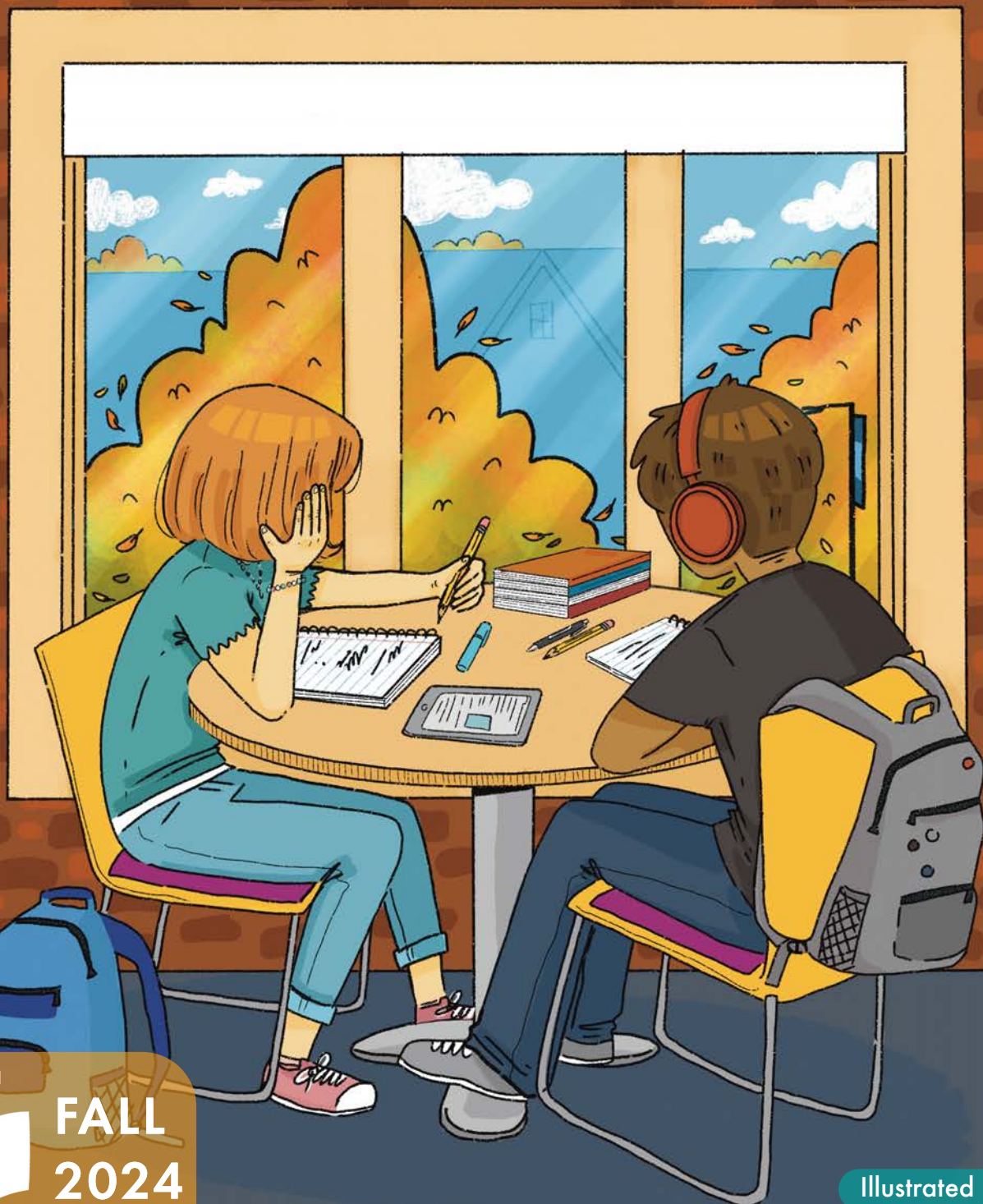


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Teens Get Ready for the Future

CAREER PLANNING FOR HIGH SCHOOLERS

High schoolers and caregivers, join us for a workshop on essential career planning for college-bound students. Learn how to focus your college experience, reduce student loan debt, graduate on time, and pave the way for a successful career. We'll also cover strategies to manage income, saving, and assets to minimize costs.

Presented by My College Planning Team.

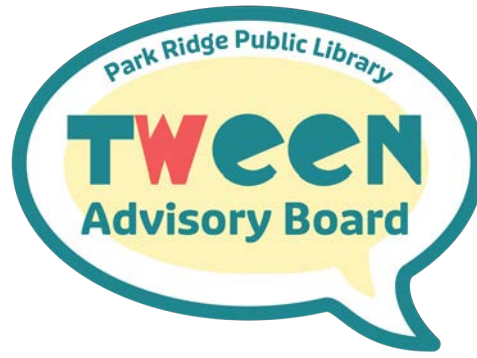
**Monday, October 21
7 p.m.**

"I think this program will be helpful for high schoolers to increase their preparation for the future and provide them with strategies to ensure that they are successful in college and future careers. It can also help teach crucial skills important to all parts of life, such as managing money and assets."

