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**Spring**

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## CENSUS 2020: What You Need to Know

By April 1, 2020, every home will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. You will have three options for responding: online, by phone or by mail. This year marks the first time answers will be primarily collected online.

The 2020 Census will determine congressional representation, inform hundreds of billions in federal funding, and provide data that will impact communities for the next decade. The results of the 2020 Census will help determine how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funding flow into communities every year for the next decade for infrastructure, schools, and libraries. The results are also used to redraw congressional and state legislative districts.

For information about the process, and tips on how to avoid fraud and scams, visit [www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov). As always, our reference librarians are available to help find answers to your questions about the census.



### #COUNTONLIBRARIES

U.S. Census 2020



## MOVIE MARATHON

Movie fans now have a convenient way to enjoy their favorites with our new curated Movie Marathon collection.

Each set includes six movies on DVD. From Best Picture winners to Tom Hanks classics, choose your favorite theme and grab and go!

*Available to Park Ridge Library cardholders only.*



NEW!

## Memory Collection for adults experiencing memory loss






## Memory Collection

The National Institutes of Health estimate that about 40 percent of people aged 65 or older have age associated memory impairment—in the United States, about 16 million people. About 10 percent of people aged 65 years or older have mild cognitive impairment, and nearly 15 percent of them develop Alzheimer’s disease each year.\*

Our Reader Services staff has created a collection of materials for adults living with memory loss, categorized to accommodate a variety of abilities. For help finding materials explore our new **Memory Collection**, now available in Reader Services.

\*Source: [www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov).

Designed to accommodate each reader’s abilities:

-  Level 3: Short stories
-  Level 2: Pictures & captions
-  Level 1: Pictures alone

- Park Ridge cardholders only
- Limit 5 titles per patron
- 3-week loan (no 14-day period)

## GIVE YOUR BOOK CLUB A REBOOT

Have you recently formed a book club or could your book club use some inspiration for new authors or genres? Our Reader Services department has staff members dedicated to helping book clubs. Register your book club with us, and we will help find the right pick for each discussion and order the books. We have over 150 book discussion sets and the collection is always up-to-date with the perfect mix of fiction and nonfiction.

*Find out more and register your book club at [www.parkridgelibrary.org/book-club-corner/](http://www.parkridgelibrary.org/book-club-corner/) or call the Reader Services desk for assistance.*



# A Good Time To Laugh!



This spring, the Park Ridge Public Library Classic Film Series concludes its “Legends of Laughter” trilogy with a look back at the great screwball comedies of the 1930s and early 1940s. The screwball comedy was a more madcap version of the romantic comedy, often featuring strong heroines matching wits and verbally sparring with their male counterparts. These films typically revolved around a “battle of the sexes.” Their themes also highlighted class division in which a character from one social class enters another, usually as a poseur. There was always an emphasis on slapstick with plotlines more outlandish than your typical romance. In essence, the screwball genre turned traditional courtship on its head.

“Comedies have always been a successful component of what we do at the Park Ridge Public Library,” explains series host Matthew C. Hoffman, who programmed a series of British comedies in 2018. “LOL 3 is a powerhouse line-up of the biggest films and stars of the era, including *The Philadelphia Story* (May 7), which won James Stewart an Academy Award for Best Actor.”

Certain Hollywood legends are more associated with screwball comedy, particularly Carole Lombard and Cary Grant, both of whom thrived in the genre. Lombard excelled as a comedienne and will kick off Opening Night on March 5

with *My Man Godfrey*. In this film, she plays an eccentric socialite who gets a lesson about money from vagrant-turned-butler William Powell. Lombard will also appear in *Nothing Sacred* (March 26) with Fredric March. Another actress with great comedic timing was Irene Dunne, whom we honored in 2014 with a visit from her granddaughter. Dunne stars in *The Awful Truth* (March 19), a comedy of remarriage, as well as *My Favorite Wife* (April 23)—both opposite Cary Grant.

The incomparable Cary Grant will appear in nearly half of the films shown, including two of the best known: *Bringing Up Baby* (April 2) and *His Girl Friday* (April 16). Directors such as Leo McCarey, Howard Hawks, and Preston Sturges also made some of their most famous films in the genre. LOL 3 features two back-to-back films by Sturges to wrap up the series: *The Lady Eve* (May 14) with Barbara Stanwyck and Henry Fonda and *Palm Beach Story* (May 28) with Claudette Colbert and Joel McCrea.

Join us Thursday nights this spring for a wild ride of misadventures featuring heiresses, fast-talking reporters—and a pet leopard named Baby.

Films begin at 7:00 p.m. with a special introduction by Matthew C. Hoffman. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Free, no registration required. Visit: [www.parkridgeclassicfilm.com](http://www.parkridgeclassicfilm.com) for more info.

## 2020 FILM LINE-UP: The Screwball Comedies \* March 5 – May 28 \* 7 PM

- March 5: *My Man Godfrey* (1936) 95 min.
- March 12: *Easy Living* (1937) (1937) 86 min.
- March 19: *The Awful Truth* (1937) 92 min.
- March 26: *Nothing Sacred* (1937) 75 min.

- April 2: *Bringing Up Baby* (1938) 102 min.
- April 9: *Midnight* (1939) 94 min.
- April 16: *His Girl Friday* (1940) 92 min.
- April 23: *My Favorite Wife* (1940) 88 min.

