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## **Monday - Friday** 9 am-9 pm

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#### Saturday

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#### Sunday

noon-5 pm

#### Closed:

Thursday, December 24 Friday, December 25 Thursday, December 31 Friday, January 1

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#### Star Wars Week

December 4-12

Become one with the Force and join us for a week of galactic good fun! Suitable for Jedis of all ages, our Star Wars-themed activities and programs offer something for every fan. Sign up for a lightsaber training class or take a selfie with Luke Skywalker, Darth Vader, Yoda, or R2-D2 and C-3PO and we'll post your photo on our website. Vote for your favorite character or complete "The Kessel Run in 12 Parsecs" treasure hunt and you might win a prize. For adult Star Wars trivia buffs, try our new Mix It Up program, "Let the Wookie Win," with details on page 9. Look for the lightsaber icon throughout our newsletter to read about all the exciting Star Wars-themed programs you may attend.



#### **New Year, New Local Author Collection**

We're excited to announce that beginning in January 2016 we are unveiling our new local author section comprising fiction and nonfiction adult books written by authors from Tinley Park and neighboring communities. Check out this new collection located behind the Adult Reference Desk on our Main Level.

#### **Oscar Fever Contest**

Attention film buffs! Don't miss this chance to use your expert movie knowledge (or make some really good guesses) to predict who will bring home Oscar gold at the upcoming 2016 Academy Awards. Our annual contest begins Monday, February 1 and ends on Saturday, February 27 at 5 pm. Ballots and additional details available in the library and on our website closer to the event.





#### Mix It Up

Second Thursday of the month beginning at 7 pm

We're taking it out of the library and hosting new and relatable programs for millennials at Parmesans Station (the restaurant/bar located in the 80th Avenue Metra Train Station). Meet up with your friends, grab a drink and some food if you want, and hang around for some fun. Program details on page 5.

#### Technology Roundup 3.0:

Dreaming, Making, Inspiring Saturday, February 20 from 11 am-4 pm

Don't waste your precious time trying to figure out that tricky technology! Get answers to your questions at our 3rd annual technology open house.

First up at 11 am, see a 3D printing demonstration by Don Brozek from Southworks MakerLab Network.

From noon-4 pm, get one-on-one assistance from our knowledgeable library staff, as well as representatives from Barnes & Noble and Best Buy.

Throughout the afternoon, we are offering tours of our new digital media creation station and our new analog to digital conversion center. Get the details in January on our website or stop by for a brochure.

#### Let Your Imagination Run Wild!

Your library will soon offer state-of-the-art software and equipment to film a movie, record a song, create a podcast, build a website, and much more. Not only can you access great content at the library, but we will be a place where you can create your own! Stay in touch with us to learn exactly when in early 2016 you can take advantage of the new creation station to enhance your business, your homework, or your hobby!

#### Self-Service Digital Preservation

Do you have old VHS tapes and LP records in collecting dust in your attic? Let's put them to work. In early 2016, visit our new conversion center for access to tools that convert your old media to modern digital formats. Whether you have old photos, documents, VHS tapes, LP records, even slides or negatives, they can all be converted, preserved digitally, and easily shared with your family and friends.

#### In Remembrance...

As 2015 draws to a close, we commemorate these recently deceased authors whose words challenged, entertained, or amused us.

M. H. Abrams, literary historian

Hugh Ambrose, historian

Michael Blake, best known for Dances with Wolves

Marcia Brown, children's author

Jackie Collins, Hollywood novelist

Ellen Conford, children's author

Stanley Cutler, Watergate historian

E. L. Doctorow, literary novelist

Ivan Doig, novelist of the American West

Peter Gay, intellectual historian

Günter Grass, satirical German novelist

Philip Levine, poet

Henning Mankell, crime novelist

Colleen McCullough, Australian novelist

Terry Pratchett, fantasy writer

Ruth Rendell, crime novelist

Ann Rule, true crime writer

James Salter, literary novelist

William Zinsser, journalist & essayist



# The 2015/2016 Sunday Afternoon Concert Series

#### The Convertibles

Sunday, December 20 at 2 pm Online registration begins Thursday, December 10. Please register by



phone or in person beginning Friday, December 11. Each person attending the concert must register individually.

#### **Legacy Girls**

Sunday, February 7 at 2 pm Online registration begins Thursday, January 28.



Please register by phone or in person beginning Friday, January 29. Each person attending the concert must register individually.

#### **Peter Oprisko**

Sunday, April 17 at 2 pm Online registration begins Thursday, April 7. Please register by phone or in person beginning Friday, April 8. Each person attending the concert must register individually.



The Sunday Afternoon Concert Series is sponsored by the Friends of the Tinley Park Public Library. Doors open at 1:30 pm for the performance. Registrants must obtain a ticket from the registration table no later than 10 minutes before the scheduled performance.

Unclaimed reservations will be released at 1:50 pm.

If you have registered for a concert and are unable to attend, please call the library at 708.532.0160, x 3 to cancel your reservation.



