

THE RESOURCE

Villa Park Public Library | May - August 2026

Serving the Communities of Villa Park and Oakbrook Terrace



Summer Reading Program 2026

Tuesday, May 26 - Tuesday, Aug. 4

Unearth A Story™ when you step into the library and walk with the dinosaurs! Sign up for this year's Summer Reading Program – read for enjoyment and a chance to win prizes! We're offering a variety of activities and incentives all summer long. Summer Reading is easy, fun, and open to everyone!

Passport Acceptance Fair

Saturday, May 16 • 10 am-2 pm

During this event, Passport Acceptance Agents from the library will accept, on behalf of the U.S. Department of State, walk-in DS-11 applications for new passports for all ages and passport renewals for children under age 18 on a first-come, first-served basis. **Passport photos will NOT be available.** Every applicant will need to obtain their passport photo PRIOR to this event. **Be sure to visit travel.state.gov to ensure you have all required documents and forms.**

Should you have any questions prior to this event, please call the library at 630-834-1164 and ask to speak to a Passport Acceptance Agent. *Note: Doors will open at 10:00 am and the doors will be closed promptly at 2:00 pm for this event.*



Library Family Concert Series

Wednesdays, Jun. 17, 24; Jul. 1 • 6:30 pm

All ages (children under 12 with adult)
Ruggard Gazebo along the Prairie Path

Bring a blanket or chairs and enjoy the summer weather with fun and lively musical entertainment!

Sponsored by the Friends of the Villa Park Library.



Every Recipe Tells a Story

Cookbooks are collections of stories. Whether it's the ingredients, the cooking techniques, the measurements, or even the things the cookbook takes for granted that you know, each recipe tells us where and when it came from. (Tomatoes in an Italian recipe or peppers in Asian cooking –must be from after 1492!)



Villa Park Public Library has several community cookbooks in both its circulating and local history collections, including some created by library staff. John Bradford led the effort for "A Centennial Celebration" from 2014, marking the 100th anniversary of Villa Park. Karen Marnell enlisted staff to help create the 2021 Quarantine Cookbook.

Explore the local area through the recipes in these cookbooks. Search in our catalog for "community cookbooks."

Repair Fair

Saturday, May 9 • 11 am-3 pm

Local vendors and repair services will be on hand to fix, mend, and save broken or damaged items! In collaboration with SCARCE. Vendors may charge.

Summer Reading Program Finale

Friday, Aug. 7 • 6:30-8 pm

Free • All ages (children under 12 with adult)

Ruggard Gazebo along the Prairie Path

Meet slithering snakes, intriguing iguanas, and more when Dave DiNaso's Traveling World of Reptiles visits Villa Park! We'll celebrate the end of Summer Reading with giveaways, treats, and more! Then, stay for the Movie in the Park!



Movie in the Park

Friday, Aug. 7 • Movie will begin at dusk (approx. 8 pm)

Free • All ages (children under 12 with adult)

Ruggard Gazebo along the Prairie Path

Bring a blanket or chairs to enjoy *Zootopia 2* outdoors on the big screen! 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 movie will be shown indoors at the Villa Park Public Library.*



(©Walt Disney Pictures, 2025: PG, 108 min.)



June 17
ScribbleMonster



June 24
Miss Jamie's Farm



July 1
D88: WBHS & AHS Bands!



