Villa Park Public Library | May-August 2022

THE RESOURCE

Serving the Communities of Villa Park and Oakbrook Terrace

Summer Reading Program

May 23-August 5

Dive into reading and adventure with the Summer Reading Program this year! We're offering a variety of activities and incentives for everyone from babies to seniors. Summer Reading is easy, fun, and open to everyone! For more information, visit the library or call 630-834-1164.

Library Family Summer Concert Series

Wednesdays, June 15, 22, 29 • 6:30 pm
Free • All ages (children under 12 with adult)
Ruggard Gazebo, along the Prairie Path

Join us at the Gazebo in June! Bring a blanket or chairs along and enjoy the summer weather with fun and lively musical entertainment. *Note: In case of inclement weather, the concerts will be held indoors at the Villa Park Public Library.*

June 15: Super Stolie

Super Stolie's creative, energetic music and interactive shows inspire the fun in everyone! She serves up a full course of fun, original kids' songs, rhymes, and popular cover tunes!

June 22: Miss Jamie's Farm

Miss Jamie's Farm is a lively and active music show for young kids and their families, which shares values from life on the farm through songs - both new and familiar!

June 29: Wendy and DB

The award-winning duo of Wendy and DB get everyone singing, dancing, and jumping along with their original songs and upbeat lyrics!

Staff Spotlight: Hannah Hippensteel, Public Services Associate

Hannah Hippensteel graduated with a Bachelor's degree in journalism and a minor in sociology from Winona State University in Minnesota. Her parents instilled a love of reading and the library from an early age, which continues now as she devours all things romance and thrillers, from time to time. When she's not reading, thinking, or talking about books, she's playing with her family dog Fiona, a basset hound-pitbull mix. Her favorite books include the *Slammed* series by Colleen Hoover and the *Inkheart* trilogy by Cornelia Funke.

Movies in the Park

Mondays, August 1, 8 • 8 pm (approximately)
Free • All ages (children under 12 with adult)

Bring a blanket or chairs along to enjoy a movie outdoors on the big screen at Cortesi Park. This event is co-sponsored by the Villa Park Public Library, the Friends of the Villa Park Library, and the Villa Park Parks and Recreation Department. *Note: In case of inclement weather, the movies will be held indoors at the Villa Park Public Library.*

August 1
The Croods 2: A New Age
(©Universal Pictures, 2020: PG, 95 min.)

August 8
Sing 2: Come Sing Again!
(©Universal Pictures, 2021: PG, 110 min.)

Free Meals for Kids 18 & Under Are Back!

June 7-August 11
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays • 11:30 am-1:30 pm

Kids ages 18 and under are eligible for lunches! Please call the library, visit our website, or follow us on social media for more information. Sponsored by the Northern Illinois Food Bank.

PLEASE NOTE:

Library programs and hours are subject to change. Please visit our website and social media channels for updates. Registration begins on Monday, April 11 at 9:30 a.m. for all programs listed in this issue.

Holiday Closings

Monday, May 30 - Memorial Day
Monday, July 4 - Independence Day

Phone icon = Requires registration.
Computer icon = Indicates ONLINE program. Email required.

in-person youth storytimes

Marvelous Mornings
1st & 3rd Saturdays every month • 11-11:45 am • All ages with adult
Stories, songs, and activities for young children and their adults, including a "make & take" project to enjoy together.
May 7, 21*; June 4, 18; July 2, 16; August 6, 20
**special event!*

Toddler Time
Mondays -OR- Thursdays • 10:30-11 am • Walkers up to age 3 with adult
Stories, musical activities, rhyming games, and playtime for children up to age 3 who are walking, accompanied by an adult.
June 13-August 4
(Note: No program on 7/4)

Babies & Books
Tuesdays -OR- Thursdays • 9:30-10 am • All infants & pre-walkers with adult
All babies are born to read! We will introduce the world of language and books to infants through music and singing, stories, and rhymes.
June 14-August 4

