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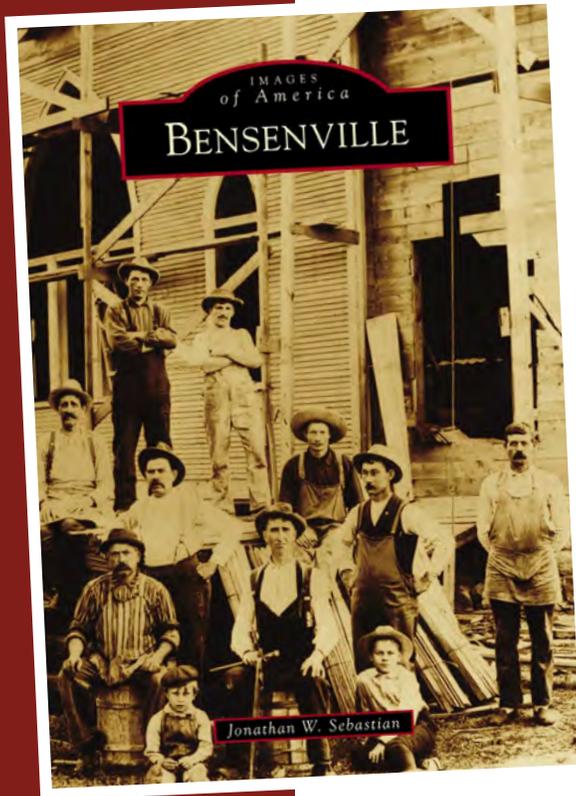
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# BENSENVILLE READS 2018

**Tuesday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m.**

The Bensenville Community Public Library is proud to welcome local historian and author Jonathan Sebastian for our 13<sup>th</sup> annual Bensenville Reads program! Each year, the Library selects a book or author to promote reading in the community and invites the author to our Bensenville Reads celebration. This year we are proud to select *Bensenville: Images by America* by Jonathan W. Sebastian. Join us for an evening with the author on Tuesday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m. Limited free copies of the book will be available at the Library starting October 1. Copies of the books will also be available for purchase at the Library starting October 1.



## About the Book

Taking its name from the German town of Bensen, Bensenville was established by a group of devout Lutherans. When it was incorporated in 1884, Bensenville was already a vibrant community of hardworking dairy farmers. Settlers first arrived in the mid-1830s; the growth of the dairy industry was a response to demand for dairy products at Chicago markets. The railroad brought these products into the city, but also brought a demand for more laborers, which introduced a more diverse population.

## About the Author Jonathan Sebastian

Jonathan Sebastian, a local resident, earned his B.A. in history from Judson College (now University) and his M.A. in Public History from Loyola University Chicago. He has been an adjunct professor of history at Judson University teaching World History 1500 to the Present, and U.S. history. He was a tour guide at Jubilee College State historic site outside of Peoria, Illinois. Currently, he is the curator of the Fischer Farm historic site in Bensenville, Illinois.



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## KORTHAUER OPEN HOUSE

September 9 | October 14 | November 11

Take a trip back in time at our Korthauer Open House! Join local historian Janis Arquette every second Sunday of the month from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Korthauer Log House for an exploration into local history. The Log House is located at 900 W. Wood Street in Bensenville, and parking is available at the Library.

## KORTHAUER LOG HOUSE RESTORATION DAY

Saturday, October 13 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Please consider joining the Library for a day of projects around the Korthauer Log House. The Log House is DuPage County's oldest homestead and a part of Bensenville's living history. There is work to be done to help to keep the cabin in good working condition for all to enjoy. No registration required to attend, and lunch will be provided.



## ARE YOU AFRAID OF THE DARK?

Friday, October 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Korthauer Log House | All ages!

Bring your blankets and flashlights, and join us at the Korthauer Log House for spooky stories around the campfire by GreenMan Theatre Troupe! The Log House is located at 900 W. Wood Street. In the event of inclement weather, stories will be told indoors at the Library.



## FRIGHT NIGHT DOUBLE FEATURE

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*Children 5 years old and up are welcome to attend this program with a parent or caretaker, but please note that topics of animal abuse and cruelty are discussed.*

## TRIVIA NIGHT AT GREEN ST. GRILLE

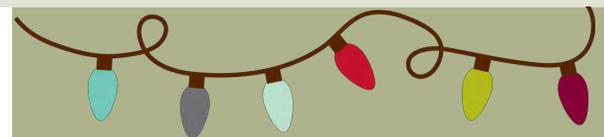
First Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.  
at Green St. Grille – 120 W. Green St. Bensenville

Join staff from the Bensenville Community Public Library on the first Monday of every month from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and flex your trivia muscle at the Green Street Grille! Gather some friends and compete against other teams for prizes by answering questions about history, pop culture, and more!



September 10 | October 1 | November 5  
December 3 | January 7 | February 4

*Please note: In September, Trivia Night will be held on the second Monday due to Labor Day.*



## HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Friday, December 7  
from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Join Library staff for our annual Holiday Open House and celebrate the holidays with us! For more information, see page 8.

# HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15 by celebrating the histories, cultures, and contributions of Americans whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America. During National Hispanic Heritage Month, we celebrate the generations of Hispanic and Latino Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our nation and society.

Join us all month as we recognize the contributions made and the important presence of Hispanic and Latino Americans to the United States and celebrate their heritage and culture.

## **SONES DE MÉXICO: A Musical Geography of Mexico**

Sunday, September 16 at 2:00 p.m. at Blackhawk Middle School

Take a guided musical tour around Mexico with Sones de México, a Grammy-nominated folk music ensemble specializing in Mexican 'son', including the regional styles of huapango, gustos, chilenas, son jarocho, and more. The group was formed in Chicago's historic Pilsen neighborhood in 1994 to keep the tradition of Mexican 'son' alive. Join us as we welcome this internationally-renowned musical group to our community and celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month! This performance is presented in partnership with Bensenville School District 2, and sponsored by the Bensenville Arts Council.



## **COLOMBIAN COFFEE | Tuesday, September 18 at 7:00 p.m.**

Learn about the history and current production of coffee from Colombia – one of the world's largest producers of coffee. How is it grown and how is it exported to the United States? We will have a guest presenter from Colombia who currently works in the coffee import business and holds a degree in International Business.



## **FRIDA KAHLO AND MEXICAN ART | Saturday, September 22 at 2:00 p.m.**

Join us in welcoming Justin Witte, the current Curator of Cleve Carney Art Gallery of the College of DuPage, as we learn about the famous Mexican painter Frida Kahlo. We'll explore Kahlo's portraits and self-portraits, surrealism style, and 20<sup>th</sup> century works.

