



WOOD DALE
PUBLIC LIBRARY

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LIBRARY HOURS

Mon-Thu 10am-9pm
Fri-Sat 10am-5pm
Sun Closed

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LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Thanksgiving:

Wed, Nov 26: Library closes at 5pm; Thu, Nov 27; Fri, Nov 28

Christmas:

Wed, Dec 24 and Thu, Dec 25

New Year's:

Wed, Dec 31 and Thu, Jan 1



Holiday Open House

Thu, Dec 4 | 6-8pm

Ring in the holidays at the Library with a night of music, crafts, treats, marionette shows, and merriment for all ages. We've been coordinating with the North Pole to ensure Santa will be back in Wood Dale, making an extra stop for children. To make sure everyone has a chance to meet with him, please register for one of four sessions with Santa that evening—he may be bringing a special present for everyone, and the elves need to know how many gifts to prepare! Space is limited! To register for a time with Santa on December 4, please visit wooddalelibrary.org, stop by, or call us at (630) 766-6762.

If all the spaces in our parking lot are full, please park at the School District 7 or Park District lots across Wood Dale Road.

Continuing the tradition: Bring an **unwrapped**, new toy for the Toys for Tots drive and you'll be entered into a drawing for a family game night gift basket (valued at \$75).



Holiday Photos at the Library

Nov 8-Dec 13

Mondays and Thursdays | 5-8pm

Wednesdays and Fridays | 2-5pm

Saturdays | 10am-4pm

Dress in your holiday best and bring your smiles! Our outdoor-inspired backdrop is the perfect setting for a beautiful family photo, just in time for holiday cards. We'll provide the festive scene along with a ring light and tripod so you can capture the whole family together. Space is limited, so reserve your spot today!

ADULT WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted, all adult events are held in person at the Library, free of charge, and require registration. Please stop by, visit wooddalelibrary.org/events, or call us at 630-766-6762 to register. **Registration opens Mon, Nov 3 at 10am for all programs.**

Wood Carving Meetup

Mondays, Nov 3, 17, Dec 1, 15 |

6:30-8:30pm

Drop in and discover a new hobby with the North Suburban Carvers! Join the learning and carving session—no experience needed.

Adult Crafting and Social Circle

Fridays, Nov 14, Dec 12 | 11-12:30pm

Join us for a monthly crafting circle where you can bring your materials, spend time working on your needlework, crocheting, quilting, knitting, etc., and socialize with other crafty people.

Puzzle Swap

Mon, Dec 8 | 2-4pm

Love doing jigsaw puzzles but ran out of new ones? Bring in your old ones and swap them with other people while enjoying some casual conversation.

Holiday Gift Wrapping Station

Fri, Dec 12 | 1-3pm

Thu, Dec 18 | 6:30-8:30pm

Need a place to wrap a special gift? You bring the gifts, we'll provide the space, supplies and a festive ambiance.

POPULAR PROGRAMS

Programs with this symbol * next to the title are limited to Wood Dale Public Library cardholders only. Registration opens Mon, Nov 3 at 10am. Non-Wood Dale Public Library cardholders may register beginning Mon, Nov 10 at 10am, if space is available.

Cooking with Chef Tony:

It's the Little Things *

Mon, Nov 17 | 7-8:15pm

Chef Tony Cannon and his wife Abbey will present a demo of "little things" for snacking and entertaining, followed by a small community discussion on mental health. Samples and recipes included.

Holiday Cupcake Decorating *

Mon, Dec 1 | 7-8pm

Come for a holiday cupcake decorating workshop. Pastry chef Frannie Hargadon will guide you through the process and share helpful tips. Supplies for 2 cupcakes provided. Adult registrations only.

Soap Making with Soapy Roads of Lombard *

Tue, Dec 9 | 6-8pm

Soapy Roads of Lombard will present an introduction to natural soap-making (101) program, which includes a "make your own melt & pour soap bar" and an educational, eco-friendly soap presentation. Cardholders only.

