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News and Information From Mount Prospect Public Library

November/December 2017

MPPL's 75th Anniversary Celebration Kicks Off

In 2018 the Mount Prospect Public Library turns 75!

Our 75th anniversary will be a joyful celebration of the artistic, cultural, and technological developments happening at the Library, one that fully envelops the vibrant energy of our community. We invite you to discover how our Library's story reflects the amazing progress and transformation of Mount Prospect since 1943.

Watch for information on the events and other commemorations we are planning, including an art show and public art tours, a 75th Birthday-themed Trivia Night during National Library Week, a musical performance, and a party.



The Village's vehicle sticker features MPPL's Peace Sculpture.

"A Bridge Between Cultures" MPPL Dedicates New Bulgarian Language Collection

Thanks to several generous donations, the Library's World Language Collection now includes books written in Bulgarian.

The Library was pleased recently to welcome Ivan Anchev, Consul General of the Republic of Bulgaria in Chicago, Mount Prospect officials, and members of the local Bulgarian community to the dedication of this unique set of approximately 50 adult titles and about 20 youth titles.

During the well-attended ceremony, covered by Bulgarian television and print media, Anchev praised the collection as a "bridge" between Bulgaria and the United States, stressing the importance of books in the Bulgarian home.



Ivan Anchev, Consul General of the Republic of Bulgaria

Mount Prospect Mayor Arlene Juracek reflected on how the Village was founded by German immigrants and how 43 percent of current Mount Prospect residents speak a language other than English at home.

Executive Director Marilyn Genter remarked, "We are happy to offer this new collection and thank resident Daniela Valkanova for bringing this request to our attention. We hope the new collection will encourage individuals who currently do not have Library cards to stop by and register for a card so they can benefit fully from the Library's resources, programs, and services."

The Bulgarian Cultural Center in Chicago notes that there are at least 50,000 people of Bulgarian descent living in the Chicagoland area, making it one of the largest Bulgarian ethnic communities in the world and the largest in the United States.

MPPL's World Language Collection reflects the wonderful diversity of the Mount Prospect community. The Adult World Language book collection at the Main Library contains 8,200 books in 15 languages: Spanish, Polish, Russian, Korean, German, Chinese, French, Gujarati, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Urdu, Vietnamese, Malayalam, and now, Bulgarian. The Youth World Language collection of 7,600 books also includes titles in Albanian, Arabic, Bengali, Greek, Hmong, Persian, Punjabi, Swahili, Tibetan, Burmese, Inuktitut, Tagalog, and Turkish.

Sèvres Delegation Visits Mount Prospect

A delegation from our Sister City, Sèvres, France, visited the Library on October 13. During the visit, Library staff gave hands-on demonstrations of 3-D printing, zSpace, and STEAM Kits that are available in Youth Services' Discovery Zone.



Give the Gift of Reading

Give the Gift of Reading this holiday season by bringing new unwrapped books for local children in need, age 6 and younger. Donations of books in English and Spanish are greatly appreciated.



**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13 TO
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10**

The Library and South Branch are closed: **Thursday, November 23, Sunday, December 24, Monday, December 25, and Monday, January 1.**

The South Branch is closed **Friday, November 24, Tuesday, December 26, and Tuesday, January 2.**

The Library will close at 5 p.m. on **Sunday, December 31.**

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STAFF IN-SERVICE DAY
Friday, November 3**

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.*



A World Gone Mad: World War I

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

Historian Jim Gibbons will be your guide through one of the most catastrophic wars in our nation's history, World War I, which started in 1914 and which our country entered in 1917. Gibbons will highlight significant events that thrust the United States into this unwanted war, including the assassination of the Archduke Ferdinand, the sinking of the luxury liner *Lusitania*, and the eventual rise of Adolf Hitler to supreme power leading into World War II. See how new weapons for war—the airplane, the submarine, the aircraft carrier, and the tank—were invented to achieve absolute victory. *Cosponsored with the Mount Prospect VFW Post 1337 and American Legion Post 525.* This event is part of Mount Prospect's Centennial Celebration. (R)

Prospect High School Madrigals Holiday Concert

Monday, December 4, 7:30 p.m.

Prospect High School's a cappella singing group, the Madrigals, is a feast for both the eyes and ears. Wearing traditional medieval costumes, the group has performed holiday and chamber music at community gatherings for several years. Now they return to the Library for a triumphant holiday show. (R)

MPPLF PRESENTS Holiday Harmonies Concert: The Arlingtones

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

The Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation hosts a celebratory holiday concert featuring The Arlingtones, an a cappella barbershop chorus that will take you on a trip down memory lane. This musical performance will lift your spirits as you recall holidays of yesteryear. (R)

ESCAPE FROM THE LIBRARY!

