



2019 SUMMER READING CLUBS

June 5 - August 18

Join the Fun!

If you've been in the Library recently, you've probably noticed our new checkout stations. Did you know you can set up to six items on the pad and check them all out at once? And staff will be on hand to troubleshoot and answer questions. **Easy!**

Our new online calendar for event registration is user-friendly and can connect with your own calendar. **Convenient!**

Turn your phone into your library card by downloading the Keyring app. **Easy AND convenient!**

New computers and software are coming soon! **Enhanced services!**

Really, that's our job: to make your use of the library easier, more convenient and enhanced with 21st century services. See the back page for more details and come **check it out for yourself!**

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SUMMER 2019

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Programs

Register for programs at the Reader Services desk, by phone at **847.720.3280** or online at: www.parkridgelibrary.org. Admission is free to Park Ridge Library cardholders. * = \$5.00 non-refundable fee for non-Park Ridge Library cardholders.

A UNIVERSE of Stories

ADULT SUMMER READING CLUB: A UNIVERSE OF STORIES

Wednesday, June 5 – Sunday, August 18

Sign up now at: parkridgelib.beanstack.org

Start tracking your reading on June 5. Explore “A Universe of Stories” this summer to earn a Summer Reading Club tote bag (while supplies last). Sign up online or in person at the Reader Services Desk and be entered to win Ravinia tickets just for signing up!

Prizes sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

2019 ANNIVERSARIES

The 50th Anniversary of Abbey Road*

Celebrate the last Beatles album with music historian Gary Wenstrup. Learn the stories behind the album’s best-known songs and why it was almost never made. *Register.*

Sunday, June 9 | 1:00 p.m.

The 75th Anniversary of the Airborne on D-Day*

Robert Mueller commemorates the men of the US 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions on D-Day. Learn the military tactics that led to success, and meet some of the paratroopers who helped bring it about. *Register.*

Thursday, June 27 | 7:00 p.m.

The 50th Anniversary of the Apollo Moon Landing*

Solar System Ambassador Bob Kaplow invites you on the first successful journey to the moon, from the start of the space program all the way to Apollo 11. *Register.*

Sunday, July 14 | 1:00 p.m.

Open Knitting & Crocheting Nights

Join the Park Ridge Fiber Artists for an open knitting session! Bring your own supplies and settle in for free knitting advice and lively conversation. *Drop in.*

Thursdays, June 6 & August 1 | 7:00 p.m.

World Wide Knit in Public Day

Join the Park Ridge Fiber Artists for this international knitting event! Bring a chair and water bottle and knit with the world!

Drop in.

Saturday, June 8 | 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Library Lawn



Documentary Film: Albatross

Activist/photographer Chris Jordan was alerted to an endangered population of albatrosses on Midway Island in the north Pacific Ocean. Join Go Green Park Ridge in a screening of his documentary. *Register.*

Thursday, June 13 | 7:00 p.m.

Radio Goes to War*

Join radio historian Steve Darnall in a special program about the role radio played in WWII. Hear broadcasts of news, presidential speeches, and radio plays to boost morale at home. *Register.*

Tuesday, June 18 | 2:00 p.m.

Tabletop Game Nights

Join friends and neighbors as we break out your favorite games. Have a laugh, learn something new, and meet other gamers. *For adults only.*

Games sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Drop in.

Thursdays, June 20, July 18 & August 15 | 6:30 p.m.

Beer on the Wall – 106 Main St., Park Ridge

Library Pub Quiz

Are you a books and movie buff with a head full of trivial knowledge? Show off your expertise and earn prizes by joining a team for the Library Pub Quiz! *Seating is limited to 30. Register.*

Tuesdays, June 25, July 23, August 27 | 6:30 p.m.

The Harp & Fiddle – 110 Main St., Park Ridge

Chair Yoga*

Joan McGee of Sun and Moon Yoga offers the perfect mid-afternoon break. Stretch and breathe your way to renewed energy in this gentle class. *No experience necessary. Register.*

Wednesdays, June 26, July 31 & August 28

2:00 p.m.