#### Friends go to Drury Lane

Wednesday, March 2

It's 1958 and the MacAfee family and residents of Sweet Apple, Ohio, are "all shook up" when rock 'n' roll superstar Conrad Birdie comes to town to serenade one lucky fan before he

enters the army. The ticket price for this all-American musical is \$62 and includes bus fare, lunch at the theatre, and the performance. Menu information and tickets will be available at the Checkout Desk at 9 am Monday, January 4. Deadline for ticket purchase is 4:30 pm Sunday, January 31. The bus will leave the library parking lot at 10:30 am sharp and will return at approximately 5:30 pm. Tickets are nonrefundable. Cash or check only, please.

## Friends need your support!

If you have gently used books you'd like to donate, please take these to the Checkout Desk. We especially need hardcover novels and history, cooking,



and children's books. However, we cannot accept textbooks, encyclopedias, outdated reference books, VHS tapes or Reader's Digest Condensed Books.

My mother read to me every single night. I equated reading with love, imagination and a way to experience a completely different life.

> Karen Lewis Chicago Teachers Union President

# friends

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Please Check One:	New Membership or	Membership Renewal		

Please make checks payable to: The Friends of the Tinley Park Public Library 7851 Timber Drive, Tinley Park, IL 60477

#### Adult Program Registration

Mark your calendars now...

Registration for all adult programs begins on the 20th of the month for the following month's programs, with the exception of Friends of the Library events. You may register online, in person, or by phone. Register at tplibrary.org or call 708.532.0160, x 3.

#### Life in a Japanese American Internment Camp

Wednesday, December 2 at 7 pm

Experience the profound effects of life in a World War II internment camp with historian and librarian Sarah Okner, a descendant of Japanese-American detainees. Okner will share photos and gritty details of day-to-day life in the camps.

#### Gifts from Your Kitchen

Wednesday, December 9 at 7 pm

With tasty samples and recipes for attendees, pastry chef Rose Deneen will demonstrate how to make edible gifts for the holidays.

#### Dining à la Downton

Sunday, December 13 from 1-4 pm

Step back into history and enjoy this special holiday tea in true Edwardian manor house style. Presented in character and costume by head cook Mrs. Eaton and butler Mr. Howe, guests will learn about period menus, meal preparation, and service both above and below stairs.

#### **Downton Abbey Fan Party**

Sunday, January 3 from 1-4 pm

Let's get together one last time and celebrate the wonderful world of the Crawley family. We'll watch the last episode of Season 5 and enjoy tea, snacks, trivia games, and prizes.

#### **Creating Your Post-Career Life**

Monday, January 18 at 7 pm

Retirement can be the start of a whole new journey! Author and consultant Jerilyn Willin will focus on the nonfinancial aspects of post-career life, helping you to discover who you are apart from work and what your new life will look like.

#### The Battle of the Bulge: The Forgotten Heroes

Wednesday, January 27 at 7 pm

Author Robert Mueller revisits the battlefield locations and remembers the men who beat Hitler's last desperate offensive.

#### **Mountain Passes in American History**

Wednesday, February 3 at 7 pm

Westward expansion—its adventures, hardships, and injustices—looms large in American history. Author Barbara Gregorich will examine six significant mountain passes confronted by explorers, soldiers, railroad builders, and settlers as then made their difficult way west.

#### **Five Famous** African-American Women

Monday, February 15 at 7 pm



Through the extraordinary talents of actress Cynthia Maddox we meet Phyllis Wheatley, America's first black poet, relive the Boston Massacre through the eyes of Crispus Attucks' wife, join abolitionist Sojourner Truth and Harriet Tubman as they look back over their lives, and rejoice with Pulitzer Prize winner and Illinois Poet Laureate Gwendolyn Brooks.

#### How to Make a Presentation Without Passing Out

Wednesday, February 24 at 7 pm

Public speaking can get easier! Business consultant Jerilyn Willin will share techniques to help you keep audiences engaged, handle difficult questions, and turn nerves into positive energy.

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Parmesans Station (the restaurant/bar located in the 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue Metra Train Station.) Meet up with your friends and if you want, grab a drink and some food and hang around for some fun. Something different every month. Registration limited to 40.



December 10: Let the Wookie Win Star Wars Trivia Night

At the request of legions of lightsaber lovers in our area and conducted by Pub Trivia USA, we're hosting a SW trivia contest open to die-hards and novices. Bring a team or come alone and we'll pair you up for the chance to win some great prizes.

January 14: Walt Disney World for Grown-ups

WDW isn't just for kids and families! Veteran Disney traveler Karen Luster will share exciting options for couples or even singles traveling solo. Karen will also include a drawing for a Disney gift card.

February 11: Apartment & Small Space Decorating: From Fail to Fix

Learn how to customize your rental or small space with interior design tips and styling techniques from designer Julea Joseph of Reinventing Space. Attendees may enter for a chance to win a gift basket from Julea.



