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A Guide to Your Library

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Visit With Author Jasmine Warga

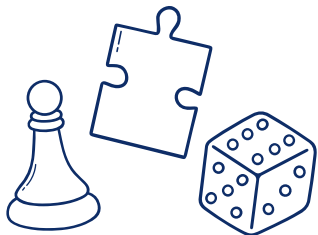
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Using the library just got even better! We are now a member of the CCS catalog consortium. Here are the top three things you can do as a cardholder of a CCS library:

1. Visit any of the CCS libraries to check out items. Your MPPL card will automatically be registered at over 30 libraries.
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International Games Month

November is International Games Month, a celebration that evolved from International Games Day, an attempt to set the world record of people playing the same game simultaneously in libraries around the

world. Look for the game pieces throughout this newsletter to see which programs continue to celebrate the educational, recreational, and social values of games and the way they help to bring communities together.

Happy Holidays With the Library

November and December bring a flurry of holidays, and the library is here to help you prepare everything from gifts to meals to parties and everything in between. Check out page 9 for a wide variety of ways the library can help you get ready for all your festivities.



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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)**

Youth Events

Explore and Discover Together: Express Yourself With Beads

BEST FOR AGES 4-11 WITH AN ADULT
Thursday, November 7, 6 p.m.
Monday, December 16, 6:15 p.m.
Tuesday, December 17, 1:30 p.m.
Learn how people throughout the world use beads, then craft a simple sewn-bead framed artwork perfect for gift-giving. (R)

Super Saturday: Explore Indonesia

BEST FOR AGES 4 AND OLDER WITH THEIR FAMILIES
Saturday, November 9, 10 a.m.
Treat your family to a unique time-travel experience, listening to centuries-old, live Javanese gamelan music and enjoying the sights of Indonesia. *Sponsored by the Library Foundation.* (R)

Creation Station

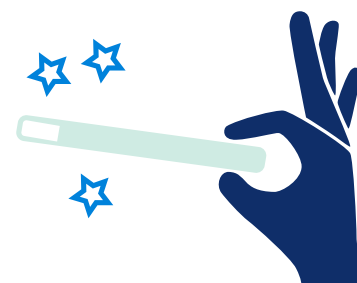
BEST FOR AGES 3 AND OLDER WITH THEIR FAMILIES
Craft and create with us! (NR)

Paper Flower Bouquet

Tuesday, November 12, 3:30-4:45 p.m.
Make a beautiful bouquet of colorful tissue paper flowers.

Snowy Lights

Thursday, December 12, 10-11 a.m.
Decorate jars with tissue paper to make wintry beacons and welcome the snowy season!



Dan Gogh's Magic and Art Show

BEST FOR AGES 4 AND OLDER WITH THEIR FAMILIES
Monday, November 25, 3 p.m. or 6 p.m.
Enjoy one-of-a-kind entertainment that will get kids laughing while inspiring them to create, experiment, and try new things. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.* (R)

Storytimes

Find the perfect-fit storytime for your child and schedule. Each storytime is especially created for your child's unique age and stage. Learn more about storytime options and view our full calendar online at mppl.org.

Baby Storytime (NR)

BEST FOR INFANTS THROUGH PRE-WALKERS WITH AN ADULT
Wednesdays, November 6, 13, 20, 9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

Toddler Storytime (NR)

BEST FOR WALKERS AGE 3 AND YOUNGER WITH AN ADULT
Mondays, November 4, 11, 18, 10:30 a.m.
Thursdays, November 7, 14, 21, 9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.



Pre-K Storytime (NR)

BEST FOR AGES 3-5 WITH AN ADULT
Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, 9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime (NR)

BEST FOR AGES 8 AND YOUNGER WITH THEIR FAMILIES
Mondays, November 4, 11, 18, 9:30 a.m.
Wednesdays, November 6, 13, 20, 6 p.m.
Fridays, November 8, 15, 22, 9:30 a.m.

Bilingual Storytime | Cuentos y Cantos (NR)

BEST FOR AGES 10 AND YOUNGER WITH THEIR FAMILIES
Saturday, November 2, 10 a.m.

