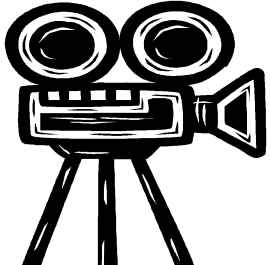


<p><i>Library Hours</i></p> <p>M-R 9am –8pm Fri 9am – 5pm Sat 9am – 3pm Sun Closed</p>	<h1>Fossil Ridge Public Library</h1> <p>386 W. Kennedy Road Braidwood, IL 60408 1-815-458-2187 www.fossilridge.org</p>	<p>Winter – Spring 2012 January - May</p>
	<p>Lights, Camera, READ!</p> <p>Winter Reading Program for the entire family during February More information at the Library about participation and weekly drawings</p>	<p>Thank You to all of the Fossil Ridge patrons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * who donated books and other materials to the Library and its Book Sale in October. * who contributed food items during November's Food for Fines. Our local food pantry benefited from your generosity. * who decorated our Mitten Tree. Your contributions will be given to children in our schools. * who contributed to the benefit for Katrina Koslowski
<p>Free Movies at Fossil Ridge!</p> <p>Times and dates for: Adults – Feb 15 & 29 -5pm Teens - Feb 2 & 16-5pm Children - Feb 7, 14, 21, 28 10am Contact the Library for movie titles</p>		<p>Fossil Ridge Community Blood Drives</p> <p>February 4th and April 7th (Sat.) 8am to Noon Call the Library for an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome too.</p>
<p>The Book Club meets monthly on the fourth Monday to discuss a book selected by a member. Copies are available for checkout at the library. Readers are welcome to join these 6:30 pm meetings. Books chosen for discussion include:</p> <p>January 23 <u>The Postmistress</u> by Sarah Blake February 27 <u>The Smoke Jumper</u> by Nicholas Evans March 26 <u>Still Alice</u> by Lisa Genova April 23 <u>Chasing Fire</u> by Nora Roberts May 28 <u>Unbroken</u> by Laura Hillenbrand</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Senior Income Tax Help Every Thursday, January 5th – April 12th 9 am - 1 pm</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">L.I.H.E.A.P. (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) First Thursday every month January – May</p> <p>Call the Will County Center for Community Concerns at (815) 722-0722 for more information.</p>	
<p>Crafting with Pat Childs</p> <p>Join everyone’s favorite crafter, Pat Childs in March as she shows you how to make a fantastic picture frame for displaying your favorite photo! Picture frame classes March 14th or 28th at 6pm</p> <p>Pat returns in April with a charming decorated bird house, the perfect springtime craft! Bird house classes April 11th or 25th at 6pm</p>		
<p>Family Fossil Hunt</p> <p>Saturday April 21st Meeting at the Library -9am before driving to Mazonia. Waiver must be signed and \$5 fee per person must be paid at time of registration. Kindergarten age or younger is free. Under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Contact the library for more info.</p>	<p>Adult CPR and First Aid Certification Course</p> <p>Saturday, May 5 from 10am – 1 pm. Become certified in CPR for Adults, Children and Infants with AED Training (1 yr. certification) and First Aid Training (3 yr. certification) from the National Safety Council. Fee: \$25.00 – Payable at Registration. Limited class size</p>	<p>National Library Week April 8th - 14th “You belong @ your library”</p>

Programs and Activities for Children and Teens

Preschool Storytime

Storytime features sharing books, fingerplays, interactive flannel board and crafts. Children must be three (3) years of age by Dec. 1, not yet in Kindergarten and able to attend on their own. Parent /Caregiver need to stay in the building during storytime. Each child may bring one show and tell to each session, storytime lasts approx 20-25 min. Registration is required, limited class size

Registration begins January 23 @ 9 am and continues through February 3.

****New Time** Monday evenings @ 5:45 pm beginning on Feb. 6 through March 26**

Tuesday mornings @ 9:30am beginning Feb. 7 through March 27

Lapsit

Lapsit is designed to encourage interaction and strengthen the bond between parent and child.

Babies/Toddlers age 6 months to 3 years with a parent/caregiver.

Registration is required, limited class size.

****New Time** Monday evenings 5:45 pm beginning on Feb. 13**

Wednesday mornings @ 9:30am beginning on Feb. 15

LEGO Building

Kids can build every Tuesday morning after Storytime. No registration required. Begins Feb.7

Mother Goose

Come and join us for Mother Goose activities, stories and crafts for preschoolers with a parent/caregiver.

Registration is required. Limited class size. Approx. 1 hr. programs are free

Two sessions- both sessions are different so you may sign up for one or both

Wednesday, February 15 and/or Wednesday, February 22 @ 10:00am

Decorated Birdhouse Craft

Come in and decorate a wooden birdhouse that you can hang outdoors to help our feathered friends!

Registration is required. **Age 1st through 5th grade.** Limited class size. Free

Saturday, Feb. 25 @ 10:00am

Babysitting Clinic

Saturday, April 14 from 10am to 1pm

Joan O' Malley from the American Heart Association will present a babysitting class that will discuss the roles and responsibilities of a babysitter as well as basic first aid.

Must be age 10 (5th grade) or older. Limited class size. Free. Registration in person only.

