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News and Information From Mount Prospect Public Library

March/April 2019



Celebrate National Library Week

Sunday, April 7 THROUGH Saturday, April 13

Learn how Libraries Build Strong Communities! Visit our lobby table and spin the wheel to win prizes or get a group together for a trivia contest. We are again offering *Food for Fines*. Get \$1 off your fines for every nonperishable, unexpired food item in its original unopened package that you donate between April 7-13. One item will equal \$1, and there is no limit on the number of items you can give toward fines. Donations will apply to fines only—they will not apply to any lost or damaged fees.

Trivia Night

Tuesday, April 9, 7:30 p.m.

It's National Library Week, and we invite you to get a team of 2-5 participants together for a trivia contest featuring questions from a variety of categories, including history, pop culture, sports, and more. **Spectators also welcome!** (R)

To enter a team, contact the Registration Desk or call 847/253-5675 by March 30. Please include number of players.

Get on board at the Northern Illinois LEGO® Train Club's display April I3 and I4! See page 6 for details.

Ready, set ... GOLF! Saturday, March 2 × 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Experience the area's most exciting miniature golf course as you putt your way through the Library during this annual fundraiser. The event is great



Join other world-class putters at the <u>only</u> Mount Prospect golf course open in early March!

fun for all ages and lets you see the Library in a new way. The course begins on the second floor in the Genealogy area, winding its way through Fiction, past the Teen Space, and deep into Nonfiction. A green connects the two floors and winds down the stairs, followed by an energetic "hole in one!"

On the first floor are the Back Nine (six, actually) holes by the Discovery Zone and through Youth Services. Each of the 18 holes is decorated by local businesses and organizations, adding to the excitement. After a round of golf, make your way to the **19th Hole**, sponsored by *Friedrichs Funeral Home* and *Nothing Bundt Cakes Mount Prospect*, for games, activities, concessions, and an exciting raffle. The fee to play is \$5 per person or \$20 for a family of 4 or more.

Proceeds from the Mini Golf fundraiser benefit the Library Foundation, which supports programs and special projects that would be otherwise unattainable with tax dollars.

To All Our Volunteers: Thank You!

Volunteer Appreciation Week is a very special time designated to celebrate the amazing contributions volunteers like you make for our community.

Whether it's:

- ▶ behind the scenes
- ▶ within the stacks
- delivering materials to homebound patrons
- ▶ helping with programing
- ▶ assisting our Friends with Book Sales
- supporting our Foundation with fundraising

the Board and Staff appreciate all you

MPPL has volunteers of all ages,

contributing hundreds of hours of service and talents in our Main Library, South Branch, and out in the community, making a difference and improving the lives of others.

See page 8 for more volunteer opportunities!



Volunteer Appreciation Week April 7-13, 2019

A Fond Farewell to Trustee Draznin

Longtime Library volunteer and Board Trustee, Dale Barbara Draznin, resigned from the Library Board of Trustees, effective January 1, 2019, a position she "loved serving" for 19 years. A trustee since 1999, Draznin served all offices, including as board president from 2007-2009 when the Library opened the South Branch Library and partnered with the Village to create the Community Connection Center.

"She enthusiastically advocated for the Library throughout the community during her time on the Board and was a strong supporter of staff," said Executive Director Marilyn Genther.

The South Branch initiative and the successful 2002 referendum with the subsequent expansion of the Main Library remain sources of pride for Draznin from her tenure.

"One aspect of serving on the Board that is so meaningful [to me] is all of the partnerships we were able to achieve in the community, including partnering with the Village of Mount Prospect and different community organizations," said Draznin. "The Library is a part of this community."

Draznin's entry into volunteering for MPPL started soon after she moved to Mount Prospect with her husband, Jeff Bruner, in 1992. Interested in the Library, she first volunteered for the 1994 referendum and then joined the



Dale Barbara Draznin

Friends of the Library board. Draznin served as secretary of the Friends' board until elected as Board trustee.

"As an experienced trustee, she mentored us in careful and thoughtful

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The Main Library will be closed on Sunday, April 21.

Adult Events

Please sign up for programs on the internet at **www.mppl.org**, at the Library, or by calling 847/253-5675, unless otherwise noted (NR). *The Library requires at least a one-week notice if special accommodations are needed*.

From Genealogy Piles to Files: Let's Get Organized

Monday, March 4, 7 p.m.

Years of family history research can generate a lot of documents. Can you locate the items you have? When you receive a new document, do you know exactly where you're going to put it so that you will find it easily? This presentation by genealogist Teresa McMillin will discuss organization methods for paper and digital files. (R)

MPPLF CONCERT: The Irish Heritage Singers

Tuesday, March 5, 7:30 p.m.

