

EX LIBRIS

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

<i>Construction Update</i>	2
<i>Adult Programs</i>	3
<i>Friends of the Library</i>	3
<i>Summer Reading Program Wrap-Up</i>	4-5

Dates to Remember:

- Third Monday of each month—Adult Book Discussion Group, 7:30 p.m. Registration required.
- September 24— "You Won't Miss It" Retirement Savings program, 7:00 p.m.
- September 27 to October 4—Banned Books Week
- October 4— Friends Book Sale, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- October 14—Author Tom Grace, 7:00 p.m.
- October 22— "Riding Out the Bumps" program on coping with turmoil in the investment market. 7:00 p.m.
- October 25—Halloween Story Time and Craft with Miss Cathy, 11:00 a.m.
- November 15— Thanksgiving Story Time and Craft with Miss Cathy, 11:00 a.m.

CONSTRUCTION MAKES GREAT STRIDES OVER THE SUMMER

While the dry summer months may not have been good for the grass, it was great building weather! Construction at the new Library made great strides over the summer and our construction managers hope to keep rolling into the fall.

Two of the most notable features completed over the course of the summer include the exterior masonry and the roofing.

Aside from a few detail items, the substantial portion of the exterior masonry is complete. This was an important step because the masonry provided the framework for installation of the windows. Installation of the window frames began in early September.

(Continued on page 2)



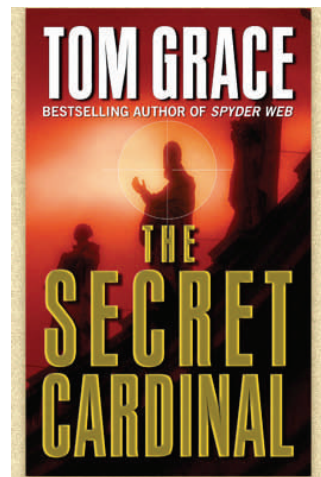
The second floor main reading room takes shape. The wood roof was installed over the summer.

DEXTER AUTHOR TOM GRACE TO VISIT THE LIBRARY



Local author Tom Grace will visit the Library on Wednesday, October 14 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss his latest book, "The Secret Cardinal." Inspired by true events, this novel finds ex-Navy SEAL Nolan Kilkenny racing from the grandeur of the Vatican across the vastness of Asia in an adventure involving China, the Mafia and a conclave of cardinals.

Grace will discuss his book, his adventure in becoming a published author and sign copies of his books.



(Continued from page 1)

One of the major interior features, the wood ceiling on the second floor, was installed over the summer. This is a key feature to the building. The warmth of the wood is designed to soften the overall space and provide an appealing transition between the interior of the Library and the natural views over Warrior Creek Park.

Early this month, the new building suffered some minor damage from a lightning strike. The lightning hit the roof while

and especially the Dexter Fire Department, whose fire fighters were on the scene very quickly and ensured the fire was contained. This incident was followed by heavy rains which also helped to minimize any damage. Unfortunately, this event occurred before the building's lightning protection system was installed.

Inside the building, the progress has been amazing. The mechanical infrastructure for air handling, plumbing and electrical is near completion.



Installation of the main staircase, and interior framing for the first floor continued through the summer months.



The exterior masonry nears completion at the end of the summer.

street and run their utilities underground to the building. The building has also been connected to the Village water system.

The biggest task in the coming month will be to seal up the building. During early September, the roofers will bring on site a large machine to roll the contour for the metal roof that will be above the second floor wood ceiling. Finishing the rubber roof portions as well as installing the windows will seal the building and allow the construction teams to begin

their finish work.

At press time, our construction managers were not able to commit to an opening date. The project has seen some delays due to soil conditions and the difficulty of working around soil needed for backfill. Additionally, the project suffered significant weather related delays over the course of the late winter and spring. The Library continues to press the construction managers to finish out the project before the end of the current calendar year.

workers were installing the rubber roof. The lightning ignited the adhesive that the roofers were using to seal the roof. Fortunately, there were no injuries. Damage to the roof was minimal. The fire affected the rubber roofing material and a few insulation panels. This event should not impact the construction schedule to any great degree. The Library would like to thank the roofers of Royal West Roofing for their quick actions. Using water from the large coolers they brought up to the roof, the roofers were able to douse a good portion of the fire before it could spread. Thanks also go out to all the citizens who called 911

Conduit, piping and ductwork on all three levels has shown tremendous progress. This work has run concurrently with the carpenters framing the interior rooms. Comparing blueprints to the work in place, one can see all the defined spaces including the offices, meeting rooms, young adult area, quiet reading and story time rooms.

Due to the ever-present pile of soil on the Alpine Street level, the work to place the utilities underground is just beginning. Conduit has been placed underground for the major utilities. In the coming months, DTE Energy, AT&T and Comcast will take down the poles at the



Earlier in the summer, crews hoisted the curved roof beams into place on the second floor.