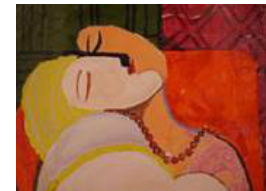
Pre-Civil War Quilts: Secret Codes to Freedom*

Join educator Connie Martin to discover the secret codes and hidden messages inside the patterns of pre-Civil War quilts that signaled escaping slaves on the Underground Railroad to freedom. *Register.*

Tuesday, July 16 | 2:00 p.m.

Art Workshop: Reimagining Picasso*

Artist Terri Murphy leads a collage and painting workshop inspired by the artwork of Pablo Picasso. *All supplies provided. Max: 25. Sponsored by Marion’s Mark. Register.*



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Thursday, July 25 | 7:00 p.m.

Concert: The Makani Girls*

Enjoy a concert of Hawaiian music from the Makani family, including ukulele, Tahitian drums, and the traditional dances of Hokule’a.

Register.

Tuesday, July 30 | 7:00 p.m.

Hydrangeas Are Hot*

Gardening expert Sharon Yiesla, Horticultural Services, offers tips on growing and maintaining this popular and versatile plant. *Register.*

Tuesday, August 6 | 7:00 p.m.

Dinosauria

Join dinosaur hunter Don Pfister as he details his discoveries in a rich dig site in Wyoming, including something altogether new and real Jurassic dinosaur bones to touch. *Register.*

Thursday, August 8 | 7:00 p.m.

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FOR ADULTS

Documentary Film: 306 Hollywood

A magical documentary of two siblings who undertake an excavation



of their late grandmother’s house, where they discover life remaining in wonderful objects left behind. *This event is a collaboration with the documentary series POV (www.pbs.org/pov). Drop in.*

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

The Basics of DNA Testing for Ancestry*

Genetic genealogist Robert Siwinski will show different types of DNA tests available on the market and what to expect. *Register.*

Sunday, August 11 | 1:00 p.m.

How to Vacation in Switzerland like a Pro

Veteran traveler Gail Benedetto gives an insider’s guide to visiting Switzerland. *Register.*

Tuesday, August 20 | 2:00 p.m.

Concert: Because We’re Night People with Petra van Nuis*

Jazz vocalist Petra van Nuis and pianist Dennis Luxion offer a concert of songs to mellow out your evening. *Register.*

Thursday, August 22 | 7:00 p.m.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

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

Thursday Morning Group

Virgil Wander by Leif Enger

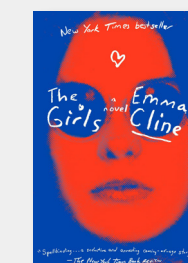


After movie house owner Virgil Wander’s car crashes into Lake Superior, he must recover his language and memory along with his defunct Midwestern town.

Thursday, June 13
OR 27 | 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Group

The Girls by Emma Cline

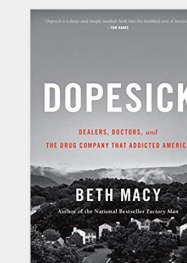


Mesmerized by girls she perceives as enjoying a life of careless abandon, 1960s teen Evie Boyd becomes obsessed with acceptance into their circle, only to find herself drawn into a cult.

Wednesday, June 12
7:00 p.m.

Nonfiction Group

Dopesick by Beth Macy



A look at America’s 20-plus year struggle with opioid addiction, with deeply human portraits of the families and first responders struggling to ameliorate this epidemic.

Friday, June 7
10:00 a.m.

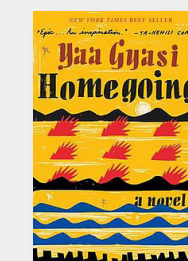
Transcription by Kate Atkinson



BBC radio producer Juliet Armstrong finds herself targeted by dangerous individuals from her past as a World War II espionage monitor for MI5.

Thursday, July 11
OR 25 | 10:00 a.m.