Rhythm & Rhyme Community Storytime
Mondays • 11:30 am-12 pm • All ages with adult
This drop-in program will be held at the Oakbrook Terrace Park District Heritage Center, located at 1 S 325 Ardmore Ave., in Oakbrook Terrace.
May 16; June 20; July 18; August 15

Picture Book Picnic

Wednesdays • 11:30 am-12:15 pm • All ages with adult
This drop-in program will be held outdoors at Iowa Community Center located at 338 N. Iowa Ave. Held indoors if weather is inclement. Presented in partnership with Villa Park Parks & Recreation Department.
June 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27

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youth classes

Mother's Day Craft Open House
Friday, May 6; Saturday, May 7 • 2-4 pm • All ages
Celebrate a mom, aunt, grandmother, or other loved one with a craft! Young children will need some adult help.

Free Comic Book Day

Saturday, May 7 • All day • All ages
Visit the library today to celebrate comic books, and get a comics craft to make or take home!

LEGO® Builders Club

Wednesdays
May 11 • 3:45-4:45 pm
June 29; July 20; August 10 • 2:30-3:30 pm • Ages 6 & up
Create something unique using our many LEGO® bricks!

A Conversation with Arthur Geisert

Saturday, May 21 • 11 am • All ages
It's a special event at Marvelous Mornings featuring award-winning children's book author/illustrator Arthur Geisert! We'll hear about his process of creating artwork and stories; book signing follows visit & discussion.

Around the Town Scavenger Hunt
Tuesday, May 24-Friday, May 27 • Limit 50 • All ages
After registration, you will receive a workbook of clues and have 3 days to hunt. Stop by the library with your results before 3 pm on Friday, May 27 and receive a prize!

Shedd Aquarium - Animals of the Amazon

Thursday, June 2 • 1-2 pm • Grades K-2 • Online via Zoom
Tuesday, June 7 • 10-11 am • Grades 3-5 • Online via Zoom
See the amazing Amazon in this live Zoom! Talk with Shedd staff and see animals like piranhas, stingrays, and tarantulas!

Shedd Aquarium - Penguins!

Friday, June 10 • 10-11 am • Grades 3-5 • Online via Zoom
Take a live Zoom trip inside the penguin habitat to see them up-close and hear about the surprising ways that the Shedd Aquarium cares for these charismatic sea birds!

Father's Day Craft Open House
Friday, June 17; Saturday, June 18 • 2-4 pm • All ages
Celebrate a dad, uncle, grandfather, or other loved one with a craft! Young children will need some adult help.

Crafternoons
Mondays, June 20; July 18 • 2-3 pm • Ages 7 & up
Make a fun project using a wide variety of materials. Explore, experiment, and create.

Creative Science: Oceans

Thursday, June 23 -OR- Wednesday, July 13
2:30-3:30 pm • Ages 5-8
Have fun learning about oceans! Experiment, explore, and take home your own ocean in a jar!

Whatever Floats Your Boat!

Thursday, August 4 • 2:30-3:30 pm • Ages 7 & up
We'll play a few sea-worthy games, build some boats, then test them in water to see if they float!

Bark for Books

Wednesday, August 31 • 5-8 pm • Ages 18 & under • Limit 6
Read a story to a dog! All the dogs are trained and certified to be gentle listeners. Children under age 7 must attend with a parent or guardian.

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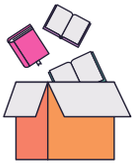
tween & teen classes

Pizza Party with Chef Maddox

Wednesday, May 18 • 3-3:45 pm • Limit 10 • Ages 11-14
Enjoy everyone's favorite food with Chef Susan Maddox! Learn to make basic sauces to pair perfectly with cheesy pizza bread. Ingredients will be provided.

Teen Book Box Sign-Up

Monday, July 11 (Sign up between June 6-20);
Monday, September 12 (Sign up between August 8-22)
Limit 12 • Grades 6-12
Registrants receive a themed box with a library book, as well as goodies, treats, activities, crafts, and book lists.