The Irish Heritage Singers will present their St. Patrick's concert, "Portraits of Ireland" featuring choral settings of Irish poetry, contemporary Irish pieces, sing-along pub favorites, and more. The vision of the Irish Heritage Singers is to preserve, perform, and bring to life the cultural heritage of Irish music. The singers perform traditional Irish and Irish-American music as well as songs by contemporary Irish choral composers. Under the direction of Paul Matijevic, the group has appeared at the Irish American Heritage Festival, Celtic Fest Chicago, Milwaukee Irish Fest, Long Grove Irish Fest, Chicago's Cultural Center, and at the Sligo International Choral Festival in Sligo, Ireland. This program is sponsored by the Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation, which raises funds for special programming and events. (R)

Accessible Transportation through RTA

Tuesday, March 19, 1:30 p.m.

Navigating public transportation can be challenging, especially when one has mobility issues. Join us as the Outreach Coordinator for the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) explains how to make best use of PACE and Metra. Assistance in applying for Ride Free/Reduced Fare cards will also be available. (R)



Creative Spring Floral Design with Busse's Flowers

Tuesday, March 19, 7:30 p.m.

Welcome spring into your home with a bright, inviting floral decoration you put together yourself. Paul Seils of Busse's Flowers and Gifts will help you create an arrangement using a variety of fresh seasonal flowers and foliage. Class size is limited to ensure that each student receives individual attention. A \$15 nonrefundable materials fee is due at registration. Please bring scissors, a small knife, or a pruner; all other materials are included. Stop by the Library's Registration desk to reserve your spot (online registration is not available). (R)

Rescheduled

Financial Forecast for 2019

Thursday, March 21, 7 p.m.

What does 2019 hold for the stock market: stormy weather or sunny skies? John P. Daly of Daly Investment Management will discuss how the markets fared in 2018 and the expectations for 2019. This educational presentation takes a look back at last year's predictions by pundits along with an outlook for the coming year given the current economic environment. (R)

Hoarding 101



Wednesday, April 10, 7 p.m.

Anxiety Treatment Center's Dr. Pojas, a member of the Chicago Hoarding Task Force, is a clinical psychologist who specializes in treating anxiety and anxiety-related disorders. Join us as he presents information on Hoarding Disorder, including the specifics of the illness, causes, signs to watch for, effective treatments, and how family and friends can help those suffering from this debilitating disorder. (R)



Create Your Best Résumé

Wednesday, March 6, 10 a.m.

Librarian Joe Collier will discuss the different types of résumés, and how to create the one that's best for your own skills, experience, and job search. (R)

Online Job Applications

Wednesday, March 13, 10 a.m.

Librarian Joe Collier will discuss tips and strategies for completing online job applications. (R)

"Ask the Expert" for Job Hunters

Tuesday, March 26, 4-8 p.m.

Changing jobs? Reentering the work force? Schedule a 20-minute session with former AT&T Human Resource Specialist Bob Schlacks to review your résumé, conduct a mock interview, discuss how to address long gaps in your work history, or any other employment-related questions or concerns. Your session will be private and confidential. Specialneeds individuals, first-time job seekers, and all job-hunting hopefuls ages 14 and older are encouraged to schedule a private session. (R)

Back to

Return to College: Complete Your Bachelor's Degree Information Session

Tuesday, April 16, 7:30 p.m.

Academic advisers Dr. Carrie Johnson and Jackie Janesku from Eastern Illinois University will present detailed information about participating in a Bachelor of General Studies program

for adults who attended college, but never completed their degree. This is a degree-completion information session designed for students with some college credit or applicable work experience, to learn about admission and transfer credit requirements, online options, or courses offered in local classrooms in Arlington Heights. (R)

Introduction to eBay

Tuesday, March 26, 3-5 p.m.

Don't know where to start or frustrated by bid snipers? Learn the basics of bidding, buying, and selling items on eBay. Basic computer skills required. (R)

Coin Collecting and Appraisals

Thursday, March 28, 3-8 p.m.

Lifelong Coin Collector Dave Ekstrom will meet with you privately to appraise your old coins and gold items based on their scrap metal value for free. Each registered patron will be given a 15-minute time slot to meet with Ekstrom for their appraisal. Bring your coin collection including wheat-back pennies and old silver dollars. This appraisal is intended as an educational presentation and therefore there will be no buying or selling at this meeting. Time slots are limited to 20 patrons. (R)

SCORE Mentoring

Wednesday, March 6, 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, April 3, 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, 4-7 p.m. Chicago SCORE retired business volunteers will be at MPPL the first and third Wednesdays of each month offering expert advice from years of business experience to local entrepreneurs and small business owners. Appointments can be made through the SCORE website: http:// scorechicago.org/mentoring. (R)

Retirement: The Income-ing Age

Tuesday, April 23, 7:30 p.m.

Why do successful "accumulators" outlive their money? Because the investment rules change in retirement. John P. Daly, founder and wealth manager at Daly Investment Management, will discuss the research that has identified the critical factors that lead to success or failure in retirement and distill them down to three elements. Attendees will come away from the program understanding the risks to retirement income portfolios and how they need to plan to avoid failure. (R)

Don't Fall! Test Your Strength and Balance

Thursday, April 25, 2 p.m.