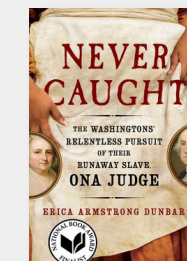
Homegoing by Yaa Gyasi



Two half-sisters are born into different villages in 18th-century Ghana and experience profoundly different lives and legacies throughout subsequent generations.

Wednesday, July 10
7:00 p.m.

Never Caught by Erica Armstrong Dunbar



The story of Ona Judge, George and Martha Washington’s slave who risked everything to escape the nation’s capital and reach freedom.

Friday, April 5
10:00 a.m.

FILMS @ THE LIBRARY

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

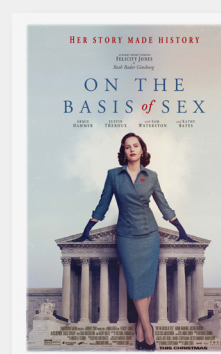


June

If Beale Street Could Talk [R, 119 min.]

In 1970s Harlem, Tish and Fonny are ripped apart when Fonny is falsely accused of a crime. *Starring Regina King and Kiki Layne.*

Tuesday, June 11
1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

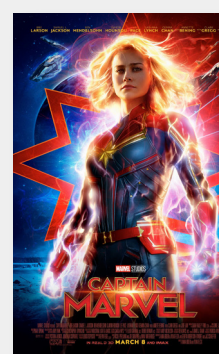


July

On the Basis of Sex [PG-13, 120 min.]

The true story of Ruth Bader Ginsburg, struggling for equal rights to confirmation as a Supreme Court Justice. *Starring Felicity Jones and Armie Hammer.*

Tuesday, July 9
1:00 & 7:00 p.m.



August

Captain Marvel [PG-13, 100 min.]

The story of Air Force pilot Carol Danvers and her recruitment into the elite Starforce Military. *Starring Brie Larson and Samuel L. Jackson.*

Tuesday, August 13
1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

Register for these programs at any service desk, by phone at **847.720.3280** or on the Library's website at: www.parkridgelibrary.org.

TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

Drop-In Help Desk

Representative of FireLogic will be on hand to answer your computer and tech-related questions on a first come, first served basis. 30 minutes. Drop in.

Saturday, June 8, July 13 & August 10
9 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | *Third Floor Meeting Room*

One-on-One eBook Appointments

Meet with a member of the Reader Services department for a 45 minute session and learn to use Overdrive, Axis 360, or Hoopla on your mobile device or eReader. Register.

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

Intro to eBooks & Downloadables

Look at apps like Libby, Hoopla, and Kanopy, and learn how to enjoy library items on your mobile device. We encourage you to bring your own phone or tablet, and download the apps prior to the class. Max: 10. Register.

Wednesdays, June 19, July 17 OR
August 21 | 1:00 p.m.

Video Streaming Services and Devices

An introduction to video streaming services like Netflix, Hulu, and Hoopla, and the devices available to view them on your TV or computer. Max 10. Register.

Wednesday, June 19 | 7:00 p.m.

Smart Home Basics

Learn about smart home devices such as smart plugs, thermostats, and light bulbs, and how to integrate them into your home. Max: 10. Register.

Wednesday, July 17 | 7:00 p.m.

RESOURCE PROGRAMS

Power Employment Workshops

Join Illinois WorkNet Center speakers to discuss setting SMART goals, using social media to connect with hiring managers, getting your resume through the Applicant Tracking Systems and sharpening interview skills. Max: 20. Register

Friday, June 14 OR August 9
9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. (Break provided)
Third Floor Meeting Room

SCORE Small Business Counseling

Hour long one-on-one sessions with a SCORE counselor on all aspects of small business. Free, by appointment only. Register at: www.northchicago.score.org/find-mentor-726

Mondays, June 10 OR 24, July 8 OR 22 &
August 12 OR 26 | 6:30 p.m. OR 7:30 p.m.
Study Room in Reader Services Department

For Teens Summer 2019

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. Unless noted, registration begins Saturday, June 1 at 9:00 a.m.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Book Buddies | Grades 6 & Up

Be a Big Buddy to a 1st or 2nd grader! The paired buddies will meet at the Library for a scheduled 30-minute session each week to talk, pick out books, and read. Space is limited. Service hours available. Registration begins in person in Children's Services on Saturday, May 11.