Rainbow Squeegee Painting
Wednesday, June 8 • 3-4 pm • Limit 10 • Ages 10-18

Create a one-of-a-kind work of art with paint and a squeegee! Materials will be provided.

STEAM for Tweens & Teens!
Thursday, June 16 (Sign up by June 13);
Thursday, August 18 (Sign up by August 15)
Limit 15 • Grades 5-12
Each take-home kit includes materials for a project that encourages creativity, exploration, and critical thinking through inquiry-based learning.

DIY Mason Jar Aquariums

Monday, June 27 • 1-1:45 pm • Limit 12 • Ages 10 & up
Create a miniature underwater world to decorate your bedroom or use as a night light! Supplies will be provided.

Ice Cream in a Bag
Monday, July 25 • 1-1:30 pm • Limit 10 • Ages 10-15

Cool down this summer by making ice cream in a bag! Ingredients will be provided.

Glitter Ocean Slime Jars
Wednesday, August 3 • 2-2:30 pm
Limit 10 • Ages 9-12

Make a miniature aquarium with a simple slime recipe and some ocean-themed toys! Materials will be provided.

Break-In Bags
Friday, August 26 • Limit 20 • Ages 10-18
Instead of trying to break out, try to break in with these take-home kits! Solve three puzzles to find the numeric code that will open the lock... and free your loot!

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adult classes

COMPUTER CLASSES • LIMIT 6 • AGES 18 & UP
Classes are led by volunteers from People's Resource Center. To register, please contact Amy at People's Resource Center: (630) 682-5402 x267 or via email at: azurita@peoplesrc.org

Windows Fundamentals	Saturdays • 1-2:30 pm June 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23	Moving and resizing application windows, creating files, folders, and shortcuts, Libraries and external drives, renaming and deleting files, a brief introduction to Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. Prerequisite: none
Word 1	Mondays • 1-2:30 pm June 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25	Getting started, creating and saving, formatting, inserting, copying, and moving text, enhancing documents, and other features. Prerequisite: Windows Fundamentals or Windows Assessment Passing score (>85%)
Excel 1	Wednesdays • 1-2:30 pm June 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20	Basic concepts: usage, formatting, formulas, databases, and protection. Prerequisite: Windows Fundamentals or Windows Assessment Passing score (>85%)
Word 2	Saturdays • 1-2:30 pm August 20, 27; September 3, 10, 17, 24; October 1	Save as, line and paragraph spacing, indentations and tabs, mail merge, pictures and shapes, columns, format painter, tracking changes and comparing documents, document inspector, applying and creating styles, table of contents, and section breaks. Prerequisite: Word 1 “advance” outcome.
Excel 2	Tuesdays • 6:30-8 pm August 16, 23, 30 September 6, 13, 20	Advanced concepts: Formatting, Functions and References, Charts, Customizing Excel, and Links. Prerequisite: Excel 1 “advance” outcome.

Mysterious Myanmar
Tuesday, May 10 • 7-8 pm
Join Brian Michalski as he discusses Myanmar's natural beauty and rich history.

Native Plants and Pollinators for Our Local Landscapes
Tuesday, May 17 • 7-8 pm
Discover the benefits of native plants at home. Presented by the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County.

How to Organize & Downsize Your Home
Wednesday, May 18 • 7-8 pm
Join professional home organizer and local author Caralyn Kempner for this informative program.

Soap Making 101
Monday, May 23 • 6:30-8:30 pm
Fee: $5 per person (all ages) • Limit 20
Join us for an evening of soap-making at the library! Learn the process and have fun along the way. Kids ages 8 and older are welcome, with an adult.

Medicare 101
Thursday, June 2 • 7-8:30 pm
Get up to speed on what Medicare covers, what it doesn't, and your potential out-of-pocket expenses. Presented by Robin Dawson of Medicare Solutions Network.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) CLASSES

Facilitated by People's Resource Center • Ages 18 & up

Practical English Class
Tuesdays • 10-11:30 am
Weekly classes provide English language learners with life skills and the opportunity to improve speaking, listening, reading, writing, vocabulary development, and grammar.