Falls are a frequent cause of injuries, hospitalizations, and deaths. Injuries from falls can often lead to fractures, bruises, head trauma, and joint dislocations. In many cases, falls can be prevented by identifying and treating the causes of balance impairments. Using a standardized balance test, the expert staff at Stay Fit Physical Therapy will assess your balance and explain the results. An overview of therapeutic interventions and best-practice treatments about why you're falling or why you may be at risk for falling will be included at this program. *This program is limited to 18 participants*. (R)

A Chicago Man and the Vietnam War

Monday, April 29, 7 p.m.

Michael Duffy, a veteran of the Vietnam War, will talk about his youth in



Chicago, his experience of war, and the impact it has had on his life. Copies of his book *From Chicago to Vietnam* will be available for purchase. (R)

KRISTALLNACHT NIGHT OF BROKEN GLASS

Never Forget: Remembering the Holocaust in Berlin and Germany

Tuesday, April 30, 7:30 p.m.

This year we commemorate the 80th anniversary of Kristallnacht, also known as the November Pogrom. More than seven decades after the end of World War II, Germany has evolved into a country with a varied and fascinating remembrance culture, reminding Germans and visitors alike of the nation's past. German historian Anette Isaacs will take you on a photographic journey to some of the many memorials to victims of the Holocaust, which show how remembrance and guilt have been expressed in the "land of the perpetrators." (R)

Volunteering is fun and a great way to get involved in your community. This class provides an overview of the many volunteer opportunities available in the area, explores the benefits of volunteering, and illustrates how your efforts make a positive impact on the community. Seasoned volunteer professionals from HandsOn Suburban Chicago will introduce you to their website, a user-friendly tool that will help you find the volunteer position that fits your skills and interests. The presentation will include an informal Q&A session. Discover how effortless it is to find the perfect volunteer opportunity for you! (R)

Volunteer 101



Saturday, April 27, 10 a.m.

Lifelong Learning Using MPPL's Online Resources

Exclusive to You: Web Resources at MPPL

Wednesday, March 6, 7 p.m.

You can run a background check, look up phone numbers without paying a fee, learn a language, fix your car, improve software or grammar skills, or take a practice test—all online with your MPPL card! Learn what you can get out of *Lynda.com*°, *Gale Courses*°, *Mango Languages*°, *Rosetta Stone*°, *AtoZ*™ databases, *Learning Express Library*™, and more. Find out how to sign up and take courses in the Library or from home. (R)

eLearning with MPPL's Web Resources

Wednesday, April 17, 7 p.m.

Steven Browne from Research Services will give you the keys to some of our most fabulous e-learning resources, including *Rosetta Stone**, *Lynda**, *Mango Languages**, and *Gale Courses**. (R)

Technology and Training

Please pick up a Technology Class flyer or calendar for program descriptions. Unless otherwise specified, all classes are hands-on sessions using PCs and held in the Computer Training Room (C) with a limit of 13 participants per class. Classes begin promptly. Open seats will be available as early as 5 minutes before class starts.

Microsoft Publisher® Basics

Thursday, March 7, 6-8 p.m.

Would you like to learn how to create a flyer or a greeting card? This is the class for you! We will learn how to use the Microsoft Office program Publisher® to make our own creations. Microsoft Word® and PowerPoint® skills are needed for this class. Bring a flash drive if you would like to take your card home with you. (R)





RESOURCES on the Internet

Tuesday, March 19, 3-4 p.m.

Learn how to make the most of free pictures, music, and other helpful programs on the internet that can avoid copyright issues and cut your computer costs significantly! Also known as Freemium products or Freeware! *Basic computer skills recommended.* (R)

Open Tech Lab

Monday, March 4, 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 13, 2-4 p.m. Thursday, March 28, 4-6 p.m. Wednesday, April 3, 2-4 p.m. Thursday, April 11, 7-9 p.m. Monday, April 15, 4-6 p.m.

Stop in during the above times and bring your questions about Word®, Excel®, PowerPoint®, email, or e-books. Our trained staff will help you troubleshoot problems, practice your skills, or work on a project. You will also find out how to download e-magazines from *RBdigital* and music and movies from *Hoopla®*. *No registration required—just drop in!* For help with e-books, please bring your e-reader and any necessary cords. (NR)



Technology Classes

These programs require registration. (R)

Excel®: Pivot Tables and Charts Saturday, March 9, 10 a.m.

Using PowerPoint®

Tuesday, March 12, 6 p.m.

Getting the Most From Google® Calendar

Saturday, March 16, 10 a.m.

PowerPoint®: Beyond the Basics Thursday, March 21, 6 p.m.

Using Google[®] Drive Saturday, March 23, 10 a.m.

Using Word®
Thursday, April 4, 7 p.m.

Excel® Basics Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m.

Word®: Beyond the Basics Monday, April 8, 6 p.m.

iCan Use My iPad®

Tuesday, April 9, 3 p.m.

Excel®: Formulas and Functions Wednesday, April 10, 6 p.m.

Excel®: Tables, Charts, and Formulas

Saturday, April 13, 10 a.m.

Understanding Photos for Apple® Devices
Tuesday, April 16, 3 p.m.

Microsoft Word[®]: Tables, Templates, and More Thursday, April 18, 7 p.m.

iCloud[®] Basics Tuesday, April 23, 3 p.m.