Books & Sips: Lynfred Winery *

Thu, Dec 11 | 6:30-8pm

Raise a glass to great stories! Join Christina Heller from Lynfred Winery as she pairs books and wines that are simply meant to be enjoyed together. Wood Dale Public Library cardholders only. Ages 21+.



MAKE FESTIVE FLORALS WITH PEGGY GARVIN

Registration for the following programs opens on Mon, Nov 3 at 10am. Supply costs for each program are noted in the description and is payable at the time of the event with cash or a check made out to Peggy Garvin.

Thanksgiving Centerpiece *

Tue, Nov 25 | 7-8:30pm

Design a vibrant floral centerpiece for your Thanksgiving table. The program cost is \$25.

Holiday Outdoor Planter *

Wed, Dec 3 | 7-8:30pm

Wed, Dec 10 | 7-8:30pm

Celebrate the season by creating a festive outdoor planter. The program cost is \$30.

Holiday Swag *

Fri, Dec 5 | 7-8:30pm

Bring holiday cheer with your own outdoor holiday swag. The program cost is \$25.

Holiday Centerpiece *

Fri, Dec 12 | 7-8:30pm

Wed, Dec 17 | 7-8:30pm

Make a holiday centerpiece to complement your seasonal gatherings. The program cost is \$25.



TAKE AND...

Please note, due to their continued popularity, programs under the "Take and..." section require registration with a Wood Dale Public Library card beginning **Mon, Nov 3 at 10am** and are limited to one per household. If space is available, registration without a Wood Dale Public Library card will open on Mon, Nov 10.

Spice Club: Peppermint *

Pickup begins **Mon, Nov 17 at 10am**

Spice up your life every other month with a Take & Make spice kit. Each kit will contain information about the spice, recipes, book recommendations, and a packet of the spice.



Take & Make: Winter Tree Candle Holder *

Pickup begins **Mon, Nov 17 at 10am**

Create a pine tree candle holder to use in the winter months. Pick up your supplies, then follow along with the instructions provided.

Take & Bake: White Christmas Cupcakes *

Pickup begins **Mon, Dec 8 at 10am**

Come in this December and pick up a bag with supplies, then follow along with the provided recipe.

COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

Online Shopping Made Easy

Wed, Nov 19 | 6:30-8pm

Whether you're a seasoned online shopper or a newcomer, this program will equip you with the knowledge and skills to shop confidently and securely from the comfort of your own home.

Introduction to Generative AI

Wed, Dec 17 | 6:30-8pm

Dive into generative AI, the technology behind tools that create text, images, and more. Learn how it works, explore hands-on applications, and discover how to use it responsibly and creatively.



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

iPhone Basics for Seniors with Ann Stovall

Sat, Nov 8 | 1-3pm

Learn to navigate your phone, use calls and messages, take photos, and adjust basic settings.

All The Moving Parts of Aging and the Importance of Planning

Mon, Nov 10 | 3-4:30pm

Join Certified Senior Advisor Jennifer Vince for a discussion on the many moving parts of aging and the importance of planning for life's changes.

Chair Yoga and Tai-Chi

Wed, Nov 12 | 1-2:30pm

Move, think, flow & relax! Stretching, brain games, Tai Chi. Stand part-time or stay comfy in your chair.

Monthly Movie Showing: The Thin Man

Fri, Nov 14 | 2-3:50 pm

Dashiell Hammett's jaunty whodunit about a missing inventor that made William Powell and Myrna Loy the elite of sleuthing. Rated PG. 93 minutes.

Monthly Movie Showing: The Bishop's Wife

Fri, Dec 5 | 2-4:15 pm

The Yuletide spirit has yet to warm Bishop Henry Brougham's Victorian home, only divine intervention can save his marriage. Not rated. 109 minutes.

Intermediate iPhone for Seniors with Ann Stovall

Sat, Dec 13 | 1-3pm

Learn to use Maps, Siri, reminders, and app settings to make everyday tasks easier.

Thursday Mix: A History of Popular Christmas Carols and Songs

Thu, Dec 18 | 1-2:30pm

During this fascinating program by Barbara Barrett, you'll learn the difference between a Christmas carol and song, examine who wrote the lyrics and melodies, why they were written and what they mean.