Teddy Bear Walk

FOR FAMILIES

Saturday, December 7, 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Bring the whole family and your favorite stuffed pal to enjoy a unique, multigenerational Mount Prospect tradition — the annual Teddy Bear Walk! (NR)

- Activities throughout the Youth department: 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Bilingual storytimes: 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m., or 11:45 a.m.
- 44th annual Teddy Bear Walk: 10 a.m.
- Photos with Ted E. Bear: 10:30-11:45 a.m.
- Family photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus at Village Hall: 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

For more information visit mppl.org/special-events.



Stay and Play

BEST FOR AGES 2-8
WITH THEIR FAMILIES

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

Thankful Feast

Tuesday, November 26,
10-11:30 a.m. or 1:30-3 p.m.

Block Bonanza

Tuesday, December 10,
10-11:30 a.m. or 1:30-3 p.m.

Family Pokémon Meetup

BEST FOR AGES 5 AND OLDER
WITH THEIR FAMILIES

Wednesday, December 11,
4:15-5:15 p.m.

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

Sensory Explorers: Make Some Noise

BEST FOR AGES 3-6 WITH AN ADULT
Monday, December 16, 10:30 a.m.
Who said you always need to be quiet at the library? Children can engage their senses and have fun exploring different sounds! (R)

Hooray for Holidays Storytime

BEST FOR AGES 8 AND YOUNGER
WITH AN ADULT

Wednesday, December 18, 6 p.m.
Thursday, December 19, 10 a.m.

Celebrate the warmth, sparkle, and togetherness that makes this time of year so special. (R)

Presto! With Total-T Magic

BEST FOR AGES 4 AND OLDER
WITH THEIR FAMILIES

Saturday, December 28, 10:30 a.m.

Be amazed by Terrence Hunter’s funny and interactive show.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. (R)




Childhood is the best time to start language learning.

Little Pim, an online resource, highlights 180 words and phrases in 12 different languages, providing children with the essential building blocks of foreign language learning.




WITH YOUR
LIBRARY CARD

FAMILY LITERACY MONTH



Things are changing in the world of reading instruction. For parents and caregivers of children learning to read, trying to make sense of unfamiliar terms like “decodables” or “science of reading” can be confusing and overwhelming. The good news: librarians are here to help!

We’re honoring November’s National Family Literacy Month with a variety of programs that explore and celebrate your child’s journey toward independent reading. With options for growing readers, their parents and caregivers, and the whole family, there are tons of opportunities at the library to build confidence and get excited about learning to read!



Family Reading Night 2024 Kit Pickup

BEST FOR AGES BIRTH TO 11 WITH THEIR FAMILIES

Starts Monday, November 4

We’re joining the statewide Family Reading Night event on November 21 and invite families to join the fun by picking up a special, free Family Reading Night Kit and spending quality time reading together. The kits will be available at the Youth desk and South Branch starting November 4, while supplies last. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.* (NR)

Support Your Beginning Reader

FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS OF CHILDREN AGES 3-7 WHO ARE LEARNING TO READ

Saturday, November 16, 10 a.m.


We are here to help create a roadmap for your child’s reading journey. This parent and caregiver workshop is all about ways you can help your growing reader thrive and succeed. (R)

Ready, Set, Read!

BEST FOR AGES 3-8 WITH AN ADULT

Thursday, November 21, 4:15 p.m.

In this program formerly known as Sound Explorers, we’ll have fun with play-based activities that develop early literacy skills based in the science of reading. (R)



For School-Aged Children



Animal Investigators: Komodo Dragons

BEST FOR AGES 8-11

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

Saturday, November 9, 2:30 p.m.

We'll learn, share our knowledge and excitement, plus do an experiment or craft. (R)

Animal Investigators Junior: Komodo Dragons

BEST FOR AGES 6-8

Monday, November 4, 4:15 p.m.

All the same fun as Animal Investigators but with a smaller group for younger children. (R)

3D Printing for Kids

Learn TinkerCad

STRICTLY FOR GRADES 3-5

Monday, November 11, 4:30 p.m.

Learn how to create objects using TinkerCad, a digital-design computer software. (R)

Learn Thingiverse

BEST FOR AGES 8-11 WITH AN ADULT

Tuesday, December 3, 4:30 p.m.

Learn how to use Thingiverse to find a 3D print project and submit it to the library to be printed. (R)



LEGO Squad

BEST FOR AGES 8-11

Monday, November 11, 6 p.m.

We'll provide the LEGO bricks; you show off your skills. (R)

Minecraft Engineers

BEST FOR AGES 8-11

Wednesday, November 20,
4:15 p.m.

