

ACORN PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

Programming Guide

March, April & May 2020



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Medicare 101

Wednesday, March 4, 7:00 PM

Tina Konieczki will present "The ABCD'S of Medicare"; what Medicare covers, what it doesn't and your out-of-pocket expense. She will dive into the future of Medicare and what you need to know, Medicare supplements, what is Medicare Advantage, Part D: how to save on prescriptions, and cost saving tips.

The Life Story of Anne Frank

Monday, March 9, 7:00 PM

Historian, Jim Gibbons, will present the Life Story of Anne Frank - a young girl of faith, hope, relentless spirit, and wisdom beyond her years.

Bad Art Night

Monday, March 16, 7:00 PM

Feeling creative? Join us for a fun evening where you can use the library's craft supplies to create art so bad, it's good. We will have a gallery showing with all the pieces of art made, and vote on the Most Terrible Art.

Queen Elizabeth II

Wednesday, March 25, 7:00PM

In this new historical portrayal, historian Leslie Goddard, Ph.D., explores the life of Britain's famous monarch, from her childhood, the abdication of her uncle, her marriage to a navy officer named Philip, her World War II service, and her struggle to balance her roles as queen and mother. Get to know the woman behind the images, her sense of humor and savvy intelligence with which she meets her demanding obligations.

The Basics of Investing

Thursday, April 2, 7:00PM

Discover simple concepts that will help you improve your wealth building strategies.

Understanding Social Security:

A Look at the Bigger Picture

Monday, April 6, 7:00 PM

If you are going to collect Social Security benefits in the next 10 years you should attend this educational session. In this session, you will learn about when to take benefits, working while getting benefits, taxation and Social Security, and spousal benefits.

Take Charge of Your Health

Wednesdays, March 25-April 29, 12:00 PM

Beginning March 25th, we will be hosting a six week Take Charge of Your Health Workshop. This workshop provides participants with the skills to coordinate all the things they need to manage their health as well as to help them keep active in their lives. Topics covered include: healthy eating, physical activity, and stress management. **If you'd like to hear more about what to expect in the workshop, come by and visit the facilitators at an Information Session on March 4th from 12:00-1:00PM!**

Estate Planning

Thursday, April 9, 7:00 PM

This workshop will cover information about estate planning, such as the distribution of estate, wills, and trusts, specific estate planning strategies, the purpose of estate planning, and avoiding probate. Presented by the Society of Financial Awareness.

Disney Themed Trivia Night

Monday, April 20, 7:00 PM

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. Put your knowledge to the test for a chance to win fun prizes!

Pruning Tools and Techniques for Trees, Shrubs and Ornamental Grasses

Thursday, April 23, 6:00PM

Gardeners: be on the "cutting edge" of practicing prudent pruning. Kathleen Obirek, landscape designer and educator, will show you the best pruning tools and how to use and care for them. Informative handouts will be provided.

Mind Games:

The Scientific Perception Deception

Monday, May 4, 7:00PM

Our brain decides how we perceive everything around us. It finds patterns and solves problems efficiently, except for when it lies to us. This program explores the real science of how our brains trick us into seeing and believing things that don't exist. At the end, you may be left wondering if your brain has a mind of its own.

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LIBRARY HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM, Friday-Saturday: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Sunday: Closed

We will be closed May 25, Memorial Day

Meet the Animal Control Officer**Monday, May 11, 6:30PM**

Bring the whole family for a meet & greet with our city's Animal Control Officer, Melissa.

Job Hunter Workshop**Wednesday, May 13, 10:00AM**

Join Rosie Carter of Employment and Employer Services as she provides tips for resume writing and filling out job applications. She will also discuss tips for a successful interview.

Women of WWII:**Serving Soldiers at the Whistle Stop Canteen****Monday, May 18, 7:00PM**

After Pearl Harbor was attacked, American troops started traveling across the U.S. for recruitment, induction, training, and deployment. Come learn about how the Greatest Generation pulled together to help our troops.

Spy vs Spy**Wednesday, May 27, 7:00 PM**

Total war led to total espionage as each major participant in the Second World War attempted to fathom the actions of the opposition – and in some cases even of its allies. This program reviews espionage efforts of the war including German saboteurs landing on America's East Coast, Japanese efforts against Pearl Harbor, Soviet penetration into the Atomic bomb's Manhattan Project, and other actions.

