



Preview

A Guide to Your Library

—
South Branch Quinceañera

New Library App

Tiny Art

CCS and Renovation

We are on track to migrate to the Cooperative Computer Services (CCS) catalog consortium in October. When completed, MPPL cardholders will enjoy the following benefits:

- **More Physical Materials.** Joining CCS gives cardholders access to over 7 million items, which is about 14 times more items than we currently own.
- **Shorter Wait Times.** Borrowing items from another library is automated and faster, with a significantly shorter turnaround time.
- **Ease of Use.** The new catalog software is easier to use and more responsive.
- **Reduced Costs.** Sharing the catalog expenses with other libraries lowers our catalog costs.

To prepare for the CCS migration, here are some steps you can take:

- Stop by and update your personal information.
- Print or email any lists you have saved from the current catalog.

We're about halfway through the Main Library renovations we are doing to accommodate the increased circulation of materials. The new water fountain with a bottle filler has been installed; try it out next time you visit!

The following will still be in effect through the end of August:

- Books will be returned to a bin at the Patron Services desk; the lobby automated book return and outdoor walk-up book return will not be available.
- It will take us more time to check in your returned items, so you will see them on your account for longer than usual, but remember, we are fine free!

Throughout this project, you can expect the same high level of customer service that you have always enjoyed at MPPL! For more information and regular updates, visit mppl.org/updates.

UPDATE

E-newsletter Sign Up

Be in the know! Sign up for our e-newsletter for up-to-date programs, readers advisory ideas, program videos, online resources, and more.



Follow Us

Our social media channels continue to bring more news to you.



Library Programming

Program registration is often required. Register using the online calendar or by contacting the library. Program format and location will be indicated within the online calendar.

The library needs at least a one-week notice if special accommodations are needed.

Program Symbols

Registration required (R)

No registration required (NR)

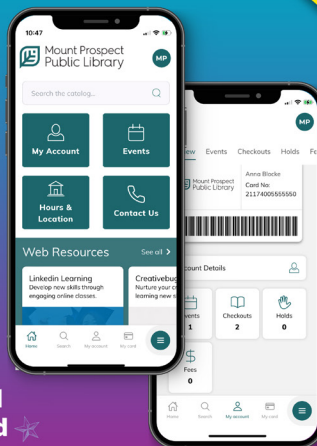
Virtual program (V)

Hybrid program: both in-person and virtual options (H)

New Library App

- Access your digital library card
- Search the catalog
- Manage *My Account*
- Browse and register for events
- Connect to e-Library and web resources

Search Mount Prospect Public Library and download the app from the Apple App and Google Play stores.



NOW AVAILABLE

This newsletter is printed on recycled paper and is recyclable.

Youth Events

Family Pokémon Meet-Up

FOR FAMILIES

Monday, July 1, 5:30-6:45 p.m.

Get together with other Pokémon fans to “show and tell” your cards with each other and do a Pokémon-themed craft or activity. (NR)

Creation Station

FOR AGES 3 AND OLDER

Craft and create with us! (NR)

Yarn Art

Wednesday, July 10
2:30-3:45 p.m.

Use colorful yarn to create simple and gorgeous wrapped sticks or more complex Ojo de Dios designs.



Friendly Fish

Friday, July 19
9:30-11 a.m.

Design a charming and colorful underwater scene with delightful papers and goofy googly eyes.



Craft with Beads

Wednesday, July 24
2:30-3:45 p.m.

Use beads and pipe cleaners to make bracelets, creatures, and more!

We All Scream

Wednesday, July 31
2:30-3:45 p.m.

Make make a one-of-a-kind ice cream cone painting!



Stay and Play

FOR AGES 2-7 WITH THEIR FAMILIES

At this drop-in playtime, children can learn about their world and have hands-on fun exploring specially themed toys and activities with friends! (NR)



Birthday Party

Wednesday, July 10
6-7 p.m.

Thursday, July 11
9:30-11 a.m.



Camping

Wednesday, July 24
6-7 p.m.