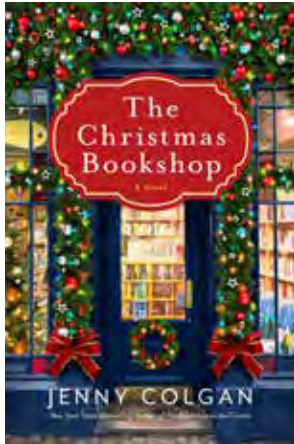
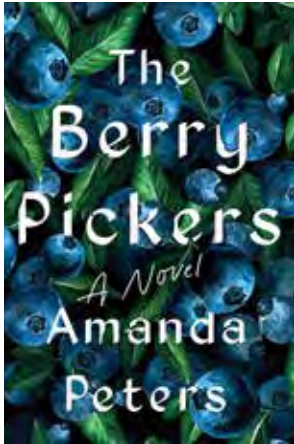


Want a first look at news and upcoming programs?

Visit wooddalelibrary.org to sign up for eNewsletters for exclusive and early information about programs, services, and resources.

BOOK CLUBS & AUTHOR VISITS

Joining one of our Book Clubs is a great way to get answers to questions, discover themes you may have missed, and make new friends. We have a variety of book clubs for all types of readers. Digital versions (eBooks and eAudiobooks) may be available for download through Hoopla or Libby. Pick up a print copy in the Library at the Book Club Kiosk. Registration is required at wooddalelibrary.org/events, by stopping by, or by calling 630-766-6762.



Book Club Express

Wednesdays, Nov 19, Dec 17 | 7-8pm

Wood Dale Target Starbucks on Irving Park Road

Meet at the Target Starbucks in Wood Dale to chat about popular books with this informal book group.

- ▶ *The Berry Pickers* by Amanda Peters
- ▶ *The Christmas Bookshop* by Jenny Colgan

Mystery Lovers' Book Club

Tue, Dec 2 | 7-8pm

We read all types of mysteries, from classic "whodunnits" to cozies and professional detective novels.

- ▶ *The Twelve Days of Murder* by Andreina Cordani

Not Your Mother's Book Club

Mon, Dec 15 | 6-7pm

Join our romance book club where we'll read different romance genres. As long as it has a Happily Ever After, it's fair game. Children are welcome to play or partake in an activity while we discuss.

- ▶ *The Merry Little Meet Cute* by Julie Murphy and Sierra Simone

Klub Książki - Polish Book Club

Tue, Dec 16 | 7-9pm | Art Gallery Kafe (127 Front St.)

Klub Książki spotyka się w Art Gallery Kafe. Książki będą omawiane w języku polskim.

Polish Book Club meets at the Art Gallery Kafe. Books will be discussed in the Polish Language.

- ▶ *Jedno życzenie* by Nicholas Sparks



In-person Author Visit: Lori-Rader Day

Tue, Nov 11 | 7-8pm

Local author Lori Rader-Day will join Mystery Lovers for a discussion of *Death at Greenway*, an award-winning historical mystery set in Agatha Christie's country house during WWII.

YOUTH & TEEN WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted, all youth and teen events are in person at the Library, free of charge, and require registration. Please stop by, visit wooddalelibrary.org/events, or call us at 630-766-6762 to reserve your spot. Registration opens on Mon, Nov 3 at 10am for November and December programs.

EARLY LEARNING & PRESCHOOL FUN

Let's have fun and learn together with storytime! It's a cool way for little ones to discover new words and skills. Kids get the scoop on everyday stuff, like shapes and colors, all while picking up motor, listening, and social skills. And guess what? Storytimes aren't just educational, they're a blast! We've got songs, movement, fingerplays, and more. Jump into your child's literacy journey with our free, Librarian-led storytimes. For the most beneficial early learning experience, we encourage parents and caregivers to participate in storytimes with their children. Children ages 0-3 need to have a caregiver with them at all times.