Saturday, December 9 • 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Put your problem-solving skills to the test! Work with a team to solve a series of puzzles and break out of the MPPL Escape Room before time runs out! There will be a limited number of participants in each room slot. Adult patrons (18+) can sign up for one-hour slots. (R)



Fall Floral Design

Tuesday, November 14, 7:30 p.m.

Get ready for autumn by creating a floral arrangement with help from Paul Seils of Busse's Flowers and Gifts. This handmade combination of fresh seasonal flowers and foliage will make a welcome addition to your home's table or hearth. Please bring scissors and a small knife or pruner; all other materials are included. *There is a \$15 nonrefundable fee due at registration.* Stop by the Library's Registration Desk to reserve your spot (no phone or online registrations.) Payment is due at registration. (R)

Pretty Packaging Paper Crafting: 2017 Holiday Edition

Tuesday, November 28, 7 p.m.

Giving gifts with your distinct touches is a loving and personal way to wrap this holiday season. Don't miss this special session of paper crafting where you will create holiday bags and boxes and make coordinating tags. Paper crafting instructor Tina Gary will

provide you with the instruction, guidance, and materials for these projects using stamps and accessories. Please bring a pair of scissors and a glue stick; *all other supplies are included in the \$10 nonrefundable material fee.* For participants 16 years and older. Space is limited. Stop by the Registration Desk to reserve your spot (online and phone registration are not available). Payment is due at registration. (R)

Create a Holiday Centerpiece

Tuesday, December 12, 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 19, 7 p.m.

Create your own festive holiday centerpiece complete with fragrant greenery, red berries, and a candle. Peggy Garvin will show you how and bring all the components you'll need, including a container. Bring your own garden gloves and pruners/strong scissors. Space is limited to 25 participants. *A supply fee of \$18 is due at registration.* Stop by the Registration Desk to reserve your spot (online and phone registration are not available). *Cosponsored by the Friends of the Library.* (R)

Senior Session



Making Your Home SAFE

Tuesday, November 21, 1:30 p.m.

A home that is physically safe and free of fire hazards is important to everyone. In this Senior Session, Cory J. Pikora, Fire and Life Safety Educator/Investigator with the Mount Prospect Fire Department, will talk about the many ways residents can improve their homes to increase their safety. He will especially focus on fall prevention as falls can lead to great physical distress, especially for older people. (R)

Welcome Winter

Tuesday, December 19 3 p.m.

Heather Braoudakis

will cheer you up during this cold season with songs that will warm your heart. This Senior Session will help you welcome winter with songs such as "Let it Snow," "Auld Lang Syne," "June in January," and "I've Got My Love to Keep Me Warm." (R)



SPOTLIGHT ON SUCCESS FILM SERIES

Startup Double Feature!

Monday, November 6, 6:30 p.m.

It's a return screening for two great documentaries: *Capital C*, featuring examples of crowdfunding success, and *The Startup Kids*, a film about young entrepreneur-led tech startups. If you missed these movies last year, here's a second chance to see them! (R)

This program is brought to you by the Mount Prospect Entrepreneurs Initiative. The Village of Mount Prospect, the Mount Prospect Chamber of Commerce, Mount Prospect Public Library, and the Mount Prospect Downtown Merchants Association work together as the Mount Prospect Entrepreneurs Initiative to connect people to resources that encourage, strengthen, and support small business.



Get the Most From Your Library Card With MPPL's Online Resources

Unsure of what the best resources are available to you online? Our Research staff would be happy to share tips and suggestions to make searching the Web fast and easy—just register for one of these sessions!

What's New in Web Resources

Wednesday, November 15, 7 p.m.

Your Library card allows you free access to some premium Web resources that would normally require payment. Learn about some new resources for patrons, including the *Mergent Suite*, *Business Insights*, *EZ Select*, *Oxford Dictionaries*, *Testing and Education Reference Center*, and more. (R)



NEED ADVICE? TECH HELP? CAREER TOOLS? Book a Librarian!

You may not realize how much expert help is right here at your Library—and it's free! Our librarians can help you set up a device, plan a job search, start a genealogy hobby, or research a new car, medical question, or financial product. We have the tools to get you started, and we can show you how to use them.

Call the Library at 847/253-5675 and tell us what you need. You can schedule an appointment with a librarian that works with your schedule.

Exclusive to You: e-Learning at mppl.org

Wednesday, December 13, 7 p.m.

You can 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*, *Powerspeak Languages*, *Chilton Library*, *Learning Express Library*, and more. Find out how to sign up and take courses in the Library or from home. (R)

Protect Your Finances, Invest Wisely, and Grow Your Wealth

Gain more control over your current and future financial life with *Financial Rating Series Online*.

