

# LIBRARY Line

Winter/Spring

2025

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TOWN AND COUNTRY  
PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT



## PROGRAM REGISTRATION & PAYMENT INFORMATION

**Registration for programs opens on December 16.**

- **In-person registration begins at 9:00 a.m.**
- **Online and phone registration begin at 10:00 a.m.**

For details, payment options, and registration, visit [www.tcpld.org](http://www.tcpld.org) or call (630) 365-2244.

Programs marked with ® require preregistration, and those marked with \$ include a participation fee. For more information, see our online calendar.

## VIRTUAL PROGRAM GUIDE

A full virtual version of this program guide is available online. Use the QR or visit our website to view. Registration pages can easily be found by clicking on the desired program in the virtual guide.



## LIBRARY CLOSINGS

The Town & Country Public Library will be closed on the following days:

December 24 & 25, 2024

December 31, 2024

January 1, 2025

February 21, 2025

April 20, 2025

May 26, 2025

Christmas Eve & Day

New Year's Eve

New Year's Day

Staff In-Service Day

Easter

Memorial Day

Our 2024 Fall Program Cover Art Contest winner, Hannah Rhodes, is shown here with her winning entry. We want to thank everyone for the wonderful entries and congratulate Hannah on her winning piece.





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### LIBRARY HOURS

Sunday 1:00–5:00 p.m.  
Monday–Thursday 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  
Friday & Saturday 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.





## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY UPDATE

Our most recent donation comes from our ongoing Book Nook proceeds of books located in the Library lobby display and cart adjacent to the coffee bar. The FOL donations have made it possible for the Library to install Wi-Fi printing - now available to all patrons. The FOL donations include sponsoring events at the annual Elburn Christmas Stroll on December 7 as well as the Outreach and Youth Xmas programs.

The FOL plan on their annual Mother's Day Weekend Flower and Plant Sale, and Spring Garden Raffle, Friday, May 9, 9:00-3:00 PM and Saturday, May 10, 9:00 -11:00 AM. This has been a very successful popular fundraiser selling over 100 dozen hardy locally grown annuals, hanging baskets and more. All proceeds continue to benefit our library. Online ordering is expected to start mid-April. The FOL website: [www.elburnfriends.org](http://www.elburnfriends.org) is maintained by Robert W. Harford.



The Friends of the Library (FOL) President, Joan Hansen, presents a check for \$4,000 to the Library Board of Trustees at their September 9, 2024 meeting. L-R: Kelly Gagne, Brandi Krall, Dave Burroughs (President), Joan Hansen, Megan Shumaker, (Library Director), Mary Cherry, Christine Porter, and Matt Timko.

### Friends of the Library Coffee Bar

Saturday, January 11, 10:30 a.m.  
Saturday, February 8, 10:30 a.m.  
Saturday, March 8, 10:30 a.m.  
Saturday, April 12, 10:30 a.m.

Stop by the coffee bar to enjoy coffee, light refreshments, and an opportunity to meet new and old "Friends."

### Mother's Day Flower and Plant Sale

Friday, May 9, 9:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
Saturday, May 10, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.  
Online pre-orders begin in Mid-April. Visit the Friends of Library website for more details: [www.elburnfriends.org](http://www.elburnfriends.org)

## Arts & Crafts Programs

### **Crafterwork** ®

Unwind after work with our Crafterwork programs! Join us at the Library for creative projects, relaxing vibes, and hands-on fun. All skill levels welcome!

**Tuesday, February 4, 5:30 p.m.**

Valentine's String Heart Art

**Tuesday, April 29, 5:30 p.m.**

Birdhouse Painting

Ages: Adult

### **Drop-in Craft:** ®

#### **Tulip Wreath**

Friday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.

Drop in anytime between 10:00am-noon to create your very own springtime wreath using a wire frame and silk tulips! Materials are limited. Registration is encouraged.