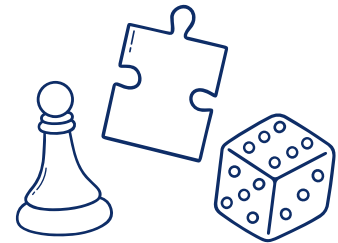
Build unique structures that solve various design challenges. (R)

Homeschool Hangout

FOR FAMILIES

Thursday, November 21, 10-11 a.m.

Get to know some other homeschool families in the area while playing games, trying out hands-on activities, and more! (NR)



CheckMates Meetup

BEST FOR AGES 7-17

Saturday, November 23,
2-3:30 p.m.

Join other chess fans for a mini lesson and guided instruction to sharpen your skills at 2 p.m., or just stop by for a match at 2:30 p.m.! (NR)



A Club for Kids Who Like Books

BEST FOR AGES 8-11

Tuesday, November 19, 4:15 p.m.

Monday, December 9, 6 p.m.

Meet new friends, make a project, and find your next great read in this unique book club (no prior reading required). Plus, all participants will select a free book to take home and keep. (R)



EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS

As our nights grow longer, it's the perfect time to explore the beauty and wonder of our universe. Join us in these outer space-themed STEAM programs that will give you and your curious child hands-on opportunities for experimenting and dreaming.



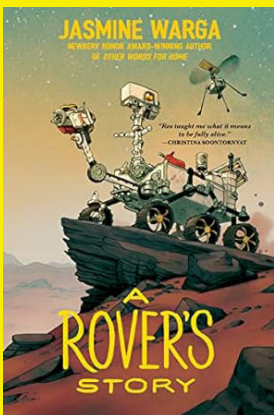
Make and Meet: Scribblebots With Author Jasmine Warga

BEST FOR AGES 8-14

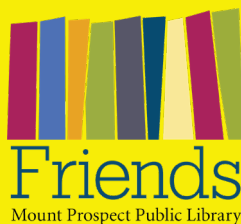
Monday, November 18, 5 p.m. or 6 p.m.

Construct your own working "robot" that draws — plus meet Jasmine Warga, the award-winning author of *A Rover's Story*, a tale of a brave robot's adventures on Mars.

Warga will share her process of creating *A Rover's Story* and inspire children to write their own stories. *Sponsored by Friends of the Library.* (R)



Copies of Warga's books will be available for purchase from Booked Evanston. The author will be available for a limited number of signings after her presentation.



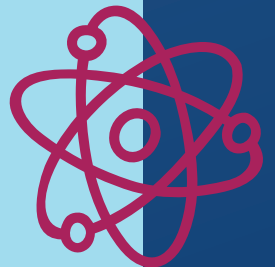
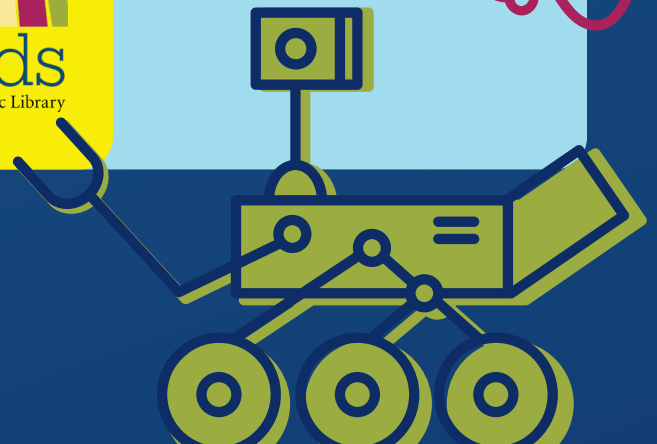
Moonwalking in the Milky Way

BEST FOR AGES 4-11

WITH THEIR FAMILIES

Tuesday, November 5,
10:15-11:45 a.m. or 2:30-4 p.m.

Celebrate outer space and the night sky with fun space-themed crafts, learning about and creating our own star stories, astronaut-in-training activities, and more. (NR)



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, November 11,
December 9, 5 p.m.

Main Library

Fridays, November 15,
December 20, 5 p.m.



Teen Book Café

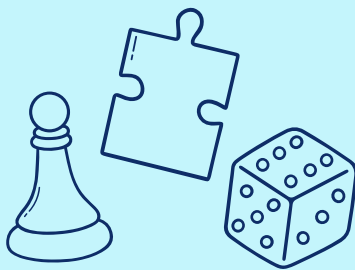
Fridays, November 8,
December 13, 4:30 p.m.

