



Branching Out

From Small Beginnings, Great Happenings.

Spring/Summer 2019



2019 Summer Reading Program: "A Universe of Stories"

Kick off is Saturday, June 1

Children's Program, Ages Birth-10 Young Adult Program, Ages 11-17 Adults, 18 +

Join us at 11 AM for the kickoff of our summer reading program! We will have a petting zoo, bounce house, giant darts, ice cream, a magician creating balloon animals, face painting, and more! More details are available throughout this newsletter!

Shredding Event! Saturday, June 29 beginning at 10 AM



The Shred Authority will have a mobile shredding unit stationed onsite to shred unbound papers (staples and paper clipped documents are acceptable), credit cards, identification cards, and loose (ie, not in cases) CDs, DVDs, and Blue-ray discs. For the courtesy of others, we ask that everyone limit their shredding materials to no more than two full banker sized boxes. The event is scheduled to run for three hours but is first come, first served and will only last until the truck is full.

SUMMER MEALS COMIDAS DE VERANO

June 11th — July 26th
Every Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday
from 12PM to 1PM in Meeting Room

Acorn Public Library District is partnering with the Greater Chicago Food Depository to provide **FREE** healthy and nutritious summer meals for **children 18 and under** when school is not in session.

La biblioteca de Acorn está asociando con The Greater Chicago Food Depository para proveer comidas de verano saludables y nutritivas **GRATIS**. El programa es para **niños y jóvenes de 18 años y menos** cuando termina la escuela para el verano.

Welcome Dorothy Koll, Acorn Library's new Director!



Dorothy Koll was the Head of Youth Services at South Holland Public Library. She previously worked at the Romeoville and Crest Hill Branches of the White Oak Library District in both Adult and Children's Services. She is passionate about Library outreach and communication, and enjoys dabbling in graphic design. Hailing from Tinley Park, she is thrilled to join the Acorn Public Library District team.



The Library is partnering with Cradles to Crayons to serve as a drop-off site. Cradles to Crayons accepts donations of essential items (clothing, shoes, toys, books, etc.) to serve 80,000 Chicagoland children living in low-income and homeless situations. The box is located in Youth Services if you would like to provide a donation.

Acorn Public Library offers a wide variety of programming for youth from toddlers all the way up to teens. For a more comprehensive list of programs, please visit www.acornlibrary.org/calendar



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Registration for the reading portion of the program starts June 1, and you may register at any time throughout the program, ending on July 27. Fill out your calendar and you'll be entered into a weekly raffle to win small prizes.

Adult Programming

Aromatherapy Blending 101: Thursday, May 9 at 6:30PM
Join us for a night of fun and learning as we explore the art and science of aromatherapy blending.

Kick-Start Your Job Search: Thursday, June 6 at 7 PM
Attend this program and learn how the job search works.

Galaxy Paint Night : Wednesday, June 19 at 6 PM
Learn step by step how to paint a picture. Brushes, canvases, and paint will all be provided! Mocktails will be served!

From Prairie to Farm to City: Illinois History through Music:

Monday, June 17 at 7 PM Travel back in time to here the story through music of the Great Lakes region. This event will be co-produced by the Illinois Humanities Road Scholars Speakers Bureau.



Overcoming Adversity through Music and Song: Saturday, June 22 at 2 PM. Samuel Lozada, shares about overcoming obstacles of illiteracy and being a gang member in Gary, Indiana to becoming a successful full-time professional entertainer, best known as "The Mo' Beat Blues Show."

Hamilton's Women: Tuesday, June 25 at 7 PM. In this living-history program, meet the real women in Alexander Hamilton's life. Leslie Goddard, Ph.D., brings these smart, beautiful women to life.

21 (Almost) Free Things to Do in Chicago: Saturday, July 27 at 2 PM. Max Grinnell, Chicago expert, tour guide leader will join us to talk about things to do for little or no money this summer.

Behind the Stars: The Remarkable Women Who Helped Build Chicago: Monday, July 29 at 7 PM. The stars on the Chicago flag represent four major events that changed Chicago forever. This presentation examines how women responded to these events, and in the process built the city we know today.