Powered by Weiss Ratings and Grey House Publishing, this Web resource rates financial institutions and products. Find out how your bank is doing financially and, if the result surprises you, click to get an explanation. The site also rates credit unions, insurance companies, and



stocks.

A helpful feature is the "Build Your Own Customized Medicare Supplement Insurance Planner," which explains what you can expect Medicare to cover and rates insurance companies.

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.

3-D PRINTING PROGRAMS

You've finished our **Introduction to CAD Software** class, now what? Join us to make a customized, unique planter pot and/or a holiday ornament using Tinkercad®. Designs will be printed and available for pickup within a week. This class is intended for those who have finished the **Introduction to CAD Software** class or who have some experience with CAD software. Reserved for Mount Prospect Public Library cardholders. *Space is limited to 10.* (R)



Printed Planter Pot
Thursday,
November 16
7 p.m.

Printed Holiday Ornament
Thursday,
December 7
7 p.m.



Open Tech Lab

Thursday, November 2, 7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, November 8, 4-6 p.m.

Tuesday, November 14, 2-4 p.m.

Wednesday, December 6, 2-4 p.m.

Monday, December 18, 7-9 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. 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)

Don't forget your laptop, tablet, phone, or e-reader



Microsoft Publisher® Greeting Card Basics

Monday, December 4, 7 p.m.

Would you like to learn how to create 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. *Limit of 13 participants per class.* (R)

Technology Classes

These programs require registration. (R)

Using PowerPoint®

Saturday, November 4, 10 a.m. (R)

Excel® Basics

Monday, November 6, 7 p.m. (R)

PowerPoint® Beyond the Basics

Saturday, November 11, 10 a.m. (R)

iWork for Macs: Pages, Numbers, and Keynote

Monday, November 13, 6 p.m. (R)

Excel® Formulas and Functions

Saturday, November 18, 10 a.m. (R)

Excel® Tables, Charts, and Formulas

Monday, November 20, 7 p.m. (R)

Download Books With Your Kindle

Tuesday, November 21, 1 p.m. (R)

Windows 10 Clinic

Monday, November 27, 7 p.m. (R)

Excel® Pivot Tables and Charts

Tuesday, November 28, 6 p.m. (R)

Download Books With Your Tablet

Thursday, November 30, 6 p.m. (R)

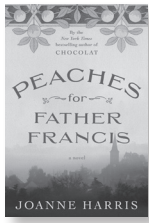
Mail Merge With Microsoft Word®: Labels, Letters, & Envelopes

Saturday, December 2, 10 a.m. (R)

BOOKS AND CONVERSATIONS

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

Food for Thought



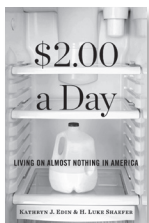
Peaches for Father Francis

by Joanne Harris

Wednesday, November 1 noon or 2 p.m.

Vianne Rochet, known for near-magical skills

with chocolate, returns to the rural French village of Lansquenet and discovers a large Muslim population has grown. Tensions between cultures reach a boiling point when the resident priest is accused of a hate crime, and it will take an outsider to show the two communities how alike they really are. (NR)



\$2.00 a Day

by Kathryn J. Edin and H. Luke Shaefer

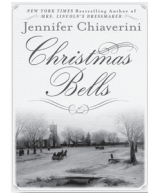
Wednesday, December 6 noon or 2 p.m.

Edin and Shaefer tell the stories of eight

families who live on what is almost unimaginable—an income that falls below the World Bank definition

of poverty in the developing world. This revelatory assessment of poverty in America examines the survival methods employed by households with virtually no income to illuminate disturbing trends in low-wage labor and income inequality. (NR)

Coffee, Books, & More



Christmas Bells

by Jennifer Chiaverini

Wednesday, November 15 10 a.m.

Intertwined with the inspiration behind Henry Wadsworth

Longfellow's classic 1863 poem "Christmas Bells" are the experiences of a dedicated Boston teacher who, in the face of a somber season, finds inspiration and renewal at the church where she volunteers. (NR)

2018 Planning Session

Wednesday, December 20, 10 a.m.

Join us for our annual Members' Meeting. This month's meeting is a planning session to determine titles for discussion in 2018. We welcome your input. (NR)

Book Chat

Limited copies of books are available 6 weeks prior to discussion at the Fiction/AV/Teen Desk.



The Nest by Cynthia D'Apris Sweeney

Monday, December 11, 7 p.m.