English as a Second Language Conversation Circle
Wednesdays • 10-11 am
Practice everyday conversations, improve pronunciation, and gain confidence in a relaxed environment in this weekly program.

To register, use this link:
https://forms.gle/RKyB1hEtyTJbSkdy6

Chicago's Sweet Bakeries Remembered
Monday, July 11 • 7-8:30 pm
Join Cheryl Brown for a trip down memory lane as we reminisce about delicious Chicago bakeries of the past.

Fingerknitting
Monday, July 18 • 6:30-8 pm
Fee: $10 • Limit 15 • Ages 20s & 30s
Create a fashionable scarf with nothing but your fingers and yarn. No experience is necessary—anyone can learn!

Blood Drive with Versiti - Library Parking Lot
Thursday, July 28 • 2-6:30 pm
To set up an appointment time, call Camille from Versiti at 847-305-9998, or visit the library's event calendar for more details and a link to register online.

Creating an Eco-Friendly Yard
Wednesday, August 17 • 7-8 pm
Join Jim Kleinwachter from the Conservation Foundation to learn about creating an eco-friendly yard. Discover ways to minimize use of water and chemicals while improving soil quality and attract native wildlife, including bird and butterfly pollinators.

DuPage Monarch Project: Local Solutions for Monarch Recovery
Monday, August 29 • 6:30-8:30 pm
Hear about Monarch population decline and discover ways to become part of conservation efforts. Learn how your garden can make a difference for this magnificent insect.

Crafty Creations with Gilda

$15 fee per person, per project • 6:30-8:30 pm
Registration deadline for each class is one week before the program.
Each project is available in-person on the dates listed below, or sign-up for a take home kit!

Wednesday, May 25
Ceramic Sailboat Dish

Thursday, June 2
Welcome-ish Sign

Thursday, July 14
Bee Kind Ceramic Sign

Wednesday, August 10
Ceramic Garden Gnome

Spice Club

Pick up your spice kit anytime between the dates listed below. Your take-home kit will include a recipe, spices, and book recommendations.

May - Sumac
Monday, May 16-Saturday, May 21

June - Nutmeg
Monday, June 20-Saturday, June 25

July - Szechuan Pepper
Monday, July 18-Saturday, July 23

August - Garam Masala
Monday, August 15-Saturday, August 20

Cooking Classes

Presented by Chef Susan Maddox

Spring Salads & Sides
Wednesday, May 11 • 7-8:30 pm • Fee: $5 • Limit 20
A new grilling season brings exciting sides and salads to your picnic table, not just the basics.

Summer Pies, Tarts, and Crisps
Monday, June 13 • 7-8:30 pm • Fee: $5 • Limit 20
Take advantage of all the great vegetables and fruits available at local markets and farms during the summer! Learn how to make three delicious desserts at this program.

Basic BBQ 101
Monday, July 25 • 7-8:30 pm • Fee: $5 • Limit 20
Grilling season is upon us! Learn some great methods and techniques with new recipes that are perfect for casual evenings with family and friends.

Totally Tomato
Monday, August 22 • 7-8:30 pm • Fee: $5 • Limit 20
Tomato season is here! Learn some fun and interesting "tomato-licious" recipes featuring both cooked and raw tomatoes.

Cheese Tasting Classes

Presented by Meredith Meder, ACS CCP™

Cheese Tasting @ Standard Meadery
Wednesday, May 4 • 6:30-8:30 pm
Fee: $7 per person • Limit 25 • Ages 21+
Standard Meadery | 11 W. Park Blvd, Suite A
Learn more about cheese and mead! Suggested pairings will be available for purchase to complement the cheese tasting at Standard Meadery.

STANDARD MEADERY

Girl Scout Cookies & Cheese Pairings
Thursday, May 5 • 6:30-8 pm
Fee: $5 per person • Limit 20
Learn how to pair Girl Scout cookies with cheese! We will have your favorite cookies (and debut a new one!) while having fun pairing and learning about cheeses.