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

Brave Space LGBTQ+ Teen Hangout

Tuesdays, November 12,
December 10, 4 p.m.

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



Jigsaw Puzzle Competition

FOR TEENS AND ADULTS

Monday, November 11, 6:30 p.m.

Puzzle solo or gather a team of up to four people and put your jigsaw puzzle skills to the test for a puzzling good time! (R)

Teen Game Night: Giant Games

Wednesday, November 13,
4:30 p.m.

Celebrate International Games Month! Bring your friends and join us as we play oversized versions of our favorite games like Jenga and Uno! (R)



CheckMates Meetup

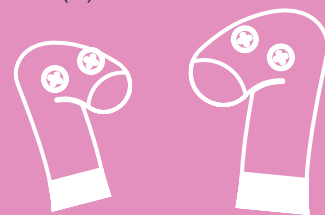
BEST FOR AGES 7-17

Saturday, November 23,
2-3:30 p.m.

Join other chess fans for a mini lesson and guided instruction to sharpen your skills at 2 p.m., or just stop by for a match at 2:30 p.m.! (NR)

Craft Programs

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



Sock Owls

Wednesday, November 20,
4:30 p.m.



Incredible Giftables

Wednesday, December 18,
4:30 p.m.



Drop-In VR Experience: Holiday Break Edition

Thursday, December 19,
5:30-7:30 p.m.

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



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The library is here to help you prepare for all your festive fun!



HOSTING

Enhance your décor by using one of our punch boards to create decorative paper banners, cupcake wraps, and treat pouches. Bring out the festive and fun when you break out the library's circulating karaoke system, limbo game, indoor curling set, or themed board game at your holiday gathering.

COOKING

Come by the library to peruse the many holiday cookbooks on our shelves or visit AtoZ Food America or New York Times Cooking — both accessible online with your MPPL card — to find thousands of recipes to help you compile your holiday menus. Planning to bake? Borrow one of our unique, holiday-themed cake pans from our Library of Things collection.

GIFTS

Looking to make a special gift? Take advantage of the library's subscription to Creativebug, a web resource featuring thousands of art and craft videos to help you make the perfect, personalized gift. Add on the finishing touch with a handmade gift bag, gift box, or tag created by our punch boards found in our Library of Things.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

From sugar cookie decorating to seasonal song performances, the library has something for you. Find our programs for November and December in this newsletter or visit mppl.org/events for more information about all we have to offer.



Adult Events

Channel Your Calm: Zentangle Doodles

Monday, November 4, 7 p.m.
Learn about and try out the repetitive and meditative line art of Zentangle, a method of drawing known for its calming effects. (R)



The Cutting Edge Tech Series Presents: Pharmacy Tech

Wednesday, November 6, 6 p.m.
Join veteran pharmacist Andrey Shlyakt, Pharm. D., as he plumbs the depths of oncological pharmaceuticals and other medicinal marvels, transforming healthcare and driving innovation in the present and near future. (V) (R)

True Crime: Financial Fraud

Wednesday, November 6, 7 p.m.
Detective John Napoleon of the Mount Prospect Police Department will review real case examples of common financial scams, offer tips on how to keep your finances safe, and discuss what to do if you are the victim of a financial crime. (R)

Career Coaching Appointment | Cita de orientación profesional

Thursdays, November 7, 14,
December 5, 19, 6 p.m. or 7:15 p.m.
Jumpstart your job search with a virtual one-hour session with an experienced career coach to discuss résumé updates, applying for jobs online, and interview preparation.

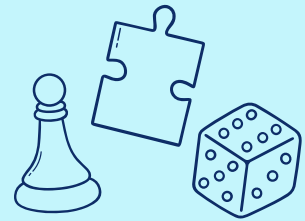
Inicie su búsqueda de empleo con una sesión virtual de una hora con un entrenador profesional experimentado para analizar las actualizaciones del currículum, la solicitud de empleo en línea, y la marca personal y la preparación de entrevistas. (V) (R)

Mount Prospect Stories: Helping on the Homefront

Thursday, November 7, 7 p.m.
When Mount Prospect's soldiers came home after World War I, local auxiliaries answered the call to welcome them home and foster a sense of community. Emily Dattilo, director of the Mount Prospect Historical Society, will discuss ways in which the local Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Auxiliary and American Legion Auxiliary supported members of the military. (V) (R)

Drop-In Crochet and Knit Group

Thursdays, November 7,
December 5, 7 p.m.
Bring your latest knit or crochet projects and share your enthusiasm with other needlecrafters. (NR)



Puzzle Swap

Monday, November 11

Bring a puzzle, take a puzzle! Bring in puzzles you've completed before to exchange for some new designs, while supplies last. (NR)

Jigsaw Puzzle Competition

Monday, November 11, 6:30 p.m.

