Greetings!

Greetings from your friends at Ella Johnson Library!

It's back to school time again! Don't forget that the library has great resources for school-age and high-school students as well as college students, adults returning to school, and those seeking career resources. Our library holds over 52,000 books, 139 magazine and newspaper subscriptions, 50,000+ ebooks and digital audiobooks and thousands of other materials! We also share a collection with over 130 other libraries across Illinois and most items from all of these collections can be brought to Ella Johnson in a matter of days—Library PRIME delivery for our patrons! Ask us how to access all of these great materials and more with ease and speed.

As we think about school again, Ella Johnson's commitment to early literacy comes to the forefront of our focus. For children who are not yet school-aged, literacy building experiences and exposures are critical to their future learning and academic success. Our knowledgeable and experienced Youth Services team want to help parents and caregivers of young children (ages 0-5) learn about how to incorporate early literacy into their daily routines with the children in their care. They will be teaching two great workshops:

**Every Child Ready To Read Workshop** – Tuesday, August 8, 6:00 p.m.
[Register Here]

**Reading and Writing the Montessori Way**– Saturday, September 23, 10:30 a.m.
Thank you for being a part of the library community!

CLOSING ALERT: The Library will be closed on Sunday, August 6 for Coon Creek!

GIFTS FROM OUR COMMUNITY
Thank you to those who donated to Ella Johnson this month

Your gifts matter.

William Roberts - $500 for Youth Services and Teen programming

Jeanette Shatters Memorial Donors-- $2180 for library services

Don't forget the library in your annual giving plan. Your donations and contributions help build literacy, learning, opportunity, and economic growth in the District we serve.

Women of World War II: On the Front Lines and the Home Front Historical Program
During World War II American women took on many roles, both in the military and as civilians. One of the civilian avenues was through the American Red Cross Clubmobile program. Learn more about the Clubmobile program and all the ways in which American women helped win the war!

Saturday, August 26 at 10:00 a.m.
Registration Not Required.

Ella Johnson Concert Series Returns!
Presenting Alloy Horn Quartet in August!

Save the date for a night out at Ella Johnson Library!

Our after-hours concerts return this month and we are pleased to present Alloy Horn Quartet. The ALLOY Horn Quartet (Liz Deitemyer, Anna Jacobson, Kelly Langenberg, & Dana Sherman) is an alliance of artistry and musicianship whose appealing performances are powering their rise to the top of the chamber music scene. ALLOY is "definitely one of the best quartets in the country. Great musicianship, group dynamic, repertoire choices, group sound, accuracy, stage presence and presentation."

(Bruce Atwell, Professor of Horn at UW- Oshkosh)

Whether performing classical or contemporary genres, the quartet is at ease sharing its passion for music with audiences. ALLOY has been honored to recently appear as featured performers and clinicians at the Chicago Brass Festival, the Illinois Wesleyan University Winter Horn Fest, the Midwest Regional Horn Workshop at St. Thomas University, Ball State University, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, University of Central Arkansas, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Fall Festival Horn Day, and continues to receive performance opportunities throughout the U.S.

Thursday, August 24 at 7:00 p.m.
Pie a Librarian!

It's that time of year again! Come see Ms. Dawn get a pie thrown in her face by one lucky Summer Reading Club Finisher! Afterwards there will be crafts and a make-your-own-mini-pie snack. We will even have the Pie Face game so you can try your luck at getting a pie in your own face—if you dare!

Not to be missed!
**Saturday, August 12, 11:00 a.m.**
Registration not required.

For more information about these and other events happening at your library, please visit our website or call us at 847-683-4490.

More great programs! Go to our web calendar to see everything!