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Mon-Thu	9pm
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Chris Renkosiak

Coming Soon: Updated Video Games & Gaming Consoles

Get ready for an epic gaming upgrade! We're jazzing up our collection with the latest and





greatest video games. Your playtime is about to get more awesome with popular titles like Gran Turismo 7, Marvel's Spider-Man 2, and EA Sports FC 24.

Wood Dale Library cardholders will be able to check out new gaming consoles, including the PlayStation 5, Xbox Series X, and Nintendo Switch OLED for up to one week. Follow us on social media for updates on this brand-new collection!

Grow a Garden with WDPL!

Gardeners can select up to 10 free seed packets per household from our collection of herb, vegetable, and flower seeds. Browse the Seed Library catalog in-house or on our website, place an order for your favorites, and then pick up your custom package once it's ready.

After your heirloom garden blooms, please consider donating extra produce and saving seeds to share with other members of our community. Limit 1 package of each variety per person.

Take a Peep

Be sure to take a peep at our

Embryology project in late April. The library will be participating in the University of Illinois's Embryology project again this spring. We will be picking up our eggs the week of April 14th.

They should hatch in early May. Keep an eye on our YouTube channel for our chick cam!



Thu, Apr 11 | 6:30-8:30pm Presentations in English: 7pm & 7:30pm Presentations in Spanish: 7pm Presentations in Polish: 7:30pm

LIBRARY RESOURCE PRESENTATION & TOUR

Learn how to access free online resources to help your child with homework, find age-appropriate books they will love, or learn a new skill. A tour of the children's department, including our parenting collection, will highlight books and other resources to check out. Refreshments and entertainment, including a photo opportunity with Nintendo® character Mario, will also be available before and after the presentations. This program is presented in partnership with School District 7.

ADULT WORKSHOPS & EVENTS



Want a first look at upcoming programs? Visit wooddalelibrary.org to sign up for eNewsletters for exclusive information about programs, services, and resources.

Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi Office Hours

First Wednesday of Every Month | 10am-1pm

Meet with Congressman Krishnamoorthi's staff. Stop by with any questions you may have about federal topics including social security, veterans' affairs, immigration, and taxes.

Wood Carving Meetup

Mondays, Mar 4, 18, & Apr 1, 15 6:30-8:30pm

Discover the joys of wood carving and join the North Suburban Carvers for their regular club meeting at the Library.

Add Color to Your World

Saturdays, Mar 9, 23, & Apr 6, 20 | All day Join us for adult coloring and aromatherapy to reduce your stress and anxiety with this relaxing activity.

Armchair Travel: Australia

Tue, Mar 12 | 2-3pm

Enjoy a trip down-under to the land of kangaroos and coral reefs. Take a vicarious visit to Australia with photos and facts about this fascinating continent.

Church Street Brewing Company ♥

Fri, Mar 15 | 7-8pm

Discover the history of Church Street
Brewing Company and sample four of their
favorite beer selections. ID required to
enter – No one under 21 will be admitted.

Spring Baskets with Peggy Garvin ♥

Mon, Mar 18 | 7-8pm OR Fri, Mar 22 | 7-8pm

Create a dazzling spring fresh flower arrangement. Supply costs for this program is \$30, payable at the time of the event with cash or a check made out to Peggy Garvin. Each session is the same; please only register for one.

Pisanki Workshop &

Wed, Mar 20 7-8pm Learn the intricate art of making Pisanki, Polish

egg designs. Due to limited capacity, registration with a Wood Dale Public Library card is required; non-cardholders may register beginning Wed, Mar 13 if space is available. Supplies provided; limited to adults only.

Seed Starting: Giving Your Garden a Head Start

Thu, Mar 21 | 7-8pm

Jump-start the spring growing season by starting your seeds indoors! Learn about the equipment and methods used for starting seeds and get a chance to browse our Seed Library.

Exploring Social Media

Mondays, Mar 25, Apr 22 | 6-7pm

Gain confidence in navigating the digital world of social media as we review social media basics, discuss some of the big players such as Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, Reddit, X (formerly Twitter), and cover privacy and safety. These programs will be in-person at the Library. Note: (same program)

Red Cross Blood Drive

Thu, Mar 28 | 1-6pm

Did you know one blood donation can potentially save up to three lives? Join our community and the Red Cross in making a difference by donating blood! You must register by going to redcrossblood.org and use the sponsor code: *WoodDaleLibrary*.