Library Closings

Sunday, May 3: First Sunday closed for the summer
Monday, May 25: Memorial Day

Saturday, July 4: Independence Day
Friday, August 14: Staff In-Service Day

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| Marvelous Mornings | R | 1st & 3rd Saturdays every month • 11-11:45 am • All ages with adult Stories, songs, and activities for young children and families, including a “make & take” project to enjoy together. Register your child for each date separately. *NO session will take place on Saturday, July 4. | May 2, 16; Jun. 6, 20; Jul. 18; Aug. 1, 15 |
| WOW: Worlds of Wonder | R | Fridays • 11-11:30 am • All ages with adult; siblings welcome This program is for all young children, designed to help them explore their senses and the world around them. Stories, movement, and tactile activities are used to engage children of all levels and abilities, including special needs. Each session includes hands-on exploration with toys and sensory play time. Register for each date separately. | May 15; Jun. 19; Jul. 17; Aug. 21 |
| New Parent Meetup | | Monday • 9:30-10:30 am • Parents with children 0-12 months, siblings welcome Navigating parenthood is an adventure that’s better shared! Swap stories, share advice, or simply enjoy a conversation with adults in the same phase of life. While you connect, little ones can explore a variety of developmentally-appropriate toys provided by the library. | NEW! May 18 |
| Rhythm & Rhyme Community Storytimes | | Mondays • All ages with adult Join us on the road for these special storytimes featuring themed picture books, movement and other activities! Children of all ages are welcome with an adult present. Registration is not required, so just drop in! <i>Villa Park Session • 10-10:30 am • All ages with adult</i> This drop-in program will be held indoors at the Villa Park Recreation Center , located at 320 E. Wildwood Ave., in Villa Park. <i>Oakbrook Terrace Session • 11:30 am-12 pm • All ages with adult</i> This drop-in program will be held indoors at the Oakbrook Terrace Park District Heritage Center , located at 1S325 Ardmore Ave., in Oakbrook Terrace. | May 18; Jun. 15; Jul. 20; Aug. 17 May 18; Jun. 15; Jul. 20; Aug. 17 |
| Family Pajama Storytime | R | Tuesdays • 6:30-7 pm • All ages with adult Pajamas are optional, but welcome at this program! We’ll have stories, music, and gentle movement for families with young children of all ages. Register for each date separately. | May 19; Jun. 23; Jul. 14; Aug. 18 |
| Bilingual Storytime | | Wednesdays • 11:30 am-12:15 pm • (ages ~ 2-5 years old) with adult Christ Covenant Church , located at 350 N. Addison Rd., Villa Park Join us for stories, songs, and simple rhymes in both Spanish and English! This program is a wonderful way to support early literacy skills while celebrating multiple languages. After the stories, stay for a small activity and a chance to connect with other families in the community. | NEW! May 20; Jun. 17; Jul. 15; Aug. 19 |
| Baby/Toddler Story Stretchers | | Tuesdays • 9:30-10:15 am • (ages ~ newborn-2 years old) with adult Extend the magic of reading during Story Stretchers! Each month we’ll read a book together, then “stretch” the fun with a coordinated hands-on activity. We’ll explore, create, build, and discover books in a whole new way! | NEW! May 26; Aug. 25 |
| Preschool Story Stretchers | | Tuesdays • 10:30-11:15 am • (ages ~ 3-5 years old) with adult Extend the magic of reading during Story Stretchers! Each session we’ll read a book together, then “stretch” the fun with a coordinated hands-on activity. We’ll explore, create, build, and discover books in a whole new way! | NEW! May 26; Aug. 25 |
| Toddler Time | R | Mondays <u>OR</u> Thursdays • 10:30-11 am <u>OR</u> 11:30 am-12 pm <i>Walking toddlers (ages ~ 17-35 months) with adult</i> Stories, musical activities, rhyming games, and playtime for children who are walking, with an adult. Registration is for the entire season. Choose only ONE session time on Mondays OR Thursdays (10:30 am OR 11:30 am). | Jun. 8 - Jul. 30 |
| Babies & Books | R | Tuesdays <u>OR</u> Thursdays • 9:30-10 am <i>All infants & pre-walkers (ages ~ birth-16 months) with adult</i> All babies are born to read! We will introduce the world of language and books to infants through music, singing, stories, and rhymes. Registration is for the entire season. | Jun. 9 - Jul. 30 |
| Picture Book Picnic | | Wednesdays • 11:30 am-12:15 pm • All ages with adult This drop-in program will be held outdoors at the following locations. <i>NOTE: When weather is severe, this program will be relocated to the library.</i> Presented in partnership with Villa Park • Parks and Recreation Department. <i>June Sessions</i> This drop-in program will be held at Lufkin Park , located at 1000 S. Ardmore Ave. <i>July Sessions</i> This drop-in program will be held at Twin Lakes Park , located at 974-998 N Ardmore Ave. | Jun. 10, 17, 24; Jul. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 |

Registration begins on
Monday, Apr. 13 at 9:30 a.m.
unless otherwise noted.