STORYTIMES

Baby Time

0-2 years with a caregiver

Mondays, Nov 3, 17, Dec 15 | 10:30–11am

This interactive program will include rhymes, songs and games. Come for 20 minutes of guided pre-reader activities to do with your baby and then 10 minutes of play and socialization for both of you.

Toddler Time

2-4 years with a caregiver

Wednesdays, Nov 5, 12, 19, Dec 10, 17 | 10:30–11am

Join us for this fun, interactive, pre-reader Storytime including books, songs, and activities that encourage toddlers to develop language and social skills.

Preschool Storytime

3-6 years with a caregiver

Thursdays, Nov 6, 13, 20, Dec 11, 18 | 11-11:45am

Join us for a storytime for preschool age children and their caregivers! We will read books, sing songs, and work on fundamentals for early literacy. We'll meet new friends and make a craft.

Yoga Adventure Jr.

3-5 years

Mondays, Nov 10, 24, Dec 8, 22 | 11-11:30am

Come join us for a yoga adventure! We will experience a story through yoga poses and learn some relaxation strategies too. You may bring your own yoga mat/towel or use one of our mats.

Polish Storytime

3-7 years

Tuesdays, Nov 11, Dec 9 | 6-6:30pm

Enjoy this fun storytime in Polish. Stay and play when the storytime is finished.

PLAY, CREATE, CELEBRATE!

STEAM Tots

3-5 years with a caregiver

Mondays, Nov 3, 17, Dec 1, 15 | 11-11:45am

Let's learn and play with STEAM! Each session will explore different topics that relate to science, technology, engineering, art or math geared toward the younger ones. Messy clothes are strongly recommended!

Adventures in Art!

3-5 years with a caregiver

Tuesdays Nov 4, 18, Dec 2, 16 | 11-11:45am

Join us on an adventure in art! In this class we will use our imagination and creativity to explore art together! Children will create a piece of art to display at home!

STEAM Saturday

3 and up with a caregiver

Saturdays, Nov 8, Dec 6 | 1-4pm

Come and play with STEAM! Join us for this open play with all things STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) related. There will be something for everyone!

Tea-Rex Party

3-7 years with a caregiver

Tue, Nov 25 | 11am-12pm

Join us for dino-themed crafts, games, and a special treat. You don't want to miss our prehistoric special guest! Dress in your fanciest tea party attire or your most dino-mite outfit—we can't wait to see you.

Noon Year's Eve Party

3-7 years with a caregiver

Tue, Dec 30 | 11:30am-12:15pm

Get ready to ring in the new year with our exciting Noon Year's Eve Party! Forget staying up until midnight; we're celebrating with a special countdown to noon, so everyone can join in the fun!

FUN FOR EVERYONE

Supported Storytime

3-7 years with a caregiver

Saturdays, Nov 22, Dec 20 | 11-11:30am

This accessible storytime is designed for children with developmental disabilities with their caregiver. We will learn, play and connect through stories, and music. Storytime includes visual and sensory support.

Sensory Saturday!

3-7 years with a caregiver

Saturdays, Nov 22, Dec 20 | 11:30am -1:30pm

This accessible play time is designed to provide an inclusive, supportive environment for children of all abilities and their families! We will have several sensory stations to explore and enjoy together.

KIDS & FAMILIES

Family Game Night

5 years and up with a caregiver
Tue, Nov 4 | 6-7pm

Come play a favorite game or learn a new game as a family. You are welcome to stay as long or as little as you would like. Registration is required.

STEAM Lab: Invisible Ink

6-11 years
Wed, Nov 5 | 4:30-5:15pm

Let's learn and play with all things STEAM! In each session we will explore different topics that relate to science, technology, engineering, art or math.

Virtual Explorers: Journey to the Age of Dinosaurs

8-12 years
Thu, Nov 13 |
4:30-5:15pm

Get ready to go back in time to visit dinosaurs! Learn about and virtually visit the places dinosaurs once lived, then enjoy some related crafts and activities.