This program is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Ages: Adult

### **Family Crafternoon:** ®

#### **Perler Bead Snowflakes**

Friday, January 3, 2:00 p.m.

Let it snow! Make a Perler bead snowflake and create your own winter wonderland with these melty bead designs! Make more than one and feel free to change the colors so that each one is unique!

**Caregivers are required to stay and help.**

Ages: 3+

### **Spring** ®

#### **Window Decorating**

Tuesday, April 1, 1:00 p.m.

Help us decorate for spring by painting the Library windows. We provide the paint and brushes. You provide the creativity! We will also meet on Wednesday, April 2 from 1-3 pm if more time is needed.

Ages: 10 - 17

### **Annual** ®

#### **Container Garden**

Wednesday, May 14, 5:00 p.m.

Or

Wednesday, May 14, 7:00 p.m.

Join Peggy Garvin of Garvin Gardens for her popular floral arranging class. The project will be an annual container garden! Participants will need to provide their own scissors/shears.

\*Registration opens on 4/14/25

Must be a TCPLD cardholder to register.

Ages: Adult

### **Knit and** ®

#### **Crochet Circle**

Tuesday, January 28, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 25, 6:30 p.m.

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

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

Tuesday, May 27, 6:30 p.m.

Do you like to knit or crochet? All skill levels are welcome to attend. Just bring your current project!

**Please note, this is a social group and is not instructional.**

Ages: Adult

## Arts &amp; Crafts Programs

**Adventures in Art** ®

Have fun exploring and creating simple seasonal & holiday art projects!

**Tuesday, January 21, 1:00 p.m.**  
Coco Mugs

**Tuesday, February 18, 1:00 p.m.**  
Fluffy Polar Bears

**Tuesday, March 18, 1:00 p.m.**  
Bubble Wrap Rainbow

**Tuesday, April 15, 1:00 p.m.**  
Painted Newspaper Cats/Dogs

Ages: 3 - 5

**Afterschool Art** ®

Explore your creative side each month with an exciting new seasonal art adventure!

**Thursday, January 23, 4:30 p.m.**  
Mixed Media Mugs

**Thursday, February 20, 4:30 p.m.**  
Arctic Landscapes

**Thursday, March 20, 4:30 p.m.**  
Onomatopoeia Pop Art

**Thursday, April 17, 4:30 p.m.**  
Painted Newspaper Cats/Dogs

Ages: 6 - 9

**Crafternoon** ®

Bring your friends and get creative with our exciting craft projects.

**Thursday, January 9, 4:30 p.m.**  
Hand-Stitched Fleece Mittens or Tube Hat

**Wednesday, February 5, 4:30 p.m.**  
Heart Garland

**Wednesday, March 5, 4:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, March 6, 4:30 p.m.**  
Special 2 day class: Clay Lamb

**Thursday, April 3, 2:30 p.m.**  
Recycled Bottle Fairy Houses

Ages: 7 - 14

**Valentine's Paint & Hot Cocoa Sip** ®

Saturday, February 8, 1:30 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon of Valentine's-themed painting with Libby Henderson as we warm up with some hot cocoa!  
Dress for mess!

Ages: Teens & Adults

**Tween/Teen Art Scene** ®

Indulge your creativity and nurture your inner artist! Enjoy hanging out with your friends, while trying out different artists' techniques!

**Wednesday, January 22, 4:30 p.m.**  
Multimedia Mugs

**Wednesday, February 19, 4:30 p.m.**  
Ted Harrison inspired Arctic Landscape

**Wednesday, March 19, 4:30 p.m.**  
Roy Lichtenstein Onomatopoeia Pop Art

**Wednesday, April 16, 4:30 p.m.**  
Laurel Burch inspired Cat (or Dog)

Ages: 10-17

**Mini** ®**Masterpieces**

Saturday, February 1, 10:00 a.m.  
Saturday, April 5, 10:00 a.m.