Craft Connection: Paint Your Own Flower Pot**Thursday, May 28, 6:00PM**

Come to the Library to create and connect with new friends! Crafters of all skill levels are welcome to join. A new project is introduced at each meeting. All materials are provided.

MONTHLY PROGRAMS AND CLUBS

GENEALOGY DROP-IN, Wednesday March 4, April 1, and May 6, 7:00-8:00 PM

Need assistance with your genealogy research? Patty Higgins, president of the South Suburban Genealogical and Historical Society, is available to answer your questions. For more information about SSGHS, visit www.ssghs.org

TUESDAY NIGHT BOOKIES, Tuesdays, March 17, April 21, and May 19, 7:30 PM

For more information and book titles, contact the Circulation Department.

ACORN MOVIE CLUB, Wednesdays, March 18, April 22, and May 20, 7:00 PM

Acorn Movie Club meets the third Wednesday of every month at the library to discuss a variety of films. For more information and movie titles, contact the Adult Services Department.

NEEDLECRAFT CLUB, Thursdays, March 19, April 16, and May 21, 6:30 PM

Love crafting and looking to meet new people? Bring your needlework, or any craft project, to work on, and sit back and enjoy chatting and sharing skills with other crafters.

EARLY BIRD BINGO Tuesdays, March 24, April 28, and May 26, 10:00 AM

Join us for bingo and light refreshments for a chance to win fun prizes!

FICTION IN A NUTSHELL, Wednesday, March 25 and May 27, 2:00 PM

For more details and to reserve a book, contact the Adult Services Department.

NONFICTION BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP, Thursdays, March 5, April 2, and May 7, 7:30 PM

For more information and book titles, contact the Adult Services Department.

BOARD GAME NIGHT, Wednesdays, March 11, April 8, and May 13, 6:30 PM

Stop by and play a variety of board games. Games are provided, but you are welcome to bring your own!

ACORN QUILTING GROUP, Tuesdays, March 10, April 14, and May 12, 6:30 PM

For more information, contact the Adult Services Department.

COMPUTER CLASSES

Computer classes for adults cover topics that range from a basic introduction to the computer, internet, Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint. Each class is 60 minutes and registration begins 3 weeks before the class. See the program calendar for dates and times.

MOVIE MATINEES

Every other Friday at 2:00 PM. Popcorn is provided. Titles are subject to change.

Friday, Mar. 6
Downton Abbey
rated PG

Friday, Mar. 20
Knives Out
rated PG-13

Friday, Apr. 3
Harriet
rated PG-13

Friday, May 1
A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood
rated PG

Friday, May 15
Charlie's Angels
rated PG-13



Sign up for Adult Programs by calling (708) 687-3700 or online at www.acornlibrary.org/calendar.

Programming Calendars are available in Adult and Youth Services departments.



PROGRAMS FOR BABIES, TODDLERS, & PRESCHOOLERS

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Pick up a log in the Youth Services Department at any time. Read any book, to your baby, toddler or young child. Keep it up, and you can repeat books! The goal is to read 1,000 books before Kindergarten. Every 100 books you read, stop back at the Youth Services Desk for a new reading log and a picture of your little reader with a sign showing their accomplishment.

Spring Storytime and Lapsit Session

Thursdays, March 19-April 30

Lapsit and Play Time (0-36 months): 9:30-10:15 AM

Story Time (3-5 years): 11:00-11:30 AM

Registration is required, beginning March 5 continuing until session is full. All registrants should plan on regular attendance of all meetings in order to register.

Sensory Playtime

Fridays, March 13, April 10, and May 8, 10:00 AM, Ages 5 and Under

Join us for sensory activities like ice cube painting, sorting, digging and lots of fun!

Blocks, Bean Bags and Balls

Saturday, May 2, 10:00 AM, Ages 3 and Under

This fun program for babies and toddlers features open play with a variety of toys that help develop cognitive, social and early literacy skills.

Story Time Fun

Tuesdays, March 17, April 21 and May 19, 6:30 PM, Ages 3-8

Join us for a night of stories, songs and a craft. Registration begins two weeks prior.

Little Builders

Saturdays, March 21, April 18 and May 16, 2:30 PM, Ages 3-6

Join us for open play where kids can create and build using different materials such as mega blocks, building shapes and other age appropriate materials.

Story Time at Panera Bread

Wednesdays, March 4, April 1 and May 6, 10:00 AM

Join us for stories, songs and all children will get a treat, courtesy of Panera Bread, 15845 Harlem Ave, Tinley Park.

