



THE RESOURCE

Serving the Communities of Villa Park and Oakbrook Terrace

Building Project Update

This December and January, we expect to have some collections and public areas inaccessible as we prepare for construction. Please follow the library's website and Facebook page for day-to-day updates. We expect to go out to bid on the main building project this January.

Winter Reading Program

January 2-February 28

Set the new year on fire with our Winter Reading Program, **Catch a Dragon by the Tale!** Stop in at the library and sign up beginning Tuesday, January 2. Our adult and youth programs offer a variety of excitement for all ages. Both programs are free, easy, fun, and open to everyone!



System Wide Automated Network (SWAN)

The Villa Park Public Library has exciting news: the library will be part of SWAN (System Wide Automated Network) beginning in May 2018! Joining SWAN will greatly expand the number and variety of materials available to our patrons. Currently, patrons can use materials from the library's network of eight libraries. Starting in May 2018, our patrons will have access to resources and materials from 97 libraries!

What does that mean for our patrons?

- Your library card will be accepted at all 97 libraries in the SWAN consortium.
- The library will significantly expand, allowing access to 729% more materials.
- You will be able to place materials in the catalog on hold and choose to pick them up at any library in the SWAN consortium, allowing you to have more convenient access to materials.
- Your experience with the library's online catalog will not change. SWAN uses the same interface for the online catalog as the library does now, so you will not have to become familiar with another format of online catalog.

Library staff is very busy getting everything ready to join SWAN. As May 2018 approaches, the library will create bookmarks, videos, and other resources to keep you informed and to get you ready to enjoy the benefits of an expanded catalog.

For more information about SWAN, check out swanlibraries.net/ to see all the benefits of being part of a library consortium. For a full list of libraries participating in the SWAN network, see swanlibraries.net/member-libraries.

We look forward to expanding your horizons!

New Digital Resources!

US Newsstream

The library subscribes to US Newsstream™, which enables users to search current U.S. news content as well as archives that stretch back into the 1980s. It features top newspapers, wires, broadcast transcripts, blogs, and news sites in full-text format. US Newsstream™ provides key national and regional news sources from the U.S. and includes exclusive and preferred access to top titles, including:

The New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, Los Angeles Times, Boston Globe, Newsday, and Chicago Tribune.



CultureGrams

CultureGrams™ is a primary source reference for reliable, concise, and up-to-date cultural information on the countries of the world. It includes facts and figures, as well as information

about daily life and culture, including the history, customs, and lifestyles

of the world's people. It is a great place to start research for a report or project for school, and learn more about the places we hear about every day in our increasingly globalized society.



Library Hours

Monday-Thursday • 9 am-9 pm
Friday-Saturday • 9 am-5 pm
Sunday • 1 pm-5 pm

Closings

New Year's Day • January 1
Easter Sunday • April 1

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STORYTIME SCHEDULE AT THE LIBRARY

Marvelous Mornings All ages with adult	1 st & 3 rd Saturdays 10-10:45 am	January 6, 20; February 3, 17; March 3, 17; April 7 (No Session: 4/21)
Babies & Books 📞 All infants & pre-walkers with adult	Choose One: Tuesdays OR Thursdays 9:15-9:45 am	January 9-April 12 (No Session: 2/6, 2/8; 3/13, 3/15)
Toddler Time 📞 Walker with adult	Choose One: Mondays OR Thursdays 10:15-10:45 am	January 8-April 12 (No Session: 2/5, 2/8; 3/12, 3/15)
Preschool Storytime 📞 Ages 3-5	Wednesdays 10-10:30 am	January 10-April 11 (No Session: 2/7; 3/14)
Family Storytime 📞 All ages with adult	Tuesdays 10:15-10:45 am	January 9-April 10 (No Session: 2/6; 3/13)
Ready for Reading 📞 Ages 4 and up	Thursdays 1:15-2 pm	January 11-April 12 (No Session: 2/8; 3/15)

STORYTIME SCHEDULE IN THE COMMUNITY | ALL AGES WITH ADULT

Community Storytime @ Whole Foods Elmhurst Location 215 S Illinois Route 83, Elmhurst	3 rd Friday of month 10-10:30 am	January 19, February 16, March 16, April 20
Community Storytime @ Cornerstone Books Location 22 S Villa Ave	4 th Monday of month 9:30-10 am	January 22, February 26, March 26, April 23
Preschool Palooza! @ Oakbrook Terrace Park District Location 1S325 Ardmore Ave, Oakbrook Terrace	2 nd Wednesday of month 11:45 am-12:15 pm	January 10, February 14, March 14, April 11

Holiday Matinees

All movies begin at 1 pm • All ages

Friday, January 5
The LEGO® Ninjago Movie
 (©Warner Bros., 2017: PG, 101 min.)