Years of simmering tensions finally reach a breaking point as Melody, Beatrice, and Jack Plumb gather to confront their charismatic and reckless older brother, Leo, freshly released from rehab after a drunken driving incident. The resulting accident has endangered the fate of the shared inheritance that has shaped their choices and their lives. (NR)

Coffee & Conversation

Coffee & Conversation, the Library's monthly current events discussion group, provides an open, nonpartisan forum for community members to share their views. This moderated discussion strives to encourage greater understanding of diverse viewpoints and offers a venue where people can participate in honest discussion. The evening's coffee is generously provided by Starbucks Coffee, Mount Prospect. *Cosponsored by Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation.*

Friday, November 17, 7:30 p.m.

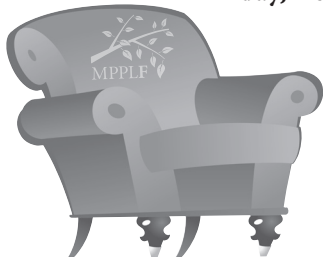
TOPIC: *The Koreas*

At the end of WWII, Korea was divided in half, with the USSR occupying the north and the United States occupying the south. How have the two areas developed differently? What is U.S. foreign policy towards the two Koreas? Why is China in the mix? Can North Korea be controlled? Could the two Koreas ever be reunited? (NR)

Friday, December 15, 7:30 p.m.

TOPIC: *The Good News*

A C&C tradition continues. As our group often deals with less than uplifting events during the year, we only talk about "Good News" at our December meeting. Bring a piece of good news to share from the international, national, local, or personal happenings of last year (NR)



MOVIES AND MORE

Movies @ MPPL



The Book of Henry

[2017; Rated PG-13; 105 minutes; Crime/Drama/Thriller]

Starring Naomi Watts, Jaeden Lieberher, Jacob Tremblay.

Directed by Colin Trevorrow.

Wednesday, November 1, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 9, 1 p.m.

With instructions from her genius son's carefully crafted notebook, a single mother sets out to rescue a young girl from the hands of her abusive stepfather. (R)



The Glass Castle

[2017; Rated PG-13; 127 minutes; Biography/Drama]

Starring Brie Larson, Woody Harrelson, Naomi Watts.

Directed by Destin Daniel Cretton.

Wednesday, December 6, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 14, 1 p.m.

A young girl comes of age in a dysfunctional family of nonconformist nomads with a mother who's an eccentric artist and an alcoholic father who would stir the children's imagination with hope as a distraction to their poverty. (R)

NEW
Time!

Movie Discussion

Lion

[2016; Rated PG-13; 118 minutes; Biography/Drama]

Starring Dev Patel, Nicole Kidman, Rooney Mara. Directed by Garth Davis.

Friday, November 10, 1 p.m.

A five-year-old Indian boy gets lost on the streets of Calcutta, thousands of kilometers from home. He survives many challenges before being adopted by a couple in Australia. Twenty-five years later, he sets out to find his lost family. (NR)

A Good Yarn

Knitting and Crocheting Guild

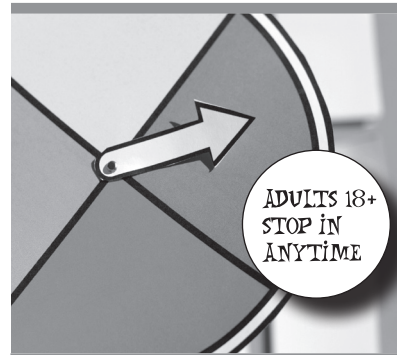


Thursdays,

• **November 16, 7 p.m.**

• **December 21, 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)



NIGHT OFF? GAME ON!

Wednesday, November 15, 7-9 p.m.

Friday, December 15, 7-9 p.m.

Spend your night off meeting new people or with your friends playing tabletop games! Adults (18+) are invited to join the fun as we play a variety of tabletop games, including *Tsuro*, *Ticket to Ride*, *Catan*, and more. (R)

GAME-A-PALOOZA

WANNA PLAY?

**Thursday,
November 2
6-9 p.m.**

Adults and teens are invited to try a variety of board games and celebrate International Games Week! From *Catan* to *Chess* to *Exploding Kittens*, there will be something for everyone. Sessions will be available throughout the evening. Beginners welcome. (NR)

Dungeons and Dragons

6 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.

Adults and teens, sign up for a one-hour session—*beginners are welcome*. We'll have everything you'll need for your quest; just bring your imagination and sense of adventure!



Not the end of the road but the beginning of the open highway...

The Library has benefitted from a wealth of talented staff during its 75-year history. We have also experienced a number of retirements in the past year. Please join us in wishing the best to our recent retirees.



Larry D'Urso

Larry D'Urso, Head of Fiction/AV/Teen, began his career with MPPL in 1990 as Head of Adult Services. He also served as the first South Branch Manager in 2009 and kept the position until 2011, doing both jobs.

