



Park Ridge Public Library

Fall 2022

Library Card Sign-Up Month
Make Your Reading Habit Stick
Senior Cognitive Health
...and more!



Director's Note & Thank You To Our Donors



"Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall."

*- F. Scott Fitzgerald,
The Great Gatsby*

As we close the books on our 2022 Summer Reading Club, a big **"thank you"** to more than **3,800 adults, kids, and teens**

who participated in this summer's reading program. We enjoyed seeing you at Storytimes, book discussions, in The Studio and outside on the lawn for stories and movies.

Let's keep the momentum as we move into the fall.

For adults, our Reader Services and Reference librarians are happy to help you with a **Book Match**, our always-current **Most Wanted** and **Staff Picks** shelves and any other suggestions you might need to keep reading. We are also excited to launch a new reading program for kids and teens, the **100 Books Before Graduation** challenge, and a **Patch Club** re-boot for emerging and independent readers.



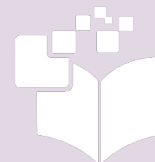
Don't forget to visit us in September as we celebrate **National Library Card Sign-up Month**. Your library card is one of the most important back to school supplies. In October, meet us at the **pumpkin patch** for outdoor story time for kids (October 10) and toddlers (October 17). Lastly, join us in participating in our **first** season of giving opportunity in November. Donate new hats, mittens, and gloves to our Cozy Comforts tree in support of **WINGS**.

I look forward to seeing you in the library, soon.

Warmly,

Joanna Bertucci

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THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

Every year the Park Ridge Public Library is able to enhance the quality of its materials and services, thanks to generous donations. These gifts come from both individuals and organizations and support the positive things that libraries represent.

The Library would like to acknowledge the following donors who made contributions during the stub year, May 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

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Thank You!



MAKE YOUR READING HABIT STICK

A Recipe for Success! Scan QR code below for links to all of these programs.

Do your reading habits fluctuate depending on the time of year? For many people, summer means time off of work, or weekend getaways that bring a little downtime. Extended daylight hours make it easier to sneak in some reading, as well. If you or anyone in your family is reading more, **keep the momentum with some of our newest programs and tried and true services.**



Middle & High School



100 Books Before Graduation

Sign up on Beanstack and pick up your starter kit in the Teen Loft. Get entered to win prizes as you work toward the goal of reading 100 books!

Patch Club for Kids

Track your reading at parkridgelib.beanstack.org.



We Read Together

For readers from birth to 3rd grade, read 25 books with an adult or advanced reader and earn a patch. Pick up a paper log or track your reading on Beanstack.



Reading Adventure

Independent readers can choose a theme, from fiction to mystery to sports, and read 10 books to earn a patch. Pick up a reading log or track your reading on Beanstack.

BOOK MATCH FOR ADULTS

Our librarians can keep you reading what you love with great recommendations! Visit parkridgelibrary.org/book-match-adults/ and fill out a brief form telling us what authors and genres are your favorites.



BOOK MATCH



Book Clubs for Adults

Has your book club strayed over the summer? Reboot with help from our librarians and our huge selection of book discussion titles that will get the group talking again! Visit parkridgelibrary.org/book-club-corner to learn more and see what new titles are included in the collection that will allow your members to each have a copy of their own.



THE STUDIO & MEDIA LAB *focus*

Access state-of-the-art equipment for your creative projects in The Studio and Media Lab!

Orientation

Provides an introduction to The Studio equipment, software, and policies and must be completed before booking appointments.

Open to Park Ridge Library cardholders only. Limit 3 per session.

Tuesdays @ 6 p.m. or Thursdays @ 11 a.m.

THE STUDIO CLASSES

All classes are free. Phone, online and in-person registration begins at 9 a.m., 4 weeks before the class. Open to Park Ridge cardholders only.

Decoupage Picture Frame

Use vintage map prints to decorate a wooden picture frame. *Limit 4.*

Wednesday, September 7 | 7 p.m.

Wednesday, September 14 | 2 p.m.

Thursday, September 22 | 2 p.m.

Friday, September 30 | 11 a.m.

Laser Cutter 101: Wooden Luggage Tag

Learn to use the Laser Cutter to cut out a personalized luggage tag. *Limit 3.*

Thursday, September 15 | 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 17 | 2 p.m.

Cricut 101

See a brief demonstration of the Cricut Design Space software and create a simple project on the Cricut Maker, an electronic cutting and drawing machine. *Limit 4.*

Friday, October 7 | 11 a.m.

Wednesday, October 12 | 2 p.m.

Thursday, October 20 | 2 p.m.

Wednesday, October 26 | 7 p.m.