Monday, February 19
The My Little Pony Movie
 (©Lionsgate, 2017: PG, 99 min.)



Monday, March 26
Coco
 (©Disney Pixar, 2017: PG, 109 min.)



YOUTH CLASSES AND EVENTS

Animal Quest 📖

Wednesday, January 3 • 11-11:45 am
All ages

Animal Quest shares some of Earth's greatest creatures in this fun, fact-filled family show that includes ten live animals to see and touch! Free tickets available at the library starting one week in advance of program.



Kindermusik Storytime 📞

Thursday, January 4 • 9:30-10:15 am OR
10:30-11:15 am

Ages 0-5 with adult

Kindermusik returns! It involves singing, instrument play, movement, storytime, and more. Presented by Leah Egan, certified instructor.



Bark for Books 📞

Wednesdays

January 10; February 7 • 5:30-6:30 pm
March 14; April 4 • 6:30-7:30 pm

All ages, under 7 with adult

Read with a dog! We have a variety of dogs certified by Therapy Dogs International to be gentle listeners. Choose a book to read in advance.

LEGO® DUPLO® Build + Play 📞

Fridays, January 12, 26; February 9, 23;
March 9, 23; April 13 • 10-10:30 am

Ages 2-5 with adult

Join us to build, play, and socialize with other kids and families!

Hillbilly Silly Science Spectacular! 📖

Monday, January 15 • 1-2 pm
All ages

Take a dash of science, a glob of humor, throw in a hillbilly, and what do you get? It's an explosive good time in a show that mixes comedy with science experiments for hilarious results. Come on down and watch Dr. Cletus Beaker blow your mind with his crazy science! Free tickets available at the library starting one week in advance of program.

MSI Science Minors 📞

Thursdays, January 18, 25; February 1, 8, 15
3:45-5 pm

Ages 8 and up

It's an all-new MSI Science Minors! Put on your hard hat--we'll do some planning, then get hands-on and BUILD our own designs!

This program is made possible through a partnership with the Museum of Science & Industry Chicago.



LEGO® Builders Club 📞

Wednesdays, January 24, 31; February 21,
28; March 21, 28 • 3:45-4:45 pm

Ages 6 and up

Make something unique using a selection of Lego® bricks and accessories.

Spanish Storytime 📞

Thursdays, February 1; March 1
6:30-7 pm

Age 5 and under with adult

Enjoy stories, songs, and movement activities in Spanish with us!

Cuentos en Español 📞

jueves, el 1 de febrero; el 1 de marzo a las
6:30-7 por la tarde

Edades: 5 años y menor con un adulto

¡Disfruta cuentos, canciones, y actividades con movimiento en español con nosotros!

Art Starts 📞

Mondays, February 5; March 12
3:45-4:45 pm

Ages 7 and up

Learn about the basics of art, artists, and techniques. Be creative and do an open-ended project based on each session's topic!

Creative Science: Force & Motion 📞

Tuesday, February 6 • 3:45-4:45 pm
Ages 5-8

Come and experiment with force and motion. We'll make balloon-powered cars and test them out before you take them home!

Valentine's Day Craft Open House

Friday, February 9; Saturday, February 10
2-4 pm

All ages

Celebrate your valentine with a craft! Young children will need some adult help.

Countdown to Kindergarten! 📞

Mondays, February 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2
6:30-7:30 pm

Ages 4 and up with adult

In this six-week program, kids and their adults will get ready for Kindergarten in the fall! We'll focus on crucial school readiness skills with activities, stories, songs, and materials you can take home. Please plan to attend as many sessions as possible.

Fourth Annual Peeps® Diorama Contest

March 1-19

All ages

Create a shoebox diorama using marshmallow Peeps® candy! Details available on March 1.

All entries due on March 19. Winning entries displayed March 21-27 at the library.

Read Across America Day Celebration!

Friday, March 2 • All day

All ages

Join us and celebrate the joy of reading across America!

Crafternoons 📞

Thursday, March 15 • 3:45-4:45 pm

Ages 7 and up

A program for crafty kids! Make a new project using a wide variety of materials. Explore, experiment, and create!

How to Live in Outer Space 📞

Tuesday, March 27 • 11-11:45 am

Ages 8 and up

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to live on Mars? Find out everything you need to know about space travel with astro-educator Dean Mikolajczyk!

Easter Craft Open House

Friday, March 30; Saturday, March 31
2-4 pm

All ages

Celebrate the holiday with a craft! Young children will need some adult help.