Excel[®]: **Pivot Tables and Charts** Wednesday, April 24, 7 p.m.

BOOKS AND CONVERSATIONS

Books are available 30 days prior to each discussion at the Fiction/AV/Teen desk.

Food for Thought



Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult

Wednesday, March 6 noon or 2 p.m.

After a couple asks Ruth be reassigned to a different patient

because they do not want a black nurse to touch their baby, the baby goes into cardiac distress while Ruth is on duty by herself in the nursery. She hesitates before rushing in to perform CPR. When her indecision ends in tragedy, Ruth finds herself in the middle of a complicated trial that will cause all parties involved to question everything. (NR)



The Woman Who Smashed Codes

by Jason Fagone

Wednesday, April 3 noon or 2 p.m.

The true story of Elizebeth Smith, a

Shakespeare expert, who met and married a groundbreaking cryptologist and worked with him to discover and

expose Nazi spy rings in South America by cracking multiple versions of the Enigma machine. (NR)

Coffee, Books, & More



Earthly Remains by Donna Leon Wednesday, March 20 10 a.m.

Mishandling the interrogation of an arrogant suspect

who caused the death of a young girl, Commissario Guido Brunetti takes a vacation on a Laguna Island with the hopes for a recuperative stay only to become embroiled in the disappearance of his host in the aftermath of a sudden storm. (NR)



Before We Were **Yours** by Lisa Wingate Wednesday, April 17 10 a.m.

Two families, generations apart, are forever changed by a

heartbreaking injustice in this poignant novel, inspired by firsthand accounts of the notoriously corrupt Tennessee Children's Home Society. (NR)

MOVIES AND MORE

Movies @ MPPL



A Star is Born

[2018; Rated R; 136 minutes; Drama/ Music/Romance] Starring Lady Gaga, Bradley Cooper,

Sam Elliott. Directed by Bradley Cooper.

Wednesday, March 6, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 14, 1 p.m.

A musician helps a young singer find fame, even as age and alcoholism send his own career into a downward spiral. (R)



Green Book

[2018; Rated PG-13; 130 minutes; Biography/Comedy/Drama] Starring Viggo Mortensen, Mahershala Ali, Linda Cardellini.

Directed by Peter Farrelly.

Wednesday, April 3, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 11, 1 p.m.

A working-class Italian-American bouncer becomes the driver of an African-American classical pianist on a tour of venues through the 1960's American South. (R)



Wednesday, March 13, 6 p.m.

Join us for a civil discussion of timely topics over coffee. Librarians will present information on two separate issues that patrons will discuss in small groups. Topics TBA a week before the program via social media.

This program is sponsored by the Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation. (R)

Book Chat -

Limited copies of books are available 30 days prior to discussion at the Fiction/AV/Teen Desk.



Moonglow by Michael Chabon

Monday, March 11, 7 p.m.

A man bears witness to his grandfather's deathbed confessions, which reveal his family's long-buried history and his involvement in a mail-order novelty company, World War II, and the space program. (NR)



The Paris Architect by Charles Belfoure Monday, April 8, 7 p.m.

The SHORT of it

A Parisian architect is paid handsomely to devise secret hiding spaces for Jews in his Nazi-occupied country but struggles with risking his own life. Only when a personal failure brings home the suffering of those his work is designed to protect is he forced to confront his ambivalence. (NR)

A Good Yarn

Knitting and Crocheting Guild

Thursdays,

• March 21, 7 p.m. April 18, 7 p.m.

The group meets the third Thursday of the month from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Second Floor Study Room 2A. All experience levels welcome! Bring your latest projects and share your enthusiasm with other needle crafters. No registration necessary! (NR)

up for one-hour slots. (R)



Saturday, March 9, IO a.m.-4 p.m.

Put your problem-solving skills to the test. Work with a six-person team to solve a series of puzzles and break out of one of MPPL's **Escape Rooms before time runs** out! There will be a limited number of participants in each room slot. Adults (18+) can sign





Monday, April 29, 7 p.m.

Enjoy a compelling discussion and engage with other literature lovers! Join retired high school teacher Ron Crowley-Koch for a compelling discussion revolving around three short stories including: The Overcoat by Nikolai Gogol, The **Boor** by Anton Chekhov, and **The Thief** by Walter Mosley. Please read the stories twice to glean their true beauty. (R)

R-WORD Spread the Word to End the Word

Wednesday, March 27, 5 p.m.

Join Search Inc. for a film screening to support the Spread the Word to End the Word campaign, an effort to promote the inclusion and acceptance of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and to get rid of the use of the "R" word. Following the film will be a Q&A session with individuals from Search Inc.

SEARCH INC. Search Inc. is a community-based nonprofit empowering individuals with intellectual disabilities to achieve their full potential, accept a valued role in their community and lead rich, rewarding lives.

MONEY SMART WEEK°





Monday, April 1, 7 p.m.

Nancy Reiser of Edward Jones returns to the Library to offer her expertise for developing retirement strategies geared toward women. (R)

Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning

Tuesday, April 2, 7:30 p.m.