"Larry's leadership has been key to the development of our services to adults. His passion for serving young adults led to the hiring of the first teen librarian and growth of this very important service," said Executive Director Marilyn Genther.

Along with his commitment to developing a robust collection and championing Readers' Advisory services, D'Urso also placed emphasis on serving the needs of special populations such as low-vision and homebound patrons.

"His expertise and leadership was invaluable as the Library expanded outreach and programming services over the years," said Genther.



Cathy Deane

Cathy Deane, Deputy Director Public Service, started in 1990 as Head of Youth Services. Deane's legacy includes broadening our outreach to the community, strengthening our commitment to public services, and ensuring the Library is a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

"She has been my partner in growing MPPL into such a wonderful Library that has a superb staff of people who care about public service first and foremost," Genther said.



Martha Johnson

Martha started at the Library in Circulation Services in 1983. She was promoted to Head of Registration Services in 1997 when the information function was separated from Circulation Services. Martha's dedication to providing excellent public service was a perfect fit for managing the staff who so often are "the face of the Library" and the first contact for new residents. She was expert with making sure our patron database was accurate and up-to-date.



Nancy Prichard

Nancy came to the Library in 1999 as the first Head of the newly created Collection Management department. "Nancy's careful monitoring and negotiating with vendors brought significant savings to the Library as well as extensive expertise developing and managing adult collections," said Genther. Her continual attention to the physical state of the collection was critical to keeping step with the constant changes in information and reading trends of the community. Nancy

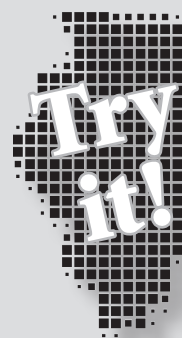
excelled at preparing and organizing Library materials to better serve patrons, and her knowledge and skill were particularly helpful in 2002-2004 during the planning and moving of the collection before and after the renovation and expansion of the Library.



Jo Robinson

Jo Robinson, Assistant Department Head, Research Services, started in Adult Services as a part-time patron assistant in 2000. Robinson brought her journalism background and skills to the Library, publishing *Village Vibe/News You Can Use* and coordinating the popular *Coffee and Conversation* discussion series.

"She brought her passion for the community to her work at MPPL, enhancing our community information and referral service," said Genther.



Try Online Resources in November

Sample dozens of online resources during Try-It! Illinois, which runs through November 30. This is a chance to try out a wide variety of databases and other research tools at no cost to you or the Library. State Librarian Jesse White and the Illinois State Library work with vendors to offer this annual program. For login and password information, please contact the Research desk at 847/253-5675 and then visit www.finditillinois.org/tryit.



WiFi Printing @ MPPL

MPPL's high-speed wireless access (WiFi) computer network allows you to surf the Web, check e-mail, and browse the Library's catalog using your own wireless device.

Devices should be wireless enabled and be **802.11b, 802.11g, or 802.11n** compatible in order to use the service.

Be sure your device is set to use **"automatic DHCP."**

▲ Printing at the Library from your device is just a few clicks away. You can print straight from your device, by e-mailing your document, or with an app.

▲ Go to mppl.org/services/wireless-internet, click on your preferred method of printing, and you'll be walked through the process.

▲ Library staff is always willing to help with this and other technology issues. Just ask at any public service desk!



is now



The Village's cable channel, formerly known as MPTV, has changed its name to MPDC (Mount Prospect Digital Communications). Since 1986 Mount Prospect has had a Government Access Channel providing local governmental and educational programming to Mount Prospect. From Village Board Meetings to Village Events, MPDC is your place to keep an eye on what's happening in Mount Prospect.

MPPL's award-winning program *Library Life* is shown on MPDC. You can see *Library Life* daily on channel 17 at 2 p.m and 10 p.m. on WOW and/or Comcast.

LIBRARY LIFE

AVAILABLE ON
www.mppl.org

November

CULTURAL MONTH FESTIVAL NIGHT:
Your Passport to Paris

Books on the Chopping Block
Prospect Madrigals' Holiday Concert

December

Le Piano Enchanté: French Piano
Masterworks

Julia Child: Her Life in France

Super Saturday!: Stories, Songs, and
Dances of the Voyageur

Catch us on **WOW** and **Comcast** (Channel 17 for both) at 2 p.m. and 10 p.m.



Features subject to change.

Youth Activities

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Best Children's Books of 2017

Monday, November 13, 7-8:30 p.m.