Thursday, July 25
9:30-11 a.m.



Super Saturdays

Bubble Bonanza!

FOR AGES 4 AND OLDER
WITH THEIR FAMILIES

Saturday, July 13, 10 a.m.

Experience art, science, and a touch of magic with Bubble Ben's interactive bubble show. (R)

Choose Your Own Balloon Adventure Presented by Smarty Pants

FOR FAMILIES

Saturday, August 3, 10 a.m.

Bring the whole family to this interactive show packed with magic, comedy, and Smarty's giant balloons! (R)



Family Theater: Squirrel Stole My Underpants Presented by The Gottabees

FOR FAMILIES

Wednesday, July 17, 6 p.m.

A poignantly silly adventure tale for families featuring puppets, original music, a tiny bit of acrobatics, and a giant pile of laundry! (R)

Nature Finger Painting at Pocket Park

FOR AGES 6 AND YOUNGER
WITH AN ADULT

Thursday, July 18, 10-11 a.m.

Come join us at Pocket Park to enjoy the outdoors and capture its natural beauty through finger painting! We provide the paper and paint; nature provides the rest. (NR)

Sensory Explorers: Messy Playtime

FOR AGES 2-6 WITH AN ADULT

Monday, July 22

10 a.m. or 1 p.m.

Children can engage their senses and have fun making a mess! (R)



New Dial-a-Story Selections

Mondays, July 1, August 5

The library is here to read to you, wherever and whenever with Dial-a-Story: call 847-232-8600.

Sponsored by the Library Foundation.



Good Morning Sunshine Concerts

FOR AGES 8 AND YOUNGER

WITH THEIR FAMILIES

Brighten your Monday mornings with cheerful live music concerts.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. (NR)



Istvan and His Imaginary Band

Monday, July 1
10:30 a.m.



Little Parade

Monday, July 8
10:30 a.m.



Ben Tatar and the Tatar Tots

Monday, July 15
10:30 a.m.



Ralph Covert of Ralph's World

Monday, July 29
10:30 a.m.

Storytimes



Storytime in the Park | Cuenta cuentos en el parque

FOR FAMILIES

Wednesdays, July 10, 17, 24, 31
10 a.m.

Listen to stories and learn new songs in English and Spanish at Sycamore Trails Park, 1500 E. Kensington Rd. *Presented in partnership with Mt. Prospect Park District and River Trails Park District. (NR)*



Twist and Shout Storytime

FOR AGES 5 AND YOUNGER

WITH THEIR FAMILIES

Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

Fridays, July 12, 26

9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

Shake, wiggle, and groove during this action-packed storytime full of music, movement, and fun! (NR)

Mini Movers at Pocket Park

FOR AGES 8 AND YOUNGER

WITH THEIR FAMILIES

Tuesdays, July 9, 16, 23, 30
6 p.m.

Shake your sillies out in this fast-paced musical storytime full of dramatic movement and fun for toddlers, preschoolers, and their families. (NR)

Baby Storytime: Baby Olympics

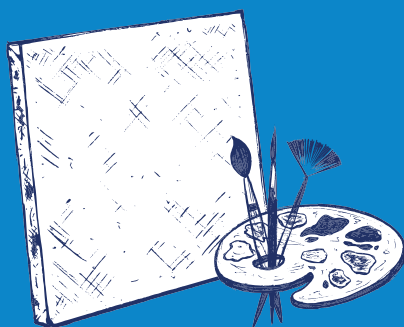
FOR AGES 2 AND YOUNGER

WITH AN ADULT

Thursday, July 18,

Saturday, July 20, 9:30 a.m.

Along with stories and songs, little Olympians will build motor skills as they crawl, roll, toddle, or climb their way through a baby-friendly obstacle course. (R)



Tiny Art

Create a mini masterpiece!

Kits available beginning August 1, while supplies last.

Return your finished artwork to the library between August 21 and September 4 for display.