Take the first steps to create or update your estate plan. Attorney Jacob K. Ehrensaft will explain how to ensure your final wishes can be protected through the use of wills, trusts, and powers of attorney. Learn about the probate process and how to minimize expenses. This program will also

discuss the importance of selecting the executor/successor trustee as well as someone to make healthcare and financial decisions on your behalf. (R)

Investing in Uncertain Times

Wednesday, April 3, 10 a.m.

When you're an investor looking to protect your money, but also want to see some sort of growth and return, how do you move forward? How do you invest appropriately, but still take preventative measures against volatility and loss potential? Experts from GCG Financial discuss investing in uncertain times, and provide tools to invest confidently even when uncertain what comes next. (R)

Money Smart Week, sponsored by the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, helps consumers build financial knowledge and manage their money more effectively and confidently. The Library participates in **Money Smart Week** by offering programs that help people of all ages save, spend, and borrow wisely.



Thriving With Autism: a Piano Performance With Dr. Charles J. Smith

Monday, April 22, 6:30 p.m.

Please join us to experience the unique musical talents of Dr. Charles J. Smith, an accomplished pianist, accompanist, and composer with autism. A Chicago native, Smith has written over 500 compositions throughout his career, including reinterpretations of pieces by Chopin and Liszt, as well as an arrangement of Christmas music on CD. This special concert will include a performance of music from the classical piano repertoire, as well as original

compositions.

After the concert there will be plenty of time for a Q&A session with the audience. This special concert will inspire you and expand your appreciation for musical talent and create a new understanding of autism.

Brought to you in partnership with the Mount Prospect Public Library and by the offices of: State Representative Jonathan Carroll, State Senator Julie Morrison, and Congressman Brad Schneider. (R)

A Fond Farewell to Trustee Draznin

— Continued from page 1 stewardship. Not only will we sorely miss her expertise and knowledge, we will greatly miss her friendship and companionship on the Board," said Board President Sylvia Fulk.

Draznin appreciated the respectful and collegial tenor of the Board.

"We don't stick our heads in the sand at the Mount Prospect Public Library," said Draznin. "We embrace new technology, but we also look at new ideas carefully. We also respect the input from staff."

Draznin saw many changes in

public libraries during her tenure, including providing public access to the internet, the establishment of the MPPL Foundation, and the celebration of the Library's 75th anniversary. She looks forward to seeing the Library continue on its path to grow and stay in touch with the community.

"We have always been cognizant on our Board to respect our patrons and their privacy. I hope future boards will keep this in mind, and that libraries need to remain open [for all]," said Draznin. "The freedom to read is so important."

A Welcome Return for Trustee Hinaber

The Mount Prospect Public Library Board of Trustees appointed Jackie Hinaber to Board trustee during the January 17, 2019, regular board meeting. The appointment fills the vacancy following the resignation by former Trustee Dale Barbara Draznin. The term ends April 2021.

Hinaber previously served the Library as a trustee (1987-2011), with experience serving different officer roles during her tenure. She also participated on the North Suburban Library System Board and the Illinois Library Association Public Policy Committee. In 2011, the Illinois Library Association awarded her the Trustee of the Year.

For the past several years, she has

remained active with the Library, serving on the Foundation Board and volunteering for other activities—even as Mrs. Claus for the Teddy Bear Walk.

"We are glad to have her join the Board," said Board President Sylvia Fulk.

In the coming months, the Board will recruit a new executive director, and Hinaber has experience with the recruitment process having chaired the search committee for the current director.

"Jackie is dedicated and passionate about libraries and what they can do for the community and its residents," stated Marilyn Genther, executive director.

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LIBRARY LIFE

March

MPPL FanFest 2019

Principals Read @ MPPL Friday Funday: Decorative Magnets

April

Mini Golf @ MPPL

Creative Spring Floral Design With Busse's Flowers

SUPER Saturday!:

African Music & Dance with Idy Ciss

Catch us at 2 p.m. and 10 p.m. on MPDC Channel 17 on **Comcast** and **WOW!**, and Channel 99 on **AT&T U-Verse**. *Features subject to change*.



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Get e-news you can use when you sign up for our e-newsletter. Hear about events and programs, discover new services, and find out what's happening in Mount Prospect. You also have one-click access to program registration, the catalog, your account, and the Library calendar. Visit mppl.org/e-news.



Youth Activities

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All Aboard!

Saturday, April 13, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, April 14, noon-5 p.m.



Stop by MPPL to experience the Northern Illinois LEGO® Train Club's amazing display! Follow the train around the room as it travels through different worlds, each of which was painstakingly created by adult LEGO enthusiasts. The Northern Illinois LEGO Train Club has been building,

designing, and displaying its one-of-a-kind creations for over 18 years throughout the Chicagoland area, including shows at Cantigny, Brickworld, and the Illinois Railway Museum. Come and explore this unbelievable exhibit! (NR)

This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.



loin us for fun activities, snacks, and a chance to make new friends in a supportive environment. Teen volunteers will help make everyone feel welcome and have a great time. Children of all abilities are welcome. (R)

Do it Yourself Tuesday, April 9, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Green Thumbs Tuesday, April 16, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Lights, Camera, Action Tuesday, April 23, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Introduction to 3-D Printing for Kids (R)

• FOR 3RD-5TH GRADERS

Tuesday, March 5, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Introduction to 3-D **Printing: Family Edition** (R)

• FOR 1ST-5TH GRADERS WITH AN ADULT Saturday, March 9, 2-3 p.m.