R Registration Required.

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LEGO® DUPLO® Build + Play **R**

Fridays, May 8, 22; Jun. 12, 26; Jul. 10, 24; Aug. 7, 28
10-10:30 am • Ages 2-5 with adult

The library's LEGO® DUPLO® bricks are back in action! Join us to build, play, and socialize with other kids and families.



Mother's Day Craft Open House

Friday, May 8 & Saturday, May 9 • 2-4 pm

Celebrate a loved one with a craft! Young children will need some adult help. While supplies last.

LEGO® Builders Club **R**

Wednesdays, May 13; Jun. 10; Jul. 8; Aug. 12
3:30-4:30 pm • Ages 6 & up

Make something fun and unique using bricks from the library's LEGO® supply. Build and bring your ideas to life!



Family Playdate

Tuesdays & Thursdays
May 19, 21 • 10:30 am-12 pm

Jun. 23, 25; Jul. 14, 16; Aug. 4, 6 • 2-3:30 pm

Stop in and drop in for some fun! These social play activities feature hands-on exhibits from the DuPage Children's Museum! Sponsored by the Friends of the Villa Park Library.



Bark for Books **R**

Wednesdays, May 20; Jun. 17; Jul. 15; Aug. 19 • 5-7 pm
Ages 18 & under; children under 7 with adult

Read a story with a dog! Choose a book to read ahead of time from the library or from home.

Pokémon Club **R**

Wednesdays, May 27; Jun. 24; Jul. 22; Aug. 26
3:30-4:30 pm • Ages 7-12

The library partners with Pokémon and the American Library Association (ALA) to present this program for youth: Pokémon Club! Spark creativity through games and reading activities as kids can play, engage, learn, grow, and connect!



Registration begins on
Monday, Apr. 13 at 9:30 a.m.
unless otherwise noted.

R Registration Required.

tween & teen classes

Tween & Teen Book Bag Subscription **R**

Registration ends: Monday, May 11
Pick-up dates: Jun. 5; Jul. 7; Aug. 5
Grades: 4-12

Registrants will receive a themed bag with a library book, some goodies, and book lists.



Tween & Teen STEAM Kits **R**

Registration ends: Monday, May 11
Pick-up dates: Jun. 12; Jul. 13
Grades: 5-12

Each take-home kit includes materials for a project that encourages creativity, exploration, and critical thinking.

Anime & Manga Club **R**

Mondays, May 18; Jun. 29; Jul. 27; Aug. 31
3:30-5 pm • Grades: 4-8

Hang out as we share our love of manga and anime!



Dungeons & Dragons for Teens **R**

Mondays, May 18; Jun. 22; Jul. 20; Aug. 24
6:30-8 pm • Grades: 8-12

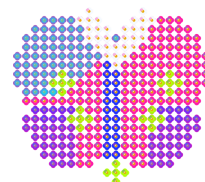
Looking to try out D&D, or already an experienced player? Everyone is welcome to join this all-new monthly program!



Perler Bead Party **R**

Monday, Jun. 8 OR Thursday, Jul. 9
3-4 pm • Grades: 4-8

Join us to make Perler Bead creations!



Anime Alliance **R**

Tuesdays, Jun. 9; Jul. 7; Aug. 11 • 4-5:30 pm • Grades: 8-12
Join us for anime, button-making, and more!

Paint By Numbers **R**

Wednesday, Jul. 29 • 3-4 pm • Grades: 4-8

Create your own Paint-By-Number masterpiece at the library!