June 17 – July 26
Required training session:
Thursday, June 13 | 4:30 – 5:15 p.m.
First Floor Meeting Room

Children's Program Assistants Grades 7 & Up

Volunteer to help in the Children's Department this summer! Registration will be done via lottery. Visit the Reader Services desk now through Friday, June 7, to complete an application. Participants will be notified by Monday, June 10.

Junior Volunteers | Grades 7 & Up

Junior volunteers work one hour a week for four weeks. Registration will be done via lottery. Visit the Reader Services Desk now through Friday, June 7, to complete an application. Participants will be notified by Monday, June 10. Mandatory orientation will be held on Friday, June 14, 4:30 p.m.

Session One: June 17 – July 12
Session Two: July 15 – August 9

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

Teen Craft Club

You bring the creativity, we'll provide the supplies. Make tie-dye t-shirts in June, slime in July, and rainbow shaving cream marbled art in August. Dress for a mess! In case of rain, we will meet in the First Floor Meeting Room. Max: 15.

Friday, June 21, Tuesday, July 30 &
Friday, August 16 | 2 – 3:00 p.m. | *Library Lawn*

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TEEN SUMMER READING CLUB: A UNIVERSE OF STORIES

Wednesday, June 5 – Sunday, August 18

Start tracking your reading on June 5. Read four books OR read for 30 days to earn a free paperback book and raffle tickets! Sign up for the Summer Reading Club in person at the Library or online.

Prizes sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Sign up now at:
parkridgelib.beanstack.org

FOR TEENS

After Hours Library Scavenger Hunt

Join us after hours at the Library for an exciting mission! Max: 10.
Fridays, July 19 OR 26 | 5:45 – 7:00 p.m.
Teen Loft

After Hours Murder Mystery Party

Come to the Library after hours for a murder mystery party! Max: 20.
Friday, June 28 | 5:45 – 7:00 p.m.
First Floor Meeting Room

Happy Birthday, Harry Potter!

Join us for a celebration of our favorite literary character's birthday! We'll have pizza, butterbeer, and an interactive showing of *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. Max: 30.
Wednesday, July 31 | 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.
First Floor Meeting Room

MIDDLE SCHOOL ONLY

Intro to Babysitting

Discover what it takes to be a babysitter with these basic tips and tricks! The Park Ridge Fire Department will provide first aid training. Max: 20.
Monday, June 17 | 1 – 4:00 p.m. OR
Monday, June 24 | 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
First Floor Meeting Room

6th Grade Mix & Mingle:

Welcome to the Teen Loft!

Are you a new 6th grader? Come learn about the Loft, meet other 6th graders, listen to book talks, and play games. Max: 20.

Friday, June 14 | 5:45 – 7:15 p.m. | *Teen Loft*

Pizza & Pages: Middle School Edition

Share your favorite books with other teen readers, get great book recommendations, and fill up on pizza. Max: 15.
Wednesdays, June 12, July 10 & August 14
2 – 3:00 p.m. | *Third Floor Meeting Room*

HIGH SCHOOL ONLY

SAT/ACT Practice Test

More Than Scores and Tests will proctor a practice test that combines elements of the SAT and ACT. Bring pencils, a calculator, and a snack and water bottle. Students must attend the Test Results Workshop on Saturday, June 22, 10 – 11:00 a.m. to receive their scores. Max: 30.
Saturday, June 15 | 9:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.
First Floor Meeting Room

ACT Practice Test

More Than Scores and Tests will proctor an ACT practice test. Bring pencils, a calculator, and a snack and water bottle. Students must attend the Test Results Workshop on Saturday, August 17, 10 – 11:00 a.m. to receive their scores. Max: 30.
Saturday, August 10 | 9:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.
First Floor Meeting Room

BOOK DISCUSSIONS @STARBUCKS

Your first drink is on us! We'll meet in the Reading Garden outside the Library. The book will be available in the Teen Loft. Max: 10.