## **BRAZILIAN SWEETS | Tuesday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m.**

Meet Jorgianne and learn how she makes traditional Brazilian sweets! She will explain how to make three Brazilian dessert dishes referred to in Portuguese as Quindim, Brigadeiro (de Pistachio), and Pave. There will be time to try these delicious treats from Latin America's largest country. Registration is not required, but space is limited.



## **LATIN FOODS NIGHT | Tuesday, October 2 at 7:00 p.m.**

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with us and enjoy foods from Mexico, the Caribbean, and other parts of Latin America! Try some foods from a variety of cultures and learn about what is happening at your local library as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. Registration not required, but space is limited.

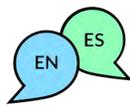


**NEW**

## **SPANISH CONVERSATION GROUP**

Tuesdays from 6:00–7:00 p.m. | September 18–February 26 | Adult Services Area

¡Hola amigos! Do you want to practice speaking Spanish? This informal group meets weekly to bring people together to have the opportunity to communicate in Spanish. The goal of the group is to talk about common everyday topics in español. Prior experience with the language is a plus, but anyone with the desire to learn is welcome. Registration not required. **AGES: Adults and teens.**



All Hispanic Heritage Month programs, with the exception of “Frida Kahlo and Mexican Art” and the Spanish Conversation Group, will be presented bilingually.



### THE PIANO IN LATIN AMERICA

Sunday, October 7 at 2:00 p.m.

Professional pianist Kimberly Davis will perform works by some of Latin America’s most distinguished composers, including pieces from Mexico, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Guatemala, Brazil, and Argentina. Come celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month and learn how each country has left its mark on the piano repertoire. This bilingual program is a fun and educational musical experience for the whole family.



### GAME NIGHT: LOTERÍA

Tuesday, October 9 at 7:00 p.m. | AGES: 13 and up

Let’s play Lotería! Lotería is a popular board game from Mexico that is very similar to bingo. Come brush up on your Spanish as you fill your bingo card! This bilingual event is for ages 13 and up! Registration is not required but space is limited.



### PAPEL PICADO PENNANTS AND THE FLAGS OF LATIN AMERICA

Tuesday, October 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Come out to the Library and learn how to make papel picado – the Mexican art of making flags out of colorful paper. We’ll also have some different national flags from Latin countries that you can color and cut out. Registration is not required to attend, but space is limited. Doors to the event will open at 6:45 p.m. Participants will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, and seats cannot be held.



### DAY OF THE DEAD: DIY CALAVERAS

Tuesday, October 30 at 7:00 p.m. | AGES: 13 and up

The Day of the Dead (or Día de los Muertos) is an important holiday in Mexican culture. During its observance on November 1, family and friends gather to pray for their dead loved ones’ journey in the afterlife. There are parades, food, and ceremonial alters created to honor dead relatives. One traditional offering left on alters are intricately decorated Calaveras, or skulls. We will be painting small ceramic Calaveras in the traditional Mexican style. Registration is not required to attend, but space is limited. Doors to the event will open at 6:45 p.m. Participants will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, and seats cannot be held.



### HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH FILM FESTIVAL

In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, the Library will present the following films on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. at the Bensenville Library:

**SEPTEMBER 17** – *Bless Me, Ultima*  
(2013, English with Spanish Subtitles)

**SEPTEMBER 24** – *No culpες al karma de lo que te pasa por gilipollas / Don’t Blame Karma for Being an Idiot* (2016, Spanish with English Subtitles)

**OCTOBER 1** – *Sin Nombre / Nameless*  
(2009, Spanish with English Subtitles)

**OCTOBER 15** – *Más negro que la noche / Darker Than Night*  
(2014, Spanish with English Subtitles)



Visit the Library’s Spanish-language website at [español.benlib.org](http://español.benlib.org), and be sure to check out the Spanish Program Guide!

Spanish Storytime  
see page 15  
Hispanic Heritage Crafts  
see page 15

# BOOK DISCUSSIONS GROUPS | adult

Copies of the books are available at the Library's Circulation Desk one month prior to the discussion.

## THURSDAY NIGHT BOOK CLUB

This book discussion meets the first Thursday the month at 7:00 p.m.

**September 6** – *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman

**October 4** – *Killers of the Flower Moon* by Davis Grann

**November 1** – *Exit West* by Mohsin Hamid

**December 6** – *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng

**February 7** – *Manhattan Beach* by Jennifer Egan

## COOKING THE BOOKS

Grab your apron and join Cooking the Books! For each discussion we pick a selection of cookbooks around one theme. You borrow one of the books, peruse it, select and make a recipe from it, and join us as we all get together to share the finished products, our opinions, and experiences. Cooking the Books meets at 7:00 p.m. on the following evenings:

**Thursday, September 13** – What's for Lunch?

**Thursday, November 8** – It's Pie Season!

**Thursday, December 13** – Cookie Exchange

**Thursday, March 14** – Where's the Meat: Vegetarian Recipes

**Thursday, May 9** – Salads for Summer

## LIT CHICKS

Do you like to read young adult fiction? Join our all ages YA book discussion group, Lit Chicks! Lit Chicks meets the third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

**September 17** – *The Immortalists* by Chloe Benjamin

**October 15** – *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas

**November 19** – *American Street* by Lbi Zoboi

**December 17** – *Turtles All the Way Down* by John Green

**January 21** – *We Are Okay* by Nina LaCour

**February 18** – *Character, Driven* by David Lupar

## BOOK BRUNCH

Can't make it to one of our evening book discussion groups? Book Brunch meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

**September 27** – *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles

**October 25** – *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman

**November 29** – *Educated* by Tara Westover

**January 24** – *Beneath a Scarlett Sky* by Mark Sullivan

**February 28** – *Killers of the Flower Moon* by Davis Grann

## HARD-BOILED BOOK DISCUSSION

Noir, murder, true-crime, and horror! Explore the dark and macabre side of this mortal coil. Killing, carnage, and the creeps—guaranteed! Hard-Boiled meets the last Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

**September 26** – *Black and White Ball* by Loren D. Estleman

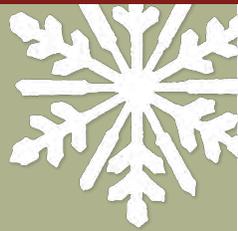
**October 31** – *Little Pretty Things* by Lori Raider-Day

**November 28** – *Noir* by Christopher Moore

**January 30** – *The Changeling* by Victor LaValle

**February 27** – *The Fighter* by Michael Farris Smith

## WINTER READING PROGRAM



Write down what you read for a chance to win a Kindle Fire 7!

Starting December 1, pick up a Winter Reading Program bookmark at the Adult Services Desk, or cut this page out and use the provided spaces below. Once your bookmark (or this page) is full, return it to the Adult Services Desk to be entered in the drawing! The last day to turn in your bookmark is February 1. One entry per person, please. AGES: 18+

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If you win, how would you like to be contacted?