Meet the Animal Control Officer : Thursday, August 8 at 7 PM
Bring the whole family for a meet & greet with our city's Animal Control Officer, Melissa. Many of our Oak Forest residents have all types of pets, and our Animal Control Officer makes sure they are well taken care of, whether it's helping injured animals, lost animals, or educating people on how to care for their animals. Our ACO is also a wild-life rehabilitator!

Movie Matinees: 2 PM

Fri. May 17: *Mary Poppins Returns.*

Fri. June 14: *On the Basis of Sex.*

Fri. June 28: *A Dog's Way Home.*

Fri. July 12: *Isn't It Romantic*

Fri. July 26: *The Upside.*

Fri. Aug. 9: *Captain Marvel.*

Fri. Aug. 23: *Dumbo.*

Popcorn is provided.

Titles subject to change.

For a Healthy You!

Chair Yoga: Tuesday, July 16 and Tuesday, August 6 at 10 AM. Chair Yoga is for Everybody!

Reducing Stress through Meditation:

Thursday, August 22 at 6:30 PM. Join Renate Lanotte, MS LCSW and, long time meditator, as she discusses the extraordinary effect of meditation.

Avoiding Senior Scams!

*** Medicare Fraud: How to Prevent, Detect, and Report:** Thursday, May 23 at 6 PM.

Illinois Senior Medicare Patrol will show adults what they can look out for in regards to Medicare and Medicaid scams.

*** Unscrupulous Individuals and How to Avoid Them:** Thursday, July 25 at 7 PM Learn to avoid charity scams, prize scams, counterfeit drug scams, and more!

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP - "Tuesday Night Bookies" meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM.

NONFICTION BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP - Meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM in the conference room.

ACORN MOVIE CLUB - Meets the third Wednesday of each month. 18+. Discuss a variety of films.

FICTION IN A NUTSHELL - "Fiction in a Nutshell" meets the last Wed. of every other month at 2 PM.

TABLET/ANDROID/COMPUTER CLASSES - Basic operating functions. Contact Adult Services for information.

JOB HUNTER WORKSHOP - Meets second Wednesday of each month 10 AM.

EARLY BIRD BINGO! - Meets fourth Tuesday at 10 AM. Win prizes!

SOOTHING ART SATURDAY - Meets Saturdays at 2:30 PM. All materials will be supplied. **May 11, June 8, July 20, Aug. 17**

GENEALOGY DROP IN - Come in anytime between 7-8 PM the first Wednesday of each month. www.ssghs.org

NEEDLE CRAFT CLUB - Meets third Thursday of ea. Month, 6:30 PM.

CRAFT CONNECTION - Crafters of all skill levels are welcome. All materials are provided.: **Mon. July 8 @ 6 PM:** Galaxy Rock Painting.

BEGINNER SPANISH CLASSES FOR ADULTS - Learn simple Spanish in a six week course. **Begins Thurs., May 23 through June 27 at 2 PM. Registration begins May 9.**

TRIVIA NIGHT: Join us for themed trivia nights at the library. You may register in teams of up to five people, or individually and we will place you on a team. **Wed. May 8 @ 7:00PM:** Sit-com Trivia; **Mon. July 15 @ 7:00PM:** Space/Sci-fi Themed Trivia.



Registration for all Programs starts two weeks prior to program and ends when full.

SUMMER READING 2019! "A Universe of Stories"

Children's Program-Ages Birth-10 and Young Adult
Program- Ages 11-17

The Summer Reading Programs are open to children ages birth through 17! Registration for the reading portion of the program starts June 1, and you may register at any time throughout the program, ending on July 27. By establishing healthy reading habits, participants will earn prizes and strengthen literacy skills over the summer. For every ten days of reading, participants check-in to spin the prize wheel or play plinko and receive a raffle ticket for one of the grand prizes offered.



Scholastic Book Fair! June 10-15

Browse a wide selection of books and fun items like posters, bookmarks and kits for kids of all ages!