AGES THREE AND OLDER

For Grade Schoolers

Minecraft Engineers

FOR CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES 3-5

Tuesday, July 16, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, July 17, 10:30 a.m.

Build unique structures that solve various design challenges. (R)

Supercharged Summer

FOR CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES 2-5

Meet up with friends to play a fun group game and create a unique project. (R)

Shadowboxes

Monday, July 8

3:30 p.m. or 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 11

4:30 p.m.

Cut paper and use other supplies to create a one-of-a-kind shadowbox.

Mystery Animal

Monday, July 15

3:30 p.m. or 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 18, 4:30 p.m.

Solve puzzles to reveal a mystery animal, and then build a miniature model of that animal.

Mini Canvas Painting

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

Thursday, July 25, 4:30 p.m.

Experiment with acrylic paints on canvas to create a summer keepsake.

Bouncy Balls

Monday, July 29

3:30 p.m. or 6:30 p.m.

Let's make our own bouncy balls!



Introduction to 3D Printing

FOR CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES 3-5

Monday, July 22, 4 p.m.

Learn how to create objects using digital-design computer software and a 3D printer. (R)

Finger Knitting Fun

FOR CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES 2-5

Tuesday, July 23, 4 p.m.

Learn a fun and simplified version of knitting, and leave with a toy bunny you made yourself! (R)

Back to School with Dog Man and Friends

FOR CHILDREN AGES 4-12

WITH THEIR FAMILIES

Wednesday, August 7, 6-7:30 p.m.

Enjoy a summer evening at the library and get excited about the fun school year ahead with special activities themed around some of your favorite characters like Dog Man and Cat Kid, The Pigeon, Narwhal and Jelly, and The Bad Guys! (NR)

CodeBuilders

FOR CHILDREN ENTERING

GRADES 3-5 (R)

Play With Augmented Reality

Tuesday, July 9

4 p.m.

Wednesday, July 10

10:30 a.m.

Use the video sensor within the MIT-developed computer program Scratch to create a unique augmented reality experience.

TunePad

Wednesday, July 24

10:30 a.m.

Learn the basics of TunePad, an online software program that transforms the computer language Python into musical notes and beats.

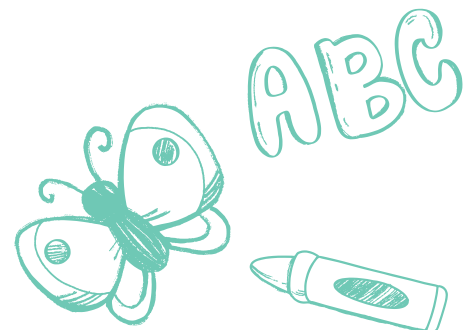
Kindergarten Kickoff Party

FOR CHILDREN ENTERING

KINDERGARTEN WITH AN ADULT

Saturday, August 17, 10 a.m.

This special celebration will feature fun activities, games, and crafts to recognize the big step forward to Kindergarten! (R)



Teen Events

FOR GRADES 6-12

Teen Volunteering

Give back to the community and earn volunteer hours as you work for a good cause helping with community service projects. (R)

South Branch

Mondays, July 8, August 12
5 p.m.

Main Library

Fridays, July 19, August 16
5 p.m.



Brave Space LGBTQ+ Teen Hangout

Tuesdays, July 9, August 13
4 p.m.

LGBTQ+ teens and their allies can enjoy games, snacks, and hangout time in a safe space facilitated by Teen Services staff and the LGBTQ+ Center at Kenneth Young. (NR)

Drop-In VR Experience

Thursdays, July 11, 18
6-8 p.m.

Come experience the excitement of virtual reality using Meta Quest. (NR)

Teen Book Café

Fridays, July 12, August 9
4:30 p.m.

Join us as we enjoy tasty treats, share brand new books, and recommend some of our favorites. Each participant will get to pick out a free book! (R)

Teen Escape Room: Escape the Dungeon

Wednesday, July 17
1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m.