- May 7: *The Philadelphia Story* (1940) 112 min.
- May 14: *The Lady Eve* (1941) 94 min.
- May 28: *Palm Beach Story* (1942) 87 min.

# PRPL 2020 BOOK MADNESS

Book Madness, our literary version of college basketball's tournament, is back! Beginning **Sunday, March 2**, brackets are available at the service desks or online at:

[www.parkridgelibrary.org](http://www.parkridgelibrary.org)

Vote weekly online or at the library to move your favorite titles\* to the next round and choose the tournament winner.

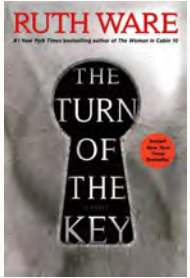
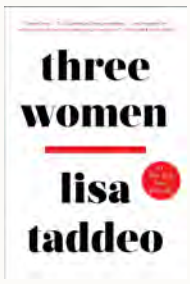
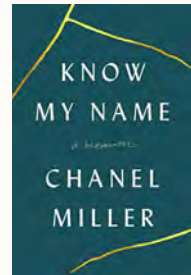
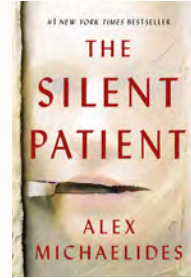
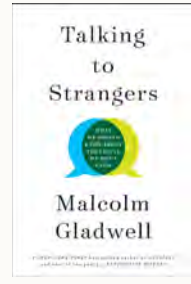
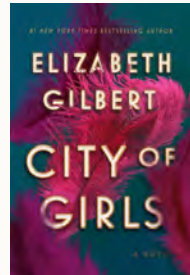
*You don't need to read all the books to participate.*

Turn in **completed brackets in person by Sunday, March 8** to be eligible to win a prize. Check our Facebook page, Instagram and signage at the Library for which books have advanced in each round. **The winning book will be announced April 6.**

*\*Books are chosen based on patron demand in 2019.*

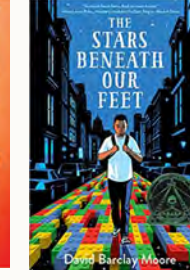
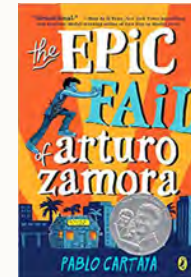
## For Adults

- The Testaments* by Margaret Atwood
- The Water Dancer* by Ta-Nehisi Coates
- Catch and Kill* by Ronan Farrow
- City of Girls* by Elizabeth Gilbert
- Talking to Strangers* by Malcolm Gladwell
- The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides
- Know my Name* by Chanel Miller
- The Giver of Stars* by Jojo Moyes
- Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens
- The Dutch House* by Ann Patchett
- The Secrets We Kept* by Lara Prescott
- Olive, Again* by Elizabeth Strout
- Three Women* by Lisa Taddeo
- The Turn of the Key* by Ruth Ware
- Mrs. Everything* by Jennifer Weiner
- The Nickel Boys* by Colson Whitehead



## Teen Edition: 2020 Caudill Nominees

- Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus* by Dusti Bowling
- The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora* by Pablo Cartaya
- The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle* by Leslie Connor
- Space Case* by Stuart Gibbs
- Refugee* by Alan Gratz
- Slider* by Pete Hautman
- The Night Diary* by Veera Hiranandani
- All's Faire in Middle School* by Victria Jamieson
- Restart* by Gordon Korman
- The Stars Beneath Our Feet* by David Barclay Moore
- The First Rule of Punk* by Celia C. Pérez
- The Blackthorn Key* by Kevin Sands
- Scythe* by Neal Shusterman
- Wild Bird* by Wendelin Van Draanen
- The Prince and the Dressmaker* by Jen Wang
- Piecing Me Together* by Renée Watson



This year's Teen Book Madness Tournament features 16 Rebecca Caudill-nominated books from the 2020 list.



## Kids: A Decade of Awesome Books!

- The Strange Case of Origami Yoda* by Tom Angleberger (2010)
- Out of my Mind* by Sharon M. Draper (2010)
- Smile* by Raina Telgemeier (2010)
- Wonderstruck* by Brian Selznick (2011)
- Zita the Space Girl* by Ben Hatke (2011)
- The One and Only Ivan* by K. A. Applegate (2012)
- Wonder* by R. J. Palacio (2012)
- Land of Stories #1: The Wishing Spell* by Chris Colfer (2012)
- Wings of Fire #1: The Dragonet Prophecy* by Tui Sutherland (2012)
- Doll Bones* by Holly Black (2013)
- Flora & Ulysses* by Kate DiCamillo (2013)
- Night Gardener* by Jonathan Auxier (2014)
- El Deafo* by Cece Bell (2014)
- Roller Girl* by Victoria Jamieson (2015)
- The War That Saved My Life* by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley (2015)
- Masterminds* by Gordon Korman (2015)
- The Terrible Two* by Mac Barnett (2015)
- Awkward* by Svetlana Chmakova (2015)
- Upside Down Magic* by Sarah Mlynowski (2015)
- Fish in a Tree* by Lynda Mullaly Hunt (2015)
- Magnus Chase #1: The Sword of Summer* by Rick Riordan (2015)
- Ghost* by Jason Reynolds (2016)
- The Wild Robot* by Peter Brown (2016)
- Dog Man* by Dav Pilkey (2016)
- Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus* by Dusti Bowling (2017)
- Real Friends* by Shannon Hale (2017)
- Small Spaces* by Katherine Arden (2018)
- Be Prepared* by Vera Brosgol (2018)
- Aru Shah and the End of Time* by Roshani Chokshi (2018)
- Guts* by Raina Telgemeier (2019)
- New Kid* by Jerry Craft (2019)
- Best Friends* by Shannon Hale (2019)



Register for these programs at any service desk, by phone at 847.720.3280 or on the Library's website at [www.parkridgelibrary.org](http://www.parkridgelibrary.org).