Kick Off Bash: Saturday, June 1 from 11AM-1PM All Ages Register for the reading program at our outdoor bash! There will be a petting zoo, bounce house, giant darts, ice cream, a magician creating balloon animals, face painting, and more!

SUMMER PROGRAMS

(For a complete list of programs, see our Programming Guide available in the Library)

Are We There Yet?: Thursday, June 13 at 10:30 AM Ages 7-12
It takes us about 2 days of non-stop travel to get to the moon.

Scales and Tales Animal Show: Tuesday, June 18 at 2:30 PM
All Ages Come to see amazing exotic animals up close, including a sloth, pot-bellied pig and a hedgehog.

Space Party: Saturday, June 22 at 11 AM Ages 3-7 Join us for space games, crafts, snacks and fun!

Kids Concert with Todd Downing: Wednesday, June 26 at 11 AM All Ages We will be singing, dancing and jumping to Todd's entertaining tunes! The concert is outside if it's nice.

Magic Show: Friday, July 5 at 2 PM All Ages Thrilling show packed with hilarious tricks and will keep us all laughing.

Dinosaur Encounter: Saturday, July 6 at 2:30 PM Ages 5 and Up Learn the latest theories on dinosaurs.

Professor Suds Crazy Bubble Science Show: Saturday, July 13 at 2:30 PM All Ages The science of bubbles made exciting with interaction from the audience that will blow your mind!

So You Wouldn't Want To Be An Astronaut...or do you?: Monday, July 15 at 2:30 PM. Ages 7-12 Try your hands at some of the skills astronauts must master before they can go into space. Sorry, we will not be weightless for this program.

Live Reptile Show: Saturday, July 20 at 11 AM. All Ages Dave Dinaso will be bringing his traveling world of reptiles to the library!

Babysitting Class: Wednesday, July 24 from 2-4 PM
Ages 11 and Up Learn how to become a better babysitter! You'll learn how to stay safe, provide care for young children and infants, and how to choose age appropriate activities. Each participant will receive a certificate of completion and a goody bag.

Summer Reading Program Pool Party: Alsip Aquatic Center, 11930 S. Kostner Ave. , Alsip

Saturday, August 3, 10 AM-12 PM Participants should arrive at 9:45 AM to hear pool rules. All ages-must be accompanied by an adult. Finishers of the Summer Reading Program are eligible to come to our closing pool party! You must have completed at least 10 days of the reading program in order to be eligible to register for the pool party, a signed permission slip on file, Registration is on a first come first serve basis, any time after the child has completed the first check in.

Teen Lock-In: Friday, August 9 from 5-10 PM Ages 11-17
There will be many fun activities including: Amazing Race Library edition, library mini golf, video-games, movies, spa station, crafts, etc. We will also provide pizza, snacks, and refreshments. Open to teens who participated in summer reading and completed at least one check-in. Limited to 30 participants. Parents will have to sign a permission slip and have it turned in by one week prior to event.

August Events

Teen Movie Night: Monday, Aug. 5 at 6:30 PM Ages 11-17
Story Time at Panera Bread: Wednesday, August 7 at 10 AM
All ages The store located at 15845 Harlem Ave. , Tinley Park.
Cooking for Younger Kids: Wednesday, August 7 at 6:30 PM
Ages 4-7 Learn basic cooking skills while creating yummy treat!
Tween STEAM Challenge-Moon Living: Thursday, August 8 at 3:30 PM Ages 9-17
Little Builders: Saturday, August 10 at 2:30 PM Ages 3-6 Join us for open play where kids can create and build things.

Teen Video Game Tournament: Wednesday, August 14 at 7 PM
Ages 11 - 17 Pokken

Cooking for Older Kids: Saturday, August 17 at 10:30 AM
Ages 8-11 Learn basic cooking skills while creating yummy treat!

Story Time Fun: Tuesday, August 20 at 6:30 PM Ages 3-8 Join us for a night of stories, songs and a craft.

Blocks, Bean Bags and Balls: Saturday, August 24 at 10 AM
Ages 3 and Under

LEGO Club: Saturday, August 24 at 2:30 PM Ages 6-12

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Friday - Saturday 9 AM - 5 PM
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