got plot?

No more excuses--write that book that you've been wanting

to write. November is National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) and you can take advantage of the self-imposed deadline, well-managed online forums, fun local events and tremendous support to realize your dream this year. Write at least 50,000 words in 30 days. All completely free of charge. All genres and all ages welcome.

Who participates? 79000 people worldwide did in 2006. Locally in the Chicago western suburbs we had 188 participants signed up for NaNoWriMo. 137 of them started writing their novels and 56 successfully completed it (> 40% of those who started writing).

This year we have three October events planned to help people prepare for the November writing: come to the downtown Naperville Barnes and Noble:

- Thursday, October 4th, 7-9 pm (cafe)
- Tuesday, October 9th, 7-9 pm (cafe)
- Saturday, October 20th, 1-3 pm (downstairs)

There are two kick-off events (Oct 27 at the Naperville Municipal Center and Nov 1 at the Naperville 95th Street Library) and write-ins each Sunday in November (at the Naperville 95th Street Library and also at the Warrenville Municipal Center). If you still have questions, write to us at naperville_il@nanowrimo.org and/or visit the international site at http://naperwrimo.org.

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