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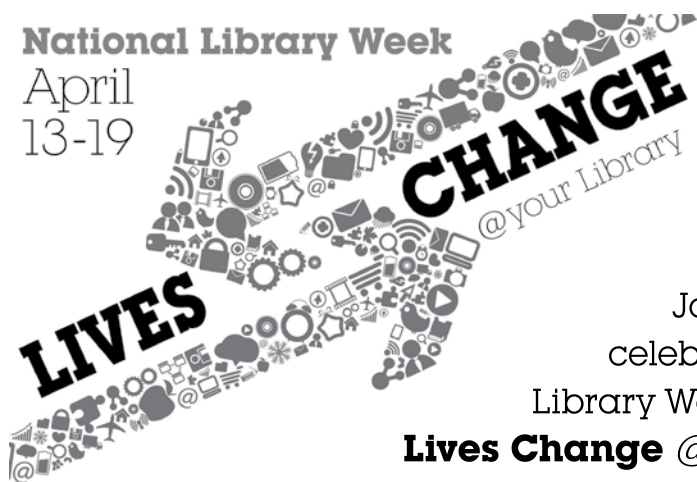
your guide
SPECIAL PULLOUT
SECTION

News and Information From Mount Prospect Public Library

March/April 2014

National Library Week

April
13-19



Join us for events
celebrating National
Library Week. Learn how
Lives Change @ your Library!

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In addition to having a display in the Lobby throughout the week, we will also offer
programs for adults and teens and a drawing—see page 2 for dates and times.
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- ▶ A laid-off worker finds new hope after an online resource helps him prepare for his dental assistant certification.
- ▶ A special-needs child connects with others at a program just for them.
- ▶ A senior finds resources to help him maximize his retirement savings with the help of a librarian.
- ▶ A resident enjoys a free concert—and decides to learn to play an instrument.
- ▶ A teen discovers that algebra is not so difficult after a live online tutor helps her with her homework.

You may have experienced this, too—a visit to the Library that alters the direction of your life, even just a little. During this year's National Library Week, we invite you to help us celebrate how **Lives Change @ your Library!**

Stop by our Lobby table and tell us what part of the Library you like best to be entered into a drawing for local business gift cards.

Watch for the winners of our **Kids and Teens Multimedia Contest** on display that week.

Fun Fact: National Library week began in the late 1950s to remind people of the value of their local library. Research in the mid-1950s showed that Americans were spending less money on books and more on radios, televisions, and musical instruments.

Many Happy Returns!

Express Return
Checks In and
Sorts Material



Chris Ingrassia was the first patron to use our new 3M Express Return, which debuted earlier this year. The new book return automatically checks books in and identifies materials that are on hold. Patrons also get a receipt for their returns.

Library staff are happy to help you use the book return, which replaced the three material return slots in the Main Lobby.

Library Bids Farewell to Trustee Barbara Burns

Barbara Burns resigned from the Library Board of Trustees at the end of January when she moved out of Mount Prospect and could no longer serve on the Board.

Barbara started coming to the Friends of the Library Evening Book Discussion over 20 years ago. She became more involved with the Friends when she volunteered to work book sales. Barbara joined the Friends Board in 2003, where she served as treasurer. She was elected to the Library Board in 2009 and again in 2013.

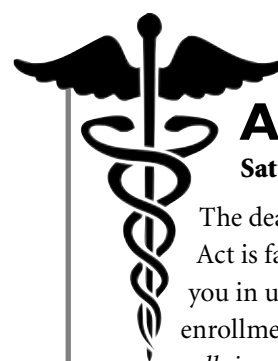
In addition to her Friends and Board work, Barbara worked tirelessly on the 1994 and 2004 referenda campaigns and committees.



“We will miss Barbara very much. She has been a strong advocate for library services as a resident, Friends member, volunteer, and trustee.”

— MARILYN GENTHER
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MPPL trustees and staff thank Barbara for her time and devotion to the Library and wish her success in her new endeavors.



Affordable Care Act Insurance

Saturday, March 22, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The deadline to sign up for insurance under the Affordable Care Act is fast approaching! Trained navigators will be available to assist you in using the Affordable Care Act websites and completing the enrollment process. *Appointments are suggested but walk-ins are also welcome.* For appointments call 1-855/SIGN-UP8 (1-855/744-6878). Presented by GetCoveredIllinois.

**Make an
appointment
today!**

Spring In to the Friends Book Sale!

Saturday, April 12, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 13, noon-4 p.m.

**Don't miss
Members Only Night
April 11, 6:30-9:30 p.m.**

Find books and more at bargain prices during the Friends used book sale. Funds raised through the sale will help the Friends support additional Library programs, events, and services. *Want to join the Friends? Stop by the Registration Desk!*

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The Library will be closed:

Sunday, April 20
for Easter



Adult Events

(R) Registration required (NR) No registration necessary

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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). Priority registration is given to Mount Prospect cardholders for programs with limited attendance. Please have your MPPL card when registering. *The Library requires at least a one-week notice if special accommodations are needed.*

How to Love Networking Monday, March 3, 7 p.m.

Some people, when facing a job transition, have either a fear or dislike of the activity of career networking. Whether one-on-one or in groups, networking can be a daunting activity. However, networking is one of the most effective tools for finding a job and beating the competition. This presentation will help you overcome the fear of networking, embrace proven methods, and improve your results. (R)

Graceful Notes: Women Composers of the Romantic Era

Tuesday, March 4, 7:30 p.m.