Laser Cutter 101: Wooden Halloween Luminary

Learn to use the laser cutter to cut out a wooden holder for a flameless votive candle. *Limit 3.*

Saturday, October 15 | 2 p.m.

Wednesday, October 19 | 7 p.m.

Gingerbread House Mandala

Create a layered gingerbread house mandala from cardstock with the Cricut machine. *Limit 4.*

Thursday, November 3 | 2 p.m.

Wednesday, November 9 | 2 p.m.

Wednesday, November 16 | 7 p.m.

Friday, November 18 | 11 a.m.

Laser Cutter 101: Engraved Pint Glass

Learn to use the laser cutter to engrave and personalize a pint glass. *Limit 3.*

Thursday, November 10 | 7 p.m.

Saturday, November 12 | 2 p.m.



Orientation

Provides an introduction to the Media Lab equipment, software, and policies and must be completed before booking appointments. *Open to Park Ridge Library cardholders only.*

Wednesdays @ 7 p.m. | Thursdays @ 2 p.m. or Saturdays @ 10 a.m.

MEDIA LAB CLASSES

All classes are free. Phone, online and in-person registration begins at 9 a.m., 4 weeks before the class. Open to Park Ridge cardholders only. Limit 3 per class.

Archiving Photos, Slides and Negatives

Digitize your old photos, slides and negatives.

Thursday, September 1, October 6 or November 3 | 3 – 4 p.m.

Converting Home Videos to Digital

Convert your old VHS home videos to DVD.

Tuesday, September 13, October 11 or November 8 | 7 – 8 p.m.

Digitizing Audio Cassettes and Records

Convert audio cassettes and records to MP3 or CD.

Thursday, September 22, October 20 or November 17 | 3 – 4 p.m.

NEW! Converting 8mm and Super 8 Home Movies to Digital

Digitize your 8mm and Super 8 film.

Tuesday, September 27, October 25 or November 22 | 7 – 8 p.m.

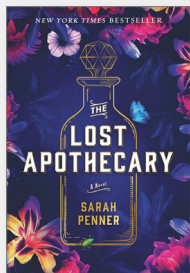
ADULT BOOK DISCUSSIONS AND FILMS

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

These programs will be at the Library in the Third Floor Meeting Room or available live over Zoom. Choose how you would like to join and sign up on our website or by calling 847-720-3280. Books are available at the Reader Services desk two weeks before the discussion. Registration required.

Fiction Group

The Lost Apothecary by Sarah Penner



A female apothecary in 18th-century London secretly dispenses poisons for women seeking liberation from the men who have wronged them.

Tuesday, September 13
7 p.m. | Virtual

Thursday, September 29 | 10 a.m. | In person

Violeta by Isabel Allende

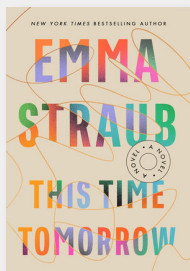


The story of Violeta Del Valle, a woman whose life spans one hundred years and bears witness to the greatest upheavals of the twentieth century.

Tuesday, October 11
7 p.m. | Virtual

Thursday, October 27 | 10 a.m. | In person

This Time Tomorrow by Emma Straub



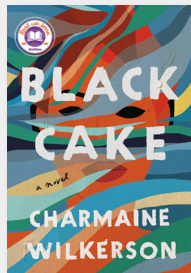
40-year-old Alice is happy enough with her life until she wakes up one morning, 16 again and reunited with her father as a young man.

Tuesday, November 1
7 p.m. | Virtual

Thursday, November 17 | 10 a.m. | In person

Wednesday Evening Group

Black Cake by Charmaine Wilkerson



Two siblings must set aside their differences to deal with their mother's death—a journey that takes them from the Caribbean to California and ends with her famous black cake.

Wednesday, September 21
7 p.m.

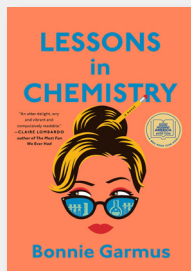
Peach Blossom Spring by Melissa Fu



Settling in America years after his turbulent childhood in China, Renshu, now Henry Dao, refuses to talk to his daughter about her heritage.

Wednesday, October 12
7 p.m.

Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus



Chemist and single mother Elizabeth, the reluctant star of America's beloved 1960s cooking show, uses the opportunity to dare women to change the status quo.

Wednesday, November 16
7 p.m.

Nonfiction Group

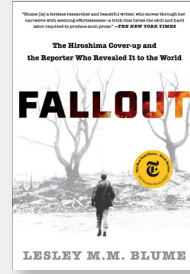
The Kissing Bug by Daisy Hernández



A riveting and nuanced investigation that reveals the intimate history of a marginalized disease and connects us to the lives at the center of it all.