Middle School Edition

Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus by Dusti Bowling
Born without arms, Aven Green knows she'll become the center of unwanted attention at her new school.

Tuesday, June 25
2 – 3:00 p.m.

It Wasn't Me by Dana Alison Levy

Six very different students work together during a mandated detention when they are wrongly blamed for a vandalism incident.
Tuesday, July 23
2 – 3:00 p.m.

Eventown by Cory Ann Haydu

Elodee moves to Eventown with her parents and twin sister, a town where everything seems a little too perfect.
Tuesday, August 20
2 – 3:00 p.m.

High School Edition

White Rose by Kip Wilson
Sophie Scholl, a young German college student, challenges the Nazi regime during World War II.
Wednesday, July 24
7 – 8:00 p.m.

Pizza & Pages: High School Edition

Share your favorite books with other teen readers, get great book recommendations, and fill up on pizza. Max: 15.
Wednesdays, June 19, July 10 & August 21
7 – 8:00 p.m. | *First Floor Meeting Room*

READ THE RAINBOW: LGBTQ Support Group

Are you or someone close to you an LGBTQ teen? Join our support group to discuss what's been on your mind in an open and accepting environment. Max: 15. *First Floor Meeting Room*.

Pride Celebration!

Thursday, June 13 | 7 – 8:00 p.m.

Movie Night: *Love, Simon*

Monday, July 22 | 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Book Discussion and Author Visit:

Gracefully Grayson by Ami Polonsky
Thursday, August 1 | 7 – 8:00 p.m.



TEEN MOVIES

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



Spider-Man:

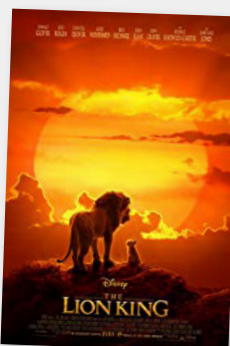
Far From Home

Peter Parker and his friends go on a European vacation where they uncover the mystery of several creature attacks.

Friday, July 5
Matinee Time TBA

The Lion King [2019]

After the murder of his father, a young lion prince flees his kingdom only to learn the true meaning of bravery.
Wednesday, July 24
Matinee Time TBA





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Start tracking your reading on June 5.

A UNIVERSE OF STORIES

Birth – Going into Grade 6

Expand your universe this summer with good books! Earn a sticker and a prize drawing ticket for every five days you spend time reading. Enter to win fantastic prizes with the drawing tickets you earn. If you read at least twenty days this summer, you will earn a book to keep!

Prizes sponsored by the Friends of the Library.



DROP IN STORYTIMES

Children attending Storytime must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Tuesdays

Wiggle Worms | Birth – 24 months
Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes for babies and 1 year olds! *Siblings welcome.*
June 19 – July 23 | 9:30 – 10:00 a.m. OR 11 – 11:35 a.m.

Wednesdays

Storytime for 2s and 3s | 2 – 3 years
Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes for 2 and 3 year olds! *Siblings welcome.*
June 18 – July 24 | 9:30 – 9:55 a.m. OR 10:15 – 10:40 a.m.

Thursdays

Summer Storytime | 4 – 6 years
Join us for storytime for 4 to 6 year olds! *Siblings welcome. There is no Storytime July 4.*
June 20 – July 18 | 10 – 10:30 a.m.

Pajama Family Storytime | All Ages

Wear your p.j.'s and bring your favorite stuffed friend for a cozy bedtime story!
June 27 & July 18 | 7 – 7:25 p.m.

Saturdays

Family Storytime and Craft | All Ages
June 29 & July 20 | 10 – 10:45 a.m.

PERFORMERS



Kids' Concert featuring Alina Celeste*

All Ages
Get ready to sing and dance with Alina Celeste! *Tickets available beginning Saturday, June 1. Max: 125.*

Wednesday, June 5 | 10 – 10:45 a.m.