Let music lecturer Jim Kendros introduce you to some female composers and the priceless treasures of beauty these composers have created. Experience the highly lyrical and heartrending strains of Clara Schumann and the turbulent, stormy nature of Fanny Mendelssohn's musical outpourings. Kendros will highlight the fascinating insights into the lives of these great women.

This program is cosponsored by Mount Prospect Historical Society in recognition of Women's History month. (R)

MPPL FOUNDATION CONCERT: The Irish Heritage Singers

Tuesday, March 11, 7:30 p.m.

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 composers. (R)

The Amazing Adventure of Bertha Benz and the History of the German Automobile

Tuesday, March 18, 7:30 p.m.

Porsche, BMW, and Mercedes Benz have fans all over the world and are synonymous with the quality and success of German engineering. But hardly anyone knows that the history of the automobile's origin is, to a great extent, due to Bertha Benz. She was a young mother of five, who, in a secret attempt to visit her mother, became the first ever to drive an automobile over a long distance. Join Anette Isaacs as she relates this adventure and introduces you to the histories of German car companies. *This program is cosponsored by Mount Prospect Historical Society in recognition of Women's History month.* (R)

Love Notes: Romances of the Great Composers

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

Who were the "significant others" of the great composers? Who inspired these immortal geniuses to create some of the most beautiful music of all time? Join composer and music researcher Jim Kendros as he introduces the muse who inspired Beethoven to create one of the greatest piano masterpieces

ever; the "lost love" of Brahms, whose name is inscribed in one of his most impassioned melodies; and the forever-burning flame of Robert Schumann's heart, which found its true voice in an amazing love story turned symphony! (R)

When Women Played Baseball: The Story of Margaret, Nellie, and Rose

Tuesday, March 25, 7:30 p.m.

In 1934 three teenage girls (one from Illinois, one from Indiana, one from West Virginia) played hardball on the last traveling Bloomer Girl baseball team. Their stories include abandonment, loss at sea, early triumphs, world war, and, always, baseball. Margaret, Nellie, and Rose came from different backgrounds and had different reasons for playing. When the season was over they followed

different paths—but playing baseball profoundly affected their lives and even helped determine their careers. This talk, accompanied by slides, will leave audiences deeply moved and amazed.

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Uncovering Your Family History With Ancestry® Library Edition

Wednesday, March 26, 7 p.m.

Whether you are just beginning to put together your ancestral story or are in the midst of the process, the Library can help. Join librarians Anne Shaughnessy and Steven Browne for an overview of *Ancestry Library Edition*, one of the most important online genealogical collections available today. Time will be set aside to explore

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Continuing Your Education With New Learning Express Library™, Lynda.com®, and Mango®

Monday, April 14, 7 p.m.

You don't have to go back to school to learn something new. MPPL resources can help you upgrade your skills or learn a new language. We will introduce you to three databases that will allow you to continue your education—for free! (R)

The Stock Market: Outlook, Opportunities, and Overcoming Obstacles

Tuesday, April 15, 1:30 p.m.

Investors have reason to be uncertain about the stock market. While the market has had its ups and downs, the economy continues to improve at a slow pace. Financial Advisor Brian Hamm of Edward Jones will address your anxieties about deficits and debts, offer an economic outlook for 2014 and beyond, and give you strategies to address the impact of inflation and interest rates. (R)

Break Your Bad Habits and Replace Them With Better Ones

Tuesday, April 15, 7:30 p.m.

How many times have you promised yourself that you would eat better, get more exercise, or de-stress your life? When we decide to change our lifestyles, most of us make the same mistake—attempting a drastic overhaul instead of making the small changes that easily become healthier habits. Personal Trainer Kelly James-Enger will show you how to transform your life in a balanced, manageable way. (R)

Teen Open Creation: Recycled Crafts Edition

Friday, April 18, 2-4 p.m.

See the **Teen Zone** area on page 7 for the program description. *Be sure to register!* (R)

Spring is just around the corner ...

Seed Starting and Sharing

Wednesday, March 5, 7 p.m.

Start the gardening season with this discussion of organic gardening practices. Learn how easy it is to start your own seeds. Participants will be encouraged to bring surplus garden seeds to share and exchange with others. (R)

Gardening With Native Plants: The Basics

Tuesday, April 1, 7:30 p.m.

You've thought about using native plants but aren't sure where to start. Horticulturist Sharon Yiesla will introduce native plants that are relatively low maintenance, have few disease and insect problems, and are adapted to a range of growing conditions. Native grasses, perennials, wildflowers, shrubs, and trees will be featured. *This program is cosponsored with Mount Prospect Garden Club.* (R)

The Emerald Ash Borer and the Crisis of Invasive Species

Tuesday, April 22, 7:30 p.m.

When you walk through a Cook County forest preserve, you may see trees marked with large Xs, indicating that they will be cut down because they are infected with the emerald ash borer. This invasive species has destroyed millions of ash trees throughout the Midwest. Learn more about this insect and what biologists are doing to try to stop its spread, presented by photographer, and writer Chris Johnson. (R)



the resource and ask questions. This hands-on session will take place in the Computer Training room. *Computer and keyboarding experience are recommended.* Space is limited. (R)

Cool Tech Tools for the Genealogist

Thursday, March 27, 7 p.m.

Experienced genealogy researcher and librarian Debra Dudek will discuss new technology tools that can be useful to genealogists, including phone apps and the social media site Pinterest. Dudek has conducted research in archives, libraries, and historical societies throughout the United States. (R)

Senior Session

ArtCube Expression

Tuesday, March 25, 1:30 p.m.

Explore your artistic side through hands-on creation. Artist Joan Fortner, a graduate of the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, will guide you in experimenting with various media and techniques. *Space is limited to 10.* (R)

Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning Basics

Tuesday, April 29, 7:30 p.m.