Friday, September 9
10 a.m.

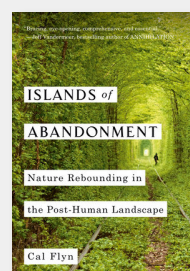
Fallout by Lesley M.M. Blume



An American reporter uncovers a deadly 20th century cover-up—the true effects of the atom bomb—potentially saving millions of lives.

Friday, November 11
10 a.m.

Green Reads



Islands of Abandonment by Cal Flynn

Visits the eeriest and most desolate places on Earth abandoned by humans, where nature has rushed in to fill the void. *In partnership with Go Green Park Ridge.*

Tuesday, October 25 | 7 p.m.

FILMS @ THE LIBRARY

All seating is on a first come, first served basis. Doors open ½ hour before showtime. Seating limited to 90. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Drop-in.



September

Licorice Pizza

[R, 133 min.]

Two teenagers in 1973 San Fernando Valley navigate growing up. Starring Alana Haim and Cooper Hoffman

Tuesday, September 20
1 & 6:30 p.m.



October

Ghostbusters: Afterlife

[PG-13, 124 min.]

A mom and her two kids share a connection to the original Ghostbusters. Starring Paul Rudd and Carrie Coon.

Tuesday, October 18
1 & 6:30 p.m.



November

The Lost City

[PG-13, 112 min.]

A romance writer is kidnapped by a wealthy fanatic. Starring Sandra Bullock and Channing Tatum.

Tuesday, November 22
1 & 6:30 p.m.

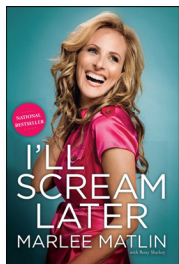


Programs

Adult fall programs will be **virtual**, **hybrid**, or **in-person**. Refer to the registration instructions in each category. *Program schedule is subject to change.*

Virtual Programs

These programs will be held over Zoom. Register online or call 847-720-3280.



Author Talk: Marlee Matlin

In celebration of Deaf Awareness Month, actress Marlee Matlin shares the highs and lows of her career, her journey as an activist and her book *I'll Scream Later*.

Made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration between public libraries.

Wednesday, September 14 | 7 p.m.

Library Pub Quiz

Limit 60.

Tuesday, September 27, October 25 & November 29 | 6:30 p.m.

Hybrid Programs

These programs will be held on-site and live over Zoom. Register online or call 847-720-3280.

Chair Yoga

No experience necessary.

Every Wednesday | 2 p.m.

Concert: Jeffrey Wagner, Piano

Pianist Jeffrey Wagner will treat us to a concert of classical piano music, featuring pieces by Park Ridge native John Alden Carpenter.

Thursday, September 8 | 7 p.m.

Park Ridge Writers Group

Do you want to write or need a creative jump-start to finish a piece? Join the Library's writing group for positive critique and support. *Limit 20.*

IN-PERSON: Wednesday, September 14, October 5 & November 9 | 7 p.m.

VIRTUAL: Wednesday, September 28, October 19 & November 30 | 7 p.m.

Author Talk: Kristine Cichowski

Do you care for someone with dementia? *Living With Dementia Doesn't Mean You Stop Living* author Kris Cichowski helps you enhance quality of life using a Montessori approach.

Thursday, September 22 | 7 p.m.

City Commissions Speakers Panel: Do You Want to Serve?

Interested in serving on a Park Ridge City Commission? Hear from a panel of current Commission members about what their work looks like and how you can join them.

Thursday, September 29 | 7 p.m.

Lost Chicago Department Stores

Historian and author Leslie Goddard, Ph.D., revisits the stores along Chicago's State Street, including Marshall Field's, Sears, Wieboldt's, and Goldblatt's in this illustrated lecture.

Thursday, November 3 | 7 p.m.

Book Club Mixer Featuring Author Mia Manansala

Local book clubs are invited to an author talk with Mia Manansala, author of *Arsenic and Adobo*. Hear about her writing journey, meet other book clubs and get discussion tips and giveaways. *Non-bookclub members welcome.*



Saturday, November 5 | 2 p.m.

AFTERNOON PROGRAMS

Athens to Istanbul: A Journey in Time

Historian Eugene Flynn recounts his journey from Athens and the Greek Islands to Ephesus and Istanbul, touching on the history of ancient and modern sites as well as the people he met.

Tuesday, September 13 | 2 p.m. | Hybrid

Operation Market Garden with Robert Mueller

Veteran and military historian Robert Mueller will detail the daring "Operation Market Garden" mission performed by three Airborne divisions in the Netherlands in September 1944.