Looking for that next good book to read or gearing up for your holiday shopping? How about starting at the Library for an evening of snacks, prizes, and books! Of the thousands of children's books published each year, deciding which ones are right for your young reader can be difficult. Join Youth Services staff as we rave about some of our favorites, which will help you select the best books to give this year or to add to your classroom library. We will share fabulous fiction and nonfiction titles for preschoolers on up through 6th graders. *This program is sponsored by the Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation.* Welcome teachers, parents, and families! (R)

Family Gaming

• FOR ALL AGES

Thursday, November 2, 5-7 p.m.

Drop in and challenge your family to some competition! As part of International Games Week, we will have racing and mini-games on Wii, Xbox 360 with Kinect, and Playstation 3. You can also experience zSpace, play on iPads, or try out a new board game. All games are rated E or E 10+. Children younger than age 9 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration necessary; just stop in! (NR)

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FULL STEAM Ahead

• FOR 1ST-5TH GRADERS

Friday, November 24, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Monday, December 11, 3:30-6:30 p.m.

Fuel your imagination and drop by the Discovery Zone for hands-on STEAM exploration. A variety of activities will be on rotation. (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. (NR)

Fabulous Fall

Friday, November 17, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Holiday Hoopla

Friday, December 15, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

SUPER Saturday!

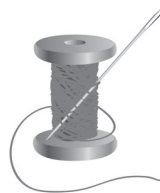
—for all ages

Improv Playhouse Presents "Stone Soup"

Saturday, November 4, 11 a.m.-noon

Are you ready to laugh and be entertained? Watch actors from Improv Playhouse bring "Stone Soup" to life using humor and live music. After this

SEW MUCH FUN



• FOR 3RD-6TH GRADERS

Friday, December 8, 4:30-6 p.m.

You'll be amazed at what you can do when you know how to sew! Learn needle-threading, basic stitches, sewing buttons, and more in our introductory hand-sewing class. We will make a pencil case project perfect to give as a gift or keep for yourself. (R)

CLICK & CREATE:

Bloxels

• FOR 3RD-5TH GRADERS

Monday, November 6, 4:30-6 p.m.

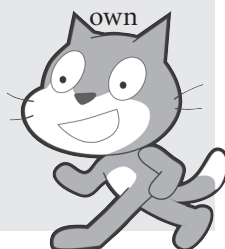
Create one-of-a-kind video games with Bloxels—blocks you use with special gameboards and our iPads to design, build, and play video games. Animate characters, create villains, and develop stories. (R)

ScratchJr

• FOR 1ST-2ND GRADERS

Monday, December 4, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Learn how to create your own animation, computer games, and music videos with ScratchJr. We'll teach you the basics, and then you can create your code. *This program is reserved for MPPL cardholders.* (R-MPPL)



lively show, you'll have an opportunity to visit with the performers! (R)

Teddy Bear Walk

Saturday, December 3, 10 a.m.-noon

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



FUN WITH BOOKS!

Take a break and pop in for one of our Open Storytimes, which run **November 7-December 15**. Children younger than age 3 must be accompanied by an adult. *No registration required!*

Open Storytime

• FOR ALL AGES

November 7-December 15

• **Tuesdays, 6:30-7 p.m.**

• **Wednesdays, 9:30-10 a.m.**

• **Fridays, 10:30-11 a.m.**

Stop in for a **Saturday Storytime on December 9 from 10:30-11 a.m.** This program will feature themes used in the weekday Open Storytimes.

Playtime @ the Library

Wednesday, November 1, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Children ages 6 and younger and their caregivers are invited to stop in and explore a variety of materials and hands-on activities. Join the fun and maybe learn something new! All children must be accompanied by an adult. (NR)

Reading Clubhouse

—for Kindergartners-2nd graders

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

Outer Space Tales (R)

Monday, November 13, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Bird Tales Storytime at Wildbird Shack

• FOR ALL AGES

Saturday, November 18, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 16, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

This storytime is for the birds! Join us at Wildbird Shack, located at 854 E. Northwest Highway, for a special program with stories, a craft, and a lot of fun! All children must be accompanied by an adult. (R)

Świąteczny Wieczór Bajek/ Polish Holiday Storytime

• DLA WSZYSTKICH DZIECI

Poniedziałek, 11 grudnia, 6:30-7:30 po południu

Zapraszamy dzieci w wieku 3-7 lat i ich rodziny na specjalny program świąteczny po polsku i angielsku.

• FOR ALL AGES

Monday, December 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

The Library invites children and their families to a special holiday storytime in Polish and English. This program is best suited for children ages 3-7 and their parents, but all are welcome. (R)



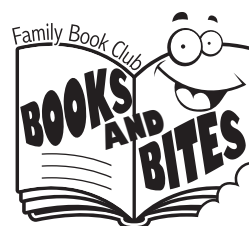
Gift of Reading

Monday, November 13—Sunday, December 10

Give the gift of reading this holiday season by bringing new unwrapped books for local children in need, ages 6 and younger. Donations of books in English and Spanish are greatly appreciated.