Take the first steps to creating or updating 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 cover selecting your executor/trustee as well as someone to make healthcare and financial decisions on your behalf. (R)

The Stock Market: Outlook, Opportunities, and Overcoming Obstacles

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MONEY SMART WEEK®

APRIL 5-12, 2014 GREATER ATLANTA

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.

Retirement: Making Your Money Last

Monday, April 7, 7 p.m.

What type of lifestyle do you want in retirement? Once you have a picture of your retirement, you need a strategy designed to help make it happen. Nancy Reiser, a financial advisor with Edward Jones, will discuss strategies designed to help you work toward fulfilling your retirement expectations. We'll also explore how to address key concerns such as inflation, health care expenses, and ways to prepare in advance for when things may not go as expected. (R)

How to Track Your Money and Manage Spending

Tuesday, April 8, 2 p.m.

One of the first steps to financial security is planning and following through on a personal spending plan. Budgeting is about choosing how to make money and choosing how to spend money. David Gehrke, vice president and retail branch manager of Village

Bank & Trust, will give you tips on tracking daily spending habits and preparing a spending plan so you can reach your financial goals. (R)

Travel for Free (or Almost)

Tuesday, April 8, 7:30 p.m.

What's the number one thing most people want to do when they retire? Travel! This talk examines strategies for building and maximizing airline mileage, credit card points, and hotel loyalty programs for more travel at lower costs. (R)

Making Your Nest Egg Last

Wednesday, April 9, 7 p.m.

Building up your retirement nest egg was hard work, but so is managing it to last throughout your retirement. Join financial educator Karen Chan for a look at the research and the products that are evolving to address this need. We'll discuss the newest studies behind the 4% rule, evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of annuities, and briefly explore longevity insurance and reverse mortgages. (R)



The **Afternoon Encore Series** consists of periodic art, cultural, and life skills programs previously presented on a Tuesday Night, now offered during the day.

Coin Collecting and Appraisals

Thursday, March 27, 1 p.m.

Coin collector Dave Ekstrom will give a brief presentation about old coins and gold jewelry values. He'll include an overview of commonly collected coins, including valuations of wheat-back pennies and old silver dollars. Then, you'll get an opportunity to have coins or gold items appraised for free. This is an educational event so there will be no buying or selling at this program. Each audience member will be given a five-minute time slot. Time slots are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration is required but individual time slots will be assigned no earlier than 12:45 p.m. Space is limited. (R)

Life in Japanese American Internment Camps

Wednesday, April 30, 1 p.m.

After the bombing of Pearl Harbor, all Japanese Americans living on the West Coast were forced from their homes and into relocation camps in remote areas of the country. Among the over 120,000 Japanese Americans who were incarcerated, over two-thirds were American-born, many of whom were children. Historian and librarian Sarah Okner, a descendant of internees, shares photos and details of daily life in an internment camp, and the profound effects it had on those living there.

Cosponsored by Mount Prospect Historical Society. (R)

COMPUTER CLASSES

Please pick up a Computer Classes flyer and calendar for program descriptions. Unless 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.*

Excel® Basics

Monday, March 3, 7 p.m.

Learn to Use the Internet

Tuesday, March 4, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, April 16, 1 p.m.

Excel® 2010: Formulas and Functions

Monday, March 10, 7 p.m.

Advanced Internet Skills

Wednesday, March 12, 1 p.m.

Excel®: Tables and Charts

Thursday, March 13, 4 p.m.

Searching for Websites With Bing, Yahoo!, and Google

Thursday, March 20, 7 p.m.

Using Word®

Saturday, March 22, 10 a.m.

Word®: Beyond the Basics

Saturday, March 29, 10 a.m.

Mail Merge With Microsoft Word®: Labels, Letters, & Envelopes

Monday, March 31, 6 p.m.

Computer Basics

Wednesday, April 9, 1 p.m.

Computer Learning Lab

Tuesday, March 11, 4-6 p.m.

Wednesday, March 19, 7-9 p.m.

Saturday, April 12, 10 a.m.-noon

Tuesday, April 29, 4-6 p.m.

Stop in during the above times and bring your questions about Word®, Excel®, PowerPoint®, e-mail, or e-books. Our trained staff will help you troubleshoot problems, practice your skills, or work on a project. This is also a great time to find out about Library services, including how to download e-magazines from Zinio. No registration required—just drop in! For help with e-books, please bring your e-reader and any necessary cords. (NR)

Using PowerPoint®

Monday, April 21, 7 p.m.

Advanced Internet Skills

Wednesday, April 23, 1 p.m.

Publisher® Basics

Saturday, April 26, 10 a.m.

PowerPoint®: Beyond the Basics

Monday, April 28, 7 p.m.

LIBRARY LIFE



AVAILABLE ON
www.mppl.org

March

A Love Affair With Dessert
Featuring Chef Michael Maddox
Scrapbooking With Tina
Mad Scientist Club

April

Homebound Service
Coin Collecting & Appraising
Classical Piano Magic

Catch us on **WOW** (Channel 6) and **Comcast** (Channel 15) at 2 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Features subject to change.

BOOKS AND CONVERSATIONS

Food for Thought

Please sign up for one time slot. Registration will be open two months before the discussion date. Books are available to MPPL cardholders at the Fiction/AV/Teen Desk. Registration is required to receive a book.



