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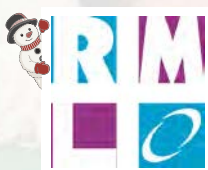
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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Winter program registration opens **November 15**. Registration is required for most programs unless otherwise noted.

Register online at rmlib.org/rsvp, on the library's app, in person, or by phone.

PROGRAM KEY

 **No Registration Required**

 **Virtual Program**

 **Sponsored by the Friends of the Rolling Meadows Library**

ACCOMMODATIONS

If you require special accommodations, please call 847-259-6050 x177 or email accessibility@rmlib.org. Submit your request at least two weeks in advance. Learn more at rmlib.org/accessibility.

PHOTO POLICY

The library may document its services and the public's use of its building and grounds through photographs, videos, and audio recordings. These materials may be used in the library's publicity print or digital materials, website, and social media. See full policy details at rmlib.org/photo.



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STAFF PICKS



The Book of Sheen
by Charlie Sheen



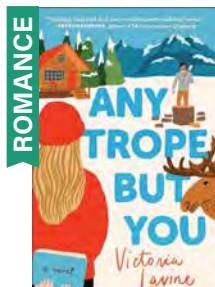
Forgive Everyone for Everything
by Iyanla Vanzant



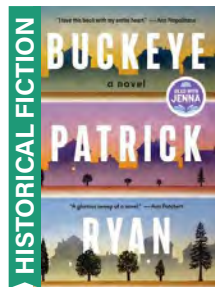
The Mission: The CIA in the 21st Century
by Tim Weiner



This Dog will Change Your Life
by Elias Weiss Friedman



Any Trope But You
by Victoria Lavine



Buckeye
by Patrick Ryan



The Snowbirds
by Christina Clancy



The Unveiling
by Quan Barry



Codebreaker
by Jay Martel



The Last Bookstore on Earth
by Lily Braun-Arnold



Under the Surface
by Diana Urban



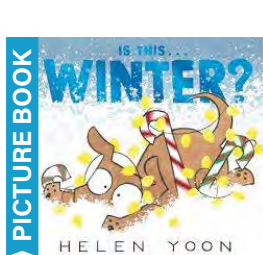
Very Dangerous Things
by Lauren Muñoz



Guinness World Records 2026



Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire: Interactive Illustrated Edition
by J. K. Rowling & Karl James Mountford



Is This... Winter?
by Helen Yoon



Sole Survivor
by Norman Ollestad & Brendan Kiely

Snowmen in the Stacks NR

December 1 to January 31 | New clues every Monday

December 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29

January 5, 12, 19, & 26

There's "snow" much fun on a bookshelf!

The Snowmen Twins are making their home in the Reference Department starting December 1. They're here to bring a touch of wintry fun throughout December and January.

Follow their adventure by deciphering the weekly clues as they explore the bookstacks. When you find a snowman, stop by the Reference Desk to check in and enter our weekly raffle. Don't miss your chance to win. There are **nine chances** in total! Complete the adventure by deciphering all 9 clues for a chance to win a gift basket.

CAN YOU FIND ME AND MY
SNOWMAN FRIENDS HIDING
IN THIS NEWSLETTER?
THERE ARE 15 TOTAL.



ANSWERS AT:
rmlib.org/snowmen



The Snowmen Twins LOVE making new friends and would be thrilled to take a "shelfie" with you to share on our social media! Share it in the comments on each weekly Facebook clue post, or tag us on Instagram @rollingmeadowslib

Paws-itive Reading Open House NR

Wednesday, December 3 | 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Drop in to meet the friendly, trained therapy dogs who will be joining us for our new **Paws-itive Reading** program (details on page 4). Readers in grades 1-5 can see if they would like to sign up to read to a dog this winter. They can't wait to hear some good stories!

Starting in January, readers in grades 1-5 can sign up for a 20-minute session to read to a doggy reading buddy on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Our calm and attentive canine companions come from the Masonic Association of Service and Therapy Dogs (MAST). We're expecting lots of smiles, wagging tails, and great tales. Don't miss out on this paws-itive fun experience!



R.L. Stine Watch Party NR

Youth Ages 9+, Teens, and Adults

Tuesday, February 24 | 6:30-8:00 p.m.

There are two ways to watch bestselling author R.L. Stine's online author talk: You can register to watch at home via ZOOM **OR join us in the library for our special viewing party!**

We'll have an activity station, book displays, and a snack table to make our first-ever watch party a night to remember.