Taco Dragon Party! 📞

Monday, April 2 • 1-2 pm

All ages, under 5 with adult.

Do you love TACOS? How about DRAGONS? Is *Dragons Love Tacos* one of your favorite books? Then you'll definitely want to come to the Taco Dragon Party--we'll read the book, then do some fun activities and EAT delicious tacos as well as MEET the big red dragon from the book! But don't worry--we will not have any spicy salsa. Don't miss this special celebration!

TWEENS/TEENS CLASSES AND EVENTS

Teen Tech Week

March 4-10

Celebrate Teen Tech Week with fun programs at the library! Teens in grades 6-12 are all welcome to attend. Registration is required for all programs.

MarioKart™ Tournament 🎮

Monday, March 5 • 3:30-5 pm

Ages 11 and up

Join us for a fun, friendly tournament to determine the ultimate players! Winners will receive a small prize.



No-Sew Emoji Pillows 🎮

Thursday, March 8 • 3:45-4:45 pm

Ages 11 and up

What's your favorite emoji? Make a pillow of it! We'll have all the supplies you'll need to bring your emoji into the third dimension.



Practice SAT Test 📖

Saturdays, March 3; April 7 • 9 am-12 pm

Deposit \$10 • Limit 15 • for high school students

Practice taking a test under the same conditions you will experience during a real exam. Bring a calculator and pencils. Must live in or attend a high school in Villa Park or Oakbrook Terrace. Proctored by Huntington Learning Center. Arrive promptly at 9 am. \$10 deposit will be fully refunded to test-takers upon completion of practice test.

ADULT CLASSES AND EVENTS

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Join us for special programming the week of April 8-14 to celebrate National Library Week!



Spring Flowers with Garvin Gardens 🌸

Monday, April 9 • 7-8 pm

Fee \$20 • Limit 25

Peggy Garvin of Garvin Gardens will be here to guide attendees in making their own spring floral arrangement.

Combined Book Discussion

Tuesday, April 10 • 7:30-8:45 pm

Join our Mystery Readers and Books Worth Talking About groups in a lively discussion of the novel *Big Little Lies* by Liane Moriarty.

Exotic Foods Around the World 🌍

Wednesday, April 11 • 7 pm

What gustatory surprises do the Philippines, Pakistan, India, Peru, Thailand, and Egypt offer? Join world traveler Bill Helmuth who will share stories about the unique things he has eaten. **Sponsored by the Friends of the Villa Park Library. You are invited to join the Friends of the Villa Park Library before the program at 6:30 pm for their General Meeting.**

Spring/Summer Meals 🍴

Thursday, April 12 • 6:30-8 pm

Fee \$5 • Limit 40

Join Chef Susan K. Maddox for a culinary demonstration and tasting. Chef Maddox will demonstrate a great menu utilizing the fresh ingredients found in local grocery stores and early farmers' markets.



Villa Park Community Gardens

In partnership with the Village of Villa Park and Grow Healthy Villa Park, Community Garden plots will be available to community members or organizations who want to grow vegetables for themselves and their community. Anyone who has a green thumb or wants to learn about gardening is welcome. Plots will be available for planting in May, and will be located at Westmore Park (between Westmore Ave and Biermann Ave). The fee to reserve a plot is just \$10. If you would like to reserve a garden for yourself or your organization, sign-ups will be on a first-come, first-served basis, at the Iowa Community Center or the Villa Park Public Library, so don't wait! Anyone interested should go to the website: growhealthyvillapark.org.

Help Us Grow a Greener Villa Park!

Sow a seed, plant a library! Check out FREE, open pollinated heirloom seeds from the library's collection. Plant them, and let them go to seed.



Seed Starting: Giving Your Garden a Head Start 📞

Thursday, February 22 • 7-8 pm

Limit 40

Jump-start the spring growing season. Learn about the equipment and methods used for starting seeds indoors. Presented by the U of I Extension Master Gardener program.

Vegetable Gardening 📞

Thursday, March 22 • 7-8 pm

Limit 40

Learn the basics of vegetable gardening: proper location, soil preparation, and selection of plant varieties. Presented by the U of I Extension Master Gardener program.