Puzzle solo or gather a team of up to four people and put your jigsaw puzzle skills to the test for a puzzling good time! (R)

Night Off? Game On! Board Game Swap

Tuesday, November 12, 7 p.m.

Swap your gently-used board games with other gaming enthusiasts! We'll also make some simple games available for play at the event. (R)

Cutting the Cord: Getting the Most out of Streaming Services

Tuesday, November 12, 6 p.m.

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

Adult Mario Kart Tournament

FOR AGES 18+

Wednesday, November 13,
6:30 p.m.

Come race to first place in this Mario Kart 8 Deluxe tournament. (R)

Movies at MPPL *All movies are shown with closed captioning.*



Afternoon Movies



Horizon: An American Saga - Chapter 1

2024; R; 181 MINUTES
Thursday, November 14, 2 p.m.
Chronicles a multi-faceted, 15-year span of pre-and post-Civil War expansion and settlement of the American west. (R)



Argylle

2024, PG-13; 139 MINUTES
Thursday, December 12, 2 p.m.
A reclusive author who writes espionage novels about a secret agent and a global spy syndicate realizes the plot of the new book she's writing starts to mirror real-world events in real time. (R)



Morning Movies



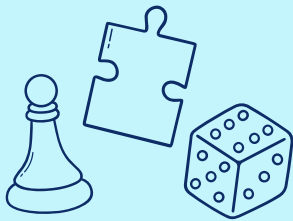
Let Him Go

2020; R; 113 MINUTES
Tuesday, November 26, 10 a.m.
A retired sheriff and his wife, grieving over the death of their son, set out to find their only grandson.



Stand Up Guys

2012, R; 95 MINUTES
Tuesday, December 31, 10 a.m.
A pair of aging stickup men try to get the old gang back together for one last hurrah before one of the guys takes his last assignment — to kill his comrade.



The Untold Story Behind Mahjong

Thursday, November 14, 7 p.m.

Learn about the history and cultural significance of the ancient game of mahjong with Yvonne Wolf of Chinese Intercultural, LLC. (R)



The Shakespeare Project of Chicago: *Measure for Measure*

Tuesday, November 19, 7 p.m.
The library welcomes back The Shakespeare Project of Chicago with a performance of William Shakespeare's *Measure for Measure* directed by Erin Sloan. *Sponsored by the Library Foundation.* (R)

SCORE Business Mentoring

Wednesdays, November 20, December 18, 5 p.m., 6 p.m., or 7 p.m.

Local entrepreneurs and small businesses can get one-on-one support by meeting with an experienced mentor from SCORE North Cook and Lake Counties. (R)

Beyond Ancestry Library Edition: Researching Unique Genealogy Online Resources

Wednesday, November 20, 7 p.m.
Ancestry.com gets a lot of attention from genealogists but it is not the only helpful resource available. Explore the online genealogical resources Find My Past, Fold3, and Family Search. (R)

National Novel Writing Month

Say That Again: Writing Dialogue

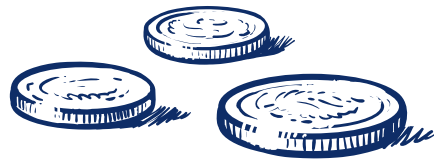
Thursday, November 21, 7 p.m.

Aspiring writers will learn the art and craft of creating more complex and dynamic dialogue with DePaul University creative writing professor Rebecca Johns. (R)

How to Perfect Your Query Letter

Thursday, December 5, 7 p.m.

Audrey Wilson, award-winning, traditionally published author of *Wrong Girl Gone*, *Only Human*, and *Landing Like Rain*, will provide writers with the tools needed to successfully pitch and publish a manuscript. (R)



Coin Collecting Appraisals

Monday, December 2, 2-7 p.m.