Thursday, July 18
4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m.
Work together with your party of adventurers to solve the puzzles and escape the game master's dungeon before time runs out. (R)

Tiny Art



Kits available beginning August 1, while supplies last.

Return between August 21 and September 4 for display.

Craft Programs

Each month we meet to get crafty and make something new. (R)

Clay Dragon Eyes

Wednesday, July 24
4 p.m.

Painted Suncatchers

Wednesday, August 21
4:30 p.m.



BookFix

Hand-picked library book.
Bookish goodies to keep.

See August 1 on our online calendar at mppl.org to register using your library card.



MOUNT PROSPECT
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Summer
Reading
2024

June 1-July 31

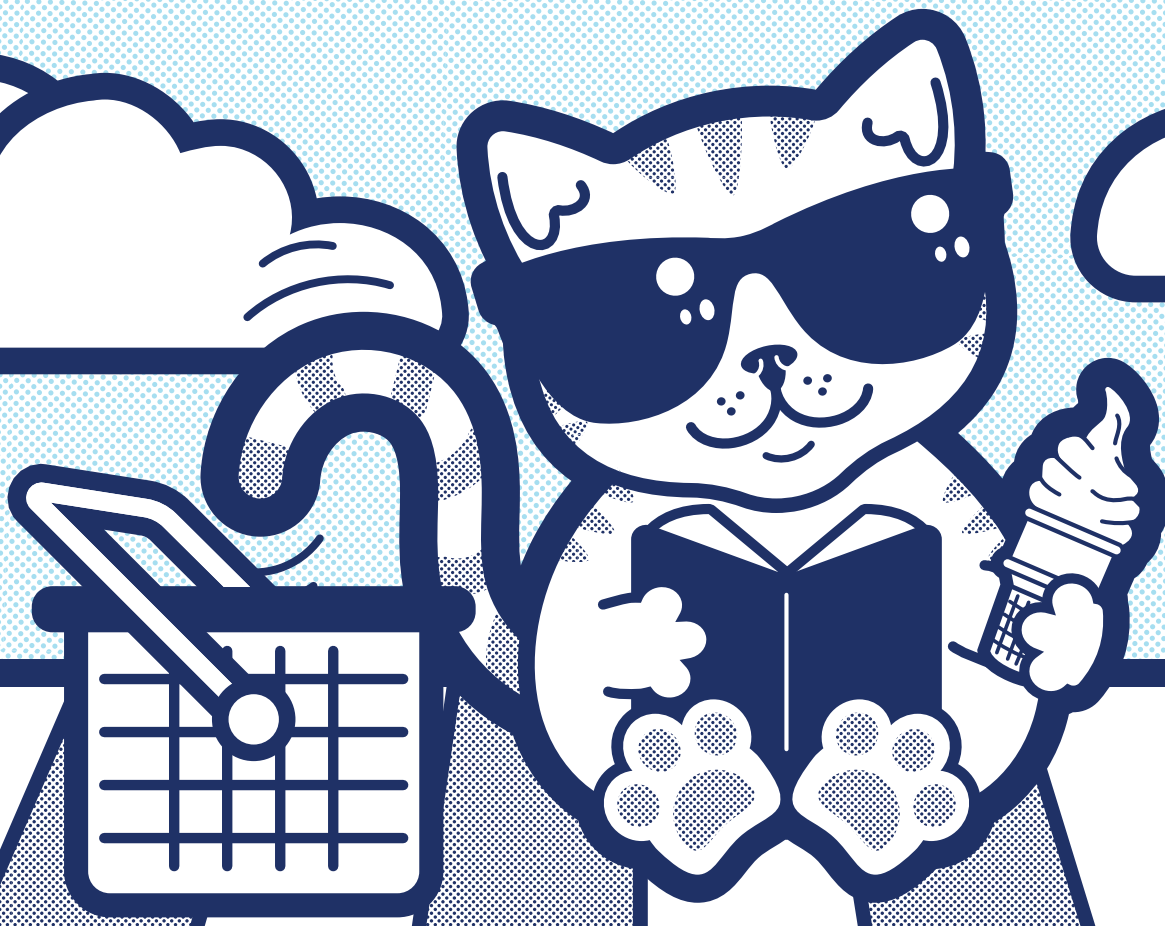
ALL AGES



Read books.
Get prizes!