Cooking for Younger Kids

Wednesdays, March 4, April 1 and May 6, at 6:30 PM, Ages 4-7

Learn basic cooking skills while creating yummy treat!

ALL AGES PROGRAMS FOR FAMILIES

Visit the Bunny & Spring Scavenger Hunt

Saturday, April 4, 10:30 AM

Greet and take pics with the Bunny and after embark on a library-wide scavenger hunt to get a treat!

Family Movies

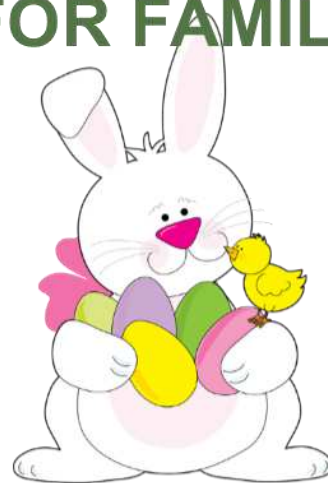
Join us for a recently released movie! Snacks will be served.

Lion King, 2019 (rated PG)

Friday, March 27, 2:00 PM

Maleficent Mistress of Evil (rated PG)

Friday, April 10, 2:00 PM



PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOL-AGED KIDS

Cooking for Older Kids

Saturdays, March 14, April 11, and May 9, Ages 8-11

Learn the basic skills of cooking and names of utensils while creating a tasty treat!

LEGO® Club

Saturdays, March 7, April 4 and May 2, 2:30 PM, Ages 6-12

Each meeting we will create around a different theme.

After School Craft

Tuesdays, March 10, April 14 and May 12, 4:00 PM, Ages 4-8

If you like to be creative and don't mind your hands getting a mess, making a craft will be a success. We supply the materials.

STEAMsational Club

Saturdays, March 21 and May 16, 10:30 AM, Ages 7-10

Each month we'll explore different topics with lots of hands-on activities involving, science, art, math and more!

Read to a Therapy Pup, Ages 5 & Up

Kora- Tues. March 31, April 28, and May 26, 4:00 PM
Pita-Tues. March 3, April 14, and May 5, 6:00 PM

Read with a fluffy pup! Sign up for a 10 minute time slot.

Museum of Science and Industry Club!

Wednesdays, April 1-29, 4:00 PM, Ages 6-12

Join us for a Science program made possible through the Museum of Science and Industry! Each week we will explore a new, fun science topic.

Earth Day Celebrates 50 Years

Saturday, April 18, 10:30 AM, Ages 8-12

Come listen to a story about a young women from Gambia who made a difference in her community and then recycle a plastic bag into a cool craft!

Sign up for Youth Programs by calling (708) 687-3700. Registration is required for all youth programs begins two weeks prior to program and ends when full. Programming Calendars are available in Adult and Youth Services departments.

TEEN AND TWEEN PROGRAMS

Candy Bar Bingo

Thursday, March 26, 4:00 PM, Ages 9-17

Join us for a chocolaty twist on this classic game! Bring a candy bar of your choosing.

Wii U Tournaments!

Thursdays, March 26 and May 7, 6:30 PM, Ages 9-17

Join us for a chocolaty twist on this classic game! Bring a candy bar of your choosing

Chess Club

Thursdays, March 12, April 9, and May 14, 6:30 PM, Ages 9-17

Join us for the opportunity to learn the game, gain new skills and strategies, and have fun playing chess with others.

Teen Activities Group- TAG

Thursday, March 19, April 16 and May 21, 7:00 PM, Grades 6 to 12

The TAG group volunteers at the library and in the community on a monthly basis as opportunities present themselves. Come join the fun and earn service hours!

Tween DIY Fabric Wrapped Flower Pot

Monday, May 11, 4:00PM, Ages 9-14

Create a unique and adorable flower pot! We will provide the pots, fabric and other supplies, you just bring your creativity.

Tween Friendship Bracelet Craft

Monday, March 23, 4:00 PM, Ages 8-14

Make a cute friendship bracelet out of embroidery floss for your bestie, or keep for yourself!



Friends of the Acorn Library Memorial and Honoree Books

Donate a book to the Friends of the Library in honor of or in memory of a loved one. The donation will be recognized with a commemorative plate in the book and a letter recognizing the donation. Please call 708-687-3700 for more information.