Lifelong coin collector Dave Ekstrom will meet with you privately in 15-minute appointments to appraise your old coins. (R)

Mindful Chair Yoga

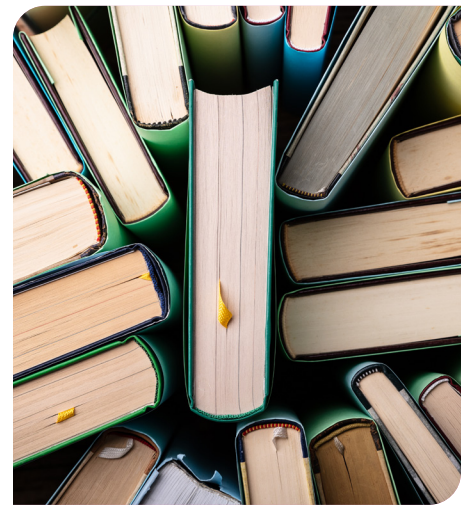
Tuesday, December 3, 11 a.m.

Join us for a gentle seated yoga practice incorporating breath awareness, meditation, and aromatherapy. *This program is presented in partnership with Mather, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to enhancing the lives of adults ages 55 and older.* (R)

Incredible Giftables for Adults

Monday, December 9, 7 p.m.

Make a giftable craft for a friend, family member, or even for yourself (We'll never tell!). (R)



Best Books of 2024

Wednesday, December 11, 7 p.m.

It's every reader's favorite time of year! Join us as our expert panel unveils the best books of 2024. *This program is presented in partnership with the Arlington Heights Memorial Library.* (V) (R)

Songs of the Season ... With a Twist!

Thursday, December 19, 7 p.m.

Award-winning vocalist Maureen Christine and her talented team of musicians brighten the holidays with memorable musical cheer! *Sponsored by the Library Foundation.* (R)

Be an  Informed Voter

Use our web resources to find election coverage and endorsements from national and local newspapers including:

- Chicago Tribune
- Daily Herald
- The New York Times
- The Wall Street Journal
- The Washington Post

Scan the QR code for our online Voter Resources Guide where you'll find additional resources for researching candidates and fact-checking news stories.



Technology

Drop-In Tech Training

Tuesdays, November 19,
December 10, 2-4 p.m.

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



Drop-In VR Experience: Holiday Break Edition

FOR AGES 12+

Thursday, December 19,
5:30-7:30 p.m.

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

Book Discussions

Wednesday Morning Book Group (NR)

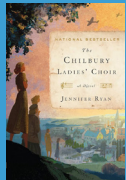


Wednesday,
November 6, 11 a.m.
The Bandit Queens
by Parini Shroff

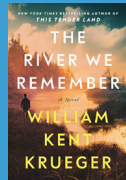


Wednesday,
December 4, 11 a.m.
Maame
by Jessica George

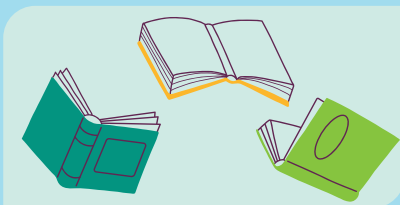
Book Chat (NR)



Monday,
November 11, 7 p.m.
The Chilbury Ladies' Choir
by Jennifer Ryan



Monday,
December 9, 7 p.m.
The River We Remember
by William Kent Krueger



Let's Talk Books

Fridays, November 22,
December 20, 1 p.m.

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

Registration required (R) No registration required (NR) Virtual program (V)

Homebound Delivery Services

Can't make it to the library? Let the library come to you!

Each month library volunteers deliver close to 100 books to homebound patrons — Mount Prospect residents who are physically unable to come to the library due to age, illness, or disability.

Library staff reach out to homebound delivery patrons monthly to customize materials that are then delivered by dedicated volunteers, bringing the library right to patrons' doorsteps!



If you or someone you know may be a good candidate for homebound delivery services, contact the homebound coordinator at 847-590-4078, email homebound@mppl.org, or scan the QR Code.





Illinois Libraries Present

Illinois Libraries Present (ILP), a statewide collaboration among public libraries, connects communities and audiences by offering premier online events for member libraries and their patrons. ILP is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).



Holiday Tips and Tricks With Chef Art Smith

Wednesday, November 20, 7 p.m.