Kids' Concert featuring ScribbleMonster* | Ages 4 and Up

Come rock out with ScribbleMonster in a fun and creative musical playtime! *Siblings welcome. Tickets available beginning Saturday, July 13. Max: 125. This program is made possible by a generous donation from The Friends of the Library.*

Monday, July 22 | 2 – 2:45 p.m.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Little Space Explorers | Age 3 – Going into Grade 1 with adult

Play and learn in this interactive program with hands-on activities exploring outer space! *Registration begins Saturday, July 6. Max: 24. Siblings welcome. Limit one session per child.*

Monday, July 15 | 10 – 10:45 a.m. OR 11:15 – 12 noon

SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS

Book Buddies | Going into Grades 1 & 2

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

Read to the Dogs | Going into Grades 2 – 6

Dogs from Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy want to hear you read! Sign up for a 15 minute session to read to a canine companion. Bring your own book, or pick one out from the Library before your turn. *This program is for Park Ridge Library card holders. Registration for each is separate and by phone or in-person only. Max: 16. Please limit one session per child. Sponsored by Marion's Mark.*

Thursday, June 20 | 1 – 2:15 p.m.
Registration begins Thursday, June 13.

Thursday, June 27 | 1 – 2:15 p.m.
Registration begins Thursday, June 20.

Thursday, July 18 | 1 – 2:15 p.m.
Registration begins Thursday, July 11.

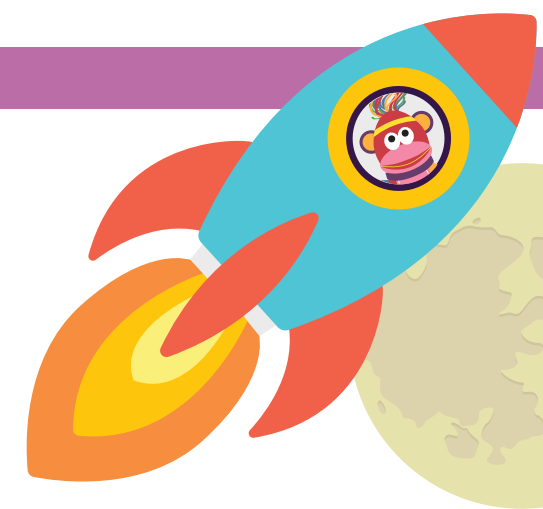
Thursday, August 1 | 1 – 2:15 p.m.
Registration begins Thursday, July 25.

Book Bites | Going into Grades 4 – 6

Come talk about what you're reading, get ideas for your next great read and enjoy a morning snack of bagels and donuts! *Registration begins Saturday, June 1. Max: 15.*

Fridays, June 21 & July 19 | 10 – 10:45 a.m.

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GENIUS WAYS TO KEEP KIDS

Reading

This summer and all year long!

- Ask questions about what they're reading to enhance comprehension.
- Stash books everywhere so they're always within reach.
- Read aloud – even when they don't need it. Listening can be a nice break for a tired reader.
- Read the book, then watch the movie.
- Create a cozy book nook for reading, even out of something as easy as a blanket fort.
- Try a variety of sources – magazines, cookbooks, joke books, even audiobooks can help a child become a better reader.
- Keep them motivated! Sign up for the Summer Reading Club!

Adapted from "How to Motivate Your Child to Read" by Marie Rippel, allaboutlearningpress.com.



Battle Boot Camp | Going into Grades 4 – 5

Learn tips and tactics for the upcoming Battle of the Books season. We'll have a "mock" battle so you can know what it's like to be part of the team. This is also a great opportunity for parents to learn what Battle is all about! *Parents and siblings welcome. Drop in.*

Tuesday, July 16 | 7 – 8:00 p.m.