Stories of Service: Meet a Wood Dale Veteran

8-15 years
Sat, Nov 15 | 3-4:45pm

Ever wondered what life is really like in the armed forces? Here's your chance to hear it firsthand! Sit down with a veteran from Wood Dale, ask your questions, and discover stories, experiences, and insights you won't find anywhere else.

Family Arts & Crafts Night

5 years and up with a caregiver
Tue, Nov 18 | 6-7pm

Come make some creative crafts as a family. You are welcome to stay as long or as little as you would like. Registration is required.

Crafternoon: Autumn Leaf Art

6-11 years
Wed, Nov 19 | 4:30-5:15pm

Get ready to imagine, create, and get a little messy! Each session, young artists will explore a new project and a variety of materials, from paint and glitter to paper and glue. This week we will make fall leaf mosaics.



Loom Knitting

8-14 years
Mon, Nov 24, Tue, Nov 25, and Wed, Nov 26 | 2:30-3:30pm

Get creative and learn to make a scarf or hat on knitting looms. Work on your existing projects or start a new one in this fun, hands-on program. Perfect for crafters of all levels.

VR Games

10-16 years
Wed, Nov 26, Fri, Dec 26 | 11am-12pm
OR 1-2 pm

Ready, set, play! Strap on your headsets and play games using our Metaquest VR headsets.

Family STEAM Night

5 years and up with a caregiver
Tue, Dec 2 | 6-7pm

Try out some fun STEAM activities as a family. You are welcome to stay as long or as little as you would like. Registration is required.

Ugly Sweater Bingo Night!

5 years and up with a caregiver
Tue, Dec 16 | 6-7pm

'Tis the season to play BINGO! Bring the family and join us for Ugly Sweater Bingo, make sure to dress in your ugliest or cutest holiday sweaters!



Wicked Party with Elphaba & Glinda

5 years and up | Tue, Nov 25 | 5-6pm

You're invited to a celebration of friendship and magic with Elphaba and Glinda! Join us in the Emerald City for a spellbinding soiree complete with crafts, games, and songs that will leave you flying high.

Movie Night: Wicked

5 years and up | Tue, Nov 25 | 6-9pm
After visiting with Glinda and Elphaba, join us for a showing of the movie *Wicked: Part 1*. Small refreshments will be served.



Festive Fun Around the World

8-12 years

Wed, Dec 17 | 4:30-5:15pm

Embark on a delightful adventure this Christmas season. We will explore how different countries around the world celebrate the holiday season.

Santa's Workshop

5 years and up with a caregiver

Thu, Dec 18 | 4:30-5:15pm

Calling all elves to join us for an afternoon of festive fun! We'll have several stations to get creative and make special holiday crafts to give as gifts or use for decoration.

Sweet Creations: Gingerbread House Decorating

6-12 years

Tue, Dec 23 | 6-7pm

Gumdrops, frosting, and festive fun! Get creative and decorate your very own gingerbread masterpiece at our decorating extravaganza. Gingerbread houses come assembled.



Puzzle Palooza

8-12 years

Mon, Dec 29 | 2-3:30pm

Join your friends or make some new ones and race against time to put together a 300-piece puzzle.



Unable to Attend? Please Let Us Know

If you are no longer able to attend a program you've registered for, kindly cancel your registration so others can participate. Please include your email and phone number when signing up so we can send you a reminder prior to the event.

TEENS

Wacky Wednesday

11-14 years

Wednesdays, Nov 12, Dec 10 | 2:30-4pm

Enjoy a craft, activity, and snack with your friends on early dismissal Wednesdays.

Board Games for Teens

11-16 years

Sat, Nov 15 | 1-2pm

Come play board games with friends!

3D Printing for Teens

11-16 years

Mon, Nov 24 | 12-1pm OR 1:15-2:15pm

Come learn how to create your own 3D print and what goes into using a 3D printer.

Teen Holiday Craft

11-16 years

Sat, Dec 13 | 1-2pm

Stop in to make snowflakes out of paper bags! Big or small, add a festive flair to your room!

Sewing 101 for Teens

11-16 years

Mon, Dec 15 | 5-6pm

Learn the basics of how to sew by hand! Work on an existing project or start a new one.

