



## Atlanta Public Library February 2017

# *Birds, Birds, Birds!*

**HOURS: Monday 10-12:30; Tuesday/Thursday 10-7; Wednesday/Friday 10-4:30; Saturday 9-3**  
[www.atlantapld.org/217-648-2112](http://www.atlantapld.org/217-648-2112)

### Children's Programs

**February 9, 6:30PM.** Get ready for spring! Join Heather Rogers to make fantastic homemade bird feeders and learn basic tips for keeping birds coming to your back yard. Stories and refreshments! Please call 217-648-2112 by February 5th to sign up. FREE! **Sponsored by the Illinois Prairie Community Foundation**

### Adult Programs

**February 7, 8:30AM.** *This Golden Age: Spring is in the Air!* It's time to welcome back our feathered friends who've spent the winter in warmer climates. Join master naturalist Deanna Fraitchi, founder of Wild Birds Unlimited, for a unique insight into the habits and characteristics of our native birds. Just back from Costa Rica, Deanna will have lots of great stories to tell. FREE

**February 10, 5:30PM.** *Dinner at the Palms Grill: How Time Flies.* Come learn what's behind the Pantagraph's popular daily column, "How Time Flies." Writer Jack Keefe will discuss how he does his research, decides on topics, and writes his column. Reservations required. Call 217-648-5077. Cost of dinner. **Sponsored by the Atlanta Betterment Fund**

**February 17, 6:30PM.** *Fireside Friday.* Our well-loved story hour for adults returns in February. Come take the chill out of winter, enjoy refreshments, and hear stories by the fire. This is a really fun evening of food and fellowship that will take your mind off whatever ails you! FREE

**February 18, 5:30PM.** *A Night at the Museum: Hornbirds! The Illinois Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet.* Join us for an incredible evening with talented musicians from the Illinois Symphony Orchestra as they take us on a virtuoso tour of great music for brass instruments. Reservations required. Call 217-648-5077. Cost of dinner. **Sponsored by the Atlanta National Bank**

**February 24, 5:30PM.** *Dinner at the Palms Grill: Pre-electric Entertainment in Atlanta.* So how did our great-grandparents entertain themselves in the days before homes were wired for electricity? Join Bill Thomas and Doug Ringer as they demonstrate a variety of unique mechanical music machines from the turn of the century and tell the story of music from our great grandparents' parlor. Reservations required. Call 217-648-5077. Cost of dinner. **Sponsored by the Atlanta Betterment Fund**

**February 26, 3:00PM.** *Bring Purple Martins back to Atlanta!* With help from students at Olympia, the Library commissioned the design and construction of several purple martin houses that will be installed on the Library lawn near where they were once historically found. Join us for a special dedication service of these unique houses. Talk with the students and others who were involved in making the houses, learn about the habits of purple martins, and enjoy refreshments by the fire in the Library's beautiful reading room. FREE



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**February 27, 6:00PM.** *Worldviews Book Group.* Join us for a discussion of Maya Angelou's classic memoir, [I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings](#). Sent by their mother to live with their devout, self-sufficient grandmother in a small Southern town, Maya and her brother, Bailey, endure the ache of abandonment and prejudice. At eight years old and back at her mother's side in St. Louis, Maya is attacked by a man many times her age—and has to live with the consequences for a lifetime. Years later, in San Francisco, Maya learns that love for herself, the kindness of others, her own strong spirit, and the ideas of great authors will allow her to be free instead of imprisoned. Books are available at the Library. A light supper will be served. **FREE**

### **New From the Library and Museum!**

Thanks to a generous grant from the Woods Foundation, we have been able to digitize all issues of the Atlanta Argus and make them available online. Atlanta High School yearbooks will soon be available as well. Visit our website ([www.atlantapld.org](http://www.atlantapld.org)) to access these new materials. For questions, call the Library at 217-648-2112.

***Special door prizes in February!! Every time you use a service, attend a program, or check out a book from the Library in February, we will enter your name into a drawing for a bird house, bird feeder or bird seed. Get a jump on spring by using YOUR library!***