- Kaelyn, T(w)een Advisory Board Member



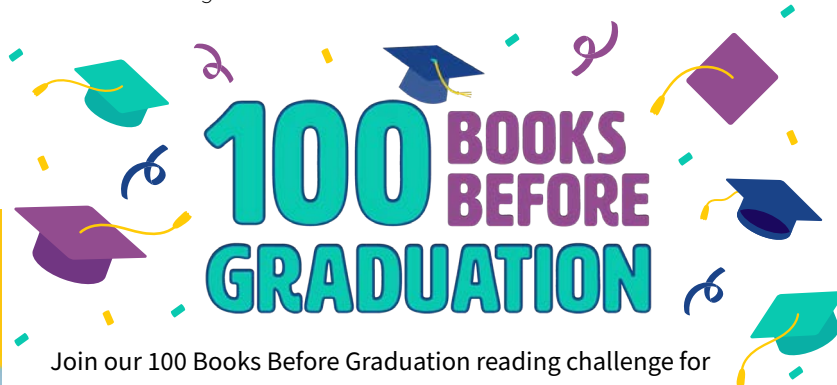
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T(W)EEN ADVISORY BOARD

The T(w)een Advisory Board, a group of middle and high school Library ambassadors, meets regularly during the

summer to plan and enrich library services to their peers. Their work this year has resulted in sound dampening ceiling tiles and new seating for the Teen Loft, enhancements to the teen Summer Reading program, social media contributions, and planning events such as our Welcome to Your Teen Loft Party this September. With their passion and commitment, the T(w)een Advisory Board plays a pivotal role in shaping the Teen Loft into a vibrant hub that resonates with the diverse and evolving interests of its patrons. The TAB will resume meeting again around winter break, and new members are always welcome. *See pages 8 and 9 for more activities for middle & high school students.*



Join our 100 Books Before Graduation reading challenge for middle schoolers headed for eighth grade graduation, or high schoolers. Log the books you read, and earn prizes along the way. Sign up on Beanstack, then stop by the Loft to pick up a starter kit. Log each book by title in Beanstack, and earn prizes for every 25 books you read!

WHAT SHOULD YOU READ?

Anything you like that's at your reading level! Fill out a Book Match form on our website to get personalized recommendations, check out the newest books in our collection, or check out our booklists for some good recommendations.

Conquering the Common App Essay

Grades 9 - 12

Join us to do some essay prep work and planning, get feedback on your own essay in session 2!

**Monday, September 9 |
7 - 8:15 p.m.**

**Monday, September 23 |
7 - 8:15 p.m.**

Registration required | Attendance at both sessions is strongly encouraged



Grades 6 - 12

HOMEWORK HANGOUT



NEED SOME EXTRA SPACE TO GET SOME HOMEWORK DONE?

Bring your backpacks and after-school drinks and join your friends for a productive study session with a healthy dose of hanging out.

DROP IN

**WEDNESDAYS
3:30 - 5 P.M.**



Use the QR code to access the Teen page of our website to learn more.

Discover Digital Resources

Patrons and staff recommend their favorite digital resources, and mobile apps for accessing free and accurate information and entertainment. Stop at the Reference desk for assistance accessing these valuable resources, or use the QR code below to find them through our website.*

**Please note, you will need your library card number to access the databases remotely.*

“I often use the library’s database in order to access **Value Line** remotely (with my library card), to do **financial research** on companies. I really appreciate that the library offers it at no cost, as otherwise it is a subscription service, and I also love that I can use this invaluable tool conveniently at home!”

- Mary, Library Patron

Value Line is an online investment research service including stocks and mutual funds.

“I use the **Historical Chicago Tribune** because I wanted to see articles about people with my first name from 100 years ago or earlier. My name is kind of unusual, so I love reading about other Mirandas. I’ll keep looking for positive Miranda characters and Mirandas in the news!”

- Miranda, Library Patron

The **Historical Chicago Tribune** is the full text of the newspaper from 1849-1999. The collection provides access to every page from every available issue.

“**Flipster** is one of the **digital magazine services** to which the Library subscribes. The magazines on **Flipster** are not available on Libby. I always find it interesting that the two most popular magazines patrons read on **Flipster** are People and Time! It just goes to show, whatever your taste, the Library probably has a magazine for you.”

- Lori, Reference Department



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“(Downloadable apps like) **Libby** and **Hoopla** and the databases got my husband and I through COVID! But (I) mostly love the **genealogy** databases. When I meet people (around town) and I talk about the databases, they ask me to help them. I bring them in and show them how easy it is.”

- Patty, Library Patron & Staff Member

Databases like **Ancestry Library Edition** are online sources of information for conducting genealogical and local history research.

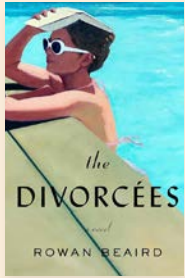
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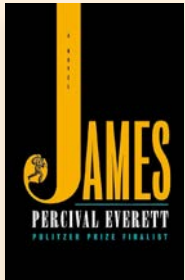
Films and Book Discussions for Adults

Book discussions 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 two weeks before the discussion at the Reader Services desk.

FICTION GROUP R



The Divorcées by Rowan Beard
VIRTUAL: Tuesday, September 10 | 7 p.m.
IN PERSON: Thursday, September 26 | 10 a.m.

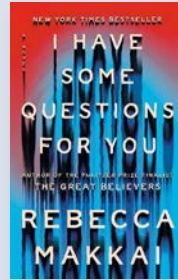


James by Percival Everett
VIRTUAL: Tuesday, October 8 | 7 p.m.
IN PERSON: Thursday, October 24 | 10 a.m.