Secret Daughter

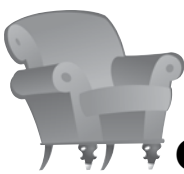
by Shilpi Somaya Gowda
**Wednesday, March 5,
noon OR 2 p.m.**

Interweaving the stories of Kavita, Somer, and the child that binds both of their destinies, *Secret Daughter* poignantly explores the emotional terrain of motherhood, loss, identity, and love, as witnessed through the lives of two families—one Indian, one American—and the child that indelibly connects them. (R)



The Prize Winner of Defiance, Ohio: How My Mother Raised 10 Kids on 25 Words or Less by Terry Ryan
**Wednesday, April 2,
noon OR 2 p.m.**

Evelyn Ryan kept poverty at bay with wit, poetry, and perfect prose during the “contest era” of the 1950s and 1960s. Standing up to the church, her alcoholic husband, and antiquated ideas about women, Evelyn turned every financial challenge into an opportunity for innovation, all the while raising her six sons and four daughters with the belief that miracles are an everyday occurrence. (R)



Coffee & Conversation

Coffee & Conversation, MPPL's monthly current events discussion group, provides an open, nonpartisan forum for community members to share their views. The evening's coffee is generously provided by Starbucks Coffee, Mount Prospect. *Sponsored by Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation.* (NR)

Friday, March 21, 7:30 p.m.

TOPIC: *Flooding*

This one hits close to home! After years of dealing with flooding, are things better or worse? What role should government play?

Friday, April 25, 7:30 p.m.

TOPIC: *A Cashless Society?*

April is tax month, and it's a good time to look at how we transfer money. Will dollar bills and quarters soon be things of the past? Will all monetary transactions take place “online,” wherever that is? Will a cashless society make us more frugal or less? A penny for your thoughts on this one.

Coffee, Books, & More

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



Claude & Camille: A Novel of Monet by Stephanie Cowell
**Wednesday, March 19,
10 a.m.**

Struggling artist Claude Monet's life was irrevocably changed when he met the beautiful and mysterious Camille Doncieux. Through years of painting, misunderstanding, and love, they carve out a life together, but can Camille ever escape her past? (NR)

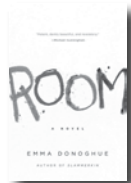


Heaven Is for Real by Todd Burpo
**Wednesday, April 16,
10 a.m.**

When 3-year-old Colton Burpo made it through an emergency appendectomy, his family was overjoyed at his miraculous survival. What they weren't expecting was the story that emerged in the months that followed, detailing their little boy's trip to heaven and back. (NR)

Book Chat

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



Room by Emma Donoghue
Monday, March 31, 7 p.m.

To 5-year-old Jack, Room is the world. Room is home to Jack, but to Ma it's the prison where she has been held for seven years. Through her fierce love for her son, she has created a life for him in this 11x11-foot space. But with Jack's curiosity building alongside her own desperation, she knows that Room cannot contain either much longer. (NR)



Środa 26 marca, 7-8:30 wieczorem

Zapraszamy Państwa do uczestnictwa w spotkaniach Polskiego Klubu Książki. Program przeznaczony jest dla dorosłych czytelników, którzy lubią czytać i rozmawiać o książkach. Głównym celem Klubu jest bowiem popularyzacja czytelnictwa i propagowanie literatury. Więcej informacji można zdobyć, kontaktując się z Marią (847/590-3229) lub Ewą (847/590-4044).

MOVIES AND MORE

Movies @ MPPL



Gravity

[2013; Rated PG-13; 91 minutes; Drama/Sci-Fi/Thriller]
Starring Sandra Bullock, George Clooney, Ed Harris.
Directed by Alfonso Cuarón.

**Wednesday, March 5, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 13, 1 p.m.**

A medical engineer and an astronaut work together to survive after an accident leaves them adrift in space. (R)



American Hustle

[2013; Rated R; 138 minutes; Crime/Drama]
Starring Christian Bale, Amy Adams, Bradley Cooper, Jennifer Lawrence.
Directed by David O. Russell.

**Wednesday, April 2, 7 p.m.* EARLY START
Thursday, April 10, 1 p.m.**

A con man along with his seductive British partner is forced to work for a wild FBI agent who pushes them into a world of Jersey powerbrokers and mafia. (R)

Movie Discussion

The Graduate

[1967; not rated; 106 minutes; Drama]
Starring Anne Bancroft, Dustin Hoffman, Katharine Ross. Directed by Mike Nichols.

Wednesday, March 12, 7 p.m.

Recent college graduate Benjamin Braddock is trapped in an affair with Mrs. Robinson, who happens to be the wife of his father's business partner, and then finds himself falling in love with her daughter, Elaine. (NR)

Winter's Bone

[2010; Rated R; 100 minutes; Drama]
Starring Jennifer Lawrence, John Hawkes, Garret Dillahunt.
Directed by Debra Granik.

Wednesday, April 9, 7 p.m.

An unflinching Ozark Mountain girl hacks through dangerous social terrain as she hunts down her drug-dealing father while trying to keep her family intact. (NR)

Learn to Download Free eBooks With MyMediaMall

These hands-on sessions will teach you how to use MyMediaMall to browse and search for titles, check out, and sync your device to download the book. *Space is limited to 10.* (R)

Using a Kindle

Wednesday, April 2, 3 p.m.

Using a NOOK

Thursday, April 3, 3 p.m.

Have e-reader questions and can't make it to the class? Come to a Computer Learning Lab...see page 3 for details.



Getting Started With Your New Tablet or E-reader

Thursday, April 10, 4 p.m.