Tuesday, October 11 | 2 p.m. | Hybrid

Concert: The Best of Cy Coleman with Petra van Nuis

Jazz singer Petra van Nuis will perform a tribute to singer/composer/pianist Cy Coleman, who wrote hits for Frank Sinatra and Tony Bennett, including "Witchcraft," "The Best is Yet to Come," and "Big Spender."

Tuesday, November 15 | 2 p.m. | Hybrid

In-Person Programs

These programs will be on-site. Register online or call 847-720-3280.

Open Knitting & Crocheting Night

Join the Park Ridge Fiber Artists for an evening of knitting and crocheting advice and lively conversation. *BYO knitting or crocheting project. All levels welcome. Registration not required.*

Thursday, September 1, October 6 & November 3 | 7 p.m.

NEW! Social Seniors: Wits Workout

Boost your cognitive function and memory while reconnecting with your neighbors in this interactive program of brain puzzles and discussion starters. *Sponsored by the 20th Century Club.*

Thursday, October 13 & November 10 | 2 p.m.

Art Workshop: Stenciled Butterfly

Celebrate the end of summer by stenciling and painting a butterfly on canvas with Jennifer Evans of Periwinkle Art Studio. *Limit 20. Sponsored by Marion's Mark.*



Thursday, September 15 | 7 p.m.

Craft Workshop: Fall Quilling

Paper artist Karina Guico welcomes fall with a paper-quilling workshop inspired by autumn leaves. *Limit 20. Sponsored by Marion's Mark.*



Tuesday, October 4 | 7 p.m.

Park Ridge Blood Drive

During a national blood shortage, join your neighbors to help save lives. *Healthy persons age 17 or older may donate, age 16 need a permission slip. In partnership with Versiti Blood Center of Illinois.*

Thursday, October 6 | 12 - 5 p.m.





COFFEE CLUB

Friday Morning Coffee Club

Limit 40.

High Risk High Rise

By going inside these gleaming symbols of prestige, this film explores the science behind the risks of these sky-high buildings.

Friday, September 16 | 10 a.m.

Riveted: The History of Jeans

Worn by everyone from presidents to supermodels, farmers to rock stars, they're more than just a pair of pants, America's tangled past is woven deeply into the indigo fabric.

Friday, October 14 | 10 a.m.

Weapons of the Spirit

Learn of the saga of a French village during the Nazi occupation that provided the most dense, long-lasting and successful haven of refuge from the Holocaust in occupied Europe.

Friday, November 18 | 10 a.m.

TECHNOLOGY & RESOURCES

Drop-In Help Desk

The experts from FireLogic will assist you with your tech questions. *Registration not required.*

Saturday, September 3, October 1 & November 5 | 9 a.m. - Noon | In-Person

DAR Genealogy Assistance

Representatives of the 21st Star Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) answer your genealogy questions. *Drop in, registration not required.*

Thursday, September 15, October 20 & November 17 | 9 a.m. - Noon | In-Person

SCORE Small Business Mentoring Sessions | Virtually or by phone

Mentors from SCORE are available to advise small business owners. Register at northchicago.score.org/find-mentor-726 or email SCORE mentor Larry Zanger at larry.zanger@scorevolunteer.org. *Free.*



FEATURED FALL EVENTS and programs

20th Century Club funds senior cognitive health series

Members of the 20th Century Club presented a check for \$6,000 to the library at the May Board of Trustees meeting. The gift will fund adult programming and services, including the senior cognitive health programs, the first of which is a series called **"Wits Workout," an interactive program of brain puzzles and discussion starters**, scheduled for Thursday afternoons beginning October 13 (*see page 7 for details*).

Since 1892, the club has supported the Park Ridge community in educational, cultural and civic endeavors while providing camaraderie among its members. Janelle Marcuccilli and Liz Greenhill, are pictured at right with Library Director Joanna Bertucci, Adult Services Manager Laura Scott and Library Board of Trustees President Lauren Rapisand.



"Boost your cognitive function and memory while reconnecting with your neighbors."





Middle School & High School Programs, Grades 6 – 12

Teen fall programs will be held **in person**, unless otherwise indicated. Register in person, by phone at **847-720-3286** or online at **www.parkridgelibrary.org**. Program schedules are subject to change. Registration required unless otherwise noted. Opens 3 weeks prior to the program.