Sign up in person at the library or online at mopl.beanstack.org. Reading logs are available in English and Spanish. The last day to check in for prizes is July 31.

Sponsored in part with generous support of the Library Foundation.



Adult Events

Squeegee Painting

Tuesday, July 2, 7 p.m.

Join us to create an abstract squeegee painting! (R)

How Corn Changed Itself and Then Changed Everything Else

Tuesday, July 9, 7 p.m.

Food historian Cynthia Clampitt will present the compelling history of corn, how it transformed the Americas, and its impact on the creation of the historic Midwest. (R)

Power of Attorney

Presentation

Wednesday, July 10
7 p.m.

North Suburban Legal Aid Clinic (NSLAC) will give a presentation on Power of Attorney (POA) documents for both health care and financial matters. (R)



Clinic

Thursday, August 1, 4 p.m.
Attorneys from NSLAC will provide free legal assistance in drafting and notarizing Power of Attorney documents for health care and property management. To register, you must be a low-income resident living in North Suburban Cook County or Lake County. (R)

Night Off? Game On!

Mondays, July 15, August 19
7 p.m.

Spend your night off playing tabletop games with other gaming enthusiasts! (R)

Channel Your Calm

Mind Puzzles

Tuesday, July 16, 7 p.m.

Exercise your mind with crossword puzzles, word searches, logic puzzles, and sudoku puzzles. (R)

Paint by Sticker

Thursday, August 29, 7 p.m.

Come paint by sticker while listening to calming music and enjoying friendly conversation. (R)



Movies @ MPPL

All movies are shown with closed captioning.



Arthur the King

2024, PG-13;
107 MINUTES

Thursday, July 11
2 p.m.

An adventure racer adopts a stray dog named Arthur to join him in an epic endurance race. (R)



The Boys in the Boat

2023; PG-13;
123 MINUTES

Thursday, August 8
2 p.m.

A 1930s-set story centered on the University of Washington's rowing team, from their Depression-era beginnings to winning gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics. (R)

Aging in Mount Prospect: What Families Need to Know

Thursday, July 18, 6:30 p.m.

Learn about local community resources for older adults and their loved ones as they navigate the aging process in this special presentation and resource fair.

Presented in partnership with the Village of Mount Prospect Aging in Community Initiative. (R)

Small Business Morning Meetup

Wednesday, July 24, 9 a.m.

Share a cup of coffee with other local entrepreneurs, start-ups, founders, freelancers, home businesses, and solopreneurs. Expand your network, exchange ideas, and make valuable connections while enjoying coffee and donuts. (R)

Let's Talk Books

Wednesday, July 31, August 28
1 p.m.

Get together with other readers to share which books inspired recent raves, rants, or "it's complicated" reactions. (R)

Lawyers at the Library: Your Legal Help Desk

Wednesday, July 31, August 28
6:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 7:30 p.m.
(V) (R)

A Brief History of Stevie Wonder

Monday, August 12, 7 p.m.
Music historian Professor Moptop presents the music and legacy of influential and pioneering artist Stevie Wonder. (R)

Technology

Drop-In Tech Training

Tuesday, July 9, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
August 13, 2-4 p.m.

Stop in and bring your questions about technology-related subjects like Word, Excel, PowerPoint, email, and e-books. (NR)

Adobe InDesign

Wednesday, July 10
6:30 p.m.

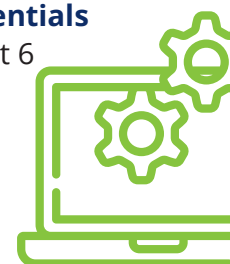
Learn the basic interface of Adobe InDesign, a desktop publishing and layout tool, and create a custom business card. (R)



Computer Essentials

Tuesday, August 6
1 p.m.