Find out what you do with your new device! Learn how to set up and navigate around your new Android tablet/e-reader, what you can download and purchase to use on it, and what the Library offers for tablet users. Bring your device, your Google, Amazon, or Barnes and Noble account information, and power cords. *Space is limited to 10.* (R)

TELL US YOUR FAVORITES

April 1-30

Fiction/AV/Teen Services invites you to stop by and tell us about the books, movies, and music you love best. We'll give you a Hershey's Kiss just for sharing your favorites, and you'll also be entered into a drawing. We'll have a display of your suggestions so you can see what others love and maybe find a new favorite!





















MARCH

 Green Program

- 1** Kaplan ACT Practice Test
Saturday, 12:30-4 p.m. 
- 2** LEGOMania: Home Edition
Sunday, 1-2 p.m. 
- 3** FREE Discarded VHS Tapes and Magazines, Monday, March 3-Friday, March 7
- Polskie Bajki /Polish Storytime
Monday, 10-10:30 a.m. 
- How to Love Networking
Monday, 7 p.m. 
- 4** Graceful Notes: Women Composers of the Romantic Era
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Wednesday, noon OR 2 p.m. 
- Seed Starting and Sharing
Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
- MOVIES @ MPPL: *Gravity*
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
- 7** Teen Knitting/Crocheting Club
Friday, 4-6 p.m. 

- 8** SUPER SATURDAY!: Dave Herzog's Marionettes in "Cirque Fantastique"
Saturday, 11-11:45 a.m. 
-  Teen and Tween Mug Craft
Saturday, noon-1:30 p.m.  
- 10** Teen Tech Week DIY Robotics Program, Monday, 4-6 p.m. 
- 11** MPPL FOUNDATION CONCERT: The Irish Heritage Singers, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. 
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- 13** MOVIES @ MPPL: *Gravity*
Thursday, 1 p.m.  
- 14** CREATE-A-CRAFT: St. Paddy's Day, Friday, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m. (NR) 
-  Click & Create: Computer Animation for Teens
Friday, 5-6:30 p.m. 
- 16** Kaplan ACT Strategies Workshop
Sunday, 2-3 p.m. 

- 17** BOOK VOYAGERS: Spring Into Spring!
Monday, 4:30-5:30 p.m. 
-  MAKE & TAKE CRAFT: Spring
Monday, 4:30-6 p.m. (NR) 
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- 19** COFFEE, BOOKS, & MORE: *Claude & Camille: A Novel of Monet* by Stephanie Cowell
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- Love Notes: Romances of the Great Composers
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- 20** Library Board Meeting
Thursday, March 20, 7 p.m.
- 21** Family Gaming
Friday, 4:30-6:30 p.m. 
- COFFEE & CONVERSATION: Flooding, Friday, 7:30 p.m. (NR) 
- 22** Sign Up for Affordable Care Act Insurance
Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. 
- 24** Wii Play Video Games
Monday, 3:30-5 p.m. 


- 25** SENIOR SESSION: ArtCube Expression, Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. 
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Thursday, 1 p.m. 
- KINDERGARTEN CLUBHOUSE: BIG Animals, Thursday, 4:30-5:15 p.m. 
- Cool Tech Tools for the Genealogist
Thursday, 7 p.m. 
- 28** RPG and Gaming Club
Friday, 4-6 p.m. 
- 29** Word®: Beyond the Basics
Saturday, 10 a.m. 
- 31** Teen Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, 4:30-5:30 p.m. (NR) 
- BOOK CHAT: *Room* by Emma Donoghue, Monday, 7 p.m. (NR) 

Adult  Teen  Youth  Family 
All Ages  South Branch 
(NR) No registration necessary

Please sign up on the Internet at www.mppl.org/events, at the Library, or by calling 847/253-5675.

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APRIL

 Money Smart Week Program
→ National Library Week Program

- 1** Tell Us Your Favorites
April 1-30 
- Gardening With Native Plants: The Basics, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. 
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Friday, 5-6:30 p.m. 
- 5** SUPER SATURDAY!: The Rope Warrior, Saturday, 11-11:45 a.m. 
- 6** Musical Toddlers
Sunday, 12:30-1 p.m. 
- Musical Babies, Sunday, 1:30-2 p.m. 
- 7** MONEY SMART: Retirement: Making Your Money Last
Monday, 7 p.m.  

- 8** MONEY SMART: How to Track Your Money and Manage Spending
Tuesday, 2 p.m.  
- MONEY SMART: Travel for Free (or Almost), Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
- 9** MONEY SMART: Making Your Nest Egg Last, Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
- 10** MOVIES @ MPPL: *American Hustle*, Thursday, 1 p.m. 
- 11** CREATE-A-CRAFT: Celebrate Spring! Friday, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m. (NR) 
- 12** Friends Book Sale
Saturday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- 13** National Library Week
April 13-19 →
Friends Book Sale
Sunday, noon-4 p.m.
- 14** Continuing Your Education With New Learning Express Library™, Lynda.com®, and Mango®
Monday, 7 p.m.  →

- 15** SENIOR SESSION: The Stock Market, Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.  →
Break Your Bad Habits and Replace Them With Better Ones
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  →
- 16** COFFEE, BOOKS, & MORE
Heaven Is for Real by Todd Burpo
Wednesday, 10 a.m. (NR) 
- 17** Library Board Meeting
Thursday, 7 p.m.
- 18** Teen Open Creation: Recycled Crafts Edition
Friday, 2-4 p.m.  →
- 20** LIBRARY CLOSED for Easter Sunday
- 21** BOOK VOYAGERS: It's Easy Bein' Green
Monday, 4:30-5:30 p.m. 
- 22** The Emerald Ash Borer and the Crisis of Invasive Species
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. 
- 23** Youth Duct Tape Crafts
Wednesday, 4:30-6 p.m. 