Small Things Like These by Claire Keegan
VIRTUAL: Tuesday, November 12 | 7 p.m.
IN PERSON: Thursday, November 21 | 10 a.m.

WEDNESDAY EVENING GROUP R



I Have Some Questions For You by Rebecca Makkai
 Wednesday, September 18 | 7 p.m.

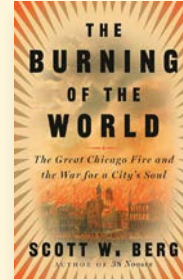


Yellowface by R.F. Kuang
 Wednesday, October 16 | 7 p.m.

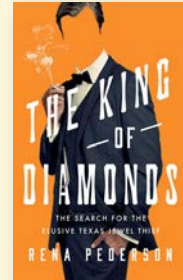


Counterfeit by Kirstin Chen
 Wednesday, November 20 | 7 p.m.

NONFICTION GROUP R

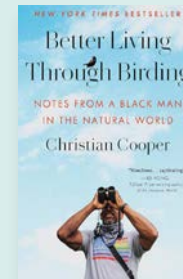


The Burning of the World by Scott W. Berg
 Friday, September 13 | 10 a.m.



The King of Diamonds by Rena Pederson
 Friday, November 8 | 10 a.m.

GREEN READS R



Better Living Through Birding by Christian Cooper
 In partnership with Go Green Park Ridge
 Tuesday, October 22 | 7 p.m.

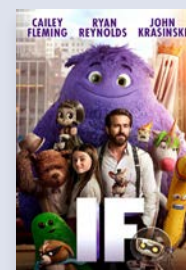
FILMS - These movies are screened at the Library in the First Floor Meeting Room. Sponsored by The Friends of the Library.



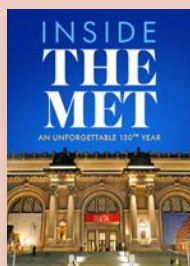
Fall Guy
 [PG-13, 114 min.]
 Tuesday, September 17
 1 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.



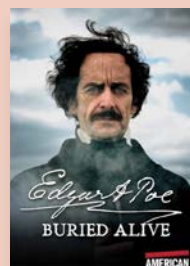
Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire
 [PG-13, 125 min.]
 Tuesday, October 15
 1 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.



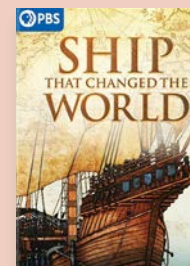
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 [PG, 104 min.]
 Tuesday, November 19
 1 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.



Inside the Met: Part 3
 Friday, September 27
 10 a.m.



Edgar Allan Poe, Buried Alive
 Friday, October 25
 10 a.m.



The Ship That Changed the World
 Friday, November 15
 10 a.m.



The Studio and Media Lab



R Orientation

Patrons must complete this mandatory orientation before booking appointments in The Studio.

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

Tuesdays: 6 p.m. | Thursdays: 11 a.m.

THE STUDIO CLASSES

All classes are free and supplies included.

Open to Park Ridge cardholders only. **Must be comfortable using a computer for Laser Cutter classes.** After registration, if you are unable to attend, please notify the Library at 847-720-3230.

* *Limit of 1 laser cutter class per month.*

R Laser Cutter 101 (Beginner): Leather Key Fob

Learn how to personalize a Leather Key Fob. *Limit 1 person per class.*

Saturday, September 7 | Nine half-hour slots from 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

R Cricut 101

See a brief demonstration of the Cricut Design Space software before learning how to create a simple project.

Limit 4 people per class.

Thursday, September 12 | 2 p.m.

Friday, September 20 | 2 p.m.

Tuesday, September 24 | 2 p.m.

R Laser Cutter 201 (Intermediate): Engraved Brick Plaque

Engrave a Brick Plaque for the front of your house or for your back garden!

Prerequisite: Laser Cutter 101.

Limit 4 people per class.

Thursday, September 19 | 7 p.m.

Thursday, September 26 | 7 p.m.

Friday, September 27 | 11 a.m.

R Halloween Tea Towels

Decorate a pair of black tea towels with heat transfer vinyl for Halloween.

Limit 4 people per class.

Thursday, October 3 | 2 p.m.

Wednesday, October 9 | 7 p.m.

Friday, October 18 | 2 p.m.

Tuesday, October 22 | 2 p.m.

R No-Sew Fabric Pumpkin & Pumpkin Gnome

Create a fabric pumpkin and a pumpkin gnome as part of your fall decor.

Limit 4 people per class.

Thursday, October 10 | 7 p.m.

Friday, October 11 | 11 a.m.

Thursday, October 17 | 7 p.m.

R Laser Cutter 101 (Beginner): Wooden Halloween Luminary

Learn how to use the laser cutter to cut out a Halloween themed wooden holder for a flameless votive candle!

Limit 1 person per class.

Saturday, October 12 | Nine half-hour slots from 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

R Origami Paper Flower Lotus

Construct a four-layered lotus blossom along with Creativebug. You can use it as a gift-wrap embellishment, ornament, or table decoration. *Limit 4 people per class.*

Friday, November 1 | 11 a.m.

Wednesday, November 6 | 7 p.m.

