



Wood Dale Public Library

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LIBRARY HOURS

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

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

July 4 Independence Day

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HAVE YOU HEARD
 THE BUZZ ABOUT
 VR?

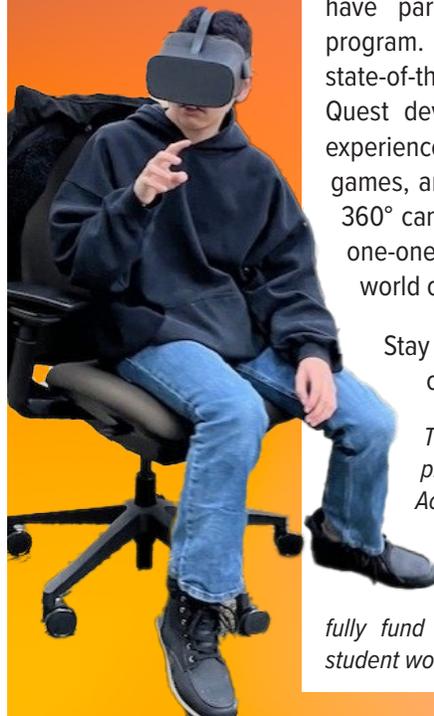
Librarians from the Wood Dale Public Library and the Bensenville Community Public Library have been working on an exciting new project!



Over the past six months, more than eighty students have participated in the Exploring Virtual Reality program. Students gained hands-on experience with state-of-the-art VR technology, including Pico and Meta Quest devices. They learned fundamental VR skills, experienced immersive virtual field trips, played exciting games, and even crafted their own virtual tours using 360° cameras. A group of teen mentors worked one-one-one with students as they discovered the exciting world of VR.

Stay tuned for upcoming VR programs for both children and adults!

This program is made possible through the funding provided by the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds (CFDA 45.310). These funds are allocated to the Illinois State Library by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), and the Wood Dale Public Library received \$30,066 to fully fund this program's equipment, seasonal/temporary student workers, and training.



Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging
 at the
 Library

Have an electric car or know someone who does? The library now has 2 chargers available. Whether you're running errands, stopping by for a program, or just looking for a convenient place to rest while your car charges, we have you covered!

- Wood Dale Public Library Cardholders can receive a discount on charging when they connect their ChargePoint account to the Library
- How long it takes to charge depends on many factors (type of car, battery size, etc.). With free WiFi, ample programming, and nearly unlimited resources, the library is the perfect spot to settle in for a long or short charge.

Stop by or call for details



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, July 1 at 10am for programs with this symbol  next to the title.

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, July 1, 15, Aug 5, 19 | 6:30-8:30pm

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

Knitting for Beginners

First session: Tue, July 9 | 6-7:30pm

Second session: Tue, July 16 | 6-7:30pm

Learn the basics of knitting in this two-part class. We'll provide knitting needles and yarn.

Life of a Bee

Wed, July 10 | 6-7:45pm

Discover the amazing life of bees, see a live colony (safely through plexiglass), and receive a small sample of organic honey!



Grilling with Chef Dave

Thu, July 11 | 7-8:30pm

Chef Dave Esau returns to demonstrate proper and delicious grilling techniques. Recipes and samples will be provided.

New! Adult Crafting and Social Circle

Fridays, July 12, Aug 9 | 11am-12:30pm

Join us for a monthly crafting circle where you can bring your materials, work on your project (needlework, crocheting, scrapbooking, quilting, knitting, etc.), and socialize with other crafty people.

1920s Murder Mystery Game

Fri, July 19 | 7-8:30pm

Imagine you're a guest at a 1920s New York City jazz club. Suddenly, a murder takes place, and you must search for clues to try and reveal the identity of the killer... Are you up for the challenge? Register by July 7.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Thu, July 25 | 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*.

Exploring the Beers of the Midwest

Wed, July 31 | 7-8:30pm

Enjoy a relaxing evening with beer expert Scott Pointon as he discusses some Midwestern beers and offers tastings. No one under 21 may attend, and IDs will be checked at the door.