This hands-on session will explain baseline features to those new to computers beginning with an introduction to different types of computers, their operating systems, computer parts, and more. (R)



3D Printing Basics

Thursday, August 15
6:30 p.m.

Learn about 3D printing design and processing using the computer-aided design (CAD) software Tinkercad and discover how to slice a file before printing. (R)



Transportation Options for Seniors

Wednesday, August 14, 2 p.m.

Discover what transportation options are available locally to help get you where you need to go. *Presented by the Village of Mount Prospect Aging in Community Initiative.* (R)

Free Programs on the Internet

Tuesday, August 20, 10 a.m.

Cut subscription costs with these useful and free or inexpensive online programs. (R)

History of Sears Houses

Monday, August 26, 7 p.m.

Architecture enthusiast Lara Solonickne will share the history of Sears ready-cut houses. (R)

Cutting the Cord

Tuesday, August 27, 6 p.m.

Learn how to cut the cord on cable TV to lower monthly bills. (V) (R)

Planning for Your Retirement

Wednesday, August 28, 7 p.m.

John Daly, certified financial planner and CEO of Daly Investment Management, will address some important financial questions for retirement planning (R)

Tiny Art

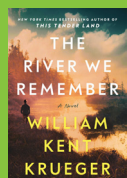
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Book Discussions

Wednesday Morning Book Group (NR)



Wednesday
July 3, 11 a.m.

The River We Remember

by William Kent Krueger

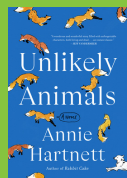


Wednesday
August 7, 11 a.m.

Hello Beautiful

by Ann Napolitano

Book Chat Book Discussion (NR)



Monday
July 8, 7 p.m.

Unlikely Animals

by Annie Hartnett

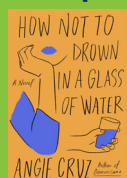


Monday
August 12, 7 p.m.

Maame

by Jessica George

Wednesday Night Book Group (V) (R)



Wednesday
July 17, 7 p.m.

How Not to Drown in a Glass of Water

by Angie Cruz



Wednesday
August 21, 7 p.m.

The Bandit Queens

by Parini Shroff

Registration required (R)

No registration required (NR)

Virtual program (V)



South Branch Events

1711 W. Algonquin Rd., Mount Prospect, IL 60056 847-590-4090 | www.mpppl.org/southbranch

Teen Volunteering

Check out volunteer opportunities on page 6.

Play and Learn |

Jugar y aprender

FOR AGES 2-5 WITH AN ADULT

Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m.

Join us for a bilingual English/Spanish storytime, music, crafts, and play-based learning. Call the Community Connections Center at 847-506-4930 to register. (R)

Let's Play Puzzle Chess!

FOR TEENS AND ADULTS

Saturday, July 6, 12 p.m.

Learn about the game of puzzle chess and test out what you learn by playing a few games. (R)

Build and Watch |

Ver y construir

FOR FAMILIES

Enjoy a movie night at the library and have fun building with LEGO bricks! (R)



Bolt
2008; PG;
96 MINUTES
Friday, July 5
5 p.m.



Cars
2006; G;
106 MINUTES
Friday, August 23
5 p.m.

LEGO Mania | LEGO manía

FOR CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES K-5 WITH AN ADULT

Friday, July 12, 5 p.m.

Create a never before seen masterpiece using our large collection of LEGO bricks. (R)

Summer Bingo |

Bingo de verano

FOR FAMILIES

Friday, July 19, 6 p.m.

Cool off from the summer heat at the library with this fun, seasonal-themed bingo session. Play alongside friends and family for a chance to win fun prizes. (R)



Insect Inspectors Storytime

| Hora de cuentos de los inspectores de insectos

FOR AGES 4-8

Saturday, July 27, 1 p.m.

Buzz in for a bug-themed story, songs, and a craft, followed by various interactive activities with kid-safe bug samples. (R)

Tiny Art



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Return between August 21 and September 4 for display.