100 BOOKS

100 Books Before Graduation

Calling all middle and high school readers! We challenge you to read 100 books before your next graduation - are you up to it? Join our 100 Books Before Graduation reading challenge, log the books you read, and earn prizes along the way. **Sign up on Beanstack (parkridgelib.beanstack.org) and stop by the Loft to pick up a starter kit.**

Teen BOOK MATCH



Our Teen Book Match runs all year, but let us help you settle back into the school year with recommended books and some goodies! Fill out our Book Match form (available online and in the Loft) to let us know what you're looking for and we'll pull a few titles that fit the bill. **This fall, your book bundle will include a de-stressing back-to-school goody bag, too (while supplies last).**

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

Virtual Dungeons & Dragons

Are you a new or veteran gamer? Do you love epic fantasy adventures and collaborative storytelling? Come play Dungeons & Dragons! *Registration opens 1 week prior to each program.*

Sunday, September 11 & 25, October 9 & 23* and November 6 | 1 – 5 p.m. *October 23 will be in-person, all other sessions are virtual.

Teen Take & Create

Stop by the Teen Loft to get all the supplies you'll need to get creative. *While supplies last.*

Starting September 12: DIY Phone Charms

Starting September 26: Tassel Planner Bookmarks

Starting October 10: Dog & Cat Toys

Starting October 24: Glove Monsters

Starting November 14: Beaded Pumpkins

Starting November 28: Slime

Candy Taste Test

Join us to sample different sweet treats from around the world. *Ingredients lists provided; allergens may be present.*

Friday, September 9 | 4 – 5:30 p.m.

Fiber Art Club

Calling all fiber artists! Bring along your knitting, crochet or other fiber art project to work on with friends.

Tuesday, September 13, October 11 and November 15 | 4 p.m.

Video Game Tournaments: Mario Kart 8

Race against your friends in the ultimate race for a chance to win prizes.

Friday, September 16, October 14 and November 11 | 3:30 – 5 p.m.

Mobile Escape Room

Band together with a small group and enter an escape room trailer to solve an undersea mystery.

Sunday, September 18 | 3 – 3:30 or 4 – 4:30 p.m.

Teen Craft Club

Come get your craft on with various kinds of painting and spooky decoration-making!

Tuesday, September 27, October 25 and November 29 | 4 p.m.

Weird and Wacky Soda Tasting

Sample wacky soda flavors like bacon, bleu cheese, buffalo chicken or sweet corn—but beware, your eyes will be covered while you sip! *Ingredients lists provided; allergens may be present.*

Friday, October 7 | 4 – 5:30 p.m.

Murder Mystery Party:

Terror in Transylvania

There's been a murder at Dracula's 500th birthday party and we need you to help solve it. You'll be assigned a character identity with clues and interact with other characters to uncover the murderer. *Costumes encouraged.*

Friday, October 28 | 3:30 – 5 p.m.

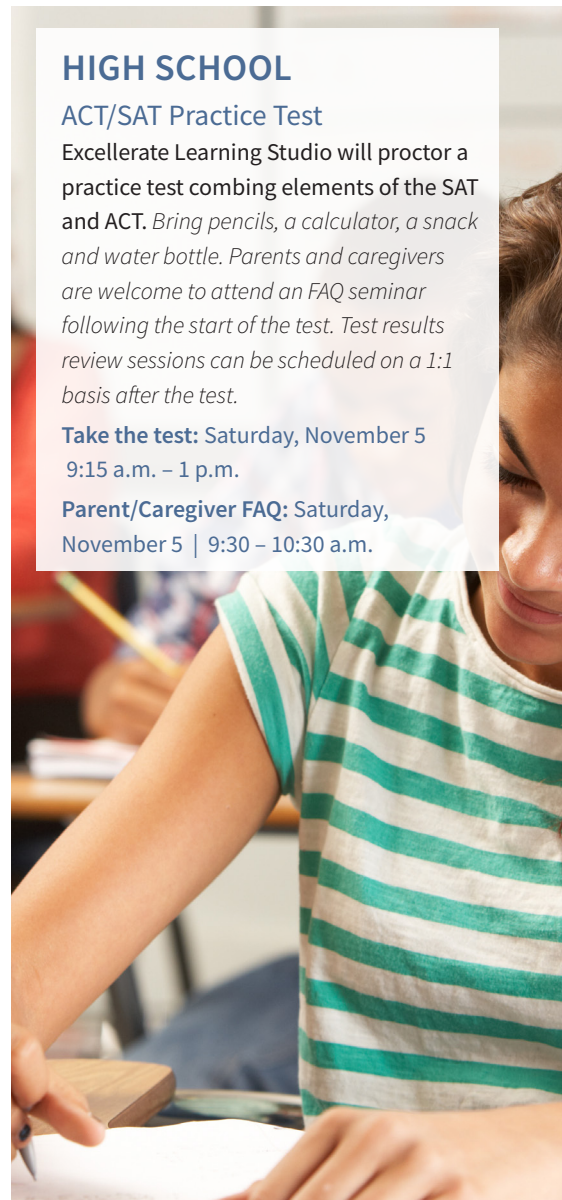
HIGH SCHOOL

ACT/SAT Practice Test

Excellerate Learning Studio will proctor a practice test combining elements of the SAT and ACT. *Bring pencils, a calculator, a snack and water bottle. Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend an FAQ seminar following the start of the test. Test results review sessions can be scheduled on a 1:1 basis after the test.*