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## SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> REMEMBRANCE

Tuesday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Join us as we pay tribute to those who lost their lives in the attacks on the Pentagon and World Trade Center on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001.

## CEMETERY ROAD TRIP

Saturday, October 20 at 2:00 p.m.

Cemetery expert-extraordinaire Laurel Mellien has visited more than 1,000 Midwestern cemeteries. Join us as she presents her favorites! She'll showcase the burial sites of U.S. Presidents and Native American chiefs, go to unique cemeteries like Showman's Rest in Forest Park or National Hobo Cemetery in Iowa, and entertain the audience with amusing headstones she's seen along the way.

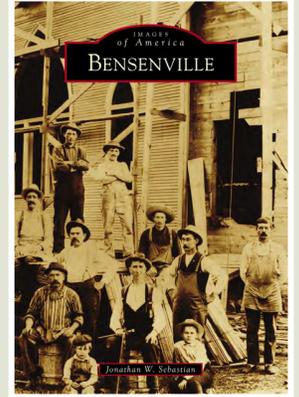
## JONATHAN SEBASTIAN: BENSENVILLE HISTORY

Tuesday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Join Jonathan Sebastian, Fischer Farm Curator and local historian, on an exciting adventure right in your own backyard and explore the rich history of our wonderful community.

The Library has selected *Bensenville: Images of America* by Jonathan Sebastian for the 2018 Bensenville Reads. See page 2 for more details about the book, the author, and Bensenville Reads.

Limited free copies of the book will be available at the Library starting October 1. Copies of the books will also be available for purchase at the Library starting October 1.



## MEDITATION: CONNECTING MIND, BODY, AND SPIRIT

Thursday, October 25 at 7:00 p.m.

Medical research has uncovered amazing facts about meditation and the body-mind-spirit connection. Join long time meditator Renate Lanotte, MS LCSW to learn about how meditation can be used to minimize the effects of stress and speed healing. Learn the tools needed to make meditation part of daily life. The program will include a meditation sitting and a question and answer discussion period.

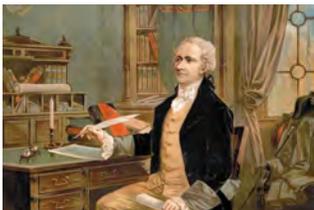
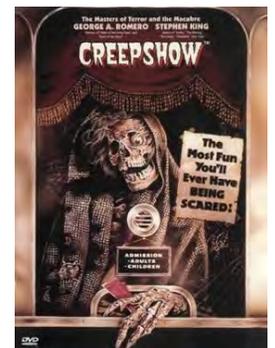
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## THE LIFE OF ALEXANDER HAMILTON

Saturday, November 3 at 2:00 p.m.

After being out of the limelight for over 200 years, Alexander Hamilton has recently taken center stage again as the subject of the incredibly popular Broadway musical, "Hamilton". Historian Jim Gibbons will take you through the exciting life of America's most popular founding father. From his skyrocketing popularity and fame, to scandal and his sudden downfall.



## LIGHTS OUT, EVERYBODY: Mystery and Horror During the Golden Age of Radio

Thursday, November 8 at 7:00 p.m.

Join radio historian and "Those Were the Days" host Steve Darnall for an auditory experience using sound clips from some of radio's best known mystery and horror programs. He will illustrate how radio can truly be a "theater of the mind". Discover how a generation of actors, writers and technicians use music, voices and sounds to create indelible — and often frightening — "pictures."

# ADULT PROGRAMS



## **IN YOUR HANDS: How to Be Your Own Healthcare Advocate** Sunday, November 11 at 2:00 p.m.

How can you effectively advocate for your loved ones or yourself in the changing world of healthcare? Teri Dreher, RN and founder of North Shore Patient Advocates, has over 35 years of critical care and oncology experience and understands how the hospital system is changing. Practical tools in this interactive presentation will help you understand some basic principles of engagement with those who deliver our care, as well as illustrate how to respond when an unexpected medical event occurs.



## **SAVING SADIE: How a Dog That No One Wanted Inspired the World** Thursday, November 29 at 7:00 p.m. | *See page 2 for age disclaimer*

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## **HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE**

Friday, December 7 from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. | **All ages!**

Join Library staff for our annual Holiday Open House and celebrate the holidays with us! Enjoy music from the caroling quartet The Vagabond Singers, as well as the jazz quintet Zazz, who will play all of your holiday favorites. While you listen, enjoy a wide variety of holiday treats by our fireplace or make a kids holiday craft in our meeting room. The musical performances at this program are co-sponsored by the Bensenville Arts Council.



## **GET REGISTERED TO VOTE AT THE LIBRARY!**

Live in DuPage County and aren't registered to vote? Stop by the Library anytime we are open and one of our staff will be able to register you on site. When registering, be sure to bring two forms of identification with you, one of which must have your correct address on it.

The midterm elections take place on Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

## **HOPING FOR THE BEST, PLANNING FOR THE WORST AS WE AGE** Sunday, December 9 at 2:00 p.m.

Teri Dreher is an experienced RN and board certified Professional Patient Advocate. Join us as she shares her strategies for optimal physical, emotional, and psychological success when the unexpected happens. Knowing what documents to have and how to communicate your wishes effectively is essential. Teri will provide practical tips on how families can navigate an increasingly complex healthcare system on their own behalf.

## **VINTAGE HOLIDAY DESSERTS**

Thursday, December 13 at 7:00 p.m.

"Yule" enjoy hearing the history of yule logs, kolackies and more classic holiday desserts while enjoying samples at this humorous, nostalgic event with cookbook collector Amy Alessio. Everyone will leave with recipes!

## **IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE: The Making of a Holiday Classic** Sunday, December 16 at 2:00 p.m.

Did you know Cary Grant was supposed to star in It's a Wonderful Life? That the movie bombed at the box office? Even if you've seen the classic holiday film 150 times, join BCPL favorite Leslie Goddard as she explores the story of the movie's creation including how the script evolved, how the cast was chosen, and more. You'll find out what happened to the cast and enjoy rare photographs taken behind the scenes. Rediscover Frank Capra's masterpiece like you've never seen it before!

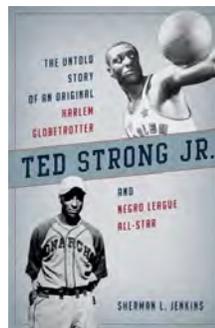
## **AUTHOR WILLIAM HAZELGROVE: The Wright Brothers** Saturday, January 19 at 2:00 p.m.

How could two brothers who never left home, were high-school dropouts, and made a living as bicycle mechanics have figured out the secret of manned flight? Join us in welcoming historian and author William Hazelgrove as he presents his new history of the Wright Brothers' monumental accomplishment – focusing on their early years of trial and error at Kitty Hawk. Combing through original archives and family letters, Hazelgrove's richly researched and well-told tale of the Wright Brothers' landmark achievement captures the excitement of the times at the start of the "American century." Copies of the book will be available for purchase and to be signed by the author.