Summer Lunches



Jun. 2 - Aug. 6

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays • 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Kids ages 18 & 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.

Tea-Rex Party **R**

Tuesday, Jun. 16 • 3:30-5 pm

Ages: 18 & under; children under 7 with adult

Roar into Summer Reading with a fancy tea party! We'll provide tea, treats, and tips on how to behave like a proper Tyrannosaurus Rex. Costumes encouraged.

Crafternoons **R**

Thursdays, Jun. 18; Jul. 23 • 3:30-4:30 pm • Ages 7 & up

Crafty kids, this program is for you! Explore and experiment with different art forms to create a new mini masterpiece!

Father's Day Craft Open House

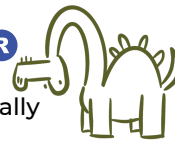
Friday, Jun. 19 & Saturday, Jun. 20 • 2-4 pm

Celebrate a loved one with a craft! Young children will need some adult help. While supplies last.

Disingenuous Dinosaurs Cartooning Class **R**

Monday, Jun. 22 • 2:30-3:30 pm • Ages 5-13

Have fun drawing some not-quite-real, but really hilarious, dinosaurs we make up together!



Mesmerizing Monkeys Cartooning Class **R**

Tuesday, Jul. 28 • 2:30-3:30 pm • Ages 5-13

Monkeys? YES! Stop monkeying around and draw—it'll be bananas!



Naloxone Training **R**

Tuesday, May 5 • 7-8 pm

DuPage Recovery Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC) will educate the public on the proper usage of Naloxone, commonly referred to as Narcan.

Life Skills - Sewing Basics **R**

Wednesday, May 6 • 6:30-8:30 pm

Learn how to sew on a button, hem garments, and more. Presented by Ingrid Durham.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Villa Park Library.



Fiber Arts Craft Circle

Saturdays, May 9; Jun. 13; Jul. 11; Aug. 8 • 9:30-11 am

Join local residents for a monthly drop-in fiber arts craft circle! Open to crafters of all ages and skill levels.

Morning Makers **R**

Wednesdays, May 13; Aug. 12 • 10-11:30 am

Wednesdays, Jun. 10; Jul. 8 • 9:30-10:30 am

Start your morning creatively! Each session will feature a different craft. Supplies are provided.

See calendar for more information.



Resume Review Drop-In

Thursday, May 14 • 10 am-12 pm

Are you job searching? Learn from a representative of the Goodwill Workforce Connection Center on how to maximize your chances of getting an interview.

Transitioning into Medicare **R**

Mondays, May 18; Jun. 15; Jul. 20; Aug. 17 • 1-2 pm

Learn to make the right decisions for your next steps in your health insurance. Presented by Joe McCracken, Licensed Agent, Better Retirement.

Versiti Blood Drive **R**

Thursdays, May 21; Jul. 23 • 2-6 pm

Help save lives! Make a difference by donating blood.



Mock Interview Practice

Thursday, Jun. 4 • 6-7:30 pm

Have your questions answered during a mock interview. Presented by the People's Resource Center.

Line Dancing **R**

Monday, Jun. 8 • 6:30-7:30 pm

Learn to line dance. Led by Desueño Dance.



Big Run Wolf Ranch: Small Wildlife Presentation **R**

Thursday, Jun. 11 • 5-6:30 pm • All ages; under 7 with adult

Come and meet some North American wildlife!

Abigail Adams: From Colony to Constitution **R**

Thursday, Jun. 25 • 6:30-7:30 pm

Megan Wells brings history alive in this portrayal of First Lady Abigail Adams.



The History of The Rolling Stones **R**

Tuesday, Jun. 30 • 7-8 pm

Using performance and interview video clips, dig deep into the band that is the definition of sex, drugs and rock 'n roll! Presented by Gary Wenstrup.

InFunktiou: Live in Concert **R**

Saturday, Jul. 18 • 1-2:30 pm

InFunktiou is more than a traditional cover band. Their style is rock that gets funky and bluesy. Come hear fresh takes on old favorites.