76th Emmy Awards Contest

Contest begins Thu, Aug 1 at 10am

Join us in predicting the winners of the 76th Emmy Awards! We will find out the winners of this year's nominees on Sun, Sep 15. The contest will be open to library patrons 11 years old and up (one entry per person). Forms will be available starting August 1 at wooddalelibrary.org and at the Public Service Desk. Two winners will receive a twenty-five-dollar gift card to Marcus Cinema. Entries must be received by Fri, Sep 6.

Around the World in 60 Minutes: A Virtual Reality Expedition

Thu, Aug 8 | 7-8pm

Make yourself comfortable in a swivel chair, put on a virtual reality headset, and join us on a tour of some of the world's most amazing places. Tonight we present the thrilling magic of virtual reality.



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. Please be sure to include your email address and phone number when registering so we can remind you ahead of events.

**Jewelry Making 101:
Pearl Ring Class** ✨

Fri, Aug 9 | 7-8:30pm

Enjoy making your own Pearl Ring, this class is for beginners. The cost for materials is \$5.00 (cash preferred).



TAKE AND...

Take & Make: Watermelon Door Hanger ✨

Pick up beginning Mon, Jul 15 at 10am

Celebrate summer by creating a watermelon door hanger. Pick up your supplies at the Public Services Desk, then follow the instructions given. One per household.

COMPUTER CLASSES

Online Dating Workshop

Mon, Aug 26 | 7-8:30pm

Ready to meet someone right for you, but don't know where to start? Join us to learn all about today's most popular form of dating... online dating! We will discuss different online dating sites and apps, tips and tricks for creating an appealing profile, online and offline safety, and so much more!

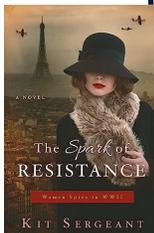
Thursday Mix

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.

Kit Sergeant: Women Spies in WWII

Thu, Aug 8 | 1-3pm

In 1942, Winston Churchill's secret army began recruiting women spies to infiltrate occupied France and become part of the French Resistance. Learn about the adventures of some of these unimaginably brave women in this multimedia presentation by Kit Sergeant, author of *The Spark of Resistance*. Giveaways include stickers and bookmarks.



ADULTING 101

Home Fire Safety Tue, July 16 | 7-8pm

Wood Dale Fire District's battalion chief will give an interactive presentation and discussion on fire safety and its implications for your home.

Automotive Basics Sat, Aug 10 | 10-11:30am

Learn automotive basics including changing a tire, checking oil levels, and assessing mechanical issues. Jamie from Wicked Wrench will give a live demo in the library's parking lot.



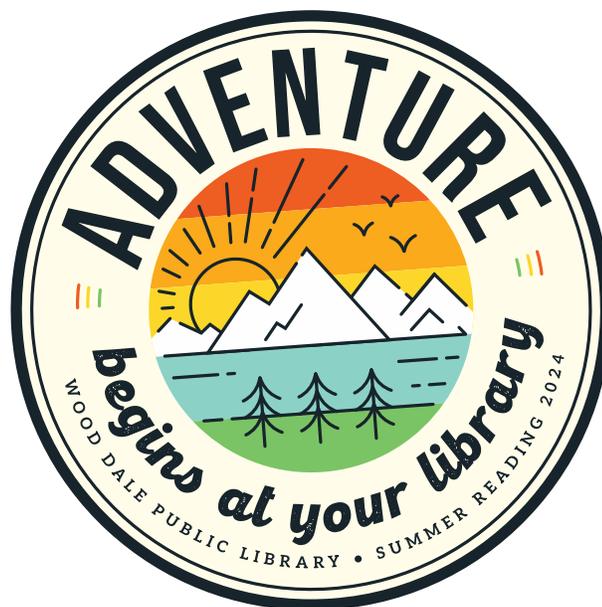
Save the Date

Fall Outdoor Container

Tue, Sep 10 | 7-8:30pm

Peggy Garvin will show you how to make a vibrant arrangement that will brighten up your outdoor space all season long.

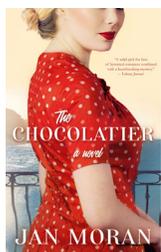
Registration is required and opens Tue, Sep 3 at 10am. The cost for supplies is \$30 by cash or check, payable to Peggy Garvin.



