

Children's author visits Elmhurst Library

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Elmhurst Public Library

The Elmhurst Public Library hosted children's author Laurie Lawlor as part of its fifth anniversary celebration of the library's grand opening.

Lawlor visited Oct. 4 and spoke about where her ideas came from and how to research and write his-

torical fiction.

Lawlor spoke about how she became a writer and how she put together her first book, "Addie Across the Prairie."

Some of her books are based on her family history and she used family memorabilia to come up with story ideas, but she also did additional research visiting museums and historical locations.

She brought with her a china doll that her grandmother found on the prairie a long time ago. She said that she "liked to imagine what people's lives were like back in the pioneer days."

She autographed books at the end of her session.

Pictured left Laurie Lawlor with her first book.

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