\* = \$15.00 non-refundable fee for non-Park Ridge Library cardholders.

## TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

### Drop-In Help Desk

FireLogic representatives will answer computer and tech-related questions. 30 minutes. Drop in.

Saturday, March 14, April 11 OR May 9  
9 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

### Intro to Ancestry Library Edition\*

Learn about the genealogy collections and how to search family records. Max: 8. Register.

Thursday, April 9 | 7:00 p.m.

### One-on-One eBook Appointments

Learn Overdrive, Axis 360, Hoopla or Kanopy on your device or eReader. 45 minutes. Register.

Mondays | 7:00 p.m., Wednesdays | 1:00 p.m.  
OR Thursdays | 11:00 a.m.

### Word 2016 Basics\*

Learn Microsoft Word 2016: tabs, templates, formatting, editing and saving. Max: 8. Register.

Monday, March 9, April 20 OR May 11  
7:00 p.m.

### Excel 2016 Basics\*

Learn Microsoft Excel 2016: tabs, rows, columns, functions and formulas. Max: 8. Register.

Wednesday, March 25, April 15 OR May 27  
7:00 p.m.

### MEDIA LAB

Max 3. Register.

### Digitizing Audio Cassettes and Records

Convert audio cassettes and records to MP3 or CD using the TEAC machine.

Thursday, March 5, April 2 OR May 7  
3 – 4:00 p.m.

### Converting Home Videos to Digital

Learn the steps to convert your old VHS home videos to DVD.

Monday, March 16, April 6 OR May 4  
7 – 8:00 p.m.

### Archiving Photos, Slides and Negatives

Digitize your old photos, slides and negatives.

Thursday, March 26, April 23 OR May 28  
3 – 4:00 p.m.

## RESOURCE PROGRAMS

### SCORE Small Business Counseling

One-on-one sessions with a SCORE counselor.

60 minutes, by appointment only. Register at:  
[www.northchicago.score.org/find-mentor-726](http://www.northchicago.score.org/find-mentor-726)

Monday, March 9, April 13 OR May 11  
6:30 p.m. OR 7:30 p.m.

Study Room in Reader Services Department

### Power Employment Workshops

Discuss goals, social media, your resume and interview skills. Max: 20. Register

Friday, March 13, April 10 OR May 8  
9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. (break provided)

Third Floor Meeting Room

### DAR Genealogy Assistance

The 21st Star Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) answer your genealogy questions. Drop in.

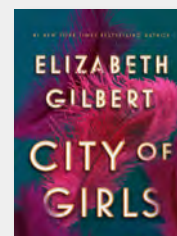
Thursday, March 19, April 16 & May 21  
9:00 a.m. to NOON

## BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Books are available at the Reader Services Desk two weeks before the discussion. Registration required.

### Thursday Morning Group | 10:00 AM

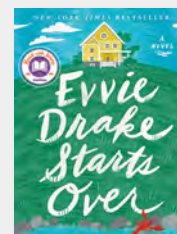
*City of Girls* by Elizabeth Gilbert



In 1940, Vivian has been expelled from Vassar and sent to live with her aunt Peg, who owns a theater that is home to a family of thespians and showgirls.

Thursday, March 12 OR 26

*Evvie Drake Starts Over* by Linda Holmes



Recent widow Evvie Drake has no idea what's coming her way when she has a down-on-his-luck friend to stay in the apartment at the back of her house.

Thursday, April 2 OR 16

*Miracle Creek* by Angie Kim



An explosion at a pressurized oxygen chamber leaves two dead and the case is not as simple as it appears.

Thursday, May 14 OR 28

### Wednesday Evening Group | 7:00 PM

*Tangerine* by Christine Mangan



Set in 1950s Morocco, two estranged women, once best friends, must confront their pasts while dealing with a mysterious disappearance in Tangier.

Wednesday, March 11

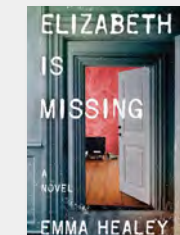
*The Dutch House* by Ann Patchett



A tale set over the course of five decades traces a young man's rise from poverty to wealth and back again as his prospects center around his family's lavish estate.

Wednesday, April 8

*Elizabeth is Missing* by Emma Healey



An elderly woman descending into dementia embarks on a desperate quest to find the best friend she believes has disappeared.

Wednesday, May 13

### Nonfiction Group | 10:00 AM

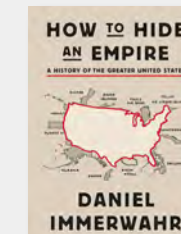
*The Library Book* by Susan Orlean



A history of American public libraries, a love letter to books and reading, and a look at a cold case of arson at the Los Angeles Public Library in 1986.