Take the test: Saturday, November 5
9:15 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Parent/Caregiver FAQ: Saturday,
November 5 | 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Sip Starbucks on us while we discuss great books! *Stop by the Library for a copy of the book or place a hold online. Digital and audio copies may be available.*

Middle and High School Read the Rainbow

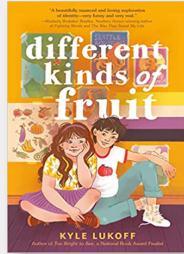
Fight + Flight by Jules Machias



Two girls find friendship and more when they bond over a traumatic event that took place in their middle school.

Wednesday, September 7
4 p.m.

Different Kinds of Fruit by Kyle Lukoff



When Annabelle learns her father shares something in common with her nonbinary friend, she begins to see herself in a new light.

Wednesday, October 5
4 p.m.

Spin with Me by Amy Polonsky



Essie is counting the days until she can return home after a temporary move, until she meets nonbinary activist Ollie.

Wednesday, November 2
4 p.m.

Middle and High School Fiction

The Marvellers by Dhonielle Clayton



Being the first Conjuror to attend the Arcanum Training Institute isn't easy for Ella, especially after a criminal escapes from prison.

Wednesday, September 14
4 p.m.

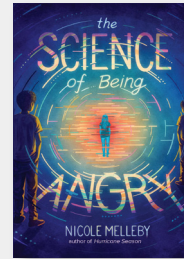
Freddie vs. the Family Curse by Tracy Badua



Freddie must work together with his ancestor to attempt to break the curse that's haunted their family for generations—or die trying.

Wednesday, October 12
4 p.m.

The Science of Being Angry by Nicole Melleby



Joey navigates family, friendships and her first crush, while looking for answers by searching for the donor her moms chose.

Wednesday, November 9
4 p.m.

Middle and High School Graphic Novel & Manga

Haikyu Volume 1 by Haruichi Furudate



Shoyo is determined to become a star high school volleyball player until he discovers his rival will be playing on the same squad.

Wednesday, September 21
4 p.m.

Artie and the Wolf Moon by Olivia Stephens



Thrilled to discover she comes from a line of werewolves, Artie is delighted to jump into her new heritage and learn everything.

Wednesday, October 19
4 p.m.

Hello World by Manatsu Suzuki and Yoshihiro Sono

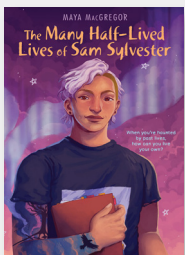


A shy teen encounters their future self who brings a dire warning about their soon-to-be girlfriend.

Wednesday, November 16
4 p.m.

High School Read the Rainbow

The Many Half-Lived Lives of Sam Sylvester



An autistic nonbinary teen finds friends in an LGBTQ+ club and they all must come together to solve the murder of a teenage boy.

Wednesday, September 28
4 p.m.

Burn Down, Rise Up by Vincent Tirado



An urban legend rumored to trap people inside subway tunnels in the Bronx causes Raquel and her friends to team up and save their city.

Wednesday, October 26
4 p.m.

This Poison Heart by Kalynn Bayron



Superpower Briseis inherits a run-down estate in rural New York and must protect herself and her family from centuries-old secrets that threaten their lives.

Wednesday, November 30
4 p.m.



Children's Programs

Children's fall programs will be held **in person**, unless otherwise indicated. Register in person, by phone at **847-720-3250** or online at **www.parkridgelibrary.org**. Program schedule subject to change. Registration required unless otherwise noted. Opens 3 weeks prior to the program.

Drop-In Storytimes

No Storytimes the weeks of September 5, October 17 & November 14.

Busy Bees | Toddlers

A shortened version of our traditional Storytime followed by playtime with age-appropriate toys.

Tuesday | 9:30 a.m. & Wednesday | 10:30 a.m.
September 13 – October 12, October 25 –
November 9 & November 22 – 30

2s & 3s Storytime | Ages 2 – 3

Tuesday | 10:30 a.m. & Wednesday | 9:30 a.m.
September 13 – October 12, October 25 –
November 9 & November 22 – 30

Pre-K Storytime | Ages 3 – 5

Thursday, September 1, September 15 –
October 13, October 27 – November 10 &
November 30 | 10 a.m.