Intermediate 3-D Printing for Kids (R)

• FOR 3RD-5TH GRADERS

Tuesday, April 30, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Sphero Hero

• FOR 3RD-5TH GRADERS

Monday, March 25, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

On your mark, get set, go! Race your friends using the Sphero Mini and iPads. This small round rolling robot is great for racing and obstacle courses. (R)

EGO® WeDo

• FOR 1ST-2ND GRADERS

Tuesday, April 2, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Calling all young inventors and creative minds! Want to create simple robots or almost anything else you can imagine? You can do this with LEGO WeDo, a robotics construction set, and Scratch, an easy-to-use, fun, and free program. We'll teach you the basics and then you can design your own masterpiece. (R)

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FULL STEAM Ahead

• FOR 1ST-5TH GRADERS

Thursday, March 28, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday, April 22, 4-6 p.m.

Fuel your imagination and drop by the Discovery Zone for hands-on STEAM exploration. A variety of activities will be on rotation. No registration necessary; just drop in! (NR)

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Create-a-Craft for all ages

Children younger than age 9 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration is necessary; just drop in.

Celebrate Spring! (NR) Friday, March 15, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Buggy Buddies (NR) Friday, April 26, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

SUPER Saturday! -for all ages

Hogan Irish Dancers (R) Saturday, March 9, 11-11:45 a.m.

Cosmic Puppet Show

Saturday, April 6, 11-11:45 a.m.

Explore the universe with the Jabberwocky Marionettes as they create a fantastic journey into deep space. (R)



March 30 from 10:30-11 a.m.

This program will feature themes used in the

weekday Family Storytimes.

Family Storytime

• FOR ALL AGES

Take a break and pop in for one of our Family Storytimes—dates and times below. Children younger than age 3 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required!

March II-April 19

- Wednesdays, 9:30-10 a.m.
- Wednesdays, 6:30-7 p.m.
- Fridays, 10:30-11 a.m.



FOR KINDERGARTNERS AND UP WITH AN ADULT Join us for a family book club. No equired. Younger siblings may attend with older siblings

Thursday, March 7, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Seuss-tacular Celebration

Hip hip hooray! Let's celebrate a birthday today! It will be anything but routine, 'cause Dr. Seuss is 115. Oh the places we'll go! Oh the treats we will eat! Would you, could you, join us and make the celebration complete? (R)

• FOR AGES BIRTH-3 AND THEIR FAMILIES Wednesday, March 27, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 24, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Join us for an inclusive playgroup with opportunities for sensory play, social skills practice, and motor skill development, including body awareness and balance activities (heavy work). Families can meet and find support while playing and moving with their children. A short group activity will include stories and songs in English and Polish. This bilingual program is co-facilitated by Agnieszka Moroni, Occupational Therapist from Clearbrook CHILD Therapy. Children of all abilities are welcome. The Library requires at least a one-week notice if special accommodations are needed. (NR)



Reading Clubhouse -for Kindergartners-2nd graders

For kids who like to listen to stories, eat snacks, and participate in fun activities.

Into the Woods (R) Monday, March 11, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Under the Sea (R)

Monday, April 8, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Polskie Bajki / **Polish Storytime**

• FOR ALL AGES / • DLA WSZYSTKICH DZIECI Poniedziałek, 4 marca, 10-10:45 rano Czwartek, 14 marca, 6:30-7:15 po południu Czwartek, 21 marca, 6:30-7:15 po południu Wszystkim dzieciom muszą towarzyszyć rodzice. (R)

Monday, March 4, 10-10:45 a.m. Thursday, March 14, 6:30-7:15 p.m. Thursday, March 21, 6:30-7:15 p.m. All children must be accompanied by an adult. (R)

• CHILDREN AGES 7 AND YOUNGER & THEIR FAMILIES Saturday, March 23, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 27, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Join us for interactive stories, music, crafts, and all types of play that will engage the senses. This program is designed for children with autism spectrum disorders, sensory integration challenges, and those who are differently abled. Siblings and friends welcome! All children must be accompanied by an adult. Please contact Youth Services at least one week in advance for special requests or accommodations. If fewer than three families are registered, the program may be canceled. (R)

Día de los Niños. Día de los Libros CHILDREN'S DAY, BOOK DAY

FOR ALL AGES / • PARA TODAS LAS EDADES Wednesday, April 24, 6:30-8 p.m. miércoles, 24 de abril, 6:30-8 p.m.

Join us for Día de los Niños, Día de los Libros, a day to celebrate children, reading, and our many diverse cultures! Get ready to dance, sway, and clap along with AfriCaribe! These performers use song, dance, and drumming to share the music and story of Puerto Rico. The celebration will include refreshments and interactive stations that explore STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math... and you get to take home a free book! (R)



Teen Space

News and activities for teens in grades 6-12!