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

All discussions meet from 7:30-8:45 pm

BOOKS WORTH TALKING ABOUT

LED BY MICHELLE HOFFMANN

Thursday, January 11

The Secret Life of Bees

by Sue Monk Kidd

Thursday, February 8

The Zookeeper's Wife: A War Story

by Diane Ackerman

Thursday, March 8

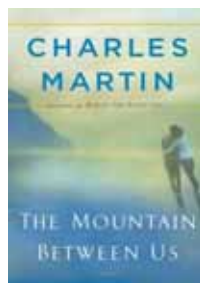
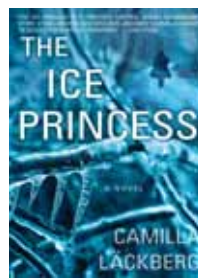
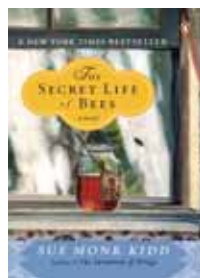
The Mountain Between Us

by Charles Martin

Tuesday, April 10

Big Little Lies

by Liane Moriarty



MYSTERY READERS

LED BY LESLEY CYRIER

Thursday, January 18

The Ice Princess

by Camilla Läckberg

Thursday, February 15

The Marsh King's Daughter

by Karen Dionne

Thursday, March 22

Magpie Murders

by Anthony Horowitz

Tuesday, April 10

Big Little Lies

by Liane Moriarty



ADULT CLASSES AND EVENTS

Words with Friends

Wednesday, January 10 • 7 pm

Words with Friends life-size Scrabble game!
Presented by the Friends of the Villa Park Library.

Medicare Informational Program

Saturday, January 13 • 10 am-12 pm
Limit 40

Learn how to choose the best Medicare Supplement and Part D Drug Plans and how to avoid making mistakes in selecting a plan.

The 50th Anniversary of the Beatles' White Album

Monday, January 15 • 7-8:30 pm

November 2018 commemorates the 50th anniversary of this landmark album, which marked the beginning of the end of the world's greatest band. The program will include a discussion of the Beatles' back-to-basics recording approach and an analysis of key tracks.

Make Health Your Hobby

Wednesday, January 17 • 7-8:30 pm
Limit 40

Join Certified Health Coach Marge Sommers to learn how to live healthier.

Got the Blues?

Thursday, January 18 • 6:30-8:30 pm
Fee \$5 • Limit 30

Learn about the vast world of blue cheese and sample delicious varieties. Presented by Meredith Meder, ACS CCP.

Is SpaceX Taking Over NASA?

Monday, February 12 • 7-8 pm

Former NASA employee Dean Mikolajczyk will discuss entrepreneur Elon Musk's space venture.

Craft Creations with Gilda

Wednesday, March 7; Thursdays,
February 8, April 5 • 6:30-8:30 pm
Fee \$15 per class • Limit 25

Join us for a monthly craft project at the library.

Age Reversing Essentrics

Saturdays, January 20; February 17; March 17
11 am-12 pm
Limit 40

Gentle, slow-paced workout for both men and women. Bring a mat/towel for floor work. Participants will be asked to sign a waiver.

Switchback

Saturday, February 17 • 7-8 pm

Switchback is the award-winning duo of Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack. This combo draws on traditional Celtic music and original Americana songs that reflect their Irish heritage and Midwestern roots.

ABCs of Medicare

Tuesday, February 20 • 7-8 pm
Limit 40

Attend an informational presentation on how Medicare works, who is eligible, and much more!

Cheddar is Better!

Wednesday, February 21 • 6:30-8:30 pm
Fee \$5 • Limit 30

Explore cave-aged, bandage-wrapped, and grass-fed cheddars to find your favorites! Presented by Meredith Meder, ACS CCP.

Team Trivia Tuesday

Tuesdays, January 16; March 13 • 7:30 pm
Location: Crazy Pour, 105 E North Ave

Enter as a team of up to 8 or come on your own and we will pair you up. Win prizes!

Inside Writing and Publishing Author Summit: Publish and Promote Your Book Like a Pro

Thursday, March 15 • 7 pm

Location: Elmhurst Public Library,
125 S Prospect Ave, Elmhurst

Join award winning author Jackie Camacho-Ruiz for a workshop filled with tips for getting your book published and publicity do's and don'ts. To register, please visit this website: bit.ly/2xcdba9.

Fresh Cheese

Thursday, March 15 • 6:30-8:30 pm
Fee \$5 • Limit 30

From Chevre to Mozzarella, taste your way through a variety of fresh cheeses. Presented by Meredith Meder, ACS CCP.

Poetry Workshop

Mondays, January 8, 22; February 12, 26;
March 12, 26; April 9, 23 • 6-8:30 pm

Calling all poets! Bring ten copies of one or two of your own poems to read and discuss.

Presented by the Friends of the Villa Park Library.

**Program fees are due within 3 days. Registrants with unpaid fees will be placed on the waitlist after 3 days.*

Computer Classes

Intro to Computers - 1

Tuesday, January 16 • 6-7:30 pm

Deposit \$10 • Limit 6 • Ages 14 and up

Learn about the basic hardware and software of a computer. Includes lecture and hands-on work.