No registration required. If you are not joining us at the library for the watch party, you can still watch from home on ZOOM. Register online for the ZOOM event only at <https://bit.ly/ILPStine>

VIEWERS BEWARE, YOU'RE IN FOR A SCARE!



DEAR PATRONS,

I'm excited to share **three new programs** we're offering this year. From our youngest readers to curious minds of all ages—there's something for everyone!

Our new monthly program, **Conversation Circle** (details on page 8), for adults with basic English skills looking to improve their conversational English begins in January. This welcoming space offers casual, friendly conversations, games, activities, and helpful ESL resources to support your learning journey. Let's talk, learn, and connect one conversation at a time.

We're introducing **Paws-itive Reading** (details on page 4), a monthly program where children can practice their reading skills by reading aloud to friendly, certified therapy dogs. These gentle companions help create a relaxed and encouraging environment that supports literacy and builds confidence. We're grateful to the Masonic Association of Service and Therapy Dogs (MAST) for partnering with us to make this special experience possible. Everyone is invited to meet our doggy visitors during our open house this December!

Lastly, we are thrilled to join **Illinois Libraries Present** (details on page 11), a statewide collaboration offering virtual author visits. This partnership allows us to bring nationally recognized speakers right to your screen—at home or at the library. Coming up in February, we invite you to our first-ever watch party at the library to experience *Goosebumps* author R.L. Stine's virtual conversation. Thank you to the Friends of the Rolling Meadows Library for sponsoring this initiative.

Whether you're looking for quiet reading time, lively discussions, or just a chance to connect, we hope you'll explore all your library has to offer in the months ahead!

WARM REGARDS,

Jack Bower

Library Executive Director
Rolling Meadows Library

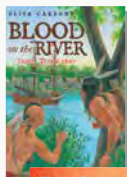


Kids' Book Club

Grades 4-6

Tuesdays | 4:00-4:45 p.m.

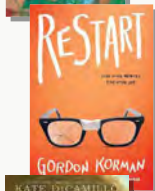
We all read the same book, then meet up to talk about it. Need help getting the book? Stop by or call the Ask Me Desk.



December 9

Blood on the River

by Elisa Carbone



January 13

Restart

by Gordon Korman



February 10

Raymie Nightingale

by Kate DiCamillo



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Limited eBooks & eAudiobooks are available on the Libby app.

Bookfulness Box

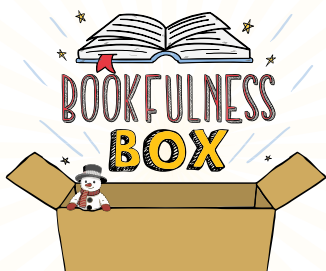
Grades 6-8

Do you love subscription boxes and books? Get the best of both worlds! Two books will be selected for you based on your preferences, plus some added goodies! **Requires a Rolling Meadows Library card.**

Sign up by | Pick up by
December 22 | January 12
January 26 | February 16
February 23 | March 16



Sign up by each month's deadline. Scan the QR code or go to rmlib.org/box.



Winter Reading Challenge: Make Your Mark

Babies-Grade 8

December 1 to February 28

It's time to make your mark, one page at a time! Grab your challenge log and a special reading companion to start your Winter Reading adventure.

Complete challenges to fill out your log. Can we work together to make our mark at the library? Stop by the Ask Me Desk to get started!



WINTER SERIES

Reader's Theater Presents

Grades 4-6

Tuesdays | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

December 9

January 6

February 3

Have fun reading and acting out stories. No memorizing or acting experience necessary. **Performance at 7:45 p.m. for family and friends.**

Drop In Crafts

Youth of all ages

Fridays | 9:00 a.m. while supplies last

December 12

January 9

February 13

Drop in to the library and create a fun craft! Little ones may need some help.

Junior Picassos

Grades 3-8

Saturdays | 10:00-11:00 a.m.

December 13

January 10

February 14

Channel your creativity through drawing, painting, and crafts. No experience needed.

Drop In Shrinky Dinks

Youth of all ages

Mondays | 5:30-8:00 p.m.

December 15

January 12

February 9

Design your own Shrinky Dink creation, pop it in the oven, and watch it shrink before your eyes!

Coding Club

Grades 3-8

Saturdays | 10:00-11:00 a.m.