Create a one-of-a-kind handprint or footprint keepsake to keep for yourself or give as a present.

Ages: 0-3

## Entertainment Programs

### Illinois Libraries Presents <sup>®</sup>

**Thursday, January 9, 7:00 p.m.**

Chicago Pizza with Steve Dolinsky

**Thursday, January 23, 7:00 p.m.**

Love and Laughs with Michelle Buteau

**Tuesday, February 4, 7:00 p.m.**

James McBride

**Wednesday, February 19, 7:00 p.m.**

Amy Tan

**Tuesday, March 4, 7:00 p.m.**

Exploring Space with Coralie Adam

**Thursday, April 10, 7:00 p.m.**

Foraging with Alexis Nikole Nelson

**Tuesday, May 13, 7:00 p.m.**

Discussion with Matthew Desmond

Ages: Adult

### Scrabble Club <sup>®</sup>

Tuesday, January 21, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, February 18, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, March 18, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, April 15, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, May 20, 10:00 a.m.

Expand your lexicon while making new library friends! Coffee provided.

Ages: Adult

### Film Club <sup>®</sup>

Select Fridays, 6:00 p.m.

Enjoy a movie night with friends as Film Studies instructor Joshua Casburn helps us to experience movies in a new way.

Ages: Adult

### Sherlock: <sup>®</sup>

#### The True Story

Thursday, May 29, 7:00 p.m.

Learn the true story of Sherlock Holmes in this program presented by John Gowing. He'll explore all the myths, legends and truths of the intrepid detective.

Ages: Adult

### Library Bunco <sup>®</sup>

Thursday, April 10, 6:30 p.m.

Join us for a fun dice game with library friends! A \$25 gift card will go to the participant with the most Buncos!

Beginners welcome!

Snacks provided.

Ages: Adult

### Trivia Night <sup>®</sup>

Thursday, February 20, 7:00 p.m.

Are you a trivia buff? Show off your skills at the Library! Join us for an engaging evening of competition and friendly rivalry. Snacks will be served. Gift cards will go to the biggest know-it-alls. Come on your own or as a team.

Ages: Adult

ENTERTAINMENT

## Health & Home Programs

### Hatha Yoga <sup>®</sup> \$

Mondays, 9:30 a.m.

Winter Session

January 20 - March 10

**\$40<sup>00</sup> for 8 classes**

Spring Session

March 31 - May 19

**\$40<sup>00</sup> for 8 classes**

Grab your yoga mat and towel, put on comfy clothes, and get ready for a relaxing hour of yoga with Lynn Meredith.

**Ages: Adult**

**Registration opens on December 9 for TCPLD Library card holders.**

### Chair Yoga <sup>®</sup> \$

Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.

Winter Session

January 23 - March 13

**\$40<sup>00</sup> for 8 classes**

Spring Session

April 3 - May 22

**\$40<sup>00</sup> for 8 classes**

Experience chair-assisted yoga with Lynn Meredith—gentle, non-strenuous exercises offering yoga benefits without the floor.

**Ages: Adult**

**Registration opens on December 9 for TCPLD Library card holders.**

### Family Yoga Series <sup>®</sup>

Wednesday, January 15, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 19, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 19, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 16, 6:30 p.m.

Join us for family yoga where we will focus on our breath, move through yoga postures and creative movement, experience relaxation through meditation and creative expression, all while connecting deeper and having fun!

**Ages: 5 - 12 and their families**

### Sound Bath Meditation <sup>®</sup>

Saturday, April 5, 2:00 p.m.

Sound bath meditation is a form of meditation which uses ambient sounds and vibrations from crystal singing bowls, Tibetan singing bowls, Tingsha Bells, and other instruments to create a sense of calm, peace, and relaxation, promoting good health, and balanced energy.

**Ages: Adult**

### Discover with Me <sup>®</sup> Dance Series

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

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

Wednesday, March 19, 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 26, 9:30 a.m.