Friday, March 6

*How to Hide an Empire* by Daniel Immerwahr



An exploration of the United States' overseas territories, from Puerto Rico to the Philippines, and what they reveal about the meaning of American empire.

Friday, April 3

*Accidental Presidents* by Jared Cohen



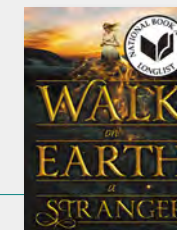
A look at the eight men who changed American history when they succeeded to the presidency after the incumbent died in office.

Friday, May 1

### YA for Adults

*Walk on Earth a Stranger*  
by Rae Carson

Wednesday, April 29



## FILMS @ THE LIBRARY

All seating is on a first come, first served basis. Doors open 1/2 hour before showtime. Seating limited to 90. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Drop-in.

March 10 | 1:00 & 7:00 PM

*A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood*



[PG, 109 min.]  
A portrait of Mister Rogers and his real-life friendship with journalist Tom Junod.  
Starring Tom Hanks and Matthew Rhys.

Tuesday, March 10

April 14 | 1:00 & 7:00 PM

*Ford v Ferrari* [PG-13, 152 min.]



The true story of how a car designer and a fearless driver took on the elite Ferrari racecars in France in 1966.  
Starring Matt Damon and Christian Bale.

Tuesday, April 14

May 12 | 1:00 & 7:00 PM

*1917* [R, 110 min.]



At the height of WWI, two soldiers cross enemy lines to deliver a message that could save hundreds.  
Starring Colin Firth and Benedict Cumberbatch.

Tuesday, May 12

Travel Film | 2:00 PM

*Peru: Inca Sun*

Thursday, March 12

Travel Film | 2:00 PM

*Colorado's Spectacular National Parks*

Thursday, April 9

Travel Film

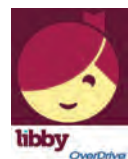
*South Atlantic & Antarctica*

Thursday, May 14

# Downloadables



## What content is available from each service?



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Movies			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Music			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Comics			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

For help mastering the process of downloading digital content, schedule a One-on-One Ebook Appointment. See our list of Technology Classes for details.

## Programs

Register for programs at the Reader Services desk, by phone at **847.720.3280** or online at [www.parkridgelibrary.org](http://www.parkridgelibrary.org). Admission is free to Park Ridge Library cardholders. \* = \$5.00 non-refundable fee for non-Park Ridge Library cardholders. *If you require special accommodations or assistance to participate in a Library program, please contact Reader Services at 847-720-3280 or [prks@prpl.org](mailto:prks@prpl.org) at least one week prior to the event.*

### MONTHLY PROGRAMS

**Park Ridge Writers' Group:**  
**How to be a Best-Selling Author**  
Writer, editor and online book marketing expert Danielle Perlin-Good will discuss how aspiring authors can achieve their goals and become bestsellers. *Max: 20. Register.*  
Wednesday, March 4 | 7:00 p.m.

**Park Ridge Writers' Group**  
Join the Library's new writing group for positive critique and support from other writers. *Max: 20. Register.*

Wednesday, April 1 & May 6 | 7:00 p.m.

**Open Knitting & Crocheting Nights**  
Bring your knitting or crocheting project and join the Park Ridge Fiber Artists for an open knitting session! *Experience preferred. Drop in.*

Thursday, March 5, April 2 & May 7  
7:00 p.m. | Third Floor Meeting Room

**Chair Yoga\***  
Joan McGee of Sun and Moon Yoga offers the perfect mid-afternoon break as you stretch and breathe your way to renewed energy. *No experience is necessary. Register.*

Wednesday, March 25, April 29 & May 27  
2:00 p.m.

**Tabletop Game Nights**  
Join friends and neighbors as we break out your favorite games, have a laugh and learn something new. *For adults only. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Drop in.*

Thursday, March 19, April 16 & May 21  
7:00 p.m.  
Off the Wall - 104 Main St., Park Ridge

**Library Pub Quiz**  
Show off your trivia expertise and earn prizes by joining a team for the Library Pub Quiz! *Max: 30. Register.*

Tuesday, March 24, April 28 & May 26  
6:30 p.m.  
The Harp & Fiddle - 110 Main St., Park Ridge



**Craft Workshop: Washi Tape Fun\***  
Karina Guico returns to lead a workshop using this popular decorative masking tape. Take home your creations! *Sponsored by Marion's Mark. Max 20. Register.*

Sunday, March 8 | 1:00 p.m.

**Friday Morning Coffee Club: Secrets of Tuxedo Park**  
Tells the story of Wall Street tycoon Alfred Lee Loomis and his team of scientists who developed radar technology that played a decisive role in winning World War II. *Register.*

Friday, March 13 | 10:30 a.m.

**Women of WWII: Serving Soldiers at the Whistle Stop Canteen\***  
Author and speaker Barb Warner Deane celebrates Women's History Month and the anniversary of V-E Day by recounting inspiring stories of ordinary women who boosted troop morale at train stations nationwide. *Register.*

Tuesday, March 17 | 7:00 p.m.