Wills, Trusts and Estate Planning **R**

Monday, Jul. 20 • 7-8 pm

Learn the basics of the estate planning process, how to find a qualified attorney, what is involved on their part and how much the process should cost. Presented by Robert Varak.

Interactive Shrek **R**

Wednesday, Jul. 29 • 6:30-8:30 pm • Teens welcome

Sing and quote along with everyone's favorite ogre movie! Props will be provided.



(©DreamWorks Pictures, 2001: PG, 90 min.)

Help For the Midsummer Garden **R**

Thursday, Aug. 6 • 6-8 pm

Learn how to diagnose and manage garden ailments. Presented by Bill Karges.

A Villa Park Garden Club Legacy Program.

History of Coffee **R**

Saturday, Aug. 29 • 10 am-12 pm

Wake up and taste coffee while learning about the history, brewing methods and more!



Movie Matinees

Mondays • 1-3 pm

Light Refreshments Offered.

Monday, May 18

The Devil Wears Prada

(©Twentieth Century Fox, 2006: PG-13, 109 min.)

Meet Andy Sachs. A million girls would kill to have her job. She's not one of them.



Monday, Jun. 15

Shaolin Soccer

(©Miramax, 2001: PG, 87 min.)

You've never seen football like this.

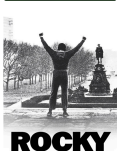


Monday, Jul. 13

Rocky

(©Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, 1976: PG, 119 min.)

His whole life was a million-to-one shot.



Monday, Aug. 17

Arrival

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

Why are they here?



Illinois Libraries Presents... Author talks! **R**

Wednesday, May 20 | 7 pm - R.F. Kuang

These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering high-quality events. Illinois Libraries Present is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).





Cooking Classes

Picnic Cuisine **R**

Registration begins: Monday, Apr. 20

Tuesday, May 19 • 6:30-8 pm

Join Chef Susan Maddox as she presents recipes to get you picnic ready for the summer festivities!

American Regional Cuisine - New England **R**

Registration begins: Monday, May 4

Tuesday, Jun. 9 • 6:30-8 pm

Chef Susan Maddox will take you on a journey through the exciting cuisine of New England!

Easy As Pie **R**

Registration begins: Monday, Jun. 29

Thursday, Jul. 30 • 6-7 pm

Chef Cherise Slattery will show techniques for making a delicious pie crust and the many ways it can be used.

Make, Take, and Bake... Your Own Bread! **R**

Registration begins: Monday, Jul. 27

Thursday, Aug. 27 • 6-7 pm

Chef Cherise Slattery will guide students as they make their own yeast dough, and learn the steps of yeast bread productions.

Computer Classes

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

To register, please email: ct@peoplesrc.org or call the
People's Resource Center at (630) 682-5402 x 218.

Windows Fundamentals **R**

Saturdays, 7/18, 7/25, 8/1, 8/8, 8/15 • 1-2:30 pm

Learn how to move and resize application windows, create files, folders, shortcuts, and more.

You must attend all five classes.



Spice Club **R**

Register to pick up your spice kit anytime between the dates listed below. Your take-home kit will include a recipe, featured spice, and book recommendations.

May - Mustard

Monday, May 18 - Saturday, May 23

June - Five Spice

Monday, Jun. 15 - Saturday, Jun. 20

July - Flax Seed

Monday, Jul. 20 - Saturday, Jul. 25

August - Garlic Powder

Monday, Aug. 17 - Saturday, Aug. 22

Cheese Tasting Classes

Presented by Meredith Meder, ACS CCP™



Get Your Goat (Cheese) **R**

Registration begins: Monday, Apr. 20

Tuesday, May 12 • 6:30-8 pm

Explore what makes goat cheese unique, from taste to bright white paste. Sample some goat milk cheddar, blue, and even a brie.

Cheese 101 **R**

Registration begins: Tuesday, May 26

Tuesday, Jun. 23 • 6:30-8 pm

Talk, eat, and discuss different milk types, cheese styles, and how to buy, cut, and store cheese. This is an ideal class for a novice or if you just love cheese!

