensive, energy guzzling halide lights and replace them with energy efficient LED lights. Our Library Trustees are excited to not only save on our electric bill, but they are also excited to showcase more environmentally friendly lighting in our building. Until the lighting project is completed, we may need to close off certain areas and it may be loud at times. This will be for a short time and we appreciate your patience throughout this project.

Art Committee News

For the remainder of 2017 we will feature the following:

October  Volunteer Show

Nov. – Dec. Sangamon Watercolor Society presents: "Winter Wonderland"
Reception: Friday, November 3, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Please mark your calendars and plan to visit the library and “check out” the art.

Library Board News

Future Library Board meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. on October 16 and November 20.

Board Members
Christine Westerlund - President
Michael Roubitchek - Vice-President
Leslie Ross - Secretary
Carrie Jeffries - Treasurer

Trustees
Susie Fairfield, Dan Holden, Chelsey Moore