January 3, 17, & 31

Interested in coding? No matter your experience level, the Coding Club is for you! Register for one, two, or all three sessions.

NEW! Paws-itive Reading

Grades 1-5

Wednesdays | 6:00-7:00 p.m.

January 7 & 21

February 4 & 18

Practice your reading skills with a furry, four-legged friend! Each reader will be paired with a therapy dog for a cozy 20-minute reading session. We're not sure who will enjoy it more—the dogs or the readers—but we know it's going to be paws-itive fun!

Middle School Advisory Board

Grades 6-8

Thursdays | 4:30-5:30 p.m.

January 15

February 12

Interested in collaborating with other kids, helping your community, and having fun doing it? Join the MSAB! **Pizza will be served at every meeting!**

Messy Time!

Grades PreK-2

Tuesdays | 6:00-7:00 p.m.

January 27

February 24

Come have fun making a messy creation. Dress for a mess!

Registration is encouraged, but drop-ins are welcome, if space permits.

DECEMBER

Snowmen in the Stacks ^{NR}*All ages & Families***December 1 to January 31**

See page 3 for more details.

Paws-itive Reading Open House ^{NR}*All ages & Families***Wednesday, December 3 | 6:00-7:00 p.m.**

See page 3 for more details.

Cuentos y Chocolate*Preescolar-1ro. Grado***el martes 16 de diciembre | 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Acompáñanos y disfruta de una rica taza de chocolate, ¡fabulosas historias! además de una simple manualidad y ¡mucho diversión! Presentado en lenguaje dual Español e Inglés.

Cookie Decorating*Grades 6-8***Thursday, December 18 | 6:00-7:00 p.m.**

Come to the library for some cookie-decorating fun! Cookies and decorating materials will be provided. **Register early, space is limited!**



JANUARY

Birdhouse Decorating*Grades 1-3***Monday, January 19 | 4:00-5:00 p.m.**

Bring your creativity and get ready to make something awesome for our feathered friends. We'll have lots of colorful supplies to make your birdhouse one of a kind.

**Winter Wonderland Experiments***Grades 3-4***Tuesday, January 20 | 3:30-4:30 p.m.**

It's a winter wonderland at the library with these experiments!

Aventuras de Invierno*Preescolar-1ro. Grado***el martes 20 de enero | 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

¡Vengan preparados para cantar y disfrutar de cuentos y rimas! Después habrá tiempo para jugar o hacer una manualidad. Presentado en lenguaje dual español e inglés.

100 Books Before High School*Grades 4-8*

We're challenging all 4th-8th graders to read *100 books before high school*! Read at your own pace and earn awesome prizes along the way! Sign up at the Ask Me Desk to get started.



FEBRUARY

Valentine's Creations ^{NR}*Grades K-8***Tuesday, February 10 | 4:00-4:45 p.m.**

Create a card for someone special just in time for Valentine's Day! We'll provide inspiration, supplies and free snacks.

Cuentos en Pijama*Preescolar-1ro. Grado***martes, 10 de febrero | 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

¡Ponte tu pijama favorito y únete a nosotros para disfrutar de una tarde con canciones, cuentos y manualidades! ¡No faltes te divertirás! Presentado en lenguaje dual español e inglés.

The Amazing Heart: Brilliant Blood*Grades 1-3***Tuesday, February 17 | 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

Let's learn about our hearts! In this program, kids will discover how the heart pumps blood, how blood moves through the body, and why moving around keeps us healthy.

InvestiGators Party*Grades 4-6***Tuesday, February 17 | 2:00-3:00 p.m.**

Join us at the library for some *InvestiGator-ing* fun! There will be snacks, games, and plenty of fun.

**R.L. Stine Watch Party** ^{NR}*Youth Ages 9+, Teens, and Adults***Tuesday, February 24 | 6:30-8:00 p.m.**

See page 3 for more details.

Ready. Set. SOAR!*Grades 2-4***Wednesday, February 25 | 6:00-7:00 p.m.**

Take flight in this year's ultimate Fold & Fly Challenge. Will your paper airplane win the Aviation Cup?



EARLY CHILDHOOD

Babies–Kindergarten

Registration is encouraged, but drop-ins are welcome, if space permits.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten® Babies–Age 5

The Rolling Meadows Library is the perfect place to find fabulous books that both child and caregiver will enjoy! Reading together is fun and will create lifelong memories for the both of you.