Cheese 101
Tuesday, June 7 • 6:30-8 pm
Fee: $5 per person • Limit 20
Taste and discuss different milk types and cheese styles, and learn how to buy, cut, and store cheese.

Women Cheesemakers
Thursday, August 25 • 6:30-8 pm
Fee: $5 per person • Limit 20
Learn about women cheesemakers from the Midwest and taste some of their delicious products!

Workout @ your library!

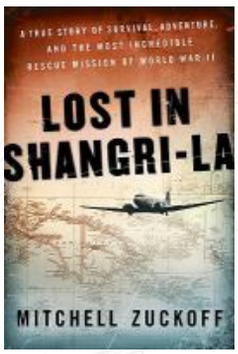
Happy Healthy Yoga
Saturdays, May 14; June 25; July 9; August 13 • 9:30-10:30 am
Classes will empower all who attend to feel strong and agile within their body and mind. Exercise mat or towel required. Presented by Katie Sayad.

Dynamic Movement 180° Workout
Age-Reversing Gentle Stretch
Saturdays, May 28; June 25; July 23; August 27 • 10-11 am
Slow-paced, full body workout designed to restore movement in joints and flexibility in muscles and relieve pain. Exercise mat required. Presented by Lisa Sawczuk.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

For online book discussions, the program link will be shared via email with all registered participants.

Books & Bites
Online via Zoom
led by Sean Birmingham
from 11:30 am-12:15 pm



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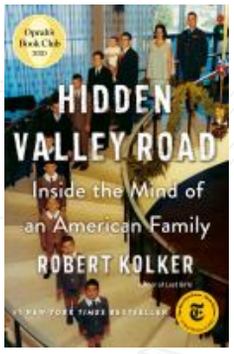
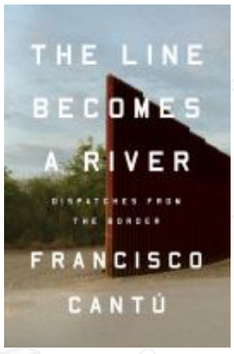
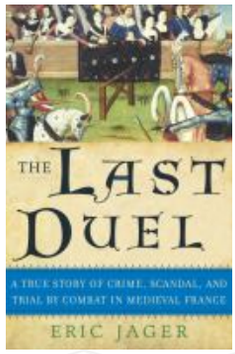
Lost in Shangri-La: A True Story of Survival, Adventure, and the Most Incredible Rescue Mission of World War II
by Mitchell Zuckoff



Thursday, June 2
Hidden Valley Road: Inside the Mind of an American Family
by Robert Kolker

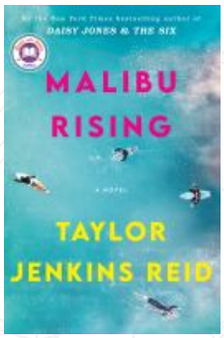


Thursday, July 7
The Line Becomes a River: Dispatches from the Border
by Francisco Cantú

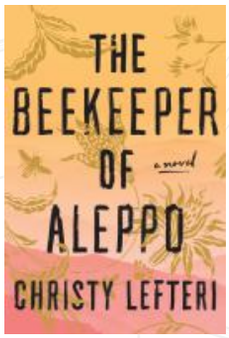


Thursday, August 4
The Last Duel: A True Story of Crime, Scandal, and Trial by Combat in Medieval France
by Eric Jager

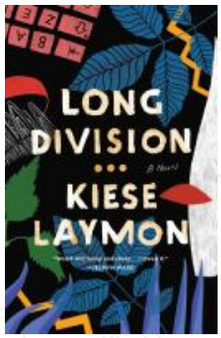
Books Worth Talking About
In person at the library
led by Michelle Hoffmann
from 7-8:15 pm



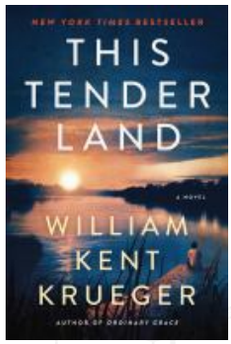
Thursday, May 12
Malibu Rising: A Novel
by Taylor Jenkins Reid