Through exploration, and gross motor development exercises, children will blossom with each passing class, as they grow with their caregiver during this precious time together.

**Ages: walking - 3**

### Discover Dance Series <sup>®</sup>

Wednesday, March 5, 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday, March 12, 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday, March 19, 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday, March 26, 10:15 a.m.

Watch your child's independence and confidence soar, as we explore the benefits of a more structured dance class with Discover Dance. Following directions, waiting for our turn, and collectively problem solving will encourage emotional and social development.

**Ages: 3-5**



## Health & Home Programs

### **Garden Club** ®

Join our new Garden Club to grow your gardening know-how! We meet monthly on the third Monday, covering seasonal topics like starting seeds indoors, composting, and wildflower gardening. Learn from experts, share tips, and swap seeds, plants, and harvests with fellow garden enthusiasts. Join us to grow your skills and passion for gardening!

**Monday, February 17, 7:00 p.m.**  
Successfully Start Your Seeds

**Monday, March 17, 7:00 p.m.**  
Wild and Wonderful Early Bloomers

**Monday, April 21, 7:00 p.m.**  
Earth-Friendly Gardens

**Monday, May 19, 7:00 p.m.**  
Backyard Composting and Seed Swap

Ages: Adult

### **Medicare Basics** ®

Tuesday, February 11, 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, April 9, 6:00 p.m.

Anyone turning 65 or approaching retirement is welcome to attend this informative seminar on Medicare.

Ages: Adults

### **Earth Day!**

#### **Decarbonizing Your Home**

Tuesday, April 22, 6:00 p.m.

Join the Citizens Utility Board (CUB) for an insightful presentation on decarbonizing your home! Learn practical ways to increase energy efficiency, reduce costs, and make environmentally-friendly choices—whether you're a renter or homeowner.

CUB experts will cover building decarbonization, the advantages of electrification, and new tax credits and rebates for energy-saving upgrades. Discover the benefits of heat pumps, induction stoves, and other technologies, along with free programs that help save energy and money. Get empowered to make sustainable changes that benefit both your budget and the planet!

Ages: Adult

### **Memory Café** ®

Friday, March 7, 10:00 a.m.  
Friday, April 4, 10:00 a.m.  
Friday, May 2, 10:00 a.m.

The Memory Cafe is a social gathering designed to support those experiencing memory loss and a care partner. The mission of the program is to allow attendees to connect, socialize and build networks.

Ages: Adult

HEALTH & HOME

History & Genealogy Programs

**Genealogy Seekers** <sup>®</sup>

Join Genealogy Seekers to uncover ancestor stories, organize records, and learn to care for keepsakes!

**Thursday, February 13, 7:00 p.m.**

The National Road: America's First Highway

**Thursday, March 13, 7:00 p.m.**

Pathway to Spicy Stories: An Overview of Court Records

**Thursday, April 3, 7:00 p.m.**

Caring for Keepsakes

**Thursday, May 15, 7:00 p.m.**

Where Did I Put Great-Grandpa?

Ages: Adult

**KCGS** <sup>®</sup>

Join the Kane County Genealogical Society each month for a special presentation.

**Thursday, January 23, 7:00 p.m.**

Comparing DNA Ethnicity Estimates

**Thursday, February 27, 7:00 p.m.**

The Hunter of Tallulah - The Truth and Legend of an Indian War Ancestor with Debra Dudek

**Thursday, March 27, 7:00 p.m.**

at Batavia Public Library

The Underground Railroad in Kane County

**Thursday, April 24, 7:00 p.m.**

Researching in Family Search Centers

**Thursday, May 22, 7:00 p.m.**

AI & Genealogy: The Evolving Role of Artificial Intelligence in Genealogy

Ages: Adult

**Family History Study Hall**

Wednesday, January 15, 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 19, 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 19, 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 16, 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 21, 2:30 p.m.

Gather, research, and share genealogy resources with fellow enthusiasts!