Cannabis Access in Illinois

Wed, Apr 24 | 7-8pm

Learn what legalized marijuana means for you and your community by getting the most recent information regarding both recreational use and medical use with educator Kirsten Velasco.

Native Plants & Pollinators for Our Local Landscape

Thu, Apr 25 | 7-8pm

Discover the benefits of native plants and get tips for planting native plants to attract pollinators and support

other wildlife. Presented by the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County.

Thursday Mix

New! Join us for a new mix of coffee. conversation, and engaging programming every other month on Thursday afternoons, aimed at adults over 55. Come between 1-2pm for light refreshments and conversation, then stay for a fun event starting at 2pm.

Chicago: True Stories of the 1920s

Thu, Apr 25 | 1-3pm

A fun and funny flapper named Flora tells us how fashion, crime, and prohibition, mixed with explosive creativity, shaped the decade of the century. This interactive and highly engaging living history program is a front-row seat for the compelling stories of Chicago in the 1920's.

Mother's Day Teacup Arrangement

Tue, May 7 | 7-9pm

Welcome back Wood Dale Library favorite Peggy Garvin. As usual, Peggy brings her expertise and supplies. Supply costs for this program is \$25, payable at the time of the event with cash or

a check made out to Peggy Garvin. Save the date: registration for this event opens Wed, May 1 at 10am.



ADULTING 101

Knife Skills Wed, Mar 27 | 7-8:30pm

Chef Dave Esau will help you improve your kitchen work with better knife skills. Learn the proper way to hold a chef's knife to safely perform

close-up slicing, julienne, dicing, etc. Tastings will be available as a bonus.



A wealth advisor from Wood Dale Bank & Trust will be here to teach basic banking services such as checking and savings accounts, CDs, and investment banking such as IRS, stocks, bonds, and more.

JOB SEEKERS Work one-on-one with the People's Resource Center

Resumes Thu, Mar 28 | 10-11:30am

Jumpstart your career search with an expert's perspective on your resume.

Mock Interviews Thu, Apr 25 | 12-1:30pm

Interviews don't have to be intimidating. Practice interviewing and receive constructive feedback during a mock interview.



TAKE AND...

Take & Make: Bunny Wreath

Pick-up begins Mon, Mar 11 at 10am

Create an adorable bunny wreath for your front door. Pick up your craft kits, then follow along at home with the instructions given. One per family.

Spring Take & Bake: Egg Nest Chocolate Cake 🤡

Pick-up begins Mon, Mar 18 at 10am

Learn to make this springtime variation of a classic chocolate cake. Pick up a bag of supplies (except perishables) and follow along with the provided recipe.

Take & Plant: Terrarium Fairy Garden 🤡

Pick-up begins Mon, Apr 22 at 10am Create a magical terrarium fairy garden at home with the Library!



Can't make it to a program you've registered for?

No problem! Out of consideration for other patrons, please cancel your registration if you cannot make it, and be sure to include your email address and phone number so we can remind you ahead of events.



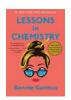
BOOK CLUBS

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, Libby, or Boundless. Pick up a print copy in the Library at the Book Club Kiosk. Registration is required at wooddalelibrary.org/ events or by calling (630) 766-6762.



Morning Book Club Tue, Mar 19 | 11am-12pm Join us for a discussion of Fannie Flagg's The All-Girl Filling Station's Last

Reunion, a fun-loving mystery about an Alabama woman today and five women who worked in a Phillips 66 gas station during the World War II years.



Book Club Express

Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus Wed, Mar 20 | 7-8pm Wood Dale Target

Starbucks (401 W. Irving Park Rd.)

A gifted research chemist in 1960s California becomes the star of a beloved TV cooking show that starts a revolution.



Happiness Falls by Angie Kim Wed, Apr 17 | 7-8pm Wood Dale Target

Wood Dale Target Starbucks (401 W. Irving Park Rd.)

When a father goes missing, his family's desperate search leads them to question everything they know about him and one another.



Mystery Lovers' Book Club

My Sister's Grave by Robert Dugoni Tue, Apr 9 | 7-8pm

In this suspenseful mystery, a Seattle homicide detective is thrust into a painfully personal case of her younger sister's death



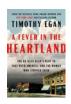
Klub Książki -Polish Book Club

Tue, Apr 16 | 7-8pm Art Gallery Kafe (127 Front St.)

Bieguni autorstwa Olgi Tokarczuk. Książki będą czytane i omawiane w

języku polskim.