**Low Vision Group**  
Join Park Ridge resident Jerry White, member of the Illinois State Library Advisory Board, as he shares ways to make life easier for those facing vision loss through a variety of technical aids, organizations and services. *Drop in.*

Friday, March 20 | 10:30 a.m.  
Third Floor Meeting Room

**Emily Dickinson: "I Dwell in Possibility"\***  
In honor of Women's History Month as well as upcoming Poetry Month, Betsey Means of WomanLore presents one of the great women poets. *Register.*

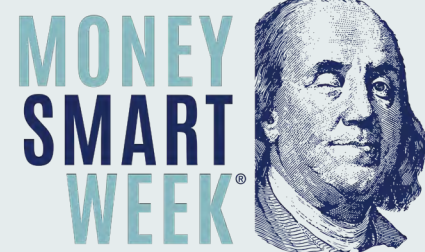
Tuesday, March 31 | 7:00 p.m.

**Friday Morning Coffee Club: Mount St. Helens: Back from the Dead**  
When Mount St. Helens erupted in 1980, every living thing in the blast zone was buried. Life has begun to bloom again, and the mountain is coming back to life. *Register.*

Friday, April 17 | 10:30 a.m.

**Secrets of Switzerland\***  
Veteran traveler Gail Benedetto offers some of her best stories of hiking and train-hopping through Switzerland. *Register.*

Tuesday, April 21 | 2:00 p.m.



**Start, Manage and Grow Your Business Using ReferenceUSA**  
Bob Zielinski from ReferenceUSA will demonstrate the ReferenceUSA database to expand business and open growth through finding leads and gathering business intelligence. *Register.*

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

**Wills, Trusts and Estate Planning Basics**  
Learn about wills, trusts, powers of attorney, probate, and guardianship from attorney Jacob K. Ehrensaft and take the first step to create a plan that is appropriate for you. *Register.*

Wednesday, April 8 | 7:00 p.m.

Programs continued on next page.

## FOR ADULTS

**Low Vision Group**  
If you're facing vision loss, join a representative from Second Sense, a local low vision non-profit organization, who will discuss organizing your home for your low vision needs. *Drop in.*  
Friday, May 1 | 10:30 a.m.



**Art Workshop: High-Contrast Bouquets with Mixed Media\***  
Jennifer Evans of Periwinkle Art Studio will guide you in creating a vivid bouquet using paint and collage techniques. *Max: 30. Sponsored by Marion's Mark. Due to popularity, registration opens April 5.*

Tuesday, May 5 | 6:30 p.m.

**Concert: The Sound of Their Music: Rogers, Hart & Hammerstein\***  
Cabaret musicians Tom Michael and Beckie Menzie return with a rousing concert of selections from Rogers, Hart & Hammerstein musicals. *Register.*

Sunday, May 10 | 1:00 p.m.

**Friday Morning Coffee Club: Fly Girls**  
In the midst of World War II, women with flight experience were needed to fly for the military. Watch the story of young women who postponed weddings, put educations on hold, and quit jobs to respond. *Register.*

Friday, May 15 | 10:30 a.m.

**Searching for South America\***  
Brian Michalski, the Mindful Vagabond, returns to tell of a year spent trekking the Inca Trail, navigating Patagonia, and exploring the Amazon rainforest. *Register.*

Tuesday, May 19 | 2:00 p.m.

## FEATURED EVENTS and programs



**Book Madness for Adults**  
Be a part of the Book Madness, our literary version of college basketball's tournament contest! Complete the bracket sheet by Sunday, March 8 to be eligible to win prizes. Cast your vote online each week to push your favorite titles forward to the next round. The winning book will be announced April 6. *Books are chosen based on patron demand in 2019. Read more about Book Madness on page 2.*  
March 2 - April 6

**Global Neighbors: Germany\***  
Celebrate German heritage in Park Ridge! German historian and language professor Sabine Woerner will discuss German immigration to Park Ridge, the Chicago Edelweiss Schuhplattler Dance Group will perform, and samples of German cuisine will be provided. *Sponsored by Marion's Mark. Register.*  
Sunday, April 26 | 1:00 p.m.



All classes are free. Phone, online and in-person registration begins at 9:00 a.m., 30 days before the class. *Open to Park Ridge cardholders only.*

**Orientation**  
Introduction to equipment, software and policies. *Register.*  
Wednesday | 6:30 p.m. & Thursdays | 10:30 a.m.

**Open Studio**  
Work independently on your own creations. *Access to assistance may be limited. Drop in.*  
Wednesdays | 7 - 8:00 p.m.  
Thursdays | 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**STUDIO CLASSES**  
**Silhouette 101**  
Learn the basics of Silhouette Studio.  
Tuesday, March 3 | 3 - 4:00 p.m.

**Floral Paper Wreath**  
Create a springtime wreath using paper flowers.  
Wednesday, March 18 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

**Flowerpot Decorating**  
Personalize a flowerpot and add a vinyl design.  
Tuesday, April 7 | 3 - 4:00 p.m.

**Pinwheels**  
Cut and fold colorful paper to create your own pinwheel.  
Wednesday, April 22 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

**Decorate a Tote Bag**  
Design your tote bag using a variety of materials.  
Tuesday, May 5 | 3 - 4:00 p.m.

**Stitched Pendants**  
Cross stitch a wooden shape to make a pendant.  
Wednesday, May 20 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.



Middle School & High School Programs, Grades 6 – 12

Register for programs at any service desk, by phone at 847.720.3286 or online at [www.parkridgelibrary.org](http://www.parkridgelibrary.org).

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Service hours available for volunteer programs.