Please sign up for programs on the internet at www.mppl.org, at the Library, or by calling 847/253-5675, unless otherwise noted (NR). The Library requires at least a one-week notice if special accommodations are needed.



Young Adult March Madness

Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to celebrate March Madness with us by checking out the bracket of Young Adult titles in the Teen Space and voting for their favorite books! (NR)

Teen Board Game Afternoon

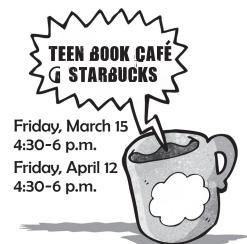
Friday, March 8, 1-3 p.m.

Come join us in study room 2A for an afternoon of tabletop gaming. Whether you like strategy games like *The Settlers of Catan* or Party Games like Codenames we'll have something for everyone. (NR)

Sewing circuits

Friday, March 22, 4-5 p.m.

Learn about how circuits work while creating a brilliant piece of wearable technology. Design and sew a wrist cuff or bracelet with floss, fabric and conductive thread to light up LEDs. (R)



Attention, teen book lovers!

Find out about the hottest new teen books and tell us what books you can't put down. Be the first to get your hands on new books from some of your favorite authors. We'll treat you to a toasty beverage while we chat about all things book at Starbucks, located at 90 Northwest Highway in Mount Prospect. (R)

TEEN SPRING BREAK →FILM FEST

Tuesday, March 26, 2-4 p.m. Wednesday, March 27, 2-4 p.m. Thursday, March 28, 2-4 p.m.

Join fellow teens to watch awesome movies (chosen by the Teen Advisory Board) in the Teen Space during Spring Break! (NR)



Introduction to Robotics: Ozobots

Friday, April 5, 5-6 p.m.

Can you think like a computer? Come learn about coding and robots as you experiment with Ozobots! (R)

DIY Teen Take & Make Kits Monday, April 8, 3-6 p.m.

These kits are fun crafts that you can make while at MPPL or take to make at home. Kits are available in the Teen Space while supplies last. This month: string wrapped headphones. (NR)

Teen Résumé Writing Workshop

Wednesday, April 17, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Teens: Are you considering applying for a summer internship or a summer job? Join us to discuss how to write a résumé! (R)

Stop Motion Film Camp!

Saturday, April 27, noon-2:30 p.m.

Have you ever wanted to make your own movie? We'll be discussing stop motion animation, and then you'll get a chance to try it out for yourself! (R)



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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

YOU! CAN HELP DECIDE WHAT THE LIBRARY OFFERS TEENS

Join the Teen Advisory Board (TAB, for short). Work with our teen librarians to help plan and volunteer at teen events, discuss books, movies, music, and even video games. (NR)

Are you a teen interested in volunteering for the Library? If you have completed 6th grade, you can earn service hours and help at fun events for kids of all abilities. Let's Be Friends programs provide social opportunities for children who may have special needs or are otherwise looking for a way to make friends. Teen volunteers are there to facilitate relationships and help their buddies have fun.

Volunteen Orientation

Tuesday, April 2, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Volunteens must turn in an application to the Youth Services staff and attend the orientation to be eligible. Dinner will be provided at the orientation. Any teen may apply; priority consideration will be given to Mount Prospect students. For more information, please stop by or call the Youth Services desk. You must be able to commit to programs on Tuesdays, **April 9, 16, and 23.** (R)

South Branch Events

(R) Registration required. | Inscripción requerida. (NR) No registration required. | No inscripción requerida.

Mad Hatters Tea Party Storytime Mad Hatters Tea Party Storytime Cuentos y Fiesta del té con los Mad Hatters

• FOR AGES 3-9 AND PARENTS

Saturday, March 9, 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

Join us The Mad Hatters, a community project of the Junior League of Chicago! Watch them perform books, poems, and songs in English and Spanish, while wearing wacky hats, to encourage each child in the audience to expand his or her mind through reading! Afterward, we'll make a craft and enjoy refreshments! (R)

BuilderFest: Water Piano

• FOR KIDS 10 YEARS AND OLDER

Monday, March 18, 5:30-7 p.m.

Young Engineers, test your skills and creativity with a Makey Makey! Today we'll make a water piano. You'll learn the basics of a circuit, and maybe even a little coding. (R)



• FOR KIDS UP TO **6**TH GRADE AND THEIR FAMILIES Wednesday, March 20, 5-6:30 p.m. Monday, April 22, 5-6:30 p.m.

Drop by the South Branch to make crafts. We will provide all supplies. Children under age 9 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required. (NR)

LEGO® Mania

• FOR KIDS

Wednesday, March 27, 5-7 p.m. Monday, April 8, 5-7 p.m.

Use LEGO pieces to build almost anything! Make a favorite character or place or even a never-before-seen creation. No need to register; just drop by! (NR)

Mad Science: Candy Experiments Experimentos con dulces

• FOR AGES 6 AND OLDER

Monday, April 15, 5:30-7 p.m.