Ages: Adult

**Family History Writers**

Wednesday, February 5, 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5, 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 2, 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 7, 2:30 p.m.

Family History Writers is a monthly group for those interested in writing down and sharing their family stories.

Ages: Adults

**Winter Afternoon at the Durant-Peterson House and Sholes School** <sup>®</sup>

Wednesday, January 29, 2:30 p.m.

**HELD OFF-SITE**

Step back in time and experience winter in an 1843 prairie farmhouse, where Bryant and Jerusha Durant raised six children. Guides will share stories from young Abba Durant's diary, bringing the family's daily life to light as you enjoy a cozy fire and sample historical foods. Then, visit the 1872 Sholes School, a one-room schoolhouse, to see what a school day was like for prairie children.

Dress warmly for this immersive historical journey!

Ages: Adult

## Learning & Discovery Programs

### **Chicago's Lost Restaurants** ®

Tuesday, January 14, 7:00 p.m.

Join award-winning author Greg Borzo as he dishes out stories of Chicago's most beloved bygone restaurants! From sizzling steakhouses to iconic delis, this illustrated talk will stir memories of the Windy City's unique dining history. Relive the places that launched trends and served stars.

Don't miss this flavorful journey!

Ages: Adult

### **Sushi Made Easy** ®

Tuesday, March 11, 6:30 p.m.

In this in-person sushi demo class, you'll learn two types of maki rolls: salmon roll and California roll. The ingredients are cooked rice, nori (seaweed wrapper), smoked salmon, cucumber, avocado, carrots, imitation crabmeat, sesame seeds, and spicy mayo. This class aims to be fun and informative for all levels of sushi enthusiasts!

Ages: Adult

### **Tween/Teen Scene: Creative Writing Workshop** ®

Tuesday, January 14, 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 11, 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 11, 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 8, 7:00 p.m.

Encourage your creativity! Join fellow young writers to build, develop, and share stories, poems, or graphic novels in this fun, interactive class. Ideal for those who love writing and creating.

Ages: 10 - 14

### **Chess Scholars Series** ®

Thursday, February 13, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 13, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 10, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 8, 4:30 p.m.

Boost your child's brainpower with chess!

This fun, interactive class strengthens focus, creativity, and social skills, benefiting academic success. All levels welcome to learn with an expert Chess Scholars coach.

Ages: 8 - 14

### **Job Search Like a Pro: Resumes** ®

Tuesday, March 4, 7:00 p.m.

All attendees will receive individualized resume reviews. Learn keyword optimization, highlight your unique value, and we'll cover special topics like career changes, recent grads, and return-to-work strategies.

Ages: Adult

### **Lego Brick Build-A-Long** ®

Wednesday, April 2, 1:00 p.m.

Watch "The LEGO Movie," rated PG, as you build with LEGO bricks to create your own master builder masterpiece. Popcorn and water provided. And don't forget to join us for:

**Lego Days**

**(Drop-in)**

Friday, April 25, 10:00 a.m.

Ages: Everyone

LEARNING & DISCOVERY

## Learning &amp; Discovery Programs

**A Celebration of Women's®  
History Month: Women of  
Natural History**

Thursday, March 6, 7:00 p.m.

Journey through the lives of remarkable women in natural history. Join Kim White as she highlights the achievements of often-overlooked women whose passion and curiosity shaped our understanding of the natural world.

Ages: Adult

**Birding at Johnson's®  
Mound Forest Preserve**

Saturday, May 3, 10:00 a.m.

HELD OFF-SITE

Join an expert birder for a spring migration walk at Johnson's Mound! Spot resident and migrating birds, learn about their journeys, and ask your birding questions. Participants should be prepared to stand and walk for extended periods.

Ages: Adult

**Brown Bag It®  
Lunch and Learn!**

Join us for this exciting series brought to life through captivating stories and rare footage—bring your lunch; desserts provided!