Bieguni by Olga Tokarczuk. Books will be discussed in the Polish Language.



History Pages Book Discussion

Fever in the Heartland by Timothy Egan Wed, Apr 24 | 7-8pm

The Roaring Twenties—the Jazz
Age—has been characterized as a time
of Gatsby frivolity. But it was also the
height of the uniquely American hate
group, the Ku Klux Klan. This is the
story of the Klan's attempt to become a
dominant force in America's heartland



An Evening with Daniela Petrova

Tue, Mar 12 | 7-8pm

Daniela Petrova will join us for a discussion of her highly acclaimed novel Her Daughter's Mother. This twisty thriller focuses on a mother-to-be and the disappearance of her mentally ill egg donor.

VIRTUAL AUTHOR VISITS

All programs will be available through Zoom.

A Conversation with Ruth E Carter

Wed, Mar 20 | 7-8pm Academy Award-

winning costume designer
Ruth E. Carter explores the passion
that inspires her pieces spanning Spike
Lee costume design to Wakanda.
This program is presented by Illinois
Libraries Present.

The Hidden Gifts of Visual Thinkers with Dr.
Temple Grandin

Wed, Apr 3 | 7-8pm
A special event with
Dr. Temple Grandin,
one of the world's
most accomplished and
well-known adults with a

well-known adults with autism. She has been at the forefront of research and activism for autism and neurodiversity. This program is presented by Illinois Libraries Present.

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YOUTH SERVICES 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.

Early Learning

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. To make it extra awesome, we recommend parents and caregivers join in too. If your child is 0-3 years old, make sure to tag along—they need a caregiver by their side for all the fun!



0-4 years with a caregiver Wednesdays, Mar 6, 13, Apr 3, 10, 17, and 24 | 10:30-10:50am

Join us for this fun pre-reader storytime including books, songs, and activities. Stay and play after the storytime ends.



Polish Storytime

3-7 years with a caregiver Tuesdays, Mar 12, Apr 9 Enjoy a fun storytime in Polish.

Let's Learn Spanish Storytime

3-7 years with a caregiver Tuesdays, Mar 5, Apr 2 | 6-6:30pm Have fun and learn Spanish through stories, songs, and games. This storytime is presented in English and Spanish, so beginners are welcome.

Adventures in Art!

3-5 years with a caregiver Tuesdays, Mar 12, 26, Apr 16, 30 11-11:30am

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.

Tiny Tot Playtime

1-4 years with a caregiver Tue, Apr 23 | 6-6:30pm

Explore some of the library's new toys and make some new friends. A parent must stay with their child to supervise play.

STEAM Tots

2-5 years with a caregiver Mondays, Mar 11, Apr 8 | 11-11:30am Let's learn and play with STEAM! In each session, we will explore different topics that relate to science, technology, engineering, art, or math geared toward the younger ones. Messy clothes are strongly recommended!

Friday Fun Day

3+ years with a caregiver Fridays, Mar 1, 8, 15, 22, Apr 5, 12, 19, 26 Explore, discover, and imagine with our educational play stations. We rotate our toys every week to ensure our future veterinarians, doctors, chefs, and store clerks never get bored! No registration required.

Toddler Time Repeat

0-4 years with a caregiver Thursdays, Mar 7, 14, Apr 4, 11, 18, and 25 | NEW TIME: 11-11:20am

Can't attend on Wednesdays? Join us for a repeat of this fun pre-reader storytime including books, songs, and

activities. Stay and play after the storytime ends.



3-7 years with a caregiver Thursdays, Mar 7, 14, Apr 4, 11, 18, and 25 | 4:15-4:45pm

Read books, sing songs, and play with friends in this interactive literature-based storytime. Join us each week for a new topic and activity.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Early literacy is important for families who want to help their children get ready to learn in Kindergarten. Wood Dale Public Library wants to help with this vital family project. This program is designed for children from birth to their first day of kindergarten. We invite families to spend time together outside the Library fostering a love of reading while gaining the valuable pre-literacy skills that are so essential to reading success. Register and receive your first reading packet, including your first 100-book log. We have paper logs or you can log on to Beanstack, our online reading program app.



Kids

STEAM Lab 5-11 years

Wednesdays, Mar 20, Apr 3 | 4:30-5pm Let's learn and play with STEAM! In each session, we will explore different topics that relate to science, technology, engineering, art, or math.