Fossil Ridge residents only. Participant must attend all day to receive a certificate.

Please bring a sack lunch and doll (no stuffed animals)

Beauty Revolution

Licensed Esthetician Anna LaTour returns to Fossil Ridge this spring with her extremely popular Beauty Revolution series for pre-teen and teen girls.

These classes will inspire girls to make positive choices and form habits that will give them a healthy self-image and help them feel beautiful inside and out. Contact the Library for dates and times.

T-Shirt Transformations

February 9th and 23rd

Bring an oversized t-shirt to this class and we'll show you how to transform it into a shirt you'll love to wear! Sample shirts on display at the library.

Classes are free, call or come in to sign up. **Grades 6-12**

Teen Game Nights

We have a Wii !! ☺

Tuesdays, 4 – 7pm Feb. 7th & 21st, March 6th & 20th, April 3rd & 17th

Wii games, board games, cards... Play ours or bring your own.

No need to sign up, just show up and get your game on! **Grades 6-12**

It's a Formal PROMotion!

Melissa's Closet and Crystal's Jewelry Box

In memory of Melissa Michalowski and Crystal Carr

Needed: Prom Dress Donations January 1 to Feb. 28

Long or Short formal gowns from 2006 to new & Accessories - fancy jewelry and purses

Whitmore Ace Hardware will give you a \$5.00 off coupon for every dress donated at time of drop off or donate a dress and receive a coupon for a free dress at the drop off locations.

Dresses must be Formal, Fancy Party or Bridesmaid Dresses, dry cleaned and on hangers

Accessories must be in excellent condition

*****Any questions please call Laurie Becker @Whitmore Ace Hardware 815-458-9850*****

Drop Off Locations:

Whitmore Ace Hardware 237 N. Front Street Braidwood IL 815-458-9850

1105 S. Water St. Wilmington, IL 815-476-7731

361 S. Locust St. Manteno, IL 815-468-3137

210-220 State Street Manhattan, IL 815-478-3317

Quality Auto Body 97 N. 1st Avenue Coal City, IL 815-634-8511

Fossil Ridge Public Library 386 West Kennedy Road, Braidwood, IL 815-458-2187

Wilmington Public Library 210 S. Kankakee St. Wilmington, IL 815-476-2834

Prom Dress Distribution for all local high school students:

Fossil Ridge Public Library

March 10th from 9am to 3pm - \$5.00 per dress

Teen Art Exhibit March 23rd & 24th

Fossil Ridge Public Library is seeking talented high school and middle school artists to participate in our second annual Teen Art Exhibit.

Artists may submit up to five works from any medium. No entry fee is required, though submission forms (one per piece) are needed and available at the Library and on the Library's website (www.fossilridge.org)

Art work will be judged by professional artists and prizes will be awarded.

Completed forms must be submitted by March 1st, and corresponding art works by March 19th.

Art will be on display March 23rd and 24th during Library hours.

The public is invited to an Artist's Reception on March 24th 11am – 2pm

Meet the participating artists and enjoy refreshments.

Homeschool News - Dates to remember:

Friday January 13-Noon

Pizza - Movie Day at the Library .

Everyone is bringing pizza for themselves and a pizza to share along with two 2-liters of pop.

Wednesday, February 1, 4 p.m.

Bowling at Riverfront Lanes in Wilmington, \$1.25 per person per game.

Thursday, March 1, 10-Noon.

Field trip to X-Treme Trampolines \$6 - \$8 per person depending on number attending A waiver is required.

To register for any of these programs or obtain more information, contact Tammy Smith our Homeschooling Librarian.

FOSSIL RIDGE BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

Mon : Godley 3:00-4:30 Godley Park District
Bonfield 5:00-7:00 Village Hall

Tues : South Wilmington 1:15-1:55 Post Office
2:00-4:00 St. Lawrence Church
Gardner 5:00-7:00 Center St. by Village Hall

Wed : Braceville 2:00-4:00 Firehouse W. Main
Essex 4:30-5:50 Essex Town Hall
Shannon Shores 6:00-7:00 Postal Building

Thurs : Bonfield 2:00-5:00 Village Hall
Gardner 6:00-7:00 Gardner Senior Housing

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Board Meetings - 7pm

January 16th, February 20th
March 19th, April 16th, May 17th

Fridays are reserved for use by Students during our School Visits.
We ask the public to come during the other weekdays.

1st & 3rd Friday

Gardner 9:00-11:15 Gardner Grade School (School visit)
Braceville 12:05 - 2:45 Braceville Grade School (School visit)

2nd & 4th Friday

Braceville 9:00-11:20 BonfieldGrade School (School visit)
South Wilmington 12:10- 2:10 South Wilmington Grade School (School visit)

5th Friday No Bookmobile Service

Remember -

During inclement weather or for bookmobile announcements tune to these radio stations
WCSJ-Morris,WVLI
WJOL-Joliet, WKAN-

NO MATTER WHO YOU ARE, NO MATTER WHERE YOU LIVE, YOU DESERVE TO READ!

Dates to remember @ Fossil Ridge Library - Closed on January 2, April 6, and May 28.

Note - If Reed-Custer Schools are closed due to weather, the Fossil Ridge Public Library and Bookmobile will also be closed.

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