FREE
COMIC
BOOK
-DAY-

SAVE THE DATE!
Saturday, May 3

- 25** RPG and Gaming Club
Friday, 4-6 p.m. 
-  Children's Day Storytime and Craft | El Día de los Niños Sesión de Cuentos y Hazlo y Llévatelo
Friday, 5-6:30 p.m. (NR) 
- COFFEE & CONVERSATION: A Cashless Society? Friday, 7:30 p.m. 
- 26** Infant Massage
Saturday, 10-10:45 a.m. 
- Lekotek's Stories and Play for Children With Special Needs
Saturday, 2-3 p.m. 
- 28** Teen Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, 4:30-5:30 p.m. (NR) 
- 29** Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning Basics
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. 
- 30** Playtime @ the Library
Wednesday, 9:30-10:30 a.m. (NR) 
- AFTERNOON ENCORE: Life in Japanese American Internment Camps, Wednesday, 1 p.m. 
- Día de los Niños, Día de los Libros | Children's Day, Book Day
Wednesday, 6:30-8 p.m. 

Youth Activities

(R) Registration required (NR) No registration necessary

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Playtime @ the Library

Wednesday, March 5, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 12, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, April 30, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Children ages 6 and younger and their caregivers are invited to interact and explore with a variety of materials and hands-on activities in the storytime rooms. Come join in the learning and fun! **All children must be accompanied by an adult.** *No registration is necessary; just drop in.* (NR)

Family Gaming

• FOR ALL AGES

Friday, March 21, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Drop in for an hour or two and challenge your family. **Children younger than age 9 must be accompanied by an adult.** (NR)

Wii Play Video Games

• FOR 3RD-6TH GRADERS

Monday, March 24, 3:30-5 p.m.

Get ready for some fierce competition with loads of racing, sports, and mini-game challenges. All games are rated E for everyone. (R)

SUPER Saturday!

—for all ages

Dave Herzog's Marionettes in "Cirque Fantastique"

Saturday, March 8, 11-11:45 a.m.

The mysterious Ring Master, Sir Percy Pearly, will introduce you to his friends in this lively marionette variety show. The whole family will be dazzled as Dave Herzog brings these beautiful hand-carved marionettes to life. (R)

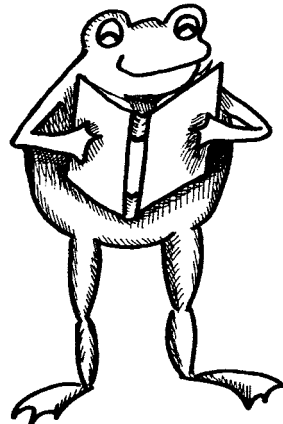
The Rope Warrior

Saturday, April 5, 11-11:45 a.m.



Be prepared to cheer for David Fisher, the Rope Warrior, as he delivers spectacular routines in this high-energy performance. He'll present choreographed trick rope techniques, compelling music, and a brilliant

"light show" performed with glow ropes. He even sings! (R)



Open Storytime

• **Tuesdays, 6:30-7 p.m.**

• **Wednesdays, 9:30-10 a.m.**

• **Fridays, 10:30-11 a.m.**

Children ages 6 and younger and their families are invited to attend these sessions that feature stories and songs. *An adult must accompany children younger than age 3.* These sessions run March 18-April 25. (NR)



Open Storytime With Sign Language

• FOR CHILDREN AGES 6 AND YOUNGER

Tuesday, April 8, 6:30-7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 9, 9:30-10 a.m.

Friday, April 11, 10:30-11 a.m.

As part of Deaf History Month, we are welcoming a student sign language interpreter the week of April 7. She will sign the presentation and also teach a few basic signs. *Sign language interpreting service for all programs is available with at least a one-week notice.* (NR)

Polskie Bajki Polish Storytime

• FOR ALL AGES

Monday, March 3, 10-10:30 a.m.

Listen to stories, sing songs, have fun! This storytime will be presented in Polish and is best suited for children ages 3-7 and their parents, but all are welcome. **All children must be accompanied by an adult.** (R)



KINDERGARTEN CLUBHOUSE

• FOR KINDERGARTENERS AGES 5 AND UP

Join us for an after-school storytime where you and your friends will enjoy stories and songs, followed by a snack and a DVD. You'll also get to create a project to take home! (R)

BIG Animals

Thursday, March 27, 4:30-5:15 p.m.



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

• FOR ALL AGES

Wednesday, April 30, 6:30-8 p.m.

El Día de los Niños, Día de los Libros is a traditional day of celebration honoring children, reading, and our diverse cultures. Shana Harvey of Old Town School of Folk Music will help us to explore connections between stories and songs with musical tales and stories that help us to make music of our own. Join us for book sharing, entertainment, refreshments... and you get to take home a free book! (R)

Spring Storytime Lottery

Thursday, March 6, is the last day parents can register their children—birth through age 5—for the Spring Storytime Lottery. This session will run **March 17-April 25.** Registration is determined by lottery for these storytimes, and is reserved for Mount Prospect Public Library cardholders. Please sign up in person at the Youth Services Desk.

Book Voyagers

—for 1st-3rd graders

This group is for young adventurers who like to listen to stories, eat snacks, and participate in fun activities. Limited to 30 voyagers. (R)

Spring Into Spring!

Monday, March 17, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

It's Easy Bein' Green

Monday, April 21, 4:30-5:30 p.m.