Family Storytime & Craft | All Ages

Spend your morning with us as we share stories and songs followed by a craft project.

Saturday, September 10, October 15 &
November 19 | 10:30 a.m.

Virtual PJ Storytime | All Ages

Wednesdays, September 14, October 12 &
November 9 | 7 p.m. | Online

Special Event:

Firefighter Storytime | All Ages

Join us as we celebrate our firefighting heroes and give a good send-off to the trucks. We'll be joined by some of our local firefighters as well!

Tuesday, October 4 | 10:30 a.m.



Reading Adventure

**Patch Club
Re-boot**

We Read Together

The Patch Club is back and better than ever! With *We Read Together* for pre-readers and *Reading Adventure* for independent readers, there is something for everyone.

Sign up on Beanstack or in person to start earning your patches beginning in September (see page 3 for details).

EARLY CHILDHOOD

STEAM Starts | 3 – 6 years with caregiver

We'll lead you and your little ones in interactive activities designed to fascinate curious minds.

Friday, September 9, October 7 & November 4
10 a.m.

Hello, Baby! | Babies & Pre-walkers

Snuggle, bounce and bond with your little ones in this lapsit program.

Monday, September 12 – October 10, October 24
– November 7 & November 21 – 28 | 9:30 a.m.

Harmonious Horizons | Ages 0 – 5

Join us for a music class with singing, dancing and instrument play. *Limit one session per day.*

Friday, September 23 & November 11
10 or 10:45 a.m.

Make & Take Sensory Bins

Ages 3 & Up with caregiver

Create a sensory bin with your child to activate their senses and explore through play!

In collaboration with Assential Therapies.

Tuesday, October 18 | 10 a.m.

SCHOOL AGE

Explore! | Grades 3 – 5

Our friends from the Cook County Forest Preserve will lead us as we learn all about nature!

Thursday, September 8 (bird adaptations),
October 13 (animal tracking) & November 17
(insects) | 4:15 p.m.

Oodles of Doodles | Grades K – 2

Art and books collide in this fun mash up of creativity where the final masterpiece is all you!

Monday, September 12 & November 21 | 4 p.m.

Read to the Dogs | Grades 1 – 6

Young readers can practice their reading to a dog from Rainbow Assisted Animal Therapy.

Limit 1 child per dog, 1 session per month.

Sponsored by Marion's Mark.

Wednesday, September 21, October 19 &
November 16 | 15-minute sessions
6:30–7:45 p.m.

Creative Kids | Grades 3 & Up

Let your inner artist shine as we explore art styles and techniques in this guided session.

Thursday, September 15 & October 27 | 4:15 p.m.

Mobile Escape Room | Grades 3 – 5

Band together with a small group and enter the escape room to solve an undersea mystery.

Limit one session per child.

Sunday, September 18 | 1 – 1:30 or 2 – 2:30 p.m.

Kid Ink! | Grades 3 – 5

Take your writing to the next level in this group for aspiring young authors. Now in person!

Monday, September 19 & November 14 | 4 p.m.

Graphic Novel Book Discussion Grades 4 & up

We think graphic novels are super awesome and want to share them with you! *Copies available to pick up 3 weeks prior to the program.*

Monday, September 26, October 24 &
November 28 | 4 p.m.

Lego Club | Grades K & Up

Ready. Set. BUILD! We'll provide the LEGOs, you'll show off your skills. Now in person!

Monday, October 10 & Wednesday, November 23
4 p.m.

Sanskrit for Kids | Grades 1 & Up

Just in time for Diwali, introduce curious kids to Sanskrit, the language of India and Hinduism.

Monday, October 17 | 4 p.m.

Dog Man Day | Grades 1 – 3

It's DOG MAN! Join us for a celebration that's sure to be almost as wacky as Dog Man himself.

Wednesday, October 5 | 4 p.m.

DROP IN PROGRAMS

No registration necessary.

First Friday Fun Kits | All Ages

Stop by and pick up a kit full of DIY at-home fun. One craft per child. While supplies last.

Friday, September 2, October 7 & November 4

Art Party | Grades K & Up

We'll put out a whole bunch of art supplies and you'll create...whatever you want!

Tuesday, September 6, October 18 & November 15 | 4 p.m.

STEAMagination | Grades K & Up

Drop by and try out a variety of gadgets, gizmos and goodies designed to ignite your curiosity.

Friday, September 23, October 21 & November 18 | 4 p.m.