**VolunTeens**

Do you love the Library? Come volunteer! Assignments may include cleaning books, selecting favorite materials for display, and program preparation. *Max: 3.*

Wednesdays, March 11, April 8 & May 6  
7 – 8:00 p.m. | *Teen Loft*

**Cards for Hospitalized Kids**

Help make handmade cards that will bring a smile to the face of a hospitalized child. *Drop in.*

Fridays, March 20, April 17 & May 15  
3 – 6:00 p.m. | *Teen Loft*

**Readers & Leaders | 8 – 12 Grades**

A unique opportunity for students to gain experience working with children. This is a one-on-one program that partners students with preschool children to encourage early literacy. *You must be able to attend all three sessions. There is a brief training session on the first night.*

Monday, March 30 | 5:45-7:30 p.m. &  
Monday, April 6 & 13 | 6 – 7:30 p.m.  
*First Floor Meeting Room*

**Project Linus**

Make fleece tie blankets for Project Linus, an organization that donates blankets to children in need. *No sewing involved. Max: 10.*

Thursday, April 23 | 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.  
*First Floor Meeting Room*

**Book Buddies | Going into Grades 6 – 12**

Be a Big Buddy to a 1st or 2nd grader! The paired buddies will meet in the Library for a 30-minute session each week to read, talk and pick out books. *Registration for Big Buddies begins in person on Saturday, May 9.*

June 10 – July 19

**Summer VolunTeens | Going into Grades 9 – 12**

Assist the Youth Services Department with the Summer Reading Club! *Applications available at the Children's Services desk and will be accepted through April. Interviews and training begin in May.*

June 10 – August 23

**MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL**

**Teen Craft Club**

We provide the supplies, you provide the creativity! Dress for a mess. *Max: 10.*

*First Floor Meeting Room.*

**T-shirt to Tote Bag**

Wednesday, March 18 | 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

**Mason Jar Planters**

Friday, April 10 | 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

**Tin Can Owl**

Wednesday, May 13 | 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

**Cupcake Challenge**

Do you have what it takes to be a cupcake champion? Cupcakes and decorative toppings will be provided for you to create (and eat!) your masterpiece. *Max: 10.*

Tuesday, March 31 | 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

*First Floor Meeting Room*



**Dungeons & Dragons**

Are you a gamer who loves epic fantasy adventures and collaborative storytelling? Come play Dungeons & Dragons! *Both new gamers and veteran adventurers are welcome. Max: 6.*

Sunday, April 5 | 12:30 – 4:30 p.m.

*Third Floor Meeting Room*

**Teen Taste Testers**

Universal Yums will send a box of snacks and candies from a surprise country! Join us to taste test snacks from around the world.

*This program is not recommended for patrons with severe food allergies. Max: 10.*

Wednesday, April 22 | 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

*Third Floor Meeting Room*

## Teen Picks: Manga

Check out these Manga titles in the Teen Loft!

 <p><b>Jojo's Bizarre Adventure</b> Young Jonathan Joestar's life is forever changed when his father takes in orphan Dio Brando.</p>	 <p><b>Assassination Classroom</b> The students in class 3-E have been assigned to assassinate their teacher, a powerful extraterrestrial.</p>
 <p><b>My Hero Academia</b> An encounter with the hero All Might gives Izuku Midoriya an opportunity to change his destiny.</p>	 <p><b>Witch Hat Atelier</b> Coco longs for magic in her life and learns she is already what she wishes she could be.</p>
 <p><b>Delicious in Dungeon</b> When Laios and his company lose all their provisions in a dungeon, they decide to eat the monsters to escape.</p>	 <p><b>Black Butler</b> Ciel Phantomhive sells his soul to a demon he names Sebastian Michaelis, who now works as his butler.</p>

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**Quarter Quell: An After Hours Hunger Games Event**

Celebrate the upcoming release of *The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes* by Suzanne Collins. Members from each district will compete to be the final tribute standing. May the odds be ever in your favor! *Max: 25.*

Friday, May 8 | 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

*First Floor Meeting Room*

**Popcorn and Pages:**

*Five Feet Apart* [PG-13, 116 min.]

Read the book on your own and then watch the movie with other teens. *Snacks provided. Copies of the book available in the Teen Loft. Max: 10.*

Monday, May 11 | 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

*First Floor Meeting Room*

**MIDDLE SCHOOL ONLY**

**Escape Room: The Lost Mummy**

You're trapped in an Egyptian mummy's tomb! Can you escape in only 45 minutes? Solve the puzzle with the help of clues and hidden messages. *Max: 25.*

Friday, April 3 | 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

*Third Floor Meeting Room*

**Pizza & Pages: Middle School Edition**

Share your favorite books with other teen readers and fill up on pizza. *Max: 15.*

Tuesday, April 28 | 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

*Third Floor Meeting Room*

**HIGH SCHOOL ONLY**

**Pizza & Pages: High School Edition**

Share your favorite books with other teen readers and fill up on pizza. *Max: 15.*

Monday, March 16 | 7 – 8:00 p.m.

*Third Floor Meeting Room*

**Healthy Relationships:**

**Consent & Boundaries**

Join sexuality educator, Jennifer Litner, to learn about navigating healthy relationships during the teenage years. Explore how to express consent, assert boundaries and communicate needs with others. Come prepared with your questions for a Q & A! *Max: 20.*

Wednesday, March 18 | 7 – 8:00 p.m.