Monday, February 24, 12:00 p.m.

A Tough Act to Follow,  
The History of Vaudeville

Monday, April 28, 12:00 p.m.

Uncovering Ancient Egypt

Ages: Adult

**Master Gardeners**

Explore nature with the Illinois Master Gardeners! Learn about worm anatomy and composting, then discover butterflies through hands-on activities in this fun, educational program for kids!

Wednesday, May 7, 5:00 p.m.

Herman the Worm

Wednesday, May 28, 5:00 p.m.

Butterfly Gardens

Ages: 5 - 9

**Entomology Program:  
Metamorphosis**

Friday, March 28, 10:30 a.m.

Discover the amazing world of insect metamorphosis! See how insects grow and change, from silverfish to butterflies. Explore live and preserved specimens and learn about their unique life stages—egg, nymph, and adult!

Ages: 5 -10

**Naturalist Guided Hikes**

HELD OFF-SITE

Join the Forest Preserve District naturalists for these amazing guided hikes! We'll take a winter twilight hike; then, in the spring, we'll search for spring frogs and learn to identify them by song!

Wednesday, January 8, 4:15 p.m.

Winter Twilight Hike

Tuesday, April 8, 4:30 p.m.

Fabulous Frogs

Ages: Everyone

# Learning & Discovery Programs

## Homeschool Days <sup>®</sup>

Engage in STEAM activities, enjoy board games, and get crafty with fellow homeschoolers.

**Wednesday, January 15, 1:00 p.m.**

Puzzle Party and Swap

**Wednesday, February 19, 1:00 p.m.**

Geometric Canvas Art

**Wednesday, March 19, 1:00 p.m.**

Block Party

**Wednesday, April 16, 1:00 p.m.**

Earth Day

Ages: 0 - 18

## Little STEAMers <sup>®</sup>

Join Mrs. Hansen for simple STEAM related activities. Children ages 3-5 years old will learn about Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math in this interactive program

**Tuesday, January 28, 1:00 p.m.**

Me 'n My Shadow

**Tuesday, February 25, 1:00 p.m.**

Snow Much Fun

Ages: 3 - 5

## Homeschool <sup>®</sup> Creative Writing Series

Fridays, 2:00 p.m.

February 7 - April 11

Join us for a medieval writing adventure!

Create knights, dragon trainers, and more in a village of characters. Develop storytelling skills, build a marshmallow catapult, and celebrate with a Flashlight Theater reading party!

Ages: 9 - 12

## STEAM Challenge <sup>®</sup>

Join us for a STEAM Challenge! Enjoy hands-on activities that explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math.

**Thursday, January 30, 4:30 p.m.**

Snowflake Crystal Geometry

**Thursday, February 27, 4:30 p.m.**

Build an Igloo

**Thursday, April 24 4:30 p.m.**

Build a Bird's Nest Challenge

Ages: 6 - 9

## Fire Safety Program <sup>®</sup>

Friday, February 28, 2:00 p.m.

HELD OFF-SITE

Join us at the fire station as we explore and learn about fire safety in a safe, interactive environment. Children will participate in hands on safety activities, crafts, and even the opportunity to dress like a firefighter.

Ages: 5 -9

## Tween/Teen Scene: <sup>®</sup> STEAM Challenge

Dive into an awesome project—planning, designing, and engineering your way through an exciting challenge each class.

**Wednesday, January 29, 4:30 p.m.**

Snowflake Crystals Geometry

**Wednesday, February 26, 4:30 p.m.**

How Do YOU build an igloo?

**Wednesday, April 23, 4:30 p.m.**

Bird Nest Challenge

Ages: 10 - 14

LEARNING & DISCOVERY

# Stories & Readers Programs

## Obscurity Book Club <sup>®</sup> HELD OFF-SITE

Join us at Obscurity Brewing for our monthly book discussion!

Tuesday, January 7, 7:00 p.m.