## **AUTHOR SHERMAN L. JENKINS: The Story of Ted Strong Jr.** Sunday, February 10 at 2:00 p.m.

Ted Strong Jr. was one of the first two-sport professional athletes in the U.S. – a major star of the Negro Leagues and one of the original Harlem Globetrotters. Despite his athletic dominance in the 1930s and 40s, he has largely been forgotten in American sports history. Through his extensive research and hours of interviews, author Sherman L. Jenkins shares the fascinating story of Ted Strong Jr. and the determination of a significant figure in the early history of African American athletes in his book *Ted Strong Jr.: The Untold Story of an Original Harlem Globetrotter and Negro Leagues All-Star*. A limited number of free, signed copies of the book will be available at the program.



## **UNDERSTANDING AND DESTIGMATIZING MENTAL ILLNESS** Saturday, February 16 at 2:00 p.m.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) DuPage's mission is to provide support, advocacy, and education in order to improve the quality of life of individuals with mental illnesses and their families. We will be joined by a representative from the NAMI DuPage Speaker's Bureau who will discuss their experience with having a mental illness, and how they began and maintain their recovery. Explore free community mental health related services available through NAMI DuPage, including support groups, education, recreation, job readiness classes, and more.

## **NATURE Rx: How Nature is Good for Our Minds, Bodies, and Souls** Sunday, February 24 at 2:00 p.m.

The Conservation Foundation, a non-profit land and river protection organization with a mission to preserve and restore our environment in DuPage, Kane, Kendall and Will Counties, will discuss the benefits of nature to our own health, planting native plants in our gardens and communities, the importance of pollinator insects, and planting to reduce water consumption and run-off.

## **MEDICAL CANNABIS AND YOU** Sunday, January 27 at 2:00 p.m.

Are you curious about medical cannabis? Medical cannabis, aka medical marijuana, is now available in Illinois. What does it mean for you? Is it safe? How does a patient get it? Kirsten Velasco, Patient Advocate for Illinois Women in Cannabis (NFP), will answer all of your questions with a presentation covering the science, biology, laws, application process, and patient experience, followed by an open Q & A. All are welcome.



## **FINANCIAL LITERACY NIGHTS:** **Presented by MB Financial Bank**

Join us in welcoming MB Financial Bank for a monthly series about free financial literacy resources available to the Bensenville community. Each session, representatives from MB Financial will cover a different topic, including identity theft, the importance of budgeting, and the ins and outs of buying your first home.

### **GUARDING AGAINST IDENTITY THEFT** Thursday, October 4 at 7:00 p.m.

### **BUDGETING FOR THE HOLIDAYS** Thursday, December 6 at 7:00 p.m.

### **BUYING YOUR FIRST HOME** Thursday, January 3 at 7:00 p.m.



# ADULT PROGRAMS | d.i.y. & crafts

## ART & RELAXATION

**Adults Only!**

Join us every second Wednesday of the month from 7:00—8:30 p.m. for calming coloring projects and peaceful music. Find time for yourself to rejuvenate! Stop in for a few minutes or stay the whole time— however long it takes for you to unwind!

**September 12**

**October 10**

**November 14**

**December 12**

**January 9**

**February 13**

## HOLIDAY BEADING AT THE LIBRARY

**Wednesday, December 5 at 7:00 p.m. | Adults only!**

Let's make some dazzling holiday themed décor! Crafters will receive a 9-inch wire snowflake form to decorate with their chosen assortment of seed beads, crystal or glass beads, spacers or wooden beads and ribbon. They make a lovely holiday tree or window decoration.

## HOLIDAY THROWBACK BASH

**Tuesday, December 11 at 7:00 p.m. | Adults only!**

Join us for a fun evening at the Library as we celebrate the upcoming holidays. We will be showing our favorite short holiday films and commercials! While we watch the films, we will also be completing a simple holiday craft.

## DIY YARN APPLES

**Wednesday, September 19 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Adults only!**

Yarn apples are a super easy to craft and make a fun decoration for any fall décor. You're going to love how different each of your apple creations turn out! With every wrap of yarn, you are in control of the apple shape you make!



## DAY OF THE DEAD: DIY CALAVERAS

**Tuesday, October 30 at 7:00 p.m. | AGES: 13 and up**

Join us as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month and Día de los Muertos! We'll be painting small ceramic skulls, also known as Calaveras, in the traditional Mexican style.



## FALL LEAF BOWL

**Wednesday, November 21 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Adults only!**

Need a last minute centerpiece for your Thanksgiving table? Using Mod Podge and artificial fall leaves, we'll be making fall leaf bowls — one of the more popular DIYs seen on countless craft blogs and Pinterest. These bowls are an inexpensive, yet charming way to decorate your home for the fall season!



## SCRABBLE TILE ORNAMENTS

**Wednesday, December 19 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Adults only!**

Who knew you could create Christmas ornaments for your tree out of old board game pieces? Join Sue and Samantha for an evening creating fun, customizable ornaments out of Scrabble tiles! These cute, easy ornaments also make great gifts for anyone!



## PAPER TOWEL ROSES

**Wednesday, January 16 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Adults only!**

Looking for an affordable Valentine's Day bouquet for your loved one? We're making roses out of paper towels! Fear not—they're so beautiful and life-like, you'd never know at a glance they were made from this household cleaning staple!



## DIY COLOR CHANGING MUGS

**Wednesday, February 20 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Adults only!**

Add some fun to your coffee break by making your own color changing mug! Join Chris as you decorate a blank mug with a "before" and "after" thermochromic design.



## Do I need to register for Adult DIY and Crafting programs?

For all adult crafting and DIY programs, registration is not required to attend, but space is limited. Doors to the event will open 15 minutes prior to the event start time. Participants will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, and seats cannot be held.

# COMPUTER CLASSES

The Library is proud to offer a variety of free technology classes. A reservation is required to attend these classes. To register, please call the Library or sign up at the Adult Services Desk.



## SETTING UP GMAIL

Looking for help with your new Gmail account? Or are you still trying to figure out what all your Gmail settings mean? Do you need to set up a brand new Gmail account? Learn the introductory basics of Google's web based email, Gmail.

**Thursday, October 4 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Monday, November 19 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, December 13 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Monday, January 21 at 6:00 p.m.**

## INTRO TO MICROSOFT EXCEL

Learn the basics of Microsoft Excel, a spreadsheet program designed for everyday tasks such as setting up a budget, maintaining an address list, creating and managing business transactions, and more.

**Monday, October 29 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Monday, November 26 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, December 27 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Monday, January 28 at 6:00 p.m.**

## USING THE INTERNET

Learn how to use the Internet, including opening web pages, browsing the Internet, learning about browsers, and more.