Tuesday, November 12 | 2 p.m.

Thursday, November 21 | 2 p.m.

R Laser Cutter 101 (Beginner): Engraved Fleece Ear Warmer

Learn how to personalize a cozy fleece ear warmer! *Limit 1 person per class.*

Saturday, November 9 | Nine half-hour slots from 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

R Laser Cutter 101 (Intermediate): Personalized Wooden Name Puzzle

Create a personalized wooden name puzzle for your favorite little person!

Limit 4 person per class.

Thursday, November 14 | 7 p.m.

Friday, November 15 | 11 a.m.

Thursday, November 21 | 7 p.m.



R Orientation

Patrons must complete this mandatory orientation before booking appointments in The Media Lab. Open to Park Ridge Library cardholders only.

Wednesdays: 7 p.m. | Saturdays: 10 a.m.

THE MEDIA LAB CLASSES

All classes are free. Open to Park Ridge cardholders only. *Limit 3 people per class.*

R Archiving Your Photos, Slides, and Negatives

Take those boxes of old photos, slides and negatives and digitize them.

Thursdays: September 5, October 3, November 7 | 7 - 8 p.m.

R Converting Home Videos to Digital

Convert your old VHS home videos to DVD.

Thursdays: September 12, October 10, November 14 | 7 - 8 p.m.

R Digitizing Audio Cassettes and Records

Convert your old audiocassette recordings and records to MP3 or CD using the TEAC machine.

Thursdays: September 19, October 17 | 7 - 8 p.m.

R Converting 8mm and Super 8 Home Videos to Digital

Learn the steps to digitize your 8mm and Super 8 film.

Thursdays: September 26, October 24, November 21 | 7 - 8 p.m.



ILLINOIS LIBRARIES PRESENT - These programs will be held over Zoom.

These webinars are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. ILP is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office for the Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

R Being Imperfect with Erika Sanchez
Wednesday, October 9
7 p.m.



R Raise Your Voice with Jason Reynolds
Tuesday, October 22
7 p.m.



R Holiday Tips & Tricks with Chef Art Smith
Wednesday, November 20
7 p.m.

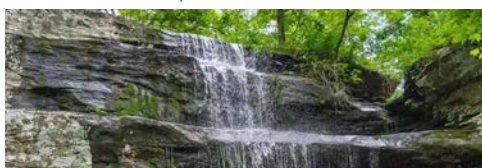


AFTERNOON PROGRAMS

R Death-Defying Acts: The History of the Circus
William Pack takes you on a fantastical journey from Phil Astley's creation of the modern circus in 1768 to the incredible feud between Barnum and the Ringling Brothers. *Hybrid.*
Tuesday, September 10 | 2 p.m.

R Wits Workout
Boost your cognitive function and memory while reconnecting with your Park Ridge neighbors in this interactive program of brain puzzles and discussion starters. *In-person only. Sponsored by the 20th Century Club.*
Thursdays: September 12, October 10, November 14 | 1 p.m.

R Smartphone Basics
Learn the basics of using your touchscreen device such as screen navigation, essential functions and applications, and more. **Bring your own tablet or smartphone device.** *In-person only. Limit one session per patron.*
Wednesdays: September 18, October 16, November 20 | 11 a.m.



R Southern Illinois Travel: Road-Tripping in the Land of Lincoln
"Mr. Illinois" John Kokoris will share travel tips and stories from the south of our state, from the waterfalls of Shawnee National Forest to BBQ and the Big Muddy Monster. *Hybrid.*
Tuesday, October 8 | 2 p.m.

GLOBAL NEIGHBORS

R Global Neighbors: Norway
Celebrate Norway with the Leikarringen dancers, who will perform in folk costume, demonstrate rosemaling art, and lecture on Norwegian history and facts. Norwegian treats will be provided. *In-person only. Sponsored by Marion's Mark.*
Thursday, October 24 | 7 p.m.



R Chair Yoga
Join Sun and Moon instructor Joan McGee for this gentle yoga class. Stretch, breathe, and meditate your way to renewed energy. *No experience necessary!*
Hybrid.
Wednesdays | 2 p.m.
Joan is on-site September 4 & 18, October 2 & 16, November 6 & 20.

R Documentary: "Mountain Men"
Join us for a screening of "Mountain Men," a documentary of the incredible story of the Army's 10th Mountain Division stationed in Italy during WWII. Q&A with Elizabeth Ryles, 10th Mountain descendent, to follow. *In-person only.*
Tuesday, November 12 | 2 p.m.

LIVE MUSIC



R The Chris Greene Quartet
Enjoy a performance from this long-standing Chicago jazz group, who integrate elements of funk, hip-hop, rock, pop, blues, and reggae into their sophisticated style. **The first of our new concert series sponsored by the Friends of the Library.** *In-person only.*
Sunday, November 3 | 2 p.m.

R John Ling, Violin
Versatile and rousing violinist John Ling will perform a set of solo pieces across musical genres. *In-person only.*
Thursday, November 14 | 7 p.m.



EVENING PROGRAMS



R Stitch Night
Calling all knitters, crocheters, quilters, cross-stitchers, and fiber artists of all levels! Join us for an evening of free crafting advice and lively conversation. Show us what you've been working on or ask a fellow fiber artist how to get started. *In-person only.*
Thursdays: September 5, October 3, November 7 | 7 p.m.