Thursday, June 9
The Beekeeper of Aleppo: A Novel
by Christy Lefteri

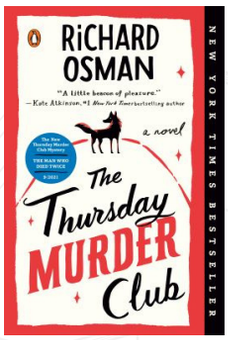


Thursday, July 14
Long Division: A Novel
by Kiese Laymon



Thursday, August 11
This Tender Land: A Novel
by William Kent Krueger

Mystery Readers
Online via Zoom
led by Denise Kuhr
from 7-8 pm



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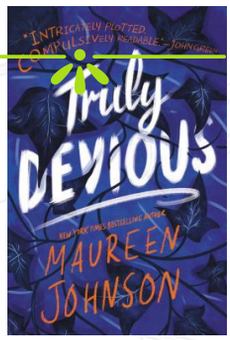
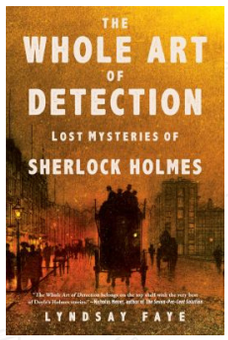
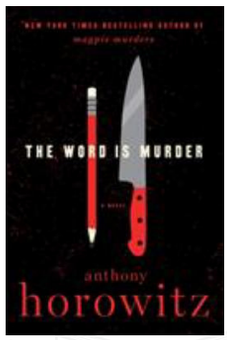
The Thursday Murder Club: A Novel
by Richard Osman



Thursday, June 16
Truly Devious
by Maureen Johnson



Thursday, July 21
The Whole Art of Detection: Lost Mysteries of Sherlock Homes
by Lyndsay Faye



Thursday, August 18
The Word is Murder: A Novel
by Anthony Horowitz

GREAT DECISIONS

Great Decisions
Mondays, May 16; June 20 • 7-8:30 pm • Online via Zoom
This series highlights nine critical foreign policy challenges facing Americans each year. Supported by the Foreign Policy Association for over 50 years, Great Decisions involves citizens in the foreign policy-making process. Note: Books are supplied.

Library Pop-Up Storytime!
Join staff from the Villa Park Public Library at a park near you in August!

We will read some stories, offer grab & go crafts, have some fun activities, and more!

Visit www.vppl.info to see the dates and times the library staff will be out and about this August!

Lou Malnati's PIZZERIA

Lou Malnati's Coupon Fundraiser
The Friends of the Villa Park Library will be holding a Lou Malnati's Coupon Fundraiser from Sunday, May 1-Saturday, May 14. Coupons will be sold at the First-Floor Service Desk in the library. The coupons are $13 each, and valid for one pizza. Current Friends of the Library members will receive $1.00 off each coupon. Patrons will be notified once the coupons have arrived at the library for pick-up. Please visit www.vppl.info for all of the details!

Friends of the Villa Park Library

Do you love your library? Become a Friend! 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. For more information, email the Friends at: FRIENDSoftheVPLibrary@gmail.com

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Individuals who require an accommodation for a disability for any library presentation should contact the library at (630) 834-1164 at least three days before a program or event.

Mobility Scooters now available for in-library use!

We are happy to announce that we now have mobility scooters available for in-library use. Please stop by the first-floor service desk if you are interested in using one during your visit.

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- Villa Park Lions Club for two one-year subscriptions to *Reader's Digest* large print
- Dianne Luebker for a one-year subscription to *Crochet*, *Fine Gardening*, and *Mystery Scene*

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Wednesday, May 25 · 7 pm
Wednesday, June 22· 7 pm
Wednesday, July 27 · 7 pm
Wednesday, August 24 · 7 pm
The public is invited to attend.

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