Murder Mystery Party | Going into Grades 4 – 6

Do you like to role play and solve mysteries? Join us after hours in the Library for a murder mystery party! *Registration begins Saturday, June 8. Max: 20.*

Fridays, June 28, July 19 OR 26 | 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Family Book Discussion | Going into Grades 1 – 3

We invite young readers along with one or more adults to read a book together and share their experience. *Pizza will be served. Registration begins Saturday, June 1. Visit the Children's Services Department to pick up copies of the book. Max: 10 kids with adults.*

The Cricket in Times Square by George Selden
Tuesday, July 30 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

ALL AGES

Crafternoons

Make a craft in the children's department! *Drop in.*
Tuesdays, June 18, July 2, 16 & 30 | 2 – 3:30 p.m.

Maker Mondays

Drop in the children's department and engage in fun and exciting STEAM activities! *This program is designed for kids ages 4 – 12. Siblings welcome. Children not yet in Kindergarten must remain with a caregiver at all times. Drop in.*
Mondays, June 17, July 1 & 15 | 2 – 3:30 p.m.

Moon Viewings

Join us on the Library lawn as we look through the Library's telescope at our moon! The moon will be in its first quarter at the time of viewings. *Drop in. Weather permitting. Check our website for up to date information at: www.parkridgelibrary.org/kids/viewthemoon2019*

Tuesday, June 11, July 9 AND Thursday, August 8 | 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Funky Monkey's Moon Landing Party

Help us celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first humans landing on the moon. Funky Monkey invites kids of all ages and their families to his moon landing party! Join us for space themed games, activities, and more!

Drop in.
Wednesday, July 17 | 7 – 8:30 p.m.

WALL-E – An Interactive Movie Experience

The audience participates in this awesome interactive movie experience! *Rated G. Drop in. Max: 90.*

Friday, August 2 | 2 – 3:45 p.m.

MORE SUMMER FUN!

Around Town with Funky Monkey!

Funky Monkey returns as our 2019 Summer Reading Club mascot! He'll be visiting places around Park Ridge this summer and every Tuesday he will move to a new location. Come to the Library each week to read the clue and go find Funky Monkey for a chance to win a prize. Clues will also be posted on Facebook and on the kids' page of the Library website.

Starting Tuesday, June 18 – Tuesday, July 30*
**Funky Monkey will return to the Library on the morning of Tuesday, July 30.*

Send Us a Postcard!

As you travel, whether near or far, we'd love to hear from you! Send us a postcard and we will display them for everyone to enjoy.



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Reader Services (847) 720-3280
Teen Loft (847) 720-3286

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:

Sunday, April 21, May 26 & Monday, May 27

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*“So cool!”
“So fast and efficient!”
“So smart!”*

These are some of the patron responses library staff has received since introducing a new, space-saving return system and new checkout stations.

“The new equipment allows staff to serve our patrons better by providing faster service and more attention to existing services,” said Patron Services Assistant Manager Matthew Hoffman.

“Patron Services will have more time to look up materials, troubleshoot and place items on hold. We are still at the desk ready to engage with patrons and show them the new technology!” The front desk will be staffed at all times, just as before. Checkout stations will be opening this summer on the second floor lobby and in Children's Services

The checkout stations allow a small stack of up to six books to be scanned at a time. And, the system works with Keyring, an app that allows users to store their library card barcode on their phone. The new checkout machines will read the barcode on a library card, but patrons will no longer be able to use their photo ID to look up their card number. The \$1 fee for a replacement card will be waived June through August.

The new return stations are flat screens on the wall near the front desk, where a computer scans materials, a conveyer belt pulls them in and they are sorted into bins by collection. Behind the scenes, staff can focus on the more detailed sort for items to be shelved. A public seating area is now in the space where the return desk once was.

In addition to new equipment enhancing experience, patrons can now sign up for Library programs and events using new registration software called LibCal. Patrons will be able to register multiple guests at once, receive automatic e-mail reminders and easily add events to their personal online or smartphone calendar.

Patrons will also benefit from all new computers throughout the library with installation beginning in June 2019.



*“Patrons will notice a much cleaner, easier-to-read page design with LibCal, and features to save time and stay organized,”
- Adult Programming Librarian Sarah Vessalo*