**Thursday, October 11 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Monday, October 22 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Monday, December 17 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Monday, February 25 at 6:00 p.m.**

## INTRO TO MICROSOFT WORD

In this introductory level class, learn the basics of Microsoft Word: a word processing program that allows you to create various types of documents, letters, papers, flyers, resumes, and more.

**Monday, September 17 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, November 1 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, January 3 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, February 7 at 2:00 p.m.**

## COMPUTER BASICS

Learn the fundamentals of using a computer and gain a greater understanding of how it works. This is the perfect class for an absolute beginner with little to no experience.

**Thursday, September 6 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Monday, October 15 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, November 15 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, February 14 at 2:00 p.m.**

## INTRO TO PHOTOSHOP ELEMENTS

Learn the basics of Adobe Photoshop Elements. Photoshop is the industry standard tool for digital imaging, which makes Photoshop expertise a valuable skill in the workplace.

**Thursday, September 13 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, November 8 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Monday, February 18 at 6:00 p.m.**

## PHOTOSHOP ELEMENTS 2

Already familiar with Photoshop Elements and ready to move on to the next level? This class is meant for those who have already taken our introductory Photoshop class and want to further their skills.

**Thursday, September 27 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, December 6 at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, January 10 at 2:00 p.m.**

## LOOKING FOR MORE COMPUTER CLASSES?

With your Bensenville Library card, you have access to free online courses through Universal Class!

Classes include:

- **Creating WordPress Websites**
- **Digital Photography 101**
- **How to eBay**
- **How to Use an iPad**
- **Learn HTML**
- **Outlook 2016**
- **QuickBooks 101**
- **Windows 10**
- **Typing and Keyboarding 101**
- **...and many more!**

Visit [benlib.org/universal-class](http://benlib.org/universal-class) to get started! If you have any questions, please stop by the Adult Services Desk and talk to a librarian—or call us at (630) 766-4642.

# FREE FILMS | at the Bensenville Library



## FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT | September 4 | October 2 | November 6 | December 4 | February 5

Join the Library the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. and take advantage of stadium seating, new HD projection, and free popcorn in the Library's auditorium for a showing of our favorite family films. Admission to the show is free! Film titles for this program are announced one month prior to the event. Visit the Library's website for more information.



## FILM FANATICS | September 20 | October 18 | November 15 | Dec. 20 | Jan. 17 | Feb. 21

Join us on the third Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. and take advantage of stadium seating, new HD projection, and free popcorn in the Library's auditorium for a showing of cinematic gems you may have missed. Admission to the show is free! Film titles for this program are announced one month prior to the event. Visit the Library's website for more information.



### DOCUMENTARY FILM SERIES

Join the Library the second Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. for a new documentary film series! Take advantage of stadium seating, new HD projection, and free popcorn in the Library's auditorium. For trailers and ratings, visit the Library's website.

- September 10 – *The Pixar Story*
- October 8 – *Resurrect Dead: The Mystery of the Toynbee Tiles*
- November 12 – *The King of Kong: A Fistful of Quarters*
- December 10 – *Grizzly Man*
- January 14 – *Michael Jackson's This is It*
- February 11 – *Catfish*



### FAMILY FILM CREATURE FEATURE

Friday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m. | All Ages

Join us for an after-hours showing of *Scooby-Doo on Zombie Island* (rated PG) at the Library. Admission is open to all, though space is limited. Popcorn will be provided! Doors open at 6:30 p.m.



### NO SCHOOL MATINEES

Movies start at 11:00 a.m. at the Library

No school? No problem! Join us for a movie on the days that school is closed in October and November. Get in the Halloween and Thanksgiving spirit! Admission is open to all, though space is limited. Popcorn will be provided! All films are rated PG.

- Friday, October 5 – *Hotel Transylvania*
- Monday, October 8 – *ParaNorman*
- Friday, October 26 – *Hocus Pocus*
- Monday, November 19 – *Freebirds*
- Tuesday, November 20 – *Winnie the Pooh: Seasons of Giving*



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## ILLINOIS BICENTENNIAL READS!

November 1–December 3

**AGES: Grades K-12**

In celebration of Illinois' 200 years of statehood, children grades K-12 can stop by the Youth Services Desk to grab a READS card. Participants will learn more about Illinois and its famous residents through reading and activities. Those who complete the tasks will qualify for a drawing for a \$15 Amazon gift card! Questions? Please stop by the Youth Services Desk.

## HAPPY ILLINOIS BICENTENNIAL BASH

Monday, December 3  
at 6:30 p.m.

**AGES: 5 years and up**

Join us as we celebrate Illinois' 200<sup>th</sup> Birthday! We will learn about Illinois' early years, historical happenings, and some famous Illinoisans—and what party would be complete without cake and crafts!



Copies of the book to be discussed are available at the Youth Services Desk one month prior to the discussion.

### BUDDING BOOKWORMS BOOK CLUB

Second Saturdays of the month at 10:30 a.m.

**AGES: Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade**

Calling all you curious kids for some fun reading and a craft! Join Miss Diane to explore some books from our non-fiction collection and see how fun true stories can be. We'll also be enjoying a breakfast treat!

- October 13** – *Pop! The Invention of Bubble Gum* by Meghan McCarthy
- November 10** – *Thank You, Sarah: the Woman Who Saved Thanksgiving* by Halse Anderson
- December 8** – *Snowflake Bentley* by Briggs Martin
- January 12** – *Imagine That!: How Dr. Seuss Wrote The Cat in the Hat* by Judy Sierra
- February 9** – *When Rosa Parks Went Fishing* by Rachel Rulz



### BLUESTEM BOOK CLUB

Fourth Saturdays of the month at 10:30 a.m.

**AGES: 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade**

Join Ms. Amanda as we read and discuss some of the 2019 Illinois Bluestem Award nominated books! Donuts and juice will be provided.

- September 22** – *What Was the Great Chicago Fire?* by Janet B. Pascal
- October 27** – *Funny Bones: Posada and His Day of the Dead Calaveras* by Duncan Tonatiuh
- November 24** – *Project Mulberry* by Linda Sue Park
- January 26** – *A Handful of Stars* by Cynthia Lord
- February 23** – *Amina's Voice* by Hena Khan



### CAUDILL BOOK CLUB

First Saturdays of the month at 10:30 a.m.

**AGES: 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade**

Join Ms. Penny as we read and discuss 2019 Illinois Rebecca Caudill Award nominated books! Donuts and juice will be provided.

- October 6** – *Booked* by Kwame Alexander
- November 3** – *Moo: A Novel* by Sharon Creech
- December 1** – *Me and Marvin Gardens* by A. S. King
- January 5** – *Paper Things* by Jennifer Jacobson
- February 2** – *Better Nate Than Ever* by Tim Federle

### MANGA BOOK CLUB

Third Mondays of the month at 3:00 p.m.