Our walls are lined with stars celebrating all of the Rolling Meadows children on the path to reading success! To get your little one's name in the stars, all you need to do is read to them. The goal is to reach 1000 books before your child starts kindergarten. You can do it, and we can help!

Stop by the Ask Me Desk or call 847-259-6050 x140 to get started or learn more at rmlib.org/1000-books.



Winter StoryWalk® NR

December 1 to February 28

Take a winter stroll and enjoy *Just One Flake* by Travis Jonker. The story begins behind the Rolling Meadows Community Center and ends at the Rolling Meadows Library's parking lot.

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT, and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

StoryWalk® is brought to you by Rolling Meadows Park District, Rolling Meadows Park District Foundation, Rolling Meadows Library, and the Friends of the Rolling Meadows Library.



Rhyme Time Anytime Babies–Kindergarten

Enjoy a nursery rhyme ANYTIME on our YouTube channel. Each one includes a rhyme and a hands-on activity. Videos are available primarily in English and Spanish, but we also have some in Polish, Urdu, and Hindi. Watch anytime at rmlib.org/youtube.



IN ENGLISH
EN ESPAÑOL * IN SPANISH
PO POLSKU * IN POLISH
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हिंदी में * IN HINDI

BOOKFLIX®



Books come to life with stories, rhymes, and songs. This early literacy resource pairs storybooks and nonfiction eBooks for readers up to 3rd grade.

- 1 Visit www.rmlib.org/bookflix.
- 2 Log in using your RML card number.
- 3 Pick a category, select a story, & press play!

Family Storytime

Babies–Age 5 & their families

Thursdays | 6:30–7:30 p.m.

December 4, 11, & 18

January 8, 15 & 22

February 5, 12, & 19

Babies to preschoolers (and their siblings) are invited to enjoy stories at this evening storytime. Great for families with kids of multiple ages.

The Cradle Will Rock

Ages 6–24 months

Fridays | 10:30–11:00 a.m.

December 5, 12, & 19

January 16, 23, & 30

February 6, 13, & 20

Books, music, songs, fingerplays, and bubbles for caregiver and baby.

Arroró bebé

bebés de 6 a 24 meses

Los miércoles | 10:30–11:00 a.m.

3, 10 y 17 de diciembre

14, 21 y 28 de enero

4 y 11 de febrero

¡La hora del cuento diseñada para bebés y su acompañante ha llegado! disfrutarán de cuentos cortos, música, rimas y canciones.

Puppy Dog Tales

Ages 2–3 years

Thursdays | 10:00–10:30 a.m.

December 4, 11, & 18

January 8, 15, & 22

February 5, 12, & 19

An inviting and engaging time for caregiver and child to enjoy books, songs, and a simple craft together.

Storytime

Ages 3–5 years

Wednesdays | 1:15–2:00 p.m.

December 3, 10, & 17

January 7, 14, & 21

February 4, 11, & 18

Hear a story, make a simple craft, get some wiggles out, and have lots of fun! Children should be able to attend without a parent.



No Registration Required

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Virtual Program

Wrap It Up

Teens 13+ and Adults
November 28 to December 30
See page 8 for more details.

Teen Crafts

First day of each month
While supplies last

December: Gingerbread Man ornament with story

January: Snowflake sparkle

February: Wooden Valentines



Kits are at the Readers Services Desk. Personalize your craft with supplies from the Art Cart!

Snowmen in the Stacks

All ages & Families
December 1 to January 31
See page 3 for more details.

Teen Study Sessions

Rolling Meadows and Fremd High School Students
December 16-18 | 12:00-8:45 p.m.
Finals coming up? Rolling Meadows and Fremd High School students are welcome to study in the Teen Area!



Winter Reading Challenge: POWER UP at Your Library!

Teens 13+ and Adults
January 11 to March 8
See page 8 for more details.

R.L. Stine Watch Party

Adults, Teens, and Youth Ages 9+
Tuesday, February 24 | 6:30-8:00 p.m.
See page 3 for more details.

The Case of the Missing Mallard

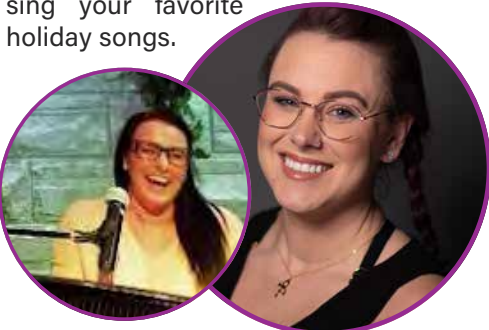
Teens 13+ and Adults
Thursday, February 26 | 7:00-8:30 p.m.
See page 9 for more details.