Winter Storytime Lottery

From December 11-January 4, parents can register their children—birth through age 5—for the Winter storytime session. This session, with a variety of times and age groups, will run January 15-February 23. Due to the popularity of these storytimes, registration is determined by lottery and is reserved for Mount Prospect Public Library cardholders. To participate in the lottery, sign up in person at the Youth Services desk.



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

Mr. Popper's Penguins

Thursday, November 9, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Pop into MPPL for a polar paradise as we partake in *Mr. Popper's Penguins!* What would you do if you received a surprise delivery containing a penguin? Help us plunge into this classic story by polishing off some primo provisions (snacks) and practically playing the night away. (R)



SENSORY STORIES & PLAY

• CHILDREN AGES 6 AND YOUNGER & THEIR FAMILIES

Saturday, November 18, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Join us for interactive stories, music, crafts, and all types of play that will engage your 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)



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). 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.*



The College Admissions Process From Start to Finish

Monday, November 27, 7-8 p.m.

The college admission process has changed dramatically in recent years. Which application deadline is best? How many college applications should a student complete? Where and when does a student even begin? Don't forget about the financial aid process and scholarship search! Thomas J. Jaworski of Quest College Consulting will share his expertise to help families navigate and understand the college admission process, from when to start to deciding which college admission offer to accept. This program is designed for both parents and students. (R)

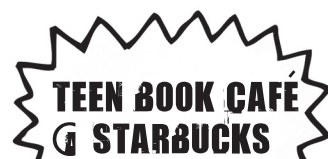


Teen Makers: Incredible Giftables

Friday, November 10 2:30-4 p.m.

Make a hand-painted mug, a rugged steel-and-cord bracelet or keychain, beaded ornament, and more. (R)

These DIY projects will make great gifts for your friends, family, or yourself!



Friday, December 1 4:30-6 p.m.



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)



Wednesday, November 29 5-6:30 p.m.

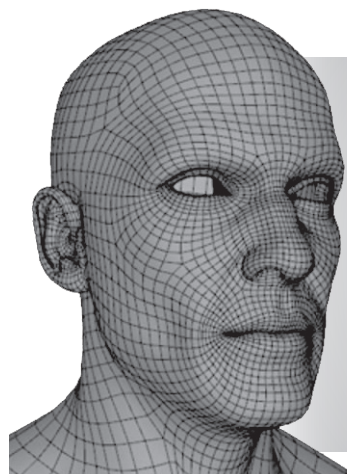
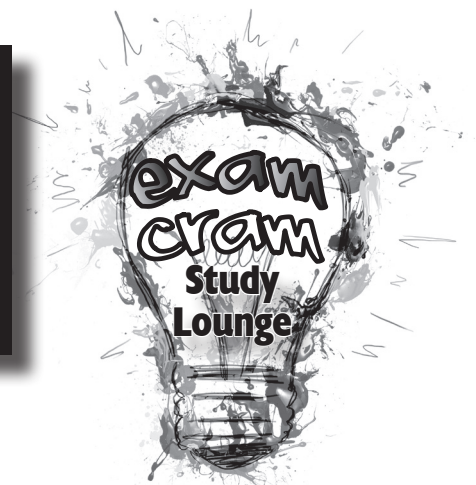
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YOU! CAN HELP DECIDE WHAT THE LIBRARY OFFERS TEENS

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)

December 18-20 3-10 p.m.

High schoolers, find a place in the Library to study and prep for finals. We will have snacks, school supplies, and de-stressing activities. No registration needed; just drop in!



3-D Print Yourself

Friday, December 29, 2-4 p.m.

No more wondering if your hair is messed up in the back—now you can scan and print a real 3-D model of your own head! First, you'll get a quick lesson on how 3-D scanning works. Then, you'll scan your head and edit the file. The Library will print your creation, and you can show it off to all of your friends! (R)

South Branch Events

(R) Registration required. | Inscripción requerida.

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

More South Branch info on page 8!



Hazlo y Llévatelo | Make & Take Craft

• PARA NIÑOS (AS) HASTA EL SEXTO GRADO Y SUS FAMILIAS | FOR KIDS UP TO 6TH GRADE AND THEIR FAMILIES

Wednesday, November 1, 5-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 20, 5-6:30 p.m.

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

LEGO® Mania

• PARA NIÑOS | • FOR KIDS

Monday, November 6, 5-6:30 p.m.

Monday, December 4, 5-6:30 p.m.