Does it float or sink? How long does it take to dissolve? What would happen if we ...? Answer these questions and more as you observe, predict, and analyze during several delicious, handson experiments! (R)

CRAFTERNOON

Paint-a-Plate | Pinta-un-Plato

• FOR AGES 10 AND OLDER

Monday, March 11, 5:30-7 p.m.

Make an impression—on a blank mug or plate! Decorate using special markers with your favorite quote, fandom reference, or doodles. We will provide all supplies, no prior experience necessary. (R)

Sewing Lab | Taller de costura

• FOR AGES 12 AND OLDER

Wednesday, April 10, 5-7 p.m.

Learn to sew by hand or on a machine, or get help on more advanced projects! Sewers of any experience level are welcome. We'll have supplies for a project you can take home, or you can

bring your own work-in-progress. (R)

Family Movie Night Noche de Cine Para la **Familia**

• FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Friday, March 29, 5-7 p.m. Friday, April 26, 5-7 p.m.

Relax and enjoy movie night at the Library! No need to register, just drop by for popcorn and a feature film. (NR)

Friends Spring Book Sale

Saturday, May 4, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Sunday, May 5, noon-4 p.m.

Stock up on great books at bargain prices during the Friends of the Library's used book sale. Funds raised through the sale will help the Friends support additional Library programs, events, and services.

Become a Friend and join us Friday night!

Members' Only Night Friday, May 3 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Why Not Join the Friends?

The annual membership fee is \$5 for individuals, \$10 for a family, and \$25 for a Good Friend. To join, stop by Registration to complete a membership form or find it on

their website at

www.friendsofmppl.org Friends



Volunteers Needed!

Are you a champion of the Library? The Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation (MPPLF) is on a mission to grow our team of volunteers who can offer their time and talents to support the Library. The MPPLF was formed in 1997 as a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization to raise funds for special programs and projects otherwise unattainable with tax dollars. The MPPLF also manages an endowment

on behalf of the Library for future generations.

The success of the MPPLF depends greatly on our volunteers, and we invite you to share your skills and passion for the Library with us. Volunteers can help in a variety of areas, including special events, fundraising projects, committee work, and office support. Whether you're looking to help with one event or a

permanent role, we encourage you to visit www.mppl.org/foundation or speak to our Foundation Liaison for more information.



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DÍA DE LOS NIÑOS, DÍA DE LOS LIBROS | CHILDREN'S DAY, BOOK DAY

• FOR KIDS AGES 3-12

Monday, April 29, 5-6:30 p.m.

Join us for Día de los Niños, Día de los Libros (Children's Day, Book Day)! Together we will read *The Lorax* by Dr.



Seuss and play group games that encourage the protection and value of the environment. At the end, the kids will go home with a free book! Parents and

siblings are welcome to participate. (R)

• PARA NIÑOS Y NIÑAS DE 3 A 12 AÑOS lunes 29 de abril, 5-6:30 p.m.

Acompañenos a celebrar el Día de los Niños, Día de los Libros. Juntos, leeremos *El Lorax* y jugaremos juegos que animen la protección y el valor del medioambiente. Al final, los niños se iran a casa con un libro gratis! Padres y hermanos estan bienvenidos a participar! si estan interesados, por favor no se olviden de registrar! (R)



Wii[™] Night Noche de Wii

• FOR AGES 5 TO 16

Wednesday, March 13, 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, 5-7 p.m.

Come Play Wii games! No registration required; just drop on by with the family and enjoy an evening of fun and friendly competitive games! All games are rated E. Children under age 9 must be accompanied by an adult. (NR)

Mango Language Lab

Learn a new language with Mango! Choose between 72 languages and enjoy two hours to practice with this interactive software. MPPL staff will show you how to access the software on our laptops or your personal device, eate an account, and start learning right away! It's perfect for beginners or advanced students, with lessons that teach vocabulary, pronunciation, and grammar. Bring your MPPL Library card and headphones! Registration is limited, unless you bring your own

Sessions are held at 12-2 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. on the following Wednesdays: March 6 and April 3.

device. (R)

iPractique el inglés (u otro idioma) con el programa de Mango!

Durante dos horas los bibliotecarios le guiarán en el uso de Mango en nuestros laptops, o en su dispositivo personal. Le mostrarán cómo hacer una cuenta, y podrá empezar inmediatamente! ¡Solo traiga su tarjeta de la biblioteca de MPPL y sus audífonos! Cupo limitado a 8 personas, a menos que traiga su dispositivo personal, asi que ¡inscríbase hoy para asegurar su lugar! (R)

Las sesiones tendrán lugar a las 12-2 p.m. y 5-7 p.m. en los siguientes miércoles: 6 de marzo y 3 de abril.

Jugar y Aprender

Play and Learn

Every Tuesday in March and April from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Parents and their 2- to 5-year-old children are invited to enjoy arts, crafts, exercise, stories, and music. Call 847/506-4930 to register. (R)

More South Branch programs on page 7!



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Marilyn Genther, Executive Director