Join two-time James Beard Foundation award-winning chef Art Smith to learn about his culinary journey and bring some culinary inspiration to your holiday season. Smith began his career at the Florida Culinary Institute and honed his skills working with top chefs in France before serving as Oprah Winfrey's personal chef and then opening his first critically-acclaimed restaurant, Table Fifty-Two.

Smith will be joined in conversation by Monica Eng, award-winning Chicago journalist and co-host of food podcast "Chewing" with Louisa Chu. (V) (R)



The Magic of Raina Telgemeier

Tuesday, December 10, 7 p.m.

Raina Telgemeier is the author and illustrator of the graphic novels *Smile*, *Drama*, *Sisters*, *Ghosts*, and *Guts*, all No. 1 New York Times bestsellers. She also adapted and illustrated four graphic novel versions of Ann M. Martin's *Baby-Sitters Club* series and has contributed short stories to many anthologies. Raina's accolades include six Eisner Awards, a Boston Globe-Horn Book Honor, a Stonewall Honor, and many best-of and notables lists. (V) (R)



Experience *Little Women: The Musical* (2022)

Friday, December 20, Saturday, December 21, Sunday, December 22

Enjoy from home a recording of this acclaimed production of *Little Women: The Musical*, an adaptation of Louisa May Alcott's classic story of four sisters growing up in 19th-century Massachusetts. Filmed at London's Park Theatre, *Little Women: The Musical* tells the beloved tale of family, self-discovery, and hope. The story follows the lives of the four March sisters — Jo, Meg, Beth, and Amy — during the Civil War era, highlighting their journey from childhood to womanhood and exploring their dreams, challenges, and relationships. (V) (R)

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South Branch Events

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Teen Volunteering

Check out volunteer opportunities on page 8.

Fall Bingo | Bingo de otoño

FOR FAMILIES

Friday, November 1, 6 p.m.

Join us for a fun, seasonal-themed bingo session! (R)



Seasonal One-Pot Meals With Chef Susan Maddox

BEST FOR AGES 8-12
WITH THEIR FAMILIES

Monday, November 4, 5 p.m.

Using seasonal ingredients, chef Susan Maddox will demonstrate how to make delicious one-pot meals that you can recreate at home to impress your family. A tasting will be included. (R)

Play and Learn | Jugar y aprender

BEST 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)

Build and Watch |

Ver y construir

FOR FAMILIES

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



Encanto

2021; G;
102 MINUTES

Friday, November 15,
5 p.m.



Frozen

2013; PG;
102 MINUTES

Friday, December 27,
5 p.m.



Family Photos | Fotos familiares

FOR FAMILIES

Friday, November 22, 4 p.m.

Have a fun family photoshoot at South Branch! We will take the photos and send you the digital file. (R)

Cricut Design Space for

Beginners | Cricut Design Space para principiantes

FOR TEENS AND ADULTS

Wednesday, December 11, 4 p.m.

Explore Cricut Design Space and learn how to use a Cricut cutting machine. Pick a design, get it cut with the Cricut machine, and iron it on to a canvas bag. (R)



Sugar Cookie Decorating |

Decoración de galletas de azúcar
FOR FAMILIES

Friday, December 13, 5:30 p.m.

Decorate and eat some sweet sugar cookies. (R)

Winter Bingo | Bingo de invierno

FOR FAMILIES

Wednesday, December 18, 6 p.m.

Play bingo alongside friends and family for a chance to win fun prizes. (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.



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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 Holiday Book Sale

Saturday, November 16, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Just in time for the holidays! Discover the perfect gifts for the adults, teens, and children on your list with our specially curated selection. Browse through a wide variety of high-quality, multi-genre used books, music, movies, games, and more.

All proceeds help the Friends of the Library support additional programs, events, and services.



Foundation Volunteer Opportunity

The Foundation is seeking a volunteer treasurer. This role requires just a few hours a month and helps us continue our mission of providing funding for cultural and educational programming, which enhances the library's already incredible calendar of events. Some knowledge of QuickBooks and general accounting is required. Be a part of the team that supports both our library and community. For more information about the Foundation, check out mppplfoundation.org.



The library will be closed on
Wednesday, November 27 at 5 p.m.
Thursday, November 28 — Thanksgiving
Tuesday, December 24 — Christmas Eve
Wednesday, December 25 — Christmas Day
Tuesday, December 31 at 5 p.m.
Wednesday, January 1 — New Year's Day