ARTS ALIVE Concerts

Holiday All Requests Concert

Sunday, December 14 | 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Is it a holiday concert? Yes! Is it all requests? Yes! Can you sing along? Yes, if you'd like to! Kaleen Dolan sings and plays the piano for all the holiday music you want to hear. Kaleen was raised in Franklin Park, and is now a dueling piano bar player based in Chicago. She is accomplished and well known in the piano industry as well as in the Chicago music scene, and has spent the last ten years professionally performing shows for clients all over the world. She is now the music director at The Redhead Piano Bar in downtown Chicago and has recently begun performing at local libraries, and has been published on the American Library Association's Programming Librarian website. Join us to hear Kaleen play the piano and sing your favorite holiday songs.



Rolling Meadows High School Jazz Bands

Sunday, January 11 | 2:00-3:00 p.m.

The Rolling Meadows High School Jazz program has a rich history of performance and excellence. Jazz is a curricular program consisting of two big bands. The Jazz Bands annually perform at local venues, such as Durty Nellies, Fitz's Spare Keys, and The Jazz Showcase. The RMHS Band program Music Boosters serve as the host for Jazz in the Meadows, which is the largest school jazz festival in the Midwest, featuring over 60 schools and 100 performances throughout the day.

The Rolling Meadows Band program is proud to host the **41st Annual Jazz in the Meadows** on February 28, 2026.

Catch the Twain—The Musical

Sunday, February 15 | 2:00-3:30 p.m.

America's greatest humorist comes roaring back to life in a hilarious, profound, and touching new musical show. Warren Brown is Mark Twain: newspaperman, raconteur, riverboat pilot, inventor, world traveler, social commentator, and preeminent novelist. Brown has spent over 30 years researching the life and work of Mark Twain and portraying him in spoken-word performances across the country. Folk musician and songwriter Mark Dvorak provides the soundtrack for Brown's performance with old-time banjo tunes, period songs, and audience participation. Please join us for this unique Arts Alive Concert, combining a first-person portrayal and live music. *Please note the extended time for the performance.*



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Creative Coloring Club**Mondays | 6:30-7:30 p.m.****December 8:** Winter Scenes**January 12:** Gardens**February 9:** Romance

Color away your stress and anxiety at our monthly in-person meetings. We'll learn about art resources, discuss the take-home project, and color. Supplies provided. A limited supply of take-home coloring sheet packets are available for pick up the day after the meeting.

Crafting with Decoupage!**Wednesday, December 10****4:00-5:30 p.m.** Wood Slice Ornament**6:30-8:00 p.m.** Oyster Shell Trinket Dish

In these hands-on workshops, you'll learn the beautiful art of paper napkin decoupage. All supplies are provided. Please sign up for each workshop separately. Space is limited.

Arts Alive Concert Series ♥**Sundays | 2:00 p.m.****December 14, January 11, & February 15**

See page 7 for more details.

Illinois Libraries Present ♥**Tuesdays | 7:00-8:00 p.m.****January 13 & February 24**

See page 11 for more details.

NEW! Conversation Circle NR**Saturdays | 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.****Saturday, January 31****Saturday, February 28**

Looking to practice your English in a fun and relaxed setting? Join us for Conversation Circle, a new program designed for adults with basic English skills who want to build confidence and improve their conversational English. Let's talk, learn, and connect one conversation at a time.



DECEMBER

Favorite Books of 2025 📺**Wednesday, December 3 | 7:00-8:00 p.m.**

Join our expert panel via ZOOM as we unveil the best books of 2025. In partnership with local libraries, we're excited to share our top picks across a variety of genres. Grab a warm drink, settle into your favorite spot, and listen in as we guide you through the must-reads of the year. Perfect for bulking up your *To Be Read (TBR)* list.

Holiday Sides with Chef Maddox**Thursday, December 11 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Chef Susan Maddox returns with a presentation of her favorite holiday side dishes. She'll demonstrate how to make them, share the recipes with us, and provide yummy samples.