Keep reading and completing activities for your chance to win big! Log all your reading and complete your bingo activities through August 31.

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, by stopping by, or by calling (630) 766-6762.



Book Club Express

***The Chocolatier* by Jan Moran**

Wed, July 17 | 7-8pm

Heartbroken over the mysterious death of her husband, Celina Savoia, a second-generation chocolatier, begins to suspect he had a dark, secret past. Meet the author on Zoom at 7 pm and stay for a book discussion at 7:30 pm. To accommodate the author's visit, this session of Book Club Express will take place at the Library.

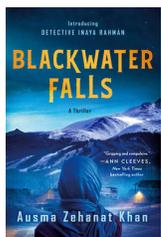


***The Bean Trees* by Barbara Kingsolver**

Wed, Aug 14 | 7-8pm

At Wood Dale Target Starbucks on Irving Park Road

When Taylor Greer hits the road she has no real destination, only to get as far from Kentucky as possible. By the time she ends up in Arizona, she has inherited a three-year-old Cherokee girl from a woman she met in a bar.

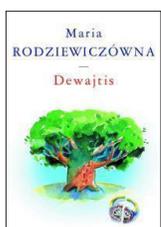


Mystery Lovers' Book Club

***Blackwater Falls* by Ausma Zehanat Khan**

Tue, Aug 13 | 7-8pm

In his thought-provoking mystery, Muslim detective Inaya Rahman investigates the murder of a young Syrian immigrant.



Klub Książki - Polish Book Club

Tue, Aug 20 | 7-8pm

Art Gallery Kafe (127 Front St.)

***Dewajtis* autorstwa Marii Rodziewiczówny**

Książki będą czytane i omawiane w języku polskim.

***Dewajtis* by Maria Rodziewiczówna**

Books will be discussed in the Polish Language.

VIRTUAL AUTHOR VISIT

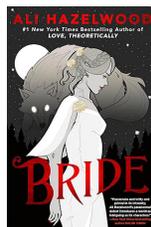
Meet at the Library to talk with the author or join from home.

Jan Moran:

The Chocolatier

Wed, July 17 | 7-7:30pm

Meet the author virtually 7-7:30 pm for an exclusive conversation. Then, join Book Club Express for a discussion of the book.

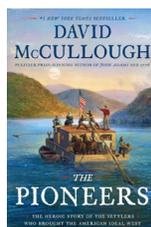


Not Your Mother's Book Club

***Bride* by Ali Hazelwood**

Fri, Aug 23 | 11:30am-1:30pm

A dangerous alliance between a Vampire bride and an Alpha Werewolf becomes a love deep enough to sink your teeth into this new paranormal romance. Kids are welcome to free play!



History Pages Book Discussion

***The Pioneers: The Heroic Story of the Settlers Who Brought the American Ideal West* by David McCullough**

Wed, Aug 28 | 7-8pm

Drawn in great part from a rare and all-but-unknown collection of diaries and letters by key figures, *The Pioneers* is a uniquely American story of people whose ambition and courage led them to remarkable accomplishments.

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.

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!

Toddler Time

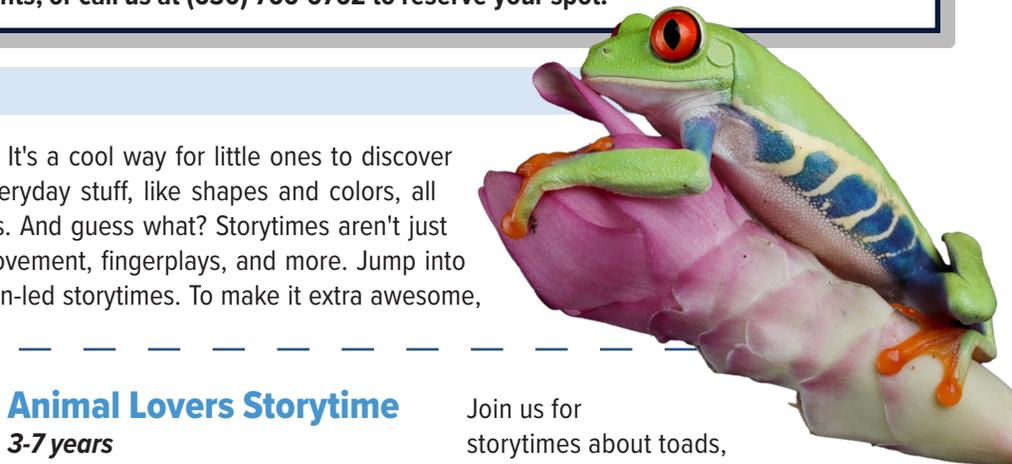
0-4 years with a caregiver
Wednesdays, July 10, 17, 24, 31
10:30-10:50am