*First Floor Meeting Room*

**SAT Practice Test: High School Only**

More Than Tests and Scores will proctor an SAT practice test. Bring pencils, a calculator, and an optional snack and water bottle. Students must attend the SAT Practice Test Results Workshop on **Saturday, DATE TBA, 2 – 3:00 p.m.** to receive test scores. *Max: 30.*

DATE TBA (check our online calendar for details)

9:15 – 1:15 p.m. | *First Floor Meeting Room*

**What to Do This Summer to Prepare for College**

Thomas Jaworski of Quest College Consulting will provide high school families with tips and advice for summer break college preparation. *Designed for both parents and students. Max: 30.*

Monday, April 20 | 7 – 8:30 p.m.

*First Floor Meeting Room*

**High School Finals Study Hall**

Study space and snacks. *Drop in. Sponsored by the Park Ridge Youth Commission.*

Monday, May 18, Tuesday, May 19,

Wednesday, May 20 & Thursday, May 21

4 – 9:00 p.m. | *First Floor Meeting Room*



**SPRING BREAK PROGRAMS**

**Teen Craft Club: Cloud Dough**

We provide the supplies, you provide the creativity! Dress for a mess. *Max: 10.*

Tuesday, March 24 | 2 – 3:00 p.m.

*First Floor Meeting Room*

**Starbucks Book Discussion**

Your first drink is on us! We'll meet at the Starbucks on Northwest Hwy. Our spring break pick is *Look Both Ways* by Jason Reynolds! *Pick up your copy in the Teen Loft. Max: 10.*

Tuesday, March 26 | 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

**Pickwick Field Trip: Mulan**

We will meet in the Library Reading Garden and walk over to the Pickwick Theatre together. Movie tickets provided! *Max: 20.*

Friday, March 27 | Matinee showing time TBA

**FEATURED EVENTS**  
*and programs*



**Book Madness | Grades 6 – 8**

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March 2 – April 6



**FREE Comic Book Day**

Drop in anytime and pick up a free comic book in the Teen Loft! *While supplies last. Sponsored by Pastimes Comics & Games.*

Saturday, May 2 | *Teen Loft*

**Read the Rainbow**

Join us to read and discuss LGBTQ+ literature in an accepting environment. *Third Floor Meeting Room.*



**We Are Lost and Found**

by Helene Dunbar  
Thursday, April 16  
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

*Pick up a copy in the Teen Loft! Max: 10.*



Programs

The following programs are for children and their caregivers. Register at the Children's Services desk, by phone at 847.825.4527 or online at [www.parkridgelibrary.org](http://www.parkridgelibrary.org). \* = \$3.00 non-refundable fee for non-Park Ridge Library cardholders.

DROP IN STORYTIMES

Mondays

Storytime for 2s and 3s | 2 – 3 years

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes for 2 and 3-year olds! *Siblings welcome.*

March 9 – April 20 & May 11 – 25  
9:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Tuesdays

Preschool Storytime | 3 – 5 years

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes for 3 to 5-year olds! *Siblings welcome.*

March 10 – April 21 | 9:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Toddler Storytime | 12 – 36 months

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes, plus playtime for 1s and 2s. *Siblings welcome.*

March 10 – April 21 & May 12 – 26  
11 – 11:35 a.m.

Wednesdays

Toddler Storytime | 12 – 36 months

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes, plus playtime for 1s and 2s. *Siblings welcome.*

March 11 – April 22 | 9:30 – 10:05 a.m.

Preschool Storytime | 3 – 5 years

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes for 3 to 5 year olds! *Siblings welcome.*

March 11 – April 22 & May 13 – 27  
11 – 11:30 a.m.

Pajama Storytime | All Ages

Wear your p.j.'s and join us for bedtime stories, songs, and rhymes!

March 25, April 15 & May 13  
7 – 7:25 p.m.

Thursdays

Baby Storytime | 0 – 14 months

Join us for stories, songs, rhymes, plus playtime! *Siblings welcome.*

March 12 – April 23 & May 14 – 28  
9:15 – 9:45 a.m.

Storytime for 2s and 3s | 2 – 3 years

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes for 2 and 3 year olds! *Siblings welcome.*

March 12 – April 23 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Saturdays

Family Storytime and Craft | All Ages

March 14, April 4 & May 9 | 10 – 10:45 a.m.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Harmonious Horizons Family Music Class\* | 1 month – 5 years

Join us for a family music class for children with a parent or caregiver. Sing, dance and play an instrument! *Limit one class per month. Max: 15.*

Monday, March 9 | 10:20 – 10:50 a.m.  
OR 11 – 11:30 a.m.

Registration begins Saturday, February 29.

Monday, April 13 | 10:20 – 10:50 a.m.  
OR 11 – 11:30 a.m.

Registration begins Saturday, April 4.

STEAM Starts | 2 – 6 years

Join us for a self-guided exploration of science, technology, engineering, art, math and, of course, reading! *Drop in.*

Friday, March 13, April 3 & May 8  
10 – 11:00 a.m.

Little Einsteins | 2 – 5 years with adult

Join us for a science project geared for little learners. *Limit: one class. Max: 15.*

Friday, March 20 | 9:30 – 10:00 a.m.  
OR 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Registration begins Saturday, March 7.

Readers & Leaders | 3 – 6 years

This reading readiness program pairs young children with trained teen volunteers and uses hands-on activities to promote early literacy skills and cognitive development in young children. *Must attend all four sessions. Max: 24. This program is made possible by a generous donation from The Friends of the Library and Chicago Software Ventures, Inc.*

Monday, March 30, April 6 & 13  
6:30 – 7:15 p.m.