- R Park Ridge Writers Group**
Do you want to write? Do you need a creative jumpstart to finish a piece? Join the Library's writing group for positive critique and support from other writers. *Limit 20. Hybrid.*
Wednesdays
In Person: September 11, October 9, November 13 | 7 p.m.
Virtual: September 25, October 23 7 p.m.

STAYING HEALTHY

- R Self-Care Cross Stitch**
Veteran fiber artist Stephanie Rohr will lead a beginner's workshop on cross-stitch using patterns with uplifting messages. *Supplies included. Limit 20.*
Sponsored by Marion's Mark.
In-person only.
Thursday, September 26 | 7 p.m.
- R First Aid Workshop**
Do you freeze up in an emergency, or have your CPR skills gone rusty? Join Kathy Berry and the Park Ridge Community Health Commission for a first aid workshop. *In-person only.*
Tuesday, October 1 | 7 p.m.



- R Staying Positive Today**
Motivational speaker Tom Kens returns to help us master the fundamentals of staying positive in today's divisive climate. *Hybrid.*
Thursday, November 20 | 7 p.m.

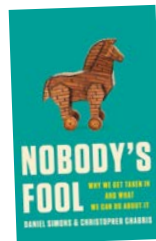
TAKE IN SOME THEATER!

- R Books on the Chopping Block performance by CityLit Theater**
Come see City Lit Theater's annual performance of live dramatic readings by professional actors of short excerpts taken from the top 10 most frequently challenged books in the US. *In-person only.*
Thursday, September 12 | 7 p.m.
- R The Ghosts of Edgar Allan Poe**
Brian "Fox" Ellis will visit as gothic poet Edgar Allan Poe. Spend a spine-tingling evening in his parlor as he details the torments of his life and how they inspired his work. *Hybrid.*
Thursday, October 10 | 7 p.m.

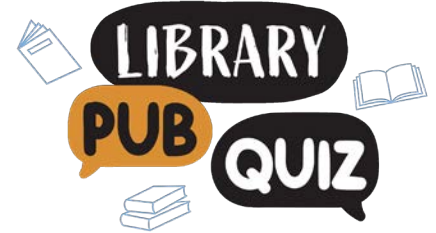


- D Voter Registration**
Sal Raspanti, Park Ridge City Clerk & Deputy Registrar, will be at the Library to help residents verify their voter status, register new voters or re-register voters who are new to Park Ridge. *In-person only.*
Tuesday, September 17 | 4 - 6 p.m.

- R Nobody's Fool: Why We Get Taken In and What We Can Do About It**
Professor Daniel Simons will discuss how mis/disinformation can spread and what we can do to avoid being deceived. In partnership with the League of Women Voters and area libraries. *Virtual.*
Thursday, September 19 | 7 p.m.



- R Documentary: "Alice's Ordinary People"**
Director Craig Dudnick will screen his documentary of Chicago-area Civil Rights champion Alice Tregay, who united everyday people to affect extraordinary change. Q&A to follow. *In-person only.*
Thursday, September 19 | 7 p.m.



- R Library Pub Quiz**
Do you have a head full of useless facts? Show them off by joining us for Library Pub Quiz. Have a laugh, learn something new, and maybe earn a prize! *Held at Harp & Fiddle - 110 Main Street. Limit 30. in-person only.*
Tuesdays: September 24, October 29, November 26 | 6:30 p.m.

YOUR JOB SEARCH

- R AI for Your Job Search**
Workplace futurist Marti Konstant will return to mentor job seekers on Perplexity, a free AI tool, and how it can be used for everything from looking for jobs to sending effective workplace e-mails. *Virtual.*
Thursday, October 31 | 7 p.m.
- D Drop-In Help Desk**
Jerry Bransfield of FireLogic will be available to assist you with your tech questions. **This program will now be offered once per quarter.** *In-person only.*
Saturday, November 2 | 9 a.m. - Noon

- R Native American Herbs**
Join Marcia Lautanen-Raleigh to discover the uses, growing habits, and other details of plants from Midwestern Native groups including the Ojibwa and Winnebago, as well as how to grow them in your landscape. *Hybrid.*
Thursday, November 7 | 7 p.m.

Scan the QR Code to register for programs!



Middle & High School Programs | Grades 6 – 12 *unless otherwise noted.*

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

5TH - 9TH GRADERS



D Homework Hangout

Need some extra Library space to get some homework done? Join your friends for a productive study session with a healthy dose of hanging out.

Wednesdays | 3:30 - 5 p.m.*

*No Hangout on October 16 or November 27.



R RPG & Board Game Club

Teen gamers, unite! Join an RPG adventure or explore various exciting tabletop games with other passionate players (*no prior experience required*). Check our online calendar for dates.

Select Sundays | 1 - 4:45 p.m.

Teen Take & Create

Stop by the Loft to pick up a bag of supplies, then take your kit home or work on it in the Library! *Supplies are limited.*

Starting September 16: Fall Leaves
Windsock

Starting September 30: Opossums

Starting October 14: Mystery Craft

Starting October 28: Black Cats

Starting November 11: Agent P

Starting November 25: Owls

Scan the QR code to register for programs!



R Animal Trivia | Grades 5 - 9

Are you an animal expert? Put your knowledge to the test and go wild answering a range of trivia questions about animals from the Arctic to the desert and everywhere in between!