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

Sunshine, Stories, and Stretches!

3-7 years with a caregiver
Thursdays, July 11, 18, 25,
Aug 1 | 11-11:45am

Together we will read books, sing songs, and move our bodies while we explore balance, nature, and the world around us. Join us each week for a new topic and activity!



Animal Lovers Storytime

3-7 years
Toad: Mon, Jul 8 | 2-2:25pm
Turtle: Mon, Jul 15 | 2-2:25pm
Birds/Parrots: Mon, Jul 22 | 2-2:25pm
Insects: Mon, Jul 29 | 2-2:25pm

Join us for storytimes about toads, turtles, birds, and insects, featuring real live critters for children to meet! Stay and play after the storytime ends.

Polish Storytime

3-7 years
Tuesdays, July 9, Aug 13 | 6-6:30pm
 Enjoy this fun storytime in Polish. Stay and play when the storytime is finished.



Yoga Adventure Jr.

3-5 years
Tuesdays, July 9, 16, 23, 30 | 4:30-5pm
 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.



Toddler Play

2-4 years with a caregiver
Tuesdays, July 16, 30, Aug 13 | 10:30-10:50am

Toddlers will play group games as they learn the social skills needed to play with others. Have fun while meeting other toddlers and their caregivers.

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.



Teens & Tweens 11-14 years old

Are You Smarter than a Librarian?

Wed, July 10 | 3-4pm

Test your knowledge against the librarians! Each round will cover different topics, ranging from pop culture to history. If your side wins, you can get prizes and bragging rights!

Duct Tape Origami

Wed, Jul 17 | 3-4pm

Create wallets, jewelry, flowers, and keychains out of duct tape!



Locker Decoration Making

Wed, July 24 and Sat, Aug 10 | 3-4pm

Make some decorations for your locker! Choose a light chandelier, pencil holder, and magnets. Create one, two, or all three!

Teen Tie Dye

Wed, July 31 |

3-4pm

Create a colorful tie-dye t-shirt! (All supplies provided. Please dress for a mess.)”



DIY Funko

Wed, Aug 7 | 3-4pm

Design your very own Funko Pop! Paint and decorate a blank Pop to make your favorite characters or make a unique creation.

Family Entertainment Nights

Mr. Taps

Thu, July 11 | 6:30-7:15pm

Mr. Taps’ charismatic and high-energy performance is entertaining and engaging to watch! Dust off those dancing skills and learn some fancy footwork from this professional tap dancer.

Science Heroes: Adventures of the Lost Treasure

Thu, July 18 | 6:30-7:15pm

Embark on a treasure-hunting adventure deep within the jungle! We’ll help act out the tale as we use the events in the story to explore exciting science concepts like air pressure, energy transfer, and physical vs. chemical changes.