*The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store*

Tuesday, February 11, 7:00 p.m.

*Where the Past Begins: A Writer's Memoir*

Tuesday, March 18, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 8, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 6, 7:00 p.m.

Book Club's Choice

Ages: Adult

## Noon Book Discussion <sup>®</sup>

Tuesday, January 21, 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 18, 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 18, 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 15, 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 20, 12:00 p.m.

Join the Noon Book Discussion Group for lively discussion about some of today's most popular books.

Ages: Adult

## Tween/Teen Scene: <sup>®</sup>

### Teatime Book Club

Wednesday, January 15, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 12, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 12, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 9, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 14, 4:30 p.m.

Join Mrs. Hansen at the Library for teatime and a story read-aloud. Enjoy a beverage and light snack (allergies? Bring your own).

Check our website for monthly book selection.

Ages: 10-14

## Tea & Tales <sup>®</sup>

Thursday, January 16, 4:30p.m.

Thursday, February 13, 4:30p.m.

Thursday, March 13, 4:30p.m.

Thursday, April 10, 4:30p.m.

Thursday, May 15, 4:30p.m.

Bring your favorite stuffed friend & don't forget to wear your fancy clothes.

We will be serving a beverage & light snack.

Check our website for monthly book selection.

Ages: 6 - 9

## Stories at <sup>®</sup>

### Creek Bend Nature Center

Tuesday, February 4, 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 4, 2:30 p.m.

HELD OFF-SITE

Children are invited to hear stories at the Creek Bend Nature Center at LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve. After the program, explore the Nature Center and walk the trails.

Ages: 0-6

## Yoga <sup>®</sup>

### Storytime Series

Friday, January 10, 9:15 a.m.

Friday, February 14, 9:15 a.m.

Friday, March 14, 9:15 a.m.

Friday, April 11, 9:15 a.m.

Join us for kids' yoga using stories as our theme! Each class will incorporate a story into movements, relaxation and expression.

Ages: 3 - 5 with caregiver

# Stories & Readers Programs

## Character



### Storytime

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.

February 4 - April 22

Read with your favorite character in a highly interactive storytime, followed by a personal visit and photo ops. All ages welcome, costumes encouraged! Character appearance thanks to Parties with Character.

Ages: 0 - 6

## Read & Create



Enjoy a weekend storytime followed by a fun craft activity! Kids will listen to engaging stories and get creative with hands-on projects to bring the story to life.

Sunday, February 9, 2:00 p.m.

Pete the Cat and the Perfect Pizza Party

Ages: 3 - 6

Saturday, March 15, 11:00 a.m.

How to Catch a Leprechaun

Ages: 5 - 7

## Mindfulness Storytime

Friday, January 31, 10:00a.m.

Friday, February 28, 10:00a.m.

Friday, March 28, 10:00a.m.

Friday, April 25, 10:00a.m.

This unique story time session aims to foster emotional intelligence and social skills in young children through carefully selected books that explore feelings, relationships, and self-awareness.

Ages: 3 - 5 with caregiver

## Sensory



### Storytime

Saturday, February 1, 10:30a.m.

Saturday, March 1, 10:30a.m.

Saturday, April 5, 10:30a.m.

Join us for interactive stories, songs, and movement! This small group story time is for all children and all abilities. It is intended to provide extra sensory input during read aloud books and music/movement activities.

Ages: 0 - 6

## Afoot and Lighthearted:



### A Journal of Mindful Walking - Book Study

Monday, January 13, 2:00 p.m.

Monday, February 10, 2:00 p.m.

Monday, March 10, 2:00 p.m.

Start 2025 with a mindful walking book discussion! Using Bonnie Smith Whitehouse's Afoot and Lighthearted, participants will explore mindfulness prompts while walking and journaling on their own. Monthly meetings provide a space to share journal entries, discuss prompts, and support each other's mindfulness journey.

Ages: Adult

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