Teachers from Harmonious Horizons will engage parents with their little ones. **These programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Library and are limited to 15 babies with a parent or caregiver.** Sorry, no siblings. Priority registration will be given to Mount Prospect cardholders. (R-MPPL)

Musical Toddlers

• FOR TODDLERS AGES 9-23 MONTHS OLD WITH A PARENT/CAREGIVER

• **Sunday, April 6, 12:30-1 p.m.**

Experience the joys of music with your little one through singing, moving, exploring instruments, and playful free movement to songs and chants.

Musical Babies

• FOR BABIES UP TO 8 MONTHS OLD WITH A PARENT/CAREGIVER

• **Sunday, April 6, 1:30-2 p.m.**

Enjoy baby-friendly activities designed to support the special bond between parent and child through music.

Infant Massage

• FOR BABIES UP TO 7 MONTHS OLD WITH A PARENT/CAREGIVER

Saturday, April 26, 10-10:45 a.m.

Parents, bring your not-yet-mobile babies and enjoy a relaxing introduction to infant massage. Lana May of Beneficial Bodywork will introduce a variety of gentle ways to "get in touch" and relax with your baby. **This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library and is reserved for 15 baby/parent pairs.** Priority registration will be given to Mount Prospect residents. (R-MPPL)

Create-a-Craft

—for all ages

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

St. Paddy's Day

Friday, March 14, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Celebrate Spring!

Friday, April 11, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Duct Tape Crafts

• FOR 3RD-5TH GRADERS

Wednesday, April 23, 4:30-6 p.m.

Roll out your artistic talents to create clever duct tape inventions like bookmarks, flowers, and more. We will have many colors and patterns of duct tape to choose from and instructions and samples to get you started. Join us for an exciting creation session! (R)



Teen Zone

News and activities for teens in grades 6-12!

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A Two-part Program

Kaplan ACT Practice Test

Saturday, March 1, 12:30-4 p.m.
Sunday, March 30, 2-3 p.m. **NEW DATE!**

For the first part of this ACT Prep program, students will take a fully-proctored practice ACT test and will experience what to expect in a test-like environment. Students will receive

a comprehensive analysis of their performance on the test, detailing individual strengths and weaknesses. **Be sure to bring a calculator, two #2 pencils, and wear comfortable clothes. Cell phones will not be allowed.**

In the second part, students will receive the results of their practice test, and both parents and students are invited to learn how to score higher on the ACT test. The format and content of the test are explored, including ways to take advantage of the test format to maximize efficiency on the exam. *Seating is limited.* (R)



Join in the celebration of all things teens and technology at MPPL. We're going to show you all the things you can do yourself when you visit us in person or online.

DIY ROBOTICS

Monday, March 10, 4-6 p.m.

Teen Tech Week is a great time to explore what your Library can help you make and do on your own. In this program, you'll create a paper moving robot from a kit that you will get to take home. Snacks and refreshments will be provided. (R)



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& Drop-in Games for Teens

Friday, March 28, 4-6 p.m.

Friday, April 25, 4-6 p.m.

If games are your thing, drop in to MPPL for role-playing or board games, chess, and Wii or Xbox 360 with a Kinect setup (all games will be rated "T" for teen or "E" for everyone). Bring your own games like *Magic: The Gathering* and *Dungeons and Dragons*. Snacks and refreshments will be served. (R)

Teen Knitting/Crocheting Club

Friday, March 7, 4-6 p.m.

Friday, April 4, 4-6 p.m.



Are you an expert with knitting or crochet needles, just learning, or want to learn? We'll have yarn, needles, and the know-how to teach the basics of knitting and crocheting. You can also bring your own supplies for an afternoon of sharing ideas and conversation. Refreshments will be served. (R)

Open Creation Session

RECYCLE CRAFT EDITION

Friday, April 18, 2-4 p.m.

Stop by and make something! To celebrate *National Library Week* and in honor of **Earth Day**, this session focuses on recycling. We'll provide supplies and instructional books for you to hack your toys, craft with paper, recycle a T-shirt, and upcycle everyday items. Feel free to bring your own projects to work on, too. As always, snacks and drinks will also be provided. (R)



YOU! CAN HELP DECIDE WHAT THE LIBRARY OFFERS TEENS

Join the Teen Advisory Board (TAB, for short). Come to a meeting to see what it is all about. We meet once a month, and snacks are always served. It's a chance to have an impact on what's available at MPPL for teens and earn volunteer service hours (always good for college applications). (NR)

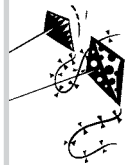
Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting

Monday, March 31, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Monday, April 28, 4:30-5:30 p.m.



South Branch Events

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



Make & Take Craft: Spring | Hazlo y Llévatelo: Primavera

• FOR KIDS UP TO 6TH GRADE AND THEIR FAMILIES

Monday, March 17, 4:30-6 p.m.

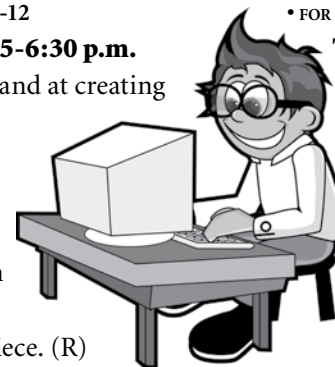
Drop in to make crafts for spring. We will provide all craft supplies; No registration required. Children under age 9 must be accompanied by an adult. (NR)

Click & Create: Computer Animation for Teens | Clic & Crea: Animación en Computadora Para Adolescentes

• FOR TEENS IN GRADES 5-12

Friday, March 14, 5-6:30 p.m.

Want to try your hand at creating simple animation, computer games, and music videos? We'll teach you the basics and then you get to design your own masterpiece. (R)



Click & Create: Stop-motion Animation for Kids | Clic & Crea: Animación en Computadora Para Niños

• FOR 4TH-6TH GRADERS

Tuesday, March 25, 5-6:30 p.m.