**AGES: 7<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade**

Are you a fan of manga and graphic novels? Join Parish for Manga Book Club, where we'll watch the first episode of the Manga and discuss the differences between that and the book, and we'll see if we prefer the Manga or Anime.

- September 17** – *Cardcaptor Sakura: Clear Cards*
- October 15** – *Tokyo Ghouls*
- December 17** – *RWBY*
- January 21** – *Haiku!!!*
- February 18** – *Made in Abyss*

# EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS | morning

Our Early Childhood programs will be on break and NOT meet November 19–23 and December 26–January 18.

**NEW**

## SING, DANCE, PLAY!

Mondays at 10:30 a.m.  
September 10–February 25  
AGES: 1 to 5 years old

Join Ms. Kyrie every week for a musical adventure! You and your child will sing new rhymes, dance to fun songs, and interact with different musical instruments. Registration is not required to attend.

## TODDLER TALES

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.  
September 4–February 26  
AGES: 6 months – 2 years old

Toddler Tales is our introduction to early learning! Join Ms. Kyrie as she shares her favorite books, rhymes, movement activities, and a simple craft. Registration is not required to attend, but space is limited.

## STAY & PLAY

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 11:15 a.m.  
September 4–February 26  
AGES: 0 to 5 years old

Children are invited to join us after storytime on Tuesdays and Thursdays for play and socialization with children and parents/caregivers alike. Registration is not required.

## GROWING READERS

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.  
September 6–February 28  
AGES: 3 to 5 years old

Join Ms. Diane to share fun stories, songs, and crafts for children with a longer attention span on the verge of entering school. (We also love homeschoolers!) Registration is not required to attend, but space is limited.

## KINDERGARTEN BOOT CAMP | AGES: Must be 4 years old by Sept. 1

Session I: Mondays & Wednesdays | Sept. 5–Dec. 19 | 12:30–2:30 p.m.  
Session II: Mondays & Wednesdays | Feb. 4–May 22 | 12:30–2:30 p.m.

Join Miss Penny and Miss Diane to focus on skills that are necessary to be successful in Kindergarten; recognizing letters, numbers, shapes and colors, socializing and following directions are just a few skills we will work on. Registration is required to attend, and each session is limited to 12 children. Registration for KBC must be completed in person at the Youth Services Desk.

Registration for Session I will be August 6 - August 31.  
Registration for Session II will be January 7–February 1.



## EARLY CHILDHOOD VISION SCREENING

Tuesday, November 13 at 11:00 a.m. at the Library  
AGES: 6 months–6 years old

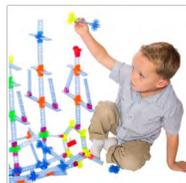
The Elmhurst Lions Club will be conducting free vision screenings at the Library. The screening identifies near-sightedness, far-sightedness, and astigmatism. If your child is high risk for any of these issues, you'll receive a notice recommending that the child visit an eye doctor for a complete exam. No registration is required.



# EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS | evening

## LITTLE BUILDERS

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.  
September 5–February 27  
AGES: 2 to 6 years old



Join us for creative building and play— explore the Library's collection of building sets and see what you can make! Our unique collection includes: Giant LEGOs, Feltro, Tegu, Magz Bricks, Magz Clix, Snapo, Brackitz, and more! Registration is not required to attend. Please note: small pieces can be a choking hazard, parent supervision is required.

**NEW**

## SING, DANCE, PLAY!

Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.  
September 6–February 28  
AGES: 1 to 5 years old



Join Ms. Kyrie every week for a musical adventure! You and your child will sing new rhymes, dance to fun songs, and interact with different musical instruments. Registration is not required to attend.

# YOUTH SPECIAL EVENTS



## AMAZING APPLES

Wednesday, September 5 at 10:30 a.m. | AGES: 3 to 6 years old

We will be joined by a representative from the DuPage County Farm Bureau who will teach us about the parts of an apple! We will learn about how pollination is a huge part of the apple's life cycle and then complete a craft together! No registration is required, but space is limited.



## HARRY POTTER TRIVIA

Saturday, September 8 at 10:30 a.m. | AGES: 9 years old and up

In celebration of the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the U.S. release of the book *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*, join us Muggles as we tackle the world of Harry Potter with family fun trivia. Participants of all ages are highly encouraged to dress in costume! Registration is not required to attend this event, but space is limited.



## POKÉMON WITH THE GAMING GOAT

Monday, September 17 at 6:00 p.m. | AGES: 7 to 16 years old

Are you interested in learning how to play Pokémon Trading Cards? Come join the Library as we collaborate with The Gaming Goat for a night of learning and playing Pokémon Trading Cards. Participants are encouraged to bring their own Pokémon trading cards for a better learning experience.



## HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH CELEBRATION | Saturday, September 22

Hispanic Heritage Crafts from 10:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m. | AGES: 3 to 18 years old

Join us for crafts celebrating different Hispanic cultures! All supplies will be provided, just bring your creativity. No registration is required, but it is a first-come, first-served program, and supplies are limited.

Spanish Storytime at 1:30 p.m. | AGES: 2 to 5 years old

Join Lizzeth Fausto as she presents books, rhymes, and movement activities bilingually. A healthy snack will also be provided. Registration is not required to attend, but space is limited.



## THE PERFECT PUMPKIN

Wednesday, October 3 at 10:30 a.m. | AGES: 3 to 6 years old

Did you know that Illinois grows more pumpkins than any other state? A representative from DuPage County Farm Bureau will teach us all about pumpkins, and then we will complete a craft together! No registration is required, but space is limited.



## ARE YOU AFRAID OF THE DARK?

Friday, October 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Korthauer Log House | All ages!

Celebrate autumn and Halloween with us! Bring your blankets and flashlights, and join us at the Korthauer Log House for spooky stories around the campfire, brought to us by GreenMan Theatre Troupe. The Korthauer Log House is located at 900 W. Wood Street. If inclement weather, stories will be told indoors at the Library.

## EARLY CHILDHOOD | language storytimes

NEW

### POLISH STORYTIME

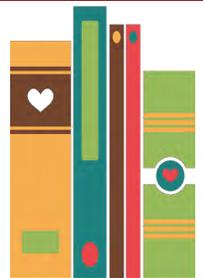
Second Thursdays at 4:30 p.m.  
September 13–February 14  
AGES: 2 to 5 years old

Join Ms. Kat as she shares books, rhymes, and movement activities bilingually. A healthy snack will also be provided. Registration is not required to attend, but space is limited.

### SPANISH STORYTIME

First Thursdays at 4:30 p.m.  
Third Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.  
September 6–February 16  
AGES: 2 to 5 years old

Join Lizzeth Fausto as she presents books, rhymes, and movement activities bilingually. A healthy snack will also be provided. Registration is not required to attend, but space is limited.