Writing Our Own Stories: Introduction to Creative Nonfiction, Family History, and Memoir**Saturday, December 13 | 10:00-11:00 a.m.**

Everyone has a story to tell. Preserve your memories by putting them on paper, creating a legacy for future generations. Discover valuable resources and learn how to begin writing creative nonfiction, family history, and memoir.

Fisher-Price Toys Remembered**Tuesday, December 16 | 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

Discover the history of Fisher-Price that started in 1931 and how it is still one of the most popular toy companies today, with products such as their Slinky Dog, Snoopy Sniffer, cash register, phonograph, and the little people with all their buildings. Learn how to tell the age, rarity, and value of the toys in your attic.

**Business Boosters****Wednesday, December 17 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Don't miss this chance to elevate your business to new heights. Business Boosters is designed exclusively for small business owners and future entrepreneurs. Discover a treasure trove of resources including databases, market research tools, books, magazines, and AI, all tailored to help you succeed in your entrepreneurial journey.

JANUARY

Jump-Start Your Job Search**Wednesday, January 7 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Get help in the job-search grind with this free program featuring all the library resources available for job hunters. Learn about job-search resources for analyzing career prospects, writing a résumé and cover letter, preparing for a job interview, and more.

The Voice that Rocked America: Dick Biondi & the History of Chicago Radio**Thursday, January 8 | 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

Enjoy a 30-minute screening of the Dick Biondi documentary, followed by a Q&A with the film's director, Pamela Enzweiler-Pulice. Biondi was voted "The #1 Disc Jockey in America" in the early '60s. He impacted radio and rock 'n' roll for decades, introducing us to The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Elvis Presley, Frankie Valli, and many others.

**Investing 101****Saturday, January 10 | 3:00-4:00 p.m.**

Are you curious about investing but don't know where to start? Look no further! Learn about all the library resources available to investors, including Morningstar, Weiss Ratings, Value Line, and more. Whether you're looking to save for retirement, or just make a little extra money on the side, all are welcome to come.

In the Belly of the Beast: King in Chicago**Thursday, January 15 | 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s journey to the mountaintop brought him to Chicago many times, and his work here resonates to this day. Historian Clarence Goodman will discuss the rise of race issues in the city of Chicago and share stories of how Dr. King took on Mayor Richard J. Daley.

Impressionist Wine Bottle Painting**Thursday, January 22 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Turn your wine bottle into art! Internationally displayed gallery artist Lorrissa Julianus will guide you in painting Impressionist-inspired designs on glass as you listen to classical music. Please bring your own green wine bottle with the label removed (a limited supply will be available). Paint pens are provided.

Investing Club**Saturday, January 24 | 3:00-4:00 p.m.**

Sharpen your investment skills alongside fellow enthusiasts! Designed for individuals with existing investing knowledge, this quarterly program offers a collaborative environment to discuss market trends, explore strategies, and analyze stocks using the library's premium resources. Join us to connect, learn, and grow your financial acumen in a supportive setting.

Flavorful Kitchen Escapades**Tuesday, January 27 | 7:00-8:00 p.m.****Featured spice: Green cardamom and rose petals**

Learn about a spice or herb, try it out at home, and come back to talk with others about your experiences. Information sheet, reading and resource list, recipes, and spice packet provided. *Supplies are limited.*

**Is It Legit? Information and Misinformation Online****Thursday, January 29 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Many sources compete for your attention online. It can be tough to know what to trust. Learn some steps to cut through the noise and evaluate sources for signs of credibility—as well as for red flags that signal a source should be avoided.

FEBRUARY

Abraham Lincoln: A New Birth of Freedom**Thursday, February 12 | 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

Happy birthday, Abe! Join President Lincoln on his birthday as he shares the events of the turbulent years 1854 through 1865, during which he became president and the slavery issue came to a head and nearly broke the country apart. President Lincoln is portrayed by Kevin Wood.

**The Essential Houdini****Tuesday, February 17 | 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

William Pack's presentation doesn't just tell Houdini's story—it brings it to life. Watch the actual maneuvers of the "handcuff king" and his magic tricks. Relive his famous escapes, hear the only known recording of his voice, and gasp at the story of his remarkable death. William goes beyond the myth and brings to life the story of this true American Icon.

Let's Talk Oscars!**Saturday, February 21 | 1:00-3:00 p.m.**

You're invited to our fourth annual Oscars party! Delve into this year's nominees and get the scoop on all your favorites while enjoying tasty movie theater treats. Learn fun facts about the major categories and contenders to help you make your winning predictions. Everyone who attends will be entered into a drawing to win a swag basket full of cinema delights.