Using a digital camera, a computer, and some imagination, make still images come to life and tell a story. We'll teach you the basics and then you get to design your own masterpiece. **Bring your own digital camera to the program.** (R)

CLASES DE COMPUTACIÓN

Elementos Básicos del Computador (R)

lunes 3 de marzo, 5:30 p.m.
miércoles 5 de marzo, 11:30 a.m.
martes 1 de abril, 5:30 p.m.

Curso Básico de Internet (R)

martes 4 de marzo, 5:30 p.m.
miércoles 12 de marzo, 11:30 a.m.

Aprende a Usar el Correo Electrónico (E-mail) y la seguridad de Internet (R)

lunes 10 de marzo, 5:30 p.m.
martes 8 de abril, 5:30 p.m.

Aprende a Usar el Correo Electrónico (E-mail) (R)

miércoles 19 de marzo, 11:30 a.m.

Microsoft® Excel Basico (R)

martes 18 de marzo, 5:30 p.m.
martes 15 de abril, 5:30 p.m.

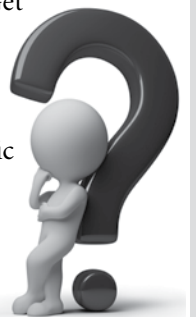
Microsoft® Word Procesador de Textos Básico (R)

martes 11 de marzo, 5:30 p.m.
miércoles 26 de marzo, 11:30 a.m.
lunes 14 de abril, 5:30 p.m.

Computer Learning Open Lab | Laboratorio de Aprendizaje de Computación

Monday, March 31, 5:30-7 p.m.
Thursday, April 17, 5:30-7 p.m.

Have you taken computer classes but still have questions? Get answers at this open lab where a computer instructor is available to address your specific questions on topics related to computer classes: e-mail, Internet, Word®, or Power Point®. Use this time (and our computers) to practice your skills or work on a project with the confidence that a tutor will be available to help. (R)



(R) Inscripción requerida. Cupo limitado a 8 participantes.

THE UNBELIEVABLE CHOCOLATE RAFFLE

The word “chocolate” meant good news for thirteen area residents when they recently were selected as this year’s winners in the Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation’s *Unbelievable Chocolate Raffle*. The lucky tickets were drawn on February 13 in the lobby of the Library. Each winner took home one of the chocolate-themed baskets, which were loaded with gourmet treats, specialty items, and gift certificates to area restaurants and businesses. The winners were:

Lights, Camera, Chocolate!
Eleanor Slesicki, Mount Prospect
Dark, Decadent and Devine
Colleen Hatch, Des Plaines

Special Occasion
Mary Lange, Mount Prospect
No Sugar Added!
Judy Clatters, Mount Prospect
Sweet Dreams...
Chuck Casselo Jr., Mount Prospect
TJ’s Temptations
Shane Mitani, Arlington Heights
Fountain of Youth
Ashley Wenson, Mount Prospect
Breakfast Bounty!
Sann Knipple, Mount Prospect
Homerun Chocolate
Ben Schenkenfelder, Mount Prospect
Toffee Break
Robert Reiser, Des Plaines
Laughter (and Chocolate) is the Best Medicine—Burt Schultz, Mount Prospect
Amore—Julie Kane, Elk Grove Village



Thanks to our young visitors who were digging deep into the drum to select this year’s winners.

The Unbelievable Chocolate Raffle is a sixteen-day, annual event sponsored by the Foundation to raise money for special programming and events at the Library. This year’s raffle raised over \$3,500. *Thank you to everyone who generously supported the event and congratulations to all the winners!*



FREE Discarded VHS Tapes & Magazines

MARCH 3-7

Collect a little of the recent past! Stop by and take free VHS tape and magazine collection discards from tables set up in the lobby. Titles will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.



South Branch Events



community connections center
1711 West Algonquin Road, Mount Prospect
847/590-4090 • www.mppl.org

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Inscripción requerida.

(NR) No registration required. /
No inscripción requerida.



**Friday, April 4
5-6:30 p.m.**

• FOR TEENS IN 6TH-12TH GRADES
Share your favorite poem with the group. It could be one you wrote or one written by someone else. (R)

**Teen & Tween
Mug Craft
| Decora
tu Propia
Taza**



• FOR TEENS AGES 11-18

Saturday, March 8, noon-1:30 p.m.

Make an impression—on your own mug! Use markers to decorate a mug with doodles or words. Then, take it home to bake it and make your design permanent. All supplies will be provided.

South Branch Hours

Monday-Friday • 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Friday before the second Saturday
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

2nd Saturday of the month
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**More
South Branch
programs and
activities on page 7!**

Children’s Day Storytime and Craft | El Día de los Niños Sesión de Cuentos y Hazlo y Llévate

• FOR CHILDREN
UP TO 6TH GRADE
AND FAMILIES

**Friday, April
25, 5-6:30 p.m.**

On this *Children’s Day* honor your children by bringing them to the South Branch for an afternoon of crafts and creativity. No registration necessary; just drop in! **Children under age 9 must be accompanied by an adult.** (NR)



**La Hora de Cuentos en
Español en la Extensión del Sur
miércoles 12 de marzo, 5-5:30 p.m.**

Todos los niños tienen que venir acompañados por un adulto. No inscripción requerida; solo ven. (NR)

**Storytime at the South Branch
Wednesday, March 26, 5-5:30 p.m.**

All children must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required; just come on in! (NR)

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The Board of Library Trustees meets the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Library. Meetings are open, and the public is welcome to attend.

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