Family Movie: *The Bad Guys* | All Ages

Can Mr. Wolf and his crew become Good Guys or are they just pulling the wool over our eyes?

Friday, November 25 | 2 p.m.



PARENTS, TEACHERS & CAREGIVERS

Flannel Board Fun | Adults

Flannel Board Fun is back and in person! Learn how to create fun flannel board stories and get ideas for using them in your classroom. CPDUs will be provided.

Monday, September 19 | 6:30 p.m.

Ask the Expert: Developmental Specialists | Parents

Developmental Specialists from Assential Therapies answer questions about speech and occupational therapies. Your child may attend.

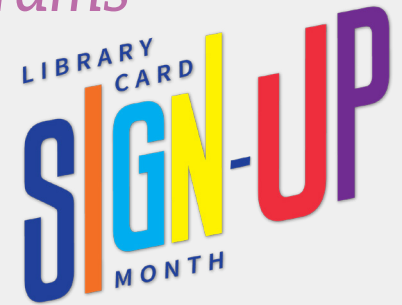
Monday, November 14 | 15-minute sessions
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

FEATURED FALL EVENTS and programs

September is Library Card Sign-up Month!

Stop at the Patron Services desk to get your card, then head to Children's Services to claim your prize and have a photo taken on your big day.

September 1 – September 30



Bootcamp Storytime

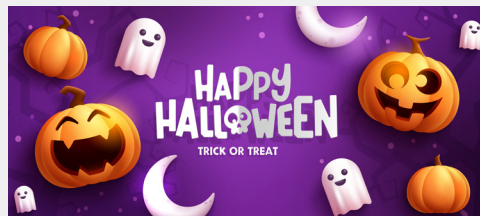
Celebrate veterans on your day off school. Join us as we test our strength and skill, read stories and make cards for those brave individuals who serve our country.

Tuesday, November 8 | 1 p.m.

Miss Jamie Concert | All Ages

Join us for a rootin' tootin' good time as we sing, dance, laugh and learn with Miss Jamie from the farm! Tickets available at the Children's Desk beginning October 16.

Sunday, October 30 | 1 p.m.



Trick or Treat at the Library All Ages

Stop in and show us your costume at each of the service desks to get a special treat!

Monday, October 31 | All day

PUMPKIN PATCH STORYTIME

Join us at the Pumpkin Patch on Prospect Ave. as we partner with the Park Ridge Community Church

KIDS IN THE PATCH • PRE-K & UP
MONDAY, OCTOBER 10 • 9:30 AM

\$5 per child admission includes a pumpkin to decorate

TODDLERS IN THE PATCH
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17 • 9:30 AM

No pumpkin decorating, admission is free



Proceeds benefit the Park Ridge Community Church Youth Group



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Library Hours

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday, Noon to 5 p.m.

Library Closed:

September 4 & 5 and November 24

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The banner features a background of stacked books with several autumn leaves (orange, red, yellow, and green) scattered on top. In the center, there is a white box containing the Friends of the Library logo, which consists of two stylized human figures in blue holding hands, with the text "Friends of the Library" and "PARK RIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY" below it. Below the logo, the text "Save the Date!" is written in a large, bold, blue font, followed by "Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale" and "October 21-23, 2022" in a slightly smaller blue font. At the bottom left, there is a QR code. At the bottom right, there is a light blue box with the text "Scan here to learn more about the Friends of the Park Ridge Library, or visit parkridgelibrary.org/friends-of-the-library/".

The sign has a light blue background with a white heart shape in the center. Inside the heart is the Park Ridge Public Library logo. Below the heart, the text "WE LOVE OUR LIBRARY" is written in large, bold, yellow letters with a blue outline. Below this, the website "parkridgelibrary.org" is written in a smaller font. At the bottom of the sign, the text "PICK UP A YARD SIGN AT OUR FRONT DESK AND LET YOUR NEIGHBORS KNOW YOU LOVE THE LIBRARY. AVAILABLE BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1." is written in a blue, sans-serif font. There are green grass-like shapes at the bottom corners of the sign.

The banner features a background of a library with bookshelves. In the foreground, a young woman with long dark hair, wearing a white turtleneck, is smiling and holding up a library card. The text "LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH" is written in large, colorful, stylized letters across the top. Below this, the text "SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH" is written in a white, sans-serif font. Below that, the text "Now is a great time to get a library card! Adults and teens, sign up during the month of September and when you pickup your card, you'll be entered to win a Bose Bluetooth speaker! Children from birth through fifth grade will automatically get a prize when they get their card. Scan here to learn more or visit parkridgelibrary.org/library-cards/" is written in a white, sans-serif font. At the bottom right, there is a QR code.