Northern Illinois Raptor Rehab and Education

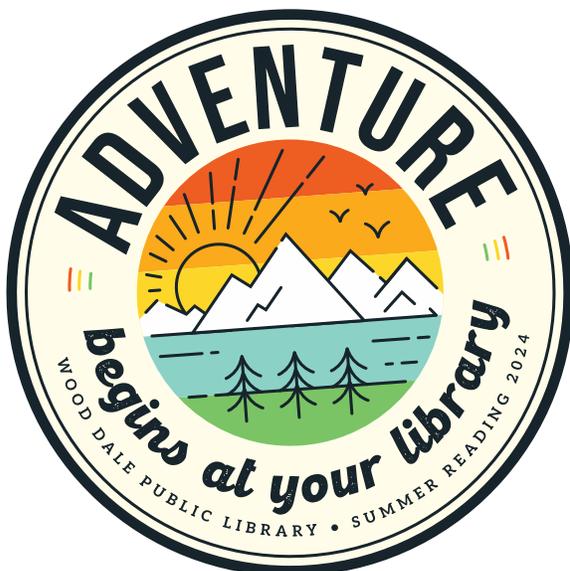
Thu, July 25 | 6:30-7:30pm

Learn about raptors and their Illinois habitats. Northern Illinois Raptor will bring a red-tailed hawk, peregrine falcon, American kestrel, great-horned owl, barred owl, and two eastern screech owls.

Mike Mauthe Variety Show

Thu, Aug 1 | 6:30-7:15pm

Mike is a one-man variety sensation whose shows include juggling, magic, and more in his family friendly, funny show. Come for the “Wows,” stay for the laughs.



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— JULY 2024 SPECIAL EVENTS —

LOCAL PHONE NUMBERS

Fire Non-Emergency: (630) 766-1147
Police Non- Emergency: (630) 766-2060
City of Wood Dale: (630) 766-4900
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
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
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
Library (Wood Dale Public): (630) 766-6762
Metra Service: (312) 322-6777
NICOR: (888) 642-6748
Post Office: (630) 766-0504
Public Works: (630) 350-3530
Report Plane Noise: (800) 435-9569
School District #4: (630) 628-2502
School District #7: (630) 595-9510
School District #88: (630) 530-3988
Social Security - Bloomingdale: (800) 772-1213
U.S. Post Office General: (800) 275-8777
Utility Billing: (630) 766-5228
Water/Wastewater: (630) 350-3542
Willowbrook Wild Life Center: (630) 942-6200
Wood Dale Park District: (630) 595-9333
DuPage Co. Div. of Transportation: (630) 407-6920

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	1 District 7 Summer School Begins	2	3 City Hall & Wood Dale Public Library CLOSED City Council Meeting CANCELLED 4th of July Fireworks Viewing Party 7-11 pm Wood Dale Park District 390 Golf Experience	4 City Hall & Wood Dale Public Library CLOSED City Council Meeting CANCELLED 4th of July Fireworks Viewing Party 7-11 pm Wood Dale Park District 390 Golf Experience	5 Sounds of Summer & Cruise Nights 5-9 pm Commercial St & Wood Dale Rd	6
7	8 Brush Collection at curb by 6 am	9	10	11 Committee of the Whole 7:30 pm City Hall	12 Grillin' & Chillin': Windy City RevUps 4-9 pm Wood Dale Park District Sait Creek Golf Club	13 Move with the Mayor & Council 9 am Westview Elementary Unplug Illinois 11 am-2 pm Wood Dale Park District White Oaks Park
14	15 Home Fire Safety 7-8 pm Wood Dale Public Library	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Red Cross Blood Drive 1-6 pm Wood Dale Public Library	26 Grillin' & Chillin': Forget Hannah 4-9 pm Wood Dale Park District Sait Creek Golf Club	27 Cardboard Boat Regatta 10-11:30 am Wood Dale Park District
28	29	30	31	1 District 7 Summer School Ends	2	3

— AUGUST 2024 SPECIAL EVENTS —



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Back to School Family Fun Night 6-9 pm Wood Dale Park District 390 Golf Experience	5	National Night Out 6	7	Committee of the Whole 7:30 pm City Hall	Grillin' & Chillin': Cirrus Falcon 4-9 pm Wood Dale Park District Salt Creek Golf Club Bounce Back to School Tween Night 6:30-7:30pm Recreation Complex	10 Move with the Mayor & Council 9 am Commercial St & Wood Dale Rd
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
District 7 Grades K-8 First Day of School				Committee of the Whole CANCELLED	Grillin' & Chillin': The Acoustiholics 4-9 pm Wood Dale Park District Salt Creek Golf Club	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
District 7 Early Childhood First Day of School				5th Thursday - No Meeting Scheduled	Sounds of Summer & Cruise Nights 5-9 pm Commercial St & Wood Dale Rd	