My Favorite Cheeses **R**

Registration begins: Monday, Jun. 8

Tuesday, Jul. 7 • 6:30-8 pm

I always ask, what's your favorite cheese? Now I will share my top favorites and why I chose them.

Cheeses of Wisconsin **R**

Registration begins: Monday, Jul. 13

Thursday, Aug. 13 • 6:30-8 pm

Explore, learn, and taste some traditional cheese as well as some hidden gems.

Subscription Bags

Book Bag Subscription **R**

Registration ends: Monday, Apr. 27

Pick-up dates: Fridays, May 8; Jun. 5; Jul. 3; Aug. 7

Registrants will receive a monthly bag with a library book, some goodies, and a book list.



Movie Pack Subscription **R**

Registration ends: Friday, May 1

Pick-up dates: Tuesdays, May 12, 26; Jun. 9, 23;

Jul. 7, 21; Aug. 4, 18

Registrants will receive a bimonthly movie pack!



Workout @ your library!

Essentrics with Lisa **R**

Saturdays, May 23; Jun. 27; Jul. 18; Aug. 22 • 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.

Happy Healthy Yoga **R**

Saturdays, May 30; Jun. 13; Jul. 25; Aug. 15 • 9:30-10:30 am

Classes will empower all who attend to feel strong and agile within their body and mind. Exercise mat required. Presented by Katie Sayad.