Cafecito, conchas, y conversación: *Britt Marie estuvo aquí*

PARA ADULTOS Y ADOLESCENTES.

Saturday, August 3, 11:30 a.m.

¡Un cafecito, un pan dulce, y a charlar! Únase a nosotros en este grupo especial de lectura donde vamos a discutir el libro *Britt Marie estuvo aquí* escrito por Fredrik Backman. *This program will be presented in Spanish.* (R)

Falcon Park Storytime | Hora de cuentos en el Falcon Park

FOR FAMILIES

Tuesday, August 6, 4:30 p.m.

The Mount Prospect Public Library and Arlington Heights Memorial Library will come together for stories, music, cool treats, and more back-to-school fun at Falcon Park, 2408 S. Goebbert Rd., Arlington Heights. (NR)

Minute to Win It |

Minuto para ganar

FOR FAMILIES

Friday, August 9, 5:30 p.m.

Experience a laugh a minute playing this popular party activity for young and old alike. (R)

Many of our programs at South Branch are presented in English and Spanish. | Muchos de nuestros programas en la Sucursal del Sur se presentarán en inglés y español.



As we mark the 15th anniversary of the Community Connections Center, shared by South Branch and the Village of Mount Prospect Human Services Department, we're turning August into a month-long Quinceañera celebration! Please join us for the following special programs to celebrate the occasion.

Birthday Storytime | Hora de cuentos de cumpleaños
 FOR AGES 3-6 WITH THEIR FAMILIES
 Friday, August 2, 1 p.m.
 Enjoy a special birthday-themed storytime followed by songs, fun activities, and a craft. (R)

Community Connections Center's Quinceañera: 15th Anniversary Celebration |
 Quinceañera del Centro de Conexiones con la Comunidad: celebración del 15º aniversario
 ALL AGES

Thursday, August 8, 4-6:30 p.m.
 Join us for an exciting open house event packed with tasty food, colorful face painting, lively music, and fun giveaways. *Presented in partnership with the Village of Mount Prospect Human Services Department.* (NR)

Birthday Bingo |
 Bingo de cumpleaños
 FOR FAMILIES
 Wednesday, August 14, 6 p.m.
 Play alongside friends and family during a birthday-themed bingo night! (R)





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Regular Library Board Meeting

Thursday, July 18, 7 p.m.
Thursday, August 15, 7 p.m.

CONTACT US

Our public service desks are available by chat, text, and phone.

Phone: 847-253-5675
South Branch: 847-590-4090
Chat: bit.ly/MPPLlivechat
Text: 847-750-4275
Online: mppl.org/contact-us

Main Library Location and Hours

10 S. Emerson St.
Monday–Thursday: 9 a.m.–9 p.m.
Friday: 9 a.m.–7 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Sunday: 11 a.m.–5 p.m.

South Branch Location and Hours

1711 W. Algonquin Rd.
Monday–Friday: 11 a.m.–7:30 p.m.
Saturday: 11 a.m.–3 p.m.
Sunday: Closed

Friends Book Sale

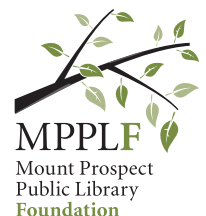
Saturday, July 20, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Sunday, July 21, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

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. For more information about the Friends of the Library including volunteer opportunities, visit their website: www.friendsofmppl.org.



Library Foundation

The Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that raises funds to sponsor educational and cultural events at the library, allowing the public to attend free of charge. To support these programs, the Foundation hosts fundraisers throughout the year. We are seeking volunteers to help during our fundraisers, as well as Board members to help with planning. If you would like to be part of our team, or if you have a business and are looking for opportunities, please email mpplfoundation@gmail.com. To stay up to date with Foundation activities, check out our website, mpplfoundation.org, or follow us on Facebook.



The library will be closed Thursday, July 4 — Independence Day.

On Friday, July 26, the Main Library will close at 5 p.m. due to the Downtown Block Party. The South Branch will be open until 7:30 p.m.