Registration begins Saturday, March 14.

Monday, March 30, April 6 & 13  
6:30 – 7:15 p.m.

Registration begins Saturday, March 14.

Little Picassos | 2 – 5 years with adult

Join us for an art project geared for little learners. *Limit: one class. Max: 15.*

Friday, April 10 | 9:30 – 10:00 a.m.  
OR 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Registration begins Saturday, March 28.

SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS

Read to the Dogs | Grades 2 – 6

Sign up for a 20-minute session to cozy up and read to a canine companion from Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy. Bring your own book or pick one out from the Library.

*The first 24 hours of the registration period are reserved for Park Ridge Library cardholders. Max: 9. Sponsored by Marion's Mark.*

Wednesday, March 4 | 7 – 8:10 p.m.

Registration begins Saturday, February 24.

Sunday, March 15 | 1 – 2:10 p.m.

Registration begins Saturday, February 29.

Wednesday, April 1 | 7 – 8:10 p.m.

Registration begins Saturday, March 14.

Sunday, April 19 | 1 – 2:10 p.m.

Registration begins Saturday, April 4.

LEGO Club | Ages 4 and up

We'll provide the LEGOs, you provide the fun! *Siblings welcome. Children not yet in Kindergarten must have a caregiver in the room. Drop in.*

Tuesday, March 10, April 7 & May 5  
4 – 4:45 p.m.

Book Bites | Grades 4 – 6

Come talk about what you're reading, get book recommendations, and enjoy some pizza. *Max: 15.*

Tuesday, March 17, April 14 & May 12  
4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Registration begins March 7.

STEAMagination | Ages 6 – 12

Bring your curiosity and join us for a self-guided exploration of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) concepts. *Drop in.*

Friday, March 20, April 17 & May 15  
4 – 4:45 p.m.



Supa Awesome Dog Man Party!

Grades K – 3

Are you a fan of the Dog Man books by Dav Pilkey? Come celebrate all things Dog Man! *Max: 24.*

Monday, March 23 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.  
Registration begins Saturday, March 7.

Pickwick Field Trip: *Mulan* | Grades 4 – 8

We'll meet in the Library Reading Garden and walk to the Pickwick Theatre together. *Movie tickets provided! Max: 20.*

Friday, March 27 | Matinee showing time: TBA  
Registration open now!

Kids' Kitchen! | Grades 4 – 6

Take your after school snacks to the next level when you learn how to create delicious treats all on your own! *Menu and ingredients list will be available in advance. Max: 20.*

Wednesday, April 22 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Registration begins Saturday, April 4.

Family Book Discussion | Grades 1 – 3

We invite young readers with one or more adults to read a book and share their experience. *Light refreshments will be served. Pick up copies of the book in the Children's Department. Max: 10 kids with adults.*



Double Fudge  
by Judy Blume

Thursday, April 23  
7 – 7:45 p.m.

Registration begins  
Saturday, March 14.

Pusheen Playdate | Grades K – 3

Internet sensation Pusheen the Cat loves naps, eating and blogging, and is one adorable feline! Join us as we explore the world of Pusheen through play and crafts. *Max: 24.*

Tuesday, April 28 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Registration begins Saturday, April 11.

Book Buddies | Going into Grades 1 & 2

Readers going into Grades 1 and 2 are paired with students in Grade 6 or above. The paired buddies will meet in the Library for a 30-minute session each week to read, talk, and pick out books. *Space is limited. Registration for Little Buddies begins on June 1 in person at the Children's Services desk.*

ALL AGES

Family Movie: *Frozen 2* [PG, 103 min.]

Break up your Spring Break with a movie on the Library's big screen! *Drop in. Max: 90.*

Thursday, March 26 | 1 – 3:00 p.m.

Crafternoons

Join us for some afternoon crafting! *Drop in anytime between 4 & 4:45 p.m.*

Friday, March 27, April 24 & May 22  
4 – 4:45 p.m.

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and programs



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March 2 – April 6

Growing Book

by Book | Ages  
Birth – Preschool

Part of the nationwide 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten initiative, **Growing Book by Book** encourages parents and caregivers to nurture a lifelong love of books by reading aloud to their little every day. Families earn rewards even by reading the same book more than once. Sign up at the Library or online:

<https://parkridgelib.beanstack.org>

*You will receive a free growth chart and tote bag just for signing up! Program made possible by a generous donation from Harold Schefdore.*

Year-round

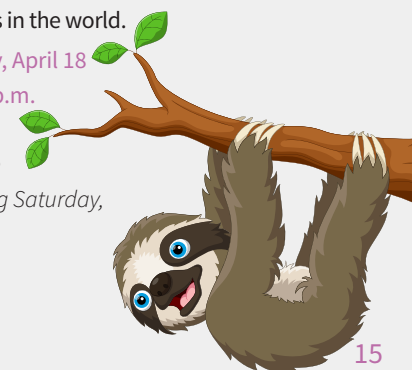
Flying Fox Conservation presents:

Mammals & More! | All Ages

Join local experts from the Flying Fox Conservation Fund for a special Earth Day animal encounter and learn about unique creatures in the world.

Saturday, April 18  
2 – 2:45 p.m.

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

*Library Closed:*

Sunday, April 12, May 24 & Monday, May 25

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