Young At Heart **R**

Led By Gisela Parker
Wednesdays • 7-8:15 pm
Hybrid: In person and Online

Wednesday, May 6

My Fine Fellow by Jennieke Cohen

Wednesday, Jun. 3

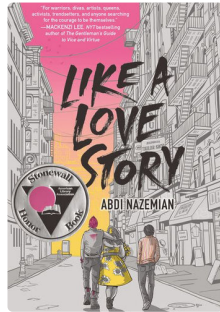
Like a Love Story by Abdi Nazemian

Wednesday, Jul. 1

One Dead Spy by Nathan Hale

Wednesday, Aug. 5

Huda F Are You? by Huda Fahmy



Books Worth Talking About **R**

Led By Michelle Hoffmann
Mondays • 7-8:15 pm

Monday, May 11

Margo's Got Money Troubles
by Rufi Thorpe

Monday, Jun. 15

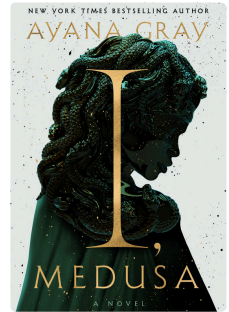
Broken Country by Clare Leslie Hall

Monday, Jul. 13

I, Medusa by Ayana Gray

Monday, Aug. 10

The Best Lies by David Ellis



Nothing But The Facts **R**

Led By Sean Birmingham
Tuesdays • 7-8:15 pm

Tuesday, May 19

Wiseguys and the White House by Eric Dezenhall

Tuesday, Jun. 16

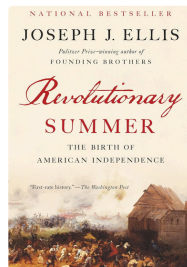
Revolutionary Summer by Joseph Ellis

Tuesday, Jul. 21

*Why We Love Dogs, Eat Pigs, and
Wear Cows* by Melanie Joy

Tuesday, Aug. 18

Meditations by Marcus Aurelius



RomCom Readers **R**

Led By Emily Blake
Wednesdays • 7-8 pm

Wednesday, May 20

Great Big Beautiful Life by Emily Henry

Wednesday, Jun. 17

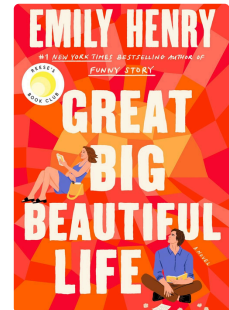
Incense and Sensibility by Sonali Dev

Wednesday, Jul. 15

Just For The Summer by Abby Jimenez

Wednesday, Aug. 19

Once Upon a Time in Dollywood
by Ashley Jordan



MYSTERY READERS **R**

Led By Margaret Balwierz
Thursdays • 7-8 pm
Hybrid: In person and Online

Thursday, May 21

All The Other Mothers Hate Me by Sarah Harman

Thursday, Jun. 18

Back to the Garden by Laurie R. King

Thursday, Jul. 16

A Death In Door County by Annelise Ryan

Thursday, Aug. 20

Who is Vera Kelly? by Rosalie Knecht



GRIM READERS **R**

Led By John Bradford
Mondays* • 7-8:15 pm
Hybrid: In person and Online

***Tuesday, May 26**

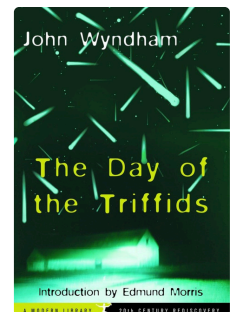
Day of the Triffids by John Wyndham

Monday, Jun. 22

The Fly by George Langelaan

Monday, Jul. 27

The Colour Out of Space
by H.P. Lovecraft



GREAT
DECISIONS
Led by Michelle Hoffmann
Monday • 7-8:30 pm **R**

Monday, May 18

Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. Supported by the Foreign Policy Association for over 50 years, this series highlights eight critical foreign policy challenges facing Americans each year. This is a moderator led series discussion based on readings from a relevant chapter in the briefing book and a topic-related video.

Registration begins on Monday, Apr. 20 at 9:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted.

R Registration Required.
 ONLINE Program. Email required.

special programs

Navigating The Early Childhood Years: Summer Learning Series

Mondays, Jun. 15; Jul. 20; Aug. 17 • 6:30-7:30 pm
Empower your parenting journey this summer! The beginning years of a child's life offer endless opportunities and challenges. Featuring three different experts in early childhood development, this series helps to navigate the first few years. Walk away with fresh perspectives, practical knowledge, and actionable strategies to help make a meaningful change in your family's daily routine.

Feed Your Garden

Thursday, Jun. 18 • 7-8 pm
Compost enriches soil, increases nutrient availability, and helps soil retain water. Join Kay McKeen from SCARCE and Bill Karges as they discuss this simple, impactful habit which can save money on fertilizer while supporting a circular, sustainable environment.
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READATHON
2026

Cool Readathon

Saturday, Aug. 1 • 9am -9pm
Calling all Cool Readers!! The Friends of the Villa Park Library are excited to revive our readathon and we need your help. Do you love books? Do you love your Library? If so, join us as a Cool Reader by volunteering to read aloud for a half-hour during Readathon 2026. This year, our goal is to raise funds for a new Story Stroll in a local park – bringing stories and literacy beyond the library walls and into our community. Cool Readers will be asked to fundraise on behalf of the Friends of the Library by reaching out to friends and family. Help the Friends help your Villa Park Public Library. Ready to read? Contact FriendsofVPLibrary@gmail.com for more information. The Friends are a 501(c)3 organization.

Friends of the Villa Park Library
Do you love your library? Become a Friend! The Friends act as advocates for the library: 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

Scan to learn more about the Friends!



Fifty Years of Service: Sandra Hill

Saturday, Sept. 12 • 1-4 p.m.
Villa Park Public Library, Ohrman Room
Join in a celebration of Library Director, Sandra Hill's 50 years of services to residents at the Villa Park Public Library.

Donor Wall

Located on the first floor lobby, the Giving Tree is a beautiful, permanent art installation that features the names of individuals, organizations, and businesses who have donated \$1,000 or more to the Library. Inclusion is cumulative, so donors may advance from one category to another over the years as they continue to donate. If you are interested in making a donation to the library, please contact Carolyn Turner at 630-834-1164, ext. 110.



Follow the Friends on Social Media:





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