The Case of the Missing Mallard**Adults & Teens 13+****Thursday, February 26 | 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

Welcome to the *Festival of the Golden Mallard*, where feathers fly and chaos quacks supreme! But disaster has struck. The legendary Golden Mallard has gone missing, and it's up to you to catch the culprit...unless you are the unwitting culprit!



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BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

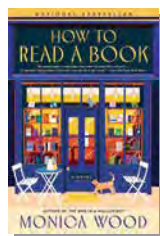
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Registration is required for all book groups.

Book Buzz

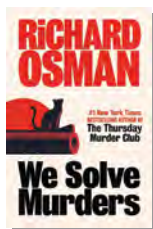
Tuesdays OR Thursdays | 9:30-11:15 a.m.

Start the day off right with a stimulating chat about a good book. *Please choose between Tuesday OR Thursday to attend.*



Tuesday, December 9 OR Thursday, December 11

How to Read a Book
by Monica Wood



Tuesday, January 13 OR Thursday, January 15

We Solve Murders
by Richard Osman



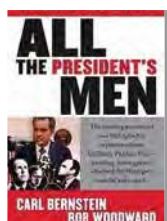
Tuesday, February 10 OR Thursday, February 12

Husbands & Lovers
by Beatriz Williams

The Real to Reel Book Club

Saturday, January 24 | 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Nonfiction fans can read the book, watch the movie, or both for discussion at our quarterly morning meetings. Sweet treats and bottled water will be served.



All the President's Men
by Carl Bernstein & Bob Woodward



All the President's Men
(1976, PG, 138 minutes, Warner Bros.)

Just Desserts

Tuesday, January 27 | 7:00-8:30 p.m.

The only thing sweeter than devouring a good book is sharing it with others. *This group meets the fourth Tuesday of alternating months unless otherwise noted.*



Gentle: Rest More, Stress Less, and Live the Life You Actually Want
by Courtney Carver

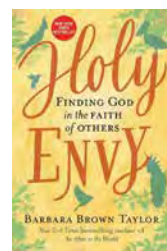


The one-tap reading app for borrowing eBooks and audiobooks.

Four Seasons Book Club

Wednesday, February 18 | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Do you enjoy reading nonfiction that reads like fiction? Then you're invited to join us at our quarterly, evening meetings. Sweet treats and bottled water will be served.



Holy Envy: Finding God in the Faith of Others
by Barbara Brown Taylor

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Jonathan Eig is the bestselling author of six books, including his most recent, Pulitzer Prize-winning *King: A Life*. Vividly written and exhaustively researched, it is the first major biography in decades of civil rights icon Martin Luther King Jr.—and the first to include recently declassified FBI files. In this revelatory new portrait of the preacher and activist who shook the world, Eig gives us an intimate view of King, who masterfully employed peaceful protest in the streets but was rarely at peace with himself.



Still Afraid of the Dark: An Evening with R.L. Stine

Tuesday, February 24 | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Witty, creepy, and compulsively readable, bestselling author R.L. Stine defined horror for a generation of young readers. The generation that grew up with the *Goosebumps* franchise may be grown, but Stine keeps finding ways to keep us afraid of the dark! Join us with *The Guinness Book of World Records'* "most prolific author of children's horror novels," R.L. Stine, to discuss his illustrious and still-expanding body of work.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Beyond the Page with Percival Everett

Thursday, March 19 | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Tune in for our conversation with Percival Everett to get a glimpse beyond the page.

Cristina Henríquez: Voice, Culture, and Human Connection

Thursday, April 16 | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Join critically acclaimed, bestselling author, Cristina Henríquez, for a compelling conversation about her newest book, *The Great Divide*.

Babel-On with R.F. Kuang

Tuesday, May 19 | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

R.F. Kuang's genre-bending fiction broaches ordinarily serious topics from a satirical and fantastical perspective.



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Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25

New Year's Eve

Wednesday, December 31

New Year's Day

Thursday, January 1

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December 3 & 17

January 7 & 21

February 4 & 18

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Tuesdays | 3:00-5:00 p.m.

December 2, January 6, & February 3

Discuss issues you're facing in the community or get assistance with Illinois agencies. For more information contact Rep. Grasse's constituent services office at 847-749-1137.