Registration begins the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month for the following month's classes. Unless otherside noted, classes are held in the Computer Classroom.

#### **Basics**

#### Mousercise

Learn how to use a standard two-button mouse. If you have not used a mouse, or if you do not know how to copy and paste, we recommend taking this class before any other.

Tuesday, January 5 from 10-11:30 am. Class size: 6

#### Introduction to PCs

Teaches the fundamentals of personal computing, covering the desktop, files, folders, and applications (apps). This class is designed for beginning computer users. Class is held in Meeting Room B.

Wednesday, January 6 from 2-4 pm. Class size: 8 Tuesday, February 9 from 10 am-noon. Class size: 8

#### Beginner's Internet

Learn how to find and evaluate information on the World Wide Web.

Thursday, January 7 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Class size: 6 Thursday, February 11 from 2-4 pm. Class size: 6

#### Introduction to Email

Learn how to register for a Gmail account, check your inbox, create an address book, and open attachments. Class is held in Meeting Room B.

Tuesday, January 19 from 2-4 pm. Class size: 6

#### **Password Management**

Protect your digital life by learning new ways to create passwords that are harder to hack. Discover online and offline methods of storing your many passwords.

Wednesday, February 24 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Class size: 8

# Organize Your Digital Files, Folders, & Photos

Learn strategies to organize your files, folders, and pictures on your computer. Discover methods for sharing and storing your files on the Internet using cloud services.

Tuesday, January 26 from 10 am-noon. Class size: 8

#### **Mac Basics**

Learn how to get the most out of your Mac laptop/ notebook. Covers the latest version of OSX, locating and organizing your files, and connecting your Mac to various iOS devices and other online services. Note: Please bring your own Apple laptop.

Tuesday, December 1 from 10 am-noon. Class size: 10

#### **HTML Basics**

If you have ever wanted to learn one of the fundamental building blocks of the Web, this class is for you. Designed for people who blog or use content management software (Squarespace, Wordpress, etc.), this class will teach you how to change your writing into valid web-friendly markup.

Monday, February 29 from 10 am-noon. Class size: 8

#### **Do Better Research**

You probably do research every single day, whether at work or in your personal life. Learn tips to improve your efficiency, explore better resources, and see how the librarians here can help.

Saturday, January 9 from 2-4 pm. Class size: 12

#### **Ebooks**

If you need assistance with library ebooks, we encourage you to bring your mobile device to the Adult Reference Desk on the Main Level for one-on-one assistance.



Register by going to tplibrary.org, calling 708.532.0160 x 1, or in person.

#### **Microsoft**

#### Windows 8.1 Basics

This hands-on class is for those who are comfortable with a personal computer and wish to familiarize themselves with the Windows 8.1 operating system. Those who have Windows 10 will see similarities; some features of Windows 10 will be mentioned. Keyboard and mouse skills required.

Thursday, January 28 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Class size: 8 Thursday, February 4 from 2-4 pm. Class size: 8

#### Excel Basics\*

Covers orientation to Excel; working with data; worksheet formatting and alterations; handling larger workbooks; and printing and sharing.

Friday, February 12 from 10 am-noon. Class size: 8

#### **Excel Basics: Operations and Formatting**

Learn the fundamentals of Microsoft's spreadsheet application.

Monday, January 11 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Class size: 8 Wednesday, February 17 from 2-4 pm. Class size: 8

#### Excel: Functions and Charts\*

Learn intermediate level functions and how to apply limits to cells. Also covers importing data into Excel and making charts or graphs. Registrants should be familiar with fundamentals of Excel.

Wednesday, January 20 from 10 am-noon. Class size: 8

#### Excel Pivot Tables\*

Learn how to use pivot tables to summarize key data from a larger spreadsheet. Registrants should be familiar with Excel basics.

Friday, January 15 from noon-12:45 pm. Class size: 8

#### **Excel: Simple Financial Report**

Learn how to use Excel to create a profit/loss projection based on production costs and sales information. Registrants should be familiar with fundamentals of Excel.

Monday, January 25 from 6:30-8:30 pm, Class size: 8 Wednesday, February 24 from 2-4 pm. Class size: 8

#### Excel: Tables for Large Spreadsheets\*

Covers working with tables, large datasets, conditional formatting, outlines, and intermediate formulas and functions.

Thursday, February 25 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Class size: 8

#### **PowerPoint Basics**

Learn how to create Microsoft PowerPoint slideshows with dynamic features to spice up your presentations.

Tuesday, January 12 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Class size: 6 Tuesday, February 16 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Class size: 6

#### **Word Basics**

Learn the fundamentals of Microsoft's word-processing software.

Monday, January 18 from 2-4 pm. Class size: 8 Thursday, February 11 from 10 am-noon. Class size: 8

#### Word: Tables, Templates, & Macros

Learn how to format tables and work with document templates, images, and graphics. Mail merge and macros are also covered. Registrants should be familiar with fundamentals of Microsoft Word.

Thursday, February 18 from 10 