# YOUTH SPECIAL EVENTS



## THIRD ANNUAL VAMPIRE BALL

Wednesday October 24 at 10:30 a.m. | **AGES: 1 to 5 years old**

Join Ms. Kyrie for a special Halloween themed music and movement program! Wear your costumes and spend the morning singing, laughing, and (most importantly) dancing! Registration is not required to attend.



## HALLOWEEN BOO-TACULAR

Friday, October 26 from 6:30–8:00 p.m. | **AGES: 10 years old and younger**

Families are invited to celebrate Halloween with the Library! Join us for an evening of stories, crafts, and games. Wear your Halloween costume so that you can take part in the Library's indoor Trick or Treating! Registration is not required to attend this event, and the event will take place rain or shine.



## DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS ART

Thursday, November 1 at 6:30 p.m. | **AGES: 4 to 11 years old**

Día de Los Muertos, a Latin American holiday that honors the lives of those who have passed away while also celebrating life, is celebrated from October 31 to November 2. Stop by the Youth Services Department to complete some Día de los Muertos themed art. This program is a drop-in event and registration is not required to attend.



## VETERANS DAY APPRECIATION

Monday, November 12 at 6:30 p.m. | **AGES: 2 to 18 years old**

Stop by the YS Dept. and create a card to say "Thanks!" to our service men and women. All supplies will be provided and the YS Dept. will deliver cards to a local VFW organization for distribution.



## HOLIDAY CARD MAKING

Wednesday, December 5 at 6:30 p.m. | **AGES: 5 years and up**

There are many ways to tell someone that they are in your thoughts during the holidays—the most creative is by making them a homemade holiday card! Join us for an evening of holiday crafting and cheer. Registration is not required to attend, but supplies and space are limited.



## "GINGERBREAD" HOUSES

Saturday, December 8 at 10:30 a.m. | **AGES: 5 to 11 years old**

Be prepared to get messy and creative as we make "gingerbread" Houses! We will be using graham crackers, frosting, and loads of sweets to make our houses. Registration is not required to attend, but supplies and space are limited.



## VISIT WITH SANTA

Friday, December 14 at 6:30 p.m. | **AGES: 10 years and younger**

Bring your little ones for our annual visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. While waiting for their turn on Santa's lap, kids will be able to make a craft! Remember to bring your camera as this is sure to be a memory you won't want to forget. Registration is not required to attend, but space is limited. Tickets to attend will be available beginning at 9:00 a.m. the day of the program at the Youth Services Desk.

# YOUTH SPECIAL EVENTS



## NOON YEAR'S EVE

Saturday, December 29 at 11:30 a.m. | **AGES: Kindergarten and younger**

Join us for a family-friendly celebration counting down to the New Year without staying up late! Enjoy storytime, playtime, and a simple craft – complete with a confetti drop at 12:00 p.m.! Registration is not required to attend, but space and supplies are limited.



## DRIVE-IN THEATRE

Wednesday, January 2 at 12:00 p.m. | **AGES: 3 to 8 years old**

Make a cardboard car, bring a sack lunch, and take in the show! To start off our special program, every child will decorate a box car, supplied by the Library, and then enjoy watching one of our favorite films while “parked.” Stop by the Youth Services Desk the morning of the program for a ticket to reserve your spot. Space is limited to 25 children. NOTE: No food or drink will be provided by the Library.



## TOY SWAP

Saturday, January 19 at 10:30 a.m. | **AGES: Toys appropriate for ages 10 years old and younger**

Did the holidays bring you too many or duplicate toys? Donate clean, gently used toys to the Library January 9–16 and then return for the swap to take home some “new to you” toys. Those who donate will get early access to the swap! The library reserves the right to refuse donated toys, and stuffed animals will not be accepted.



## INDOOR SNOWBALL FIGHT

Monday, January 21 at 10:30 a.m. | **AGES: 5 to 11 years old**

Participants will have time to create yarn snowballs before the snowball fight begins. The Library Meeting Room will be set up for our battle, with objects to hide behind! No registration is required.



## CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

Monday, February 4 at 6:30 p.m. | **AGES: 3 to 11 years old**

Did you know that 2019 is the Year of the Pig in the Chinese Year? Join us for some stories, crafts, and fun as we ring in the Chinese New Year! No registration is required, but space is limited.

## SWEETHEARTS BALL

Wednesday, February 13  
at 10:30 a.m.

**AGES: 1 to 5 years old**

Join Ms. Kyrie for a special Valentine themed music and movement program! Wear your fanciest clothes and spend the morning singing, laughing, and (most importantly) dancing! Registration is not required to attend.



## VALENTINE CARD MAKING PARTY

Wednesday, February 13  
at 6:30 p.m.

**AGES: 5 years and up**

Celebrate Valentine's Day with and join us for a card-making extravaganza! We will have tons of ideas and supplies to help you create cards for your friends and family. Registration is not required, but supplies and space are limited.

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH TRIVIA

February 1–February 28

**AGES: 5 years and up**

Help us celebrate Black History Month by stopping by the Youth Services Desk to test your knowledge about famous black Americans! Each day we'll have a different trivia question, and a sweet treat for those who know the answer!

# SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS



## LEGO NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY

Second Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 p.m.

**AGES: 5 years old and up**

Join us the second Tuesday of every month for LEGO Night at the Library. Meet other LEGO fans as you compete in our LEGO building challenge!

All LEGO Nights are drop-in events and registration is not required to attend. Space is limited, and builders will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

**SEPTEMBER 11** | Pet Challenge

**OCTOBER 9** | Haunted House Challenge

**NOVEMBER 13** | Outer Space Challenge

**DECEMBER 11** | At the North Pole Challenge

**JANUARY 8** | Under the Sea Challenge

**FEBRUARY 12** | Build What You Love Challenge



## ELEMENTARY ART

Third Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 p.m.

**AGES: 5 to 11 years old**

Channel your inner artist and see what you can create with different types of paints, stamps, and more, available from the Library's art supply stash. We will present themed project ideas to get you started. All of our supplies are washable, but there is a chance for a mess, so wear something that can get messy! No registration is required to attend.

**SEPTEMBER 18** | **OCTOBER 16** | **NOVEMBER 20** | **DECEMBER 18** | **JANUARY 15** | **FEBRUARY 19**



## BINGO FOR KIDS

Fourth Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 p.m.

**AGES: 10 years old and younger**

Children can head to the Library for a night of gaming fun, where players have a chance to win Bingo Bucks that they can redeem for prizes. Bingo cards will be provided to children only. Space is limited, and players will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

**SEPTEMBER 25** | Fall into Bingo

**OCTOBER 23** | Boo Bingo

**NOVEMBER 27** | Holly Jolly Bingo

**JANUARY 22** | Cupid Bingo

**FEBRUARY 26** | Animal Bingo



## BOARD GAME SATURDAYS

Third Saturdays of the month at 1:00 p.m.