Use LEGO pieces to build almost anything! Make a favorite character or place or even a never-before-seen creation. Register today to save your spot! (R)



Haz un Globo de Nieve | Stemware Snow Globes

• FOR TEENS AND ADULTS

Monday, November 13, 5:30-7 p.m.

Grab a friend and create a miniature winter wonderland inside a wine glass! The Library will provide all supplies. No prior experience necessary. Register today to save your spot! (R)

Haz Regalos de Navidad | DIY Holiday Gifts

• FOR TEENS AND ADULTS

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

Stop by South Branch and learn how to make your own fabric wreath, hand-warmers, and decorated glass ornaments. Take home whatever you make and share with the ones you love! (R)



of the Library support additional programs, events, and services.

Saturday, December 9 • 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Just in time for the Holidays!

Browse a selection of quality used books, music, movies, and games, all specially selected for this sale so you can find the right gift for the adults, teens, and children on your list. Funds raised will help the Friends

Holiday Books Galore!



Gifts to Give and Receive

As the holiday giving season approaches, consider the Library when creating your shopping list. Your contributions foster gifts for the community to enjoy now and for generations to come.

Foundation Year-end Gifts

The Library Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization formed to develop and cultivate the Library endowment and provide funding for programs and special projects that would not be attainable with tax dollars. The Foundation supports a variety of programs, including Cultural **SUPER Saturdays!**, Tuesday Evening Adult Concert series,



The *Shakespeare Project of Chicago* performances, and 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten reading initiative, to name a few. Your donation enhances the programming we're able to provide now and enables us to plan for the future.

Becoming a Friend

Members of the Friends of the Library receive access to *Members Only Book Sales* before the general public. For over three decades The Friends have raised money to support seasonal reading programs and Library equipment purchases and much, much more.

The Friends also offer *Book Sale Gift Certificates* for purchase. If you can't make a book sale, there are always hidden gems available on one of the two **Book Sale Carts** inside the Library.



The Library also has items available for purchase at the Circulation Desk:



- Sturdy Canvas Book Bag: \$7
- Scenic Library Note Card pack: \$5
- Friends of the Library Reusable Shopping Tote: \$1

South Branch Events



community connections center

1711 West Algonquin Road, Mount Prospect
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Inscripción requerida.

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



JUEGOS DE ESCAPADA PARA LA FAMILIA | FAMILY ESCAPE CHALLENGE

• PARA FAMILIAS
lunes, 20 de noviembre
5:30-7 p.m.

¿Podrás escapar a tiempo? ¡Tu equipo tendrá una hora y media para resolver algunos acertijos y juegos de STEM y ganar las llaves que necesitará para “escapar” de nuestra Sala de Desafíos!

Inscríbete hoy para asegurar tu espacio. (R)

• FOR FAMILIES

Monday, November 20, 5:30-7 p.m.

Can you escape in time? Your team will have an hour and a half to solve STEM puzzles and games to win keys that will let you “escape” from our Challenge Room! Register today! (R)

Rock & Read

• PARA NIÑOS Y NIÑAS | FOR KIDS

Wednesday, November 15 • 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13 • 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Don't let the fun stop when school lets out! Children of all ages are invited to rock and read in this interactive story hour. Join us as we jump around, read, and craft! **An adult must accompany any children under the age of 3.** No registration necessary. (NR)

Jugar y Aprender | Play and Learn

Every Tuesday in November and Tuesday, December 5 & 19
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Parents and their 2-5-year-old children are invited to enjoy arts, crafts, exercise, stories, and music. **This program is open to Mount Prospect residents only.**

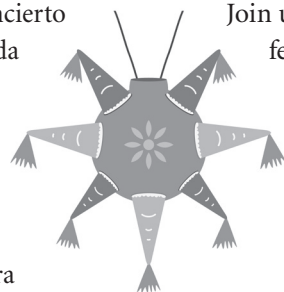
Call 847/506-4930 to register. (R)

Concierto de Navidad con Laura Crotte | Holiday Concert With Laura Crotte

• PARA NIÑOS Y FAMILIAS

viernes, 15 de diciembre, 6-6:45 p.m.

¡Acompáñanos para un concierto navideño con la muy querida artista y maestra, Laura Crotte! Toda la familia disfrutará las canciones que nos llenan del espíritu y alegría de estos días festivos. ¡Inscríbete hoy para asegurar tu lugar! (R)



• FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES

Friday, December 15, 6-6:45 p.m.

Join us for a holiday concert featuring beloved teaching artist Laura Crotte. Enjoy songs that remind us of the joy of friends and family this holiday season! Register today to save your spot. (R)

More South Branch programs on page 7!

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.

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Marilyn Genther, Executive Director



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