Intro to Computers - 2

Tuesday, January 23 • 6-7:30 pm

Deposit \$10 • Limit 6 • Ages 14 and up

Learn the basics of the desktop, files, and some programs. Basic computer skills required.

Microsoft Word 2010 - 1

Tuesday, January 30 • 6-7:30 pm

Deposit \$10 • Limit 6 • Ages 14 and up

Learn the basics of this word processing program. Basic computer skills required.

Microsoft Word 2010 - 2

Tuesday, February 6 • 6-7:30 pm

Deposit \$10 • Limit 6 • Ages 14 and up

Continue learning about Microsoft Word. Attendance at Microsoft Word 2010 - 1 class recommended.

Microsoft Excel 2010 - 1

Tuesday, February 13 • 6-7:30 pm

Deposit \$10 • Limit 6 • Ages 14 and up

Learn the basics of this spreadsheet program. Basic computer skills required.

Microsoft Excel 2010 - 2

Tuesday, February 20 • 6-7:30 pm

Deposit \$10 • Limit 6 • Ages 14 and up

Continue learning about Microsoft Excel. Attendance at Microsoft Excel 2010 - 1 class recommended.

DINE OUT with the Friends!

Monthly Dine-Outs' partial proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Villa Park Library. Money received from the dine-outs help the Friends support various programs and services at the Villa Park Public Library. Show the flyer in person or on your smartphone. Valid only at the locations listed.

Outback Steakhouse

Wednesday, January 3 • 4-10 pm
Location | 100-28 E Roosevelt Rd, Villa Park

Outback Steakhouse will donate 20% of the pre-tax bill.

Gulliver's Pizza & Pub

Wednesday, February 7 • 11 am-10 pm
Location | 17W517 Roosevelt Rd, Villa Park
Gulliver's Pizza & Pub will donate 10%.

Manny's Ale House

Wednesday, March 7 • 11 am-1 am
Location | 683 E St Charles Rd, Elmhurst
Manny's Ale House will donate 10%.

Firehouse Subs

Wednesday, April 4 • 4-8 pm
Location | 298 W North Ave #2, Villa Park
Firehouse Subs will donate 20%.

Career Corner

Résumé Review and Interviewing Strategies 📞

Wednesdays, January 3; February 7; March 7;
April 4 • 7-8:30 pm
Limit 6

Attend our workshop on résumé writing to help you land the interview.

Career Passioneeering 📞

Saturdays, January 27; February 17; March 17;
April 14 • 9:30-11:30 am
Limit 6

Tired and frustrated with your job? Don't know whether to quit or start anew? Reentering the workforce? Join us to put some sense and new direction in your life and career. Bring an open mind and a pencil or pen.

Friends Corner

Friends of the Villa Park Library

Who are The Friends of the Villa Park Library? The Friends act as advocates for the library by sponsoring programs and fundraising events, promoting the library within the community, and helping to improve the library facilities and services. Friends are volunteers from all walks of life who share a common interest in the library.

Our board meetings are held in the library Conference Room at 7:00 pm on the second Wednesday of the month. General meetings of the membership are held during the months of January, April, July, and October. Keep up-to-date with all of our events by checking out our Facebook page or join our mailing list by sending your email to: friendsofvlibrary@gmail.com.

General Meetings

Meetings are held at the library. We discuss upcoming events and assess the needs of the library for our giving program. The public is welcome to join us at the meeting and with the evening's activities.



Sunday Movie Matinees Presented by the Friends

Sundays. All movies begin at 1:30 pm. Refreshments are served. A discussion usually follows each movie screening.

Sunday, January 14

Dr. Strangelove

(©Columbia Pictures Industries Inc., 1964: PG, 95 min.)



Sunday, January 28

The Accountant

(©Warner Brothers, 2016: R, 128 min.)



Sunday, February 11

Sabrina

(©Paramount Pictures., 1954: Unrated, 112 min.)



Sunday, February 25

Hitchcock

(©20th Century Fox., 2012: PG-13, 98 min.)



Sunday, March 11

Zero Days

(©Magnolia Pictures, 2016: PG-13, 116 min.)



Sunday, March 25

Hot Rock

(©20th Century Fox., 1972: GP, 101 min.)



Sunday, April 8

Sleeping with the Enemy

(©20th Century Fox, 1991: R, 155 min.)



Sunday, April 22

Ronin

(©Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, Inc. 1998: R, 124 min.)





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Library Board Meetings

Jan. 24; Feb. 28; Mar. 28; Apr. 25
7:00 pm

The public is invited to attend.

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