**AGES: 5 years old and up**

Bring some family and friends and enjoy a board game at the Library! Choices include favorites like Uno, Monopoly, Checkers, Scrabble, and many more!

**SEPTEMBER 15** | **OCTOBER 20** | **NOVEMBER 17** | **DECEMBER 15** | **JANUARY 19** | **FEBRUARY 16**

## #COLORING

Wednesdays at 6:30p.m.

September 5–December 19

January 9–February 27

Join us every Wednesday night for some relaxing fun! We'll supply the coloring pencils and pages, just bring your creativity! No registration required, and all ages are welcome to attend.

## CLUB WONDER

Fridays from 3:30–4:30 p.m.

September 7–February 22

We invite all of our friends with special needs and/or disabilities, as well as their families, to attend this weekly club where they will be able to enjoy sensory toys that engage, yet soothe the senses. Registration is not required to attend, and all ages are welcome to participate. This program is limited to 20 participants in attendance with their caregivers/parents.



# New! | TWEEN & TEEN PROGRAMS

Our Tween & Teen programs will be on break and NOT meet November 19–23 and December 24–January 10.

WEEKLY

## STEAM AHEAD

Mondays at 3:00 p.m.  
September 10 - February 25  
AGES: 12 to 18 years old

Join us as we create, think, problem-solve, do, innovate, and invent our way through STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Art Math) activities! No registration is required, but supplies are limited. Space is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

## GET CRAFTY

Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m.  
September 4 - February 26  
AGES: 12 to 18 years old

Join us for an afternoon of simple crafts to detox after a long day at school! No registration is required, but supplies are limited, so the program is first-come, first-served.

## BOARD @ THE LIBRARY

Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m.  
September 5 - February 27  
AGES: 12 to 18 years old

Hang with friends and enjoy a game at the Library! Apples to Apples, Life sized JENGA, Giant UNO, Gonuts Donuts!, Exploding Kittens, and many more! Registration is not required.

## VIDEO GAMES

Thursdays 3:00–5:00 p.m.  
September 6 - February 28  
AGES: 12 to 18 years old

Stop by to play video games with friends! Different systems will be played, and games will be chosen by vote. Registration is not required, but no attendees will be accepted after the first hour of play.

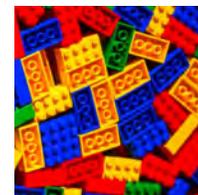
MONTHLY

## CREATIVE CONSTRUCTIONS

Third Mondays of the month at 6:30 p.m.  
AGES: 12 to 18 years old

September 17 | October 15 | November 19  
December 17 | January 21 | February 18

A throwback to your childhood days—the Library will provide building tools including: Giant LEGOs, Magnet blocks, Light-up LEGOs, and more, you just need to provide the creativity!



## TEEN MOVIE SHOWINGS

Second Thursdays of the month at 6:00 p.m.  
AGES: 12 to 18 years old

September 13 | October 11 | December 13  
January 10 | February 14

Join us for teen-friendly movies! Titles will be revealed one month before their showing and will be published on the Library's website and at the Youth Services Desk. Movies will have a PG or PG-13 rating. Popcorn will be provided! No registration is required for this program.



SPECIAL EVENTS



## HOW TO PAY FOR COLLEGE WITHOUT GOING BROKE

Thursday, September 27 at 6:30 p.m.  
AGES: High school students and parents/caregivers

Join us for this FREE seminar for parents/caregivers with high school students who plan on attending college. Parents/caregivers will learn academic and financial strategies from the *My College Planning* Team, whose seminar was rated "Best College Workshop" by Chicago area parents. No registration is required.



## GINGERDEAD ZOMBIES

Wednesday, October 24 at 5:00 p.m.  
AGES: 12 to 18 years old

Join us as we turn gingerbread men into monsters with the help of blood-red icing and other fun edibles! The Library will supply everything you'll need, just be sure to bring your ghoulish ideas! No registration is required to attend, but supplies are limited!



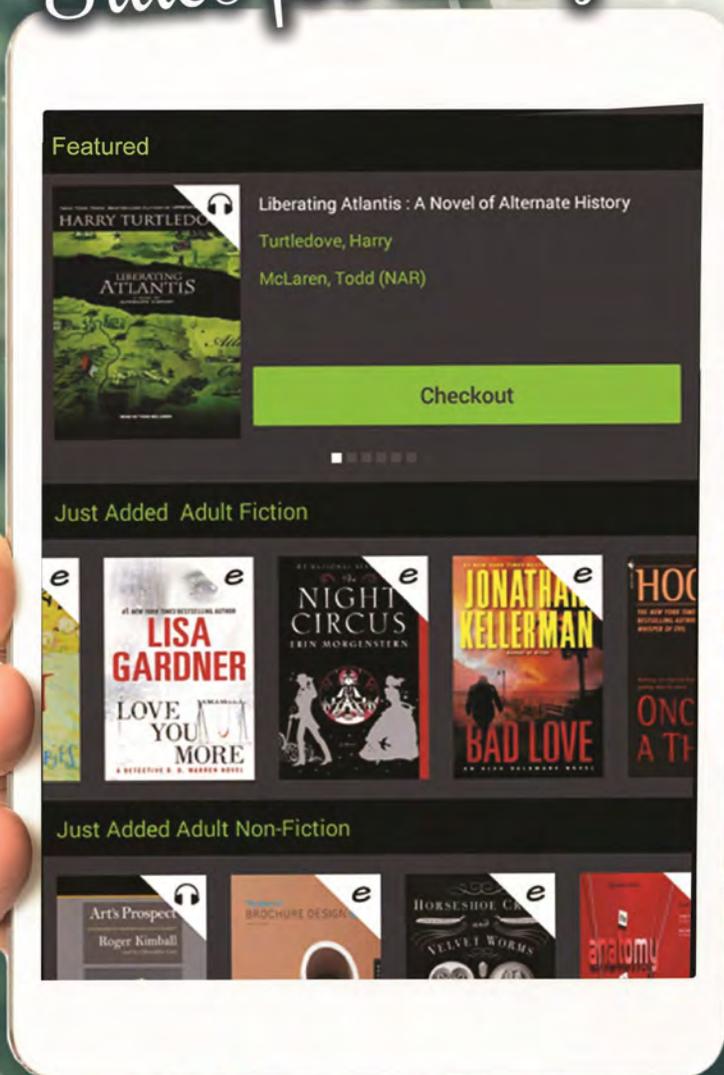
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# SNOW IS FALLING & EBOOKS ARE CALLING!

*Titles for all ages!*



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