Balloon Workshop

Family (ages 6+) Mon, Mar 25 | 2-2:45pm Join the team at A Hardy Party for a wonderful and fun balloon twisting class! Learn how to twist swords and animals.

Firefly Family Theatre Presents: Grow Show

Family (all ages) Tue, Mar 26 | 2-2:45pm

Experience music, puppets, interactive movement, and more as Spark the firefly plants a garden and learns how to make it grow.

Loom Knitting 8-14 years

Wed-Fri, Mar 27-29 | 2-3pm

Learn to make a scarf or a hat, work on your existing projects or start a new project.

Papier Mâché Globes 8-14 years

Thu-Fri, Mar 28-29 | 3:30-4:30pm

Make a light-up papier mâché globe with us to celebrate Earth Day in April. Dress for the mess! Please note: this program is a 2-day event.

Spanish Fun and Games

5-11 years with a caregiver or family Tue, Apr 23 | 7-7:30pm

Learn Spanish colors, numbers and more while playing fun games. This program is presented in English and Spanish, so beginners are welcome.



Teens & Tweens

Wacky Wednesday

Ages 11-14

Wednesdays, Mar 13, Apr 10, 24 | 2:30-4:30pm

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

Teen Resin Craft

Ages 10-15 years Wed, Mar 27 | 3:30-4:30pm Join us to make a fun resin craft for teens!

Exploring Virtual Reality

Tuesdays, Apr 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7 | 4:30-5:30pm

Join us for a six-week VR program that introduces virtual expeditions. 360 cameras and Meta Oculus gameplay. Space is limited, so register today!

Fun for the Family! All events are for ages 5-11 with caregivers. Drop in during the times listed below and stay for as long as you would like. Registration required.

Family Game Night: Giant Board Games

Tue, Mar 5 | 7-8pm

Try out some giant versions of classic games as a family.

Family STEAM Night: Lego® Building

Tue, Mar 19 | 6-8pm

Create something magical with Lego® and other building materials.

Family Arts & Crafts Night: Spring Crafts

Tue, Mar 26 | 6-8 pm

Enjoy creating relaxing crafts as a family.

Family STEAM Night: Robots

Tue, Apr 2 | 7-8pm

We have robots ready for someone to play with! Test out our collection of robots as a family.



Family Game Night: Minute to Win It Games

Tue, Apr 16 | 6-8pm

60 seconds never felt so quick! Test your ability to beat the clock with Minute to Win it style games perfect for the family.

Family Arts & Crafts Night: Bracelets and Keychains

Tue, Apr 30 | 6-8pm

Design and assemble your own bracelets or keychains as a family.



500 Books Before Junior High is for children in kindergarten to 5th grade. It continues to encourage children to be read to as well as to read independently. We want children to choose books that will engage them, inform them, and be fun to read so that reading becomes an enjoyable daily activity. You can repeat books! Read fiction, graphic novels, and non-fiction – READ BOOKS YOU ENJOY! Sharing books and encouraging reading time will help them develop a love of reading and learning that will last a lifetime.

Pick up a paper bookmark log or use our Beanstack app to record every 50 books read. You can choose a paperback book to keep for every 50 books your read. Remember, children have six years to complete this program. www.wooddalelibrary.org 31

FOOD DRIVE APRIL 1-30

DROP OFF LOCATIONS

Wood Dale City Hall 404 N. Wood Dale Road

Wood Dale Library 520 N. Wood Dale Road



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LOCAL PHONE NUMBERS

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	City of Wood Dale: (630) 766-4900
J	Addison Township: (630) 530-8161
	Attorney General - Chicago: (312) 814-3000
	Better Business Bureau: (312) 832-0500
	Wood Dale Chamber of Commerce/GOA: (630) 595-0505
	COMCAST : (866) 594-1234
	COM ED Outages: (800) 334-7661
6	Curb-to-Curb Transit Service: (630) 350-8161
	Dial-a-Ride: (630) 787-3763
	DMV-Lombard: (630) 629-8305
	DuPage County: (630) 407-6500
	DuPage Forest Preserve: (630) 933-7200
	Fenton High School District #100: (630) 766-2500
	Food Pantry Wood Dale: (630) 766-1805
9	Garbage Customer Service: (630) 261-0578
	DuPage County Health Department: (630) 682-7400
	IDOT Irving Park Maintenance: (847) 705-4000
	J.U.L.I.E.: (800) 892-0123
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	Metra Service: (312) 322-6777
	NICOR: (888) 642-6748
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