Friday, September 20 | 4 p.m.



R Haunted Shoeboxes | Grades 5 - 9

Let your imagination run wild as you design and decorate an eerie shoebox scene to celebrate spooky season!

Friday, October 11 | 3:45 - 5 p.m.

R Snackdown Taste Test | Grades 5 - 9

Sample a variety of chip flavors, rate your favorites, and discover new tastes. Come enjoy the snacks, share your opinions, and see which chips reign supreme! *Allergens may be present.*

Friday, November 22 | 4 p.m.

R Tissue Paper Painting | Grades 5 - 9

Create a vibrant and unique piece of art using the crayon resist technique combined with tissue paper watercolor transfer.



Tuesday, November 26 | 3:45 - 5 p.m.



- High Lexiles got you down?
- Yearning for more romantasy?
- Caught up on #BookTok?

Fill out our Book Match form to get a personalized list of books you're bound to love and a bag with vinyl stickers and other fun goodies.



Scan the QR code to fill out our Book Match form online.

100 BOOKS BEFORE GRADUATION

The new school year has begun, and there's no better time to join one of our 100 Books Before Graduation programs. Log the books you finish reading during the school year, and earn prizes along your way to 100.

Join the challenge today at parkridgelib.beanstack.org.

TEENS IN THE STUDIO

GRADES 6-12

*All supplies provided.
Events limited to Park Ridge Library cardholders; one session per teen. Registration opens one week in advance.*

Join us in the Library's makerspace!



R Knitting 101

Saturday, September 21 | 2 - 2:45 p.m. or 2:50 - 3:35 p.m.

R Spooky Perler Bead Keychain

Tuesday, October 8 | 4 - 4:45 p.m. or 4:50 - 5:35 p.m.



R Decorated Tote Bags

Friday, November 15 | 4 - 4:45 p.m. or 4:50 - 5:35 p.m.



MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

R Conquering the Common App Essay | Grades 9 - 12

In the first session, we'll review brainstorming activities, successful essays, and do some essay prep work and planning. During the next two weeks, work on your own essays at home to bring for further editing and feedback in Session 2. *Attendance at both sessions is strongly encouraged.* Monday, September 9 | 7 - 8:15 p.m. and Monday, September 23 | 7 - 8:15 p.m.

R Books on the Chopping Block performance by CityLit Theater Grades 6 - 12 and Adults

Come see City Lit Theater's annual performance of live dramatic readings by professional actors of short excerpts taken from the top 10 most frequently challenged books in the US. Thursday, September 12 | 7 p.m.



R Welcome to Your Teen Loft Party

Meet new friends, and learn about the exciting programs and resources available to you. We have planned a variety of activities including a scavenger hunt and, of course, delicious pizza! Don't miss out on this chance to discover what the library has in store for you. *After Hours Event.* Friday, September 13 | 5 - 6:30 p.m.

R T(w)een ASL Connections Grades 4 - 12

Dive into American Sign Language with other teens. Join us to learn, practice, and connect through ASL as well as make some friends along the way. Sunday, September 22 | 3 - 4:30 p.m.

R Chess Scholars | Grades K - 8

Learn chess basics or perfect your skills with Chess Scholars. Mondays: September 23, October 28, November 25 | 4 p.m.

R Teen Tiny Terrors Art Show

Sign up to reserve and pick up a kit, then create your spooky-themed masterpiece at home. Kits include acrylic paint, brushes, and canvas/easel.

Supply Pickup: Monday September 30 - Saturday, October 5

Canvases Due By: Sunday, October 6

Art Show on Display: October 7 - November 4



R Yarn Club

Come hang out with fellow fiber artists and craft together! Bring an existing project; we'll have something simple and quick to make if you don't have one. *Basic crochet/knitting experience is required.* Friday, October 4 | 4 p.m.

R Spooky Cupcake Decorating

Grab your aprons and get ready to pipe frightening frosting, scary sprinkles and more onto your own blood-curdling baked cupcake! *Allergens may be present.* Saturday, October 5 | 3 - 4:15 p.m.

R Drawing with Andertoons Grades K - 8

Choose from two fun cartooning lessons led by Mark Anderson. *Limit one session per teen.* Cartoon Monsters | 2 p.m. The Secret of the Mysterious Whodunit | 3:30 p.m. Monday, October 14

R Career Planning for High Schoolers Grades 9 - 12 and caregivers

Learn how to focus your college experience, reduce student loan debt, etc. We'll also cover strategies to manage income, savings and assets to minimize costs. *Presented by My College Planning Team.* Monday, October 21 | 7 p.m.

R Raise Your Voice with Jason Reynolds | Grades 5 - 12

Don't miss this chance to celebrate the works of award-winning and popular author Jason Reynolds, as well as meet the author live on Zoom with an opportunity to ask him questions! *This is an ILP event; see page 6 for details.*



Tuesday, October 22 | 6:15 p.m.

R Murder Mystery Party: Terror in Transylvania

You're invited to Dracula's birthday celebration - but suddenly, he's not the only one who's dead! You'll be assigned a character when you arrive. Interact with others throughout the event to try and expose who committed the murder. *School-appropriate costumes are encouraged. Registration opens 2 weeks in advance.*

Friday, October 25 | 4 - 5:30 p.m.

R Teen Movie Night

Join us for a movie night with snacks!

Vote for the spooky movie we'll watch when you register.

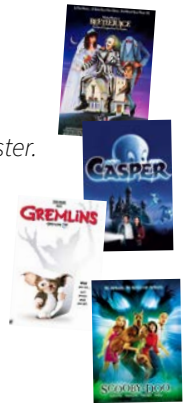
Beetlejuice (1991, PG, runtime: 1 hr 32 mins)

Casper (1995, PG, runtime: 1 hr 40 mins)

Gremlins (1984, PG, runtime: 1 hr 46 mins)

Scooby-Doo (2002, PG, runtime: 1 hr 26 mins)

Wednesday, October 30 6:30 p.m.



R Bath Bomb Workshop with Soapy Roads of Lombard

Make your own all-natural bath bomb, colored and fragranced with plants and clays. *Allergens may be present.* Tuesday, November 5 | 3:30 - 5 p.m.

R Fishbowl Game Day

Can you get your team to guess a specific word or phrase by giving different clues? Join us to play and find out! Friday, November 29 | 4 p.m.



BABY, TODDLER & PRESCHOOL

T Harmonious Horizons Music Class

Ages 0 - 5 with caregiver
Limit 1 session per family per month.
Tickets available 30 minutes before the program.
Fridays: September 6, October 4, November 1 | 10 a.m. or 10:45 a.m.

T Little Lotus Movement & Stories

Ages 3 - 5 with caregiver
Get ready. Get set. Get centered with Miss Linda in this mindful movement storytime. Tickets available 30 minutes before the program.
Mondays: September 9, October 21, November 18 | 11 a.m.

D Bilingual Spanish Storytime

Ages 2 and up with caregiver
Disfrute de un espacio de cuentos bilingüe con canciones, cuentos y otras actividades. Enjoy storytime in Spanish and English!
Fridays: September 13 & November 8 10 a.m.

T Supported Storytime & Craft with Little Steps | Ages 3 - 6 with caregiver

Hosted by Little Steps Pediatric Therapy, this program targets age-appropriate fine motor and communication skills. Tickets available 30 minutes before the program. Siblings welcome.
Fridays: September 20, November 22 10 a.m.

D Developmental Speech Language Playgroup with Assential Therapies | Ages 18 months - 3 years with caregiver

Use playtime to promote language development and social skills in a supportive setting.
Mondays: September 30 & November 4 9:30 a.m.

D Tot Time Playdate | Ages 1 - 5 with caregiver

Tuesdays: October 1, November 5 10 a.m.

R Adult & Tot Yoga | Ages 3 - 5 with caregiver

Wednesdays: October 2 & November 6 10 a.m.

STORYTIME

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
D Hello, Baby! Ages 0 - 18 months 9:30 a.m.	D 2s & 3s Storytime Ages 2 - 3 9:30 a.m.	D 2s & 3s Storytime Ages 2 - 3 9:30 a.m.	D Pre-K Storytime Ages 3 - 5 10 a.m.* *No Pre-K Storytime on October 17.
	D Busy Bees Story and Playtime Toddlers 10:30 a.m.	D Busy Bees Story and Playtime Toddlers 10:30 a.m.	

Storytimes are held weekly for four-week sessions. Alternative programs will be offered during the weeks of September 30 and November 4. Caregiver must be present.

T Move & Groove with Twisted Tree

Ages 2 and up with caregiver
Develop coordination and self-expression through movement and music. Tickets available 30 minutes before the program.
Wednesdays: October 2, November 6 10:45 a.m.

D Discovery Hour | Ages 2 - 6 with caregiver

Enjoy hands-on early learning fun with your preschooler!
Thursday, October 3 | 10 a.m.

D Bilingual Polish Storytime

Ages 2 and up with caregiver
Ciesz się dwujęzyczną opowieścią z piosenkami, opowieściami i innymi zajęciami. Enjoy storytime in Polish and English!
Monday, October 7 | 6:30 p.m.

T Moana Party | Ages 3 and up with caregiver

Celebrate all things Moana before the new movie comes out! Tickets 30 minutes before the program.
Thursday, November 7 | 10 a.m.



FAMILIES

D Family Storytime & Craft | Families
Saturdays: September 14, October 5, November 23 | 10:30 a.m.

R Family Yoga Storytime | Ages 4 - 7 with caregiver
Saturdays: September 21, November 16 10 a.m.

D Virtual PJ Storytime | Families
This Storytime takes place on Zoom.
Wednesdays: September 25, October 23, November 20 | 7 p.m.

D Friday Family Feature: Inside Out 2 Families
Drop into the Library for some family movie time!
Friday, November 29 11 a.m.



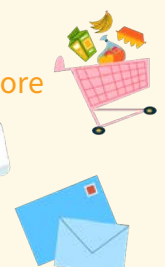
PRETEND PLAY ZONE

Stop in the play area to see what's new each month!

September: Grocery Store

October: Pet Vet

November: Post Office



SCHOOL AGE

Grades listed refer to the grade entering in the Fall.

D LEGOMania | Grades K and up

What can you create with our LEGO bricks?

Mondays: September 9, October 7, November 11 | 4 p.m.

R Oodles of Doodles | Grades K - 2

Enjoy a story followed by an art project inspired by our book.

Mondays: September 16, October 21, November 18 | 4 p.m.

R Read to the Dogs | Grades 1 - 6

Registration opens 1 week before the program.

Reserve your space to read to a dog from Rainbow Assisted

Animal Therapy. *This program is generously made possible by Marion's Mark.*

Wednesdays: September 18, October 9, November 13 | 15-minute sessions, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.



R T(w)een ASL Connections

Grades 4 - 12

Dive into American Sign Language with other teens. Whether you're starting from scratch or brushing up on your skills, join us to learn, practice, and connect through ASL. Communicate in a whole new way and make some awesome friends along the journey.

Sunday, September 22 | 3 - 4:30 p.m.

R Chess Scholars | Grades K - 8

Learn chess basics or perfect your skills with Chess Scholars.

Mondays: September 23, October 28, November 25 | 4 p.m.

D STEAMagination | Grades 1 and up

with caregiver

Explore our hands-on STEAM activities alongside your kids!

Fridays: September 27, November 8 4 p.m.

R Drawing with Andertoons | Grades K - 8

Choose from two fun cartooning lessons led by Mark Anderson. *Limit one session per child.*

Cartoon Monsters | 2 p.m.

The Secret of the Mysterious Whodunit | 3:30 p.m.

Monday, October 14



Scan the QR code to register for programs!



FEATURED EVENTS

D Baby Shower | Parents, Caregivers, Prospective Parents

Discover community resources that can help you and your little ones thrive.

Talk to local childcare experts, connect with other growing families, and learn how the Library and the community can support your parenting journey.

Saturday, September 28 | 10 a.m. - Noon

D Sensory-Friendly Hour

We will open an hour early for an adapted, sensory-friendly Library experience for all. *The Children's Department environment will be adjusted. Sensory supports and activities available.*

Sundays: October 6, November 3 11 a.m. - Noon

T Istvan & His Imaginary Band Families

Join Istvan and His Imaginary Band for a fun-filled morning at the Library! His award-winning kids' music will have the whole family singing, dancing, and laughing together on your day off school.

Tickets available at the Children's Services desk starting Monday, September 30.

Monday, October 14 | 10:30 a.m.

T Firefly Family Theatre Presents Fall Fun | Families

Sing, dance and play with Spark the Firefly and all her friends for some fall fun.

Tickets available at the Children's Services desk starting Saturday, October 19.

Saturday, November 2 | 10 a.m.



KOHL CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

R Sparking Curiosity Through Scientific Play with Kohl Children's Museum | Teachers, Parents, Caregivers

Monday, November 4 | 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

5th GRADERS!

Check out page 8 for more programs you're invited to!



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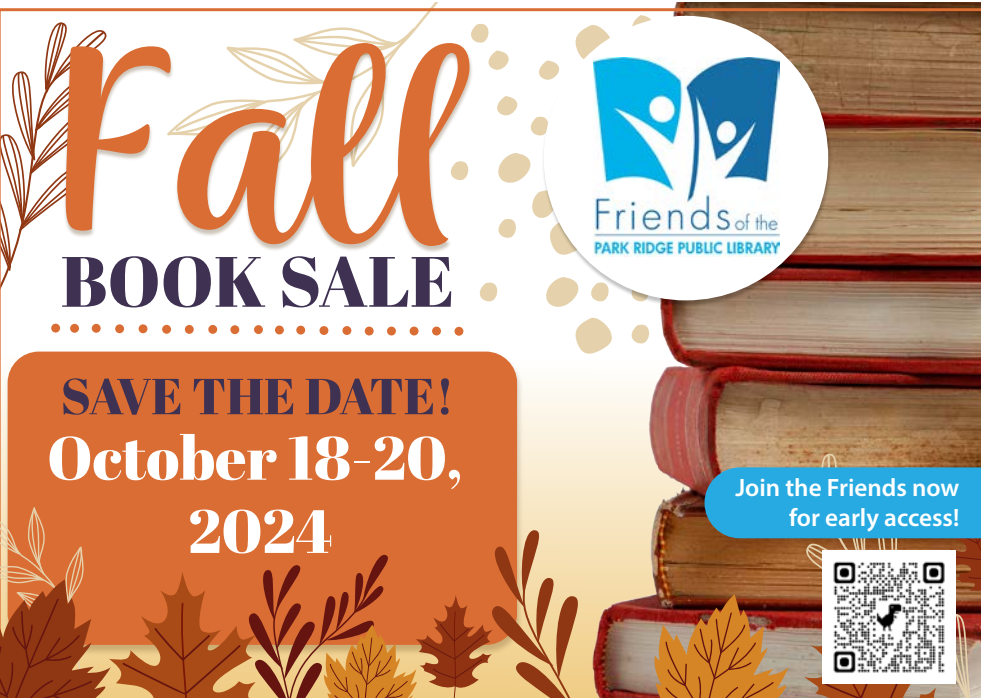
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Fall BOOK SALE

SAVE THE DATE!
October 18-20, 2024

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COZY COMFORTS DRIVE

We will be collecting new hats, scarves, gloves and mittens in the Children's Service department and the second floor lobby!

All donations will be given to families seeking shelter through local WINGS locations. WINGS provides a pathway to independence for adults and children who are escaping from domestic violence and abuse.
 New and unworn items only, please.

NOVEMBER 29 - DECEMBER 23