CURRENT CONSUMER REPORTS AVAILABLE ONLINE

The Michigan E-Library (MeL) announced that articles from Consumer Reports are now available online concurrently with the print issue. What does this mean for Dexter residents? You can access the most current articles from Consumer Reports at home, at any time of the day or night. MeL databases can be accessed at the Library or at home. Logging on at home requires a valid Michigan Driver's License or State ID number.

MeL is a state-wide project that provides access to numerous full-text databases to all the residents of Michigan and can be accessed at

www.mel.org.

While MeL provides access to many databases, Consumer Reports current editions can be accessed through the General Reference Center Gold database. All these databases can be searched by subject to retrieve articles from a variety of publications.

To see the contents of Consumer Reports, check out the link on the main MeL page



titled "Full-Text Magazines and Newspapers." This link will produce an index of all the full-text publications in MeL. The alphabetical list of titles is long, but clicking on the database for a specific publication will allow browsing contents on an issue by issue basis. At press time, the complete contents of the September 2008 issue of Consumer Reports was available.

This service is funded in part by the State of Michigan through the Library of Michigan. Additional project support comes from the Federal Library Services and Technology Act via the Institute of Museum and Library Services.



Great News! Macy's department stores has renewed its sponsorship of the Museum Adventure Pass program for another year!

This partnership was formed in 2007 in the Greater Detroit Region between Macy's, Detroit metro area libraries (through the Library of Michigan Foundation) and the Cultural Alliance of Southeastern Michigan.

Continuing through October, 2009, this program between 162 metro area libraries and more than 20 local arts and cultural organizations, provides area library card holders free passes to participating local museums, cultural centers and historical sites. The program is designed to enhance the learning experience for people of all ages through books and other library materials, and to provide access to arts and cultural organizations.

Library users living in Macomb, Oakland, Livingston, St. Clair, Washtenaw and Wayne counties, with a valid library card can check out a Museum Adventure Pass at any of the 162 Greater Detroit public library locations in those counties. Library users will then receive a museum admission pass for the organization they plan to visit. The museum admission pass is handed in at the box office of the participating organization for free admission for two or four people. Each museum adventure pass expires within one week of the checkout date.

Negotiations are ongoing, but expect new museums to be included with the 2008-09 Museum Adventure Pass.

More information will be available in mid-October by visiting or calling the Library, or by logging on to www.detroitadventurepass.org at that time.

INVESTMENT PROGRAMS WITH MATT ROLFES

Matt Rolfes, Investment Manager with Dexter Financial, returns this fall with two programs of interest to everyone.

On **Wednesday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m.**, Rolfes will Present "You Won't Miss It," a program on Savings. Rolfes will discuss budgeting for savings and how saving a little more today can turn into large returns in the future. During this program, Rolfes will also dis-

cuss the investment market and how recent market declines can turn into big rewards for those investors who are still adding to their retirement plans.

On **Wednesday, October 22 at 7:00 p.m.**, Rolfes will present "Riding Out the Bumps." Has the recent volatility in the stock market over the last year kept you awake at night? This program will provide strategies

for coping with the ups and downs of the market and your portfolio.

With over 12 years experience helping individual investors, Matt Rolfes will help you take charge of your financial future. Bring your questions and be ready to learn! These programs will be held in the Library's group study room and are free and open to the public.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Dexter District Library had a fantastic sale during Dexter Daze. The annual sale, held under the tent on the Library lawn, attracted a steady stream of customers throughout the day and the Friends made over \$1,700 during the one-day event.

The Friends Board would like to express its gratitude to all the volunteers who came down and made this event such a great success.

The Friends Board resumed their monthly meetings on September 10th. The Board will meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Library's group study room. Anyone interested in taking an active role with the Friends Board is encouraged to attend one of the meetings.

The Friends are currently looking for volunteers to fill the open positions of Publicity Chair and Fundraising Coordinator.

The Friends are in the midst of organizing their annual business meeting, which is slated for this fall. Announcements of this meeting and other Friends events will be posted on the Friends of the Library Bulletin Board in the Library. For more information about participating in the Friends of the Library, please contact Membership Coordinator Sue Smith at: sueandbernie@aol.com

Summer Reading Program Another Huge Success

On August 11, the Dexter District Library wrapped up another successful Summer Reading Program, drawing a record number of children to the Library. This summer nearly 1,100 Dexter area children and teens participated in the program "Catch the Reading Bug!" which encouraged children to continue reading through their summer vacation. When the program began in June, elementary and middle school children set a goal for the number of books or amount of time they would read over the summer while teenagers were asked to complete a Bingo Card with various reading and fun summer activities. Every week children visited the Library to record their books and received an incentive prize to continue with the program. All children who met their final reading goal in August received a plastic book bag filled with an assortment of prizes, candy and gift certificates. As always, the focus of the program was to encourage children to read for fun and enjoyment while retaining their reading skills through the summer months.

The Library hosted several entertaining and educational performers during the summer. These programs provided parents and children with great entertainment coupled with a message to keep reading. Performing at the Library this summer were: O.J. Anderson's "Laughin' Loud at the Library" comedy show, Carousel Acres Petting Farm, Miss Cathy's Bedtime Story Time, Naturalist Endeavor's "Reptiles and Amphibians of the World" live animal program, Wild Swan Theater's "A Honey Pot of Pooh Stories", Dan the Creature Man's "Creepy Crawlies" live insect program, two "Bug's Eye View" Lab Workshops by Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, Charity Nebbe and her dog, Sara's "Our Walk in the Woods" Story Time, Yo-Yo Master Zeemo "The Story of the Yo-Yo!" performance, Mother Goose Trudy Bulkley, Lori Fithian's "Drummunity" totally hands-on music program and

Margaret Schmidt - The Farm Lady's live "Bugs for Lunch" farm animal presentation. The Final Summer Reading Program Wrap-Up in August brought the Acting Up Theater under the tent at the Library to perform "Don't Bug Me I'm Reading!" Turnout for all these entertainers was fantastic with an average of 250 parents and children attending each performance. Throughout the



Toby Curry was very excited to win an MP3 player!



Hunter Hook was the winner of tickets to a Detroit Tigers baseball game.

program, the Library held weekly prize drawings and a guessing contest. Several area businesses and civic organizations contributed money, incentive prizes and gift certificates to the program this year. Their generosity allowed the Library to hold these special drawings for prizes as an additional incentive for children to keep reading. The Library also displayed a large jar of assorted plastic bugs and each time a child recorded books on his or her reading record, they received a slip of paper to guess how many were in the jar. This year Alex Snow guessed the closest to the correct number of 452 bugs in the jar and won a \$10.00 gift card to Toys R Us and a giant candy bar.

Additionally, the Library held a Grand Prize Drawing at the conclusion of the Summer Reading Program. All children and teens who met their summer reading goals entered their reading records into the drawings and names were selected at random. This year 118 winners received prizes in the Grand Prize Drawing. The Grand Prize Winners and their prizes are as follows:

Teen Read

This year eleven teens completed Bingo Cards and were entered into the Final Drawing. All entrées won a prize.

Hunter Hook won four tickets to a Detroit Tigers Baseball Game.

Charlotte Read and Emily Weber each won MP3 players.

Maria Brundage, Parker Latshaw and Amy Read each received a \$25 gift card to the Quality 16 Movie Theater and a "Catch the Reading Bug!" T-Shirt.

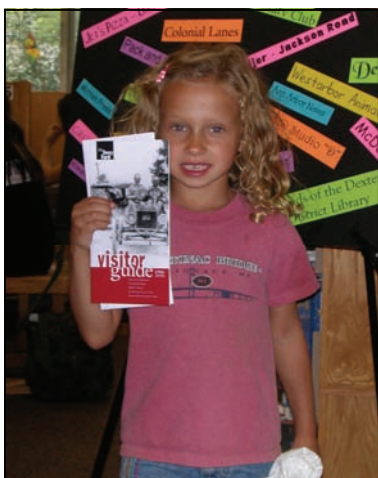
Natalie Murasky-Emerick received a \$25 gift certificate to Dexter Pub and a "Catch the Reading Bug!" T-Shirt.

Drew Bowen received two tickets to Purple Rose Theater.

Andy Dumont, Trevor Omer and Jared Viitala each received \$5

(Continued on page 5)

(Continued from page 4)



Heather Erikson poses with her prize, tickets to Greenfield Village!

gift certificates to Jet's Pizza and a giant candy bar.

Reading Club

This year three hundred and eighty-four children completed their Reading Club Records and were entered into the Final Drawing.

Pablo Demerath received four tickets to a Detroit Tigers Baseball Game. Holland Bisson, Sheila Clegg, Ryan Murphy, Nina Rider and Emma Young each received a \$75 gift certificate to Greenfield

Village and Henry Ford Museum.

Barrett Bryson received a \$50 gift certificate to Country Market.

Anna Akbarifard, Toby Currie, Andrew Golin, Emily Green and Joe Phifer each received an MP3 Player.

\$25 gift cards to the Quality 16 Movie Theater went to Caitlin Bocks, Ryan Clemens, Andrew Johnson, Rachel Pryslak, Mikey Ramey, Jessica Rittinger, Amanda Savitsky, Connor Sikora, Gabriel Shensky and Meagan Williams

\$10 gift cards to Toys R Us and one month of free dance classes at Dancer's Edge went to Mac Bowman, Katherine Clemens, Benny Eikenberry, Marat Fahrner, Sophia Mitzel, Cady Paquin, Henry Sheldon and Anna Withrow

Read-To-Me Program

One hundred and eighty-five children completed their Read-To-Me Records and were entered into the Final Drawing.

Daniel Harding won four tickets to a Detroit Tigers Baseball

Game.

Heather Erickson received a \$75 gift certificate to Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum.

A Learning Letters Laptop went to Harvey Shelley.

Three "Sing and Learn" Star Makers and three Discovery Tikes went to Elizabeth Cox, Dante Demerath, Derrick Nelson, Jillian Owens, Ben Pritchard and Zachary Sawin.

Katerina DeAngelo, Nick Sadler, Johnathon Waidley and Gavin Whipple each received a \$25 gift card to the Quality 16 Movie Theater.

Tysen Bell, Megan O'Day, Clark Sheldon and Paige Vander-Haagen each received a \$10 gift card to Toys R Us and one month of free dance classes at Dancer's Edge.

Additionally, the following children who participated in either the Reading Program or the Read-to-Me Program won



WUOM radio host Charity Nebbe and her dog Sara visited the Library this summer and read Charity's new book "Our Walk in the Woods."

\$10 gift certificates to Nicola's Books and a copy of *Pippa's First Summer* by C.E. Badgley: Ben Baker, Trent Barnes, Jess Black, Nick Bleise, Lola Boynton, Kendall Cabana, Zachary Clark, Samantha Cox, Katherine Cullen, Travis DeBerry, Abraham Fischer, Gabi Fracassi, Lucy Fuller, Elizabeth Ham, Janie Harshe, Josiah Hayter, Kaitlin Helmholtz, Emily Herold, Ella Hill, Jessica Hoehn, Alexander Hoffman, Ben Holmes, Rachel Horowitz, Madison Horvath, Lachlan Imfeld, Joshua Jennings, Zachary Jennings, Connor Johnson, Madeline Kaufman, Becky Kivi, Connor Kniesteadt, Nate Kniesteadt, Allen Labadie, Amy Larkin, Finian Laverty, Will Lennon, Edward Lewis, Rayna Longo, Daniel Luongo, Richard Luongo, Julian Meyer, Lanna Mitzel, Kieron Moller, Rhys Moller, Jacob Nestor, Cameron Newton, Tanner Orr, Elizabeth Pelava, Sarah Penrose, Garret Powell, Rhain Prevost, Ben Ramey, Noah Rosenzweig, Michael Sadler, Brenna Sikora, Ana Stewart, Vanessa Szydowski, Claire Vander-Haagen, Kristine Westman and Emma Young.

Congratulations to all the winners and readers who participated in this year's Summer Reading Program! The Library encourages parents and children to keep this wonderful program in mind for next summer.



Mother Goose (Trudy Bulkley) visited the Library to tell some stories and sing songs with parents and children during the Summer Reading program.

**The Dexter
District Library**

**8040 Fourth St.
Dexter, MI 48130**

**Phone: 734-426-4477
Fax: 734-426-1217
Email:
pmccann@dexter.lib.mi.us**

Open

**Mon-Fri 9 am-9 pm
Sat 9 am- 5 pm
Sun 1 pm-5 pm**

**Visit us on the Web
www.dexter.lib.mi.us**

Mission

**The Dexter District
Library serves everyone
by being a center for
popular materials in a
variety of print,
audiovisual and
electronic formats.**

Board of Trustees

- Martha Davis, President
- Rosemary Quigley,
Vice President
- James LaVoie, Treasurer
- Pat Cousins, Secretary
- Linda Chapman
- Barbara Davenport
- Mike DeAngelo
- Donna Palmer

Library Staff

- Paul McCann, Library
Director
- Cathy Jurich, Youth
Services Librarian
- Allison Brueckner,
Technology Librarian
- Mary Graulich,
Circulation Supervisor

Non-Profit
Organization
U.S. Postage
PAID
Permit No. 84
Dexter, MI

**Postal Patron
Dexter District Library**

*The Dexter District Library would like to extend a big THANK YOU!
to all the area businesses that donated prizes and made financial
contributions to support the Summer Reading Program.*

Summer Reading Club sponsors for 2008 were:

Ann Arbor News	Friends of the Dexter
Colonial Lanes	District Library
Country Market	Grohnert & Grohnert
Dancers Edge @	Jet's Pizza - Dan Hoey Road
Studio "D"	Kiwanis Club of Dexter
Dapco Industries	McDonalds - Baker Road
Dexter Rotary Club	Meijer - Jackson Road
Dexter's Pub	Mitten Press
Elmo's Main Street	Nicola's Books
T-Shirts	Pack and Mail Plus
EMU Athletic Department	Purple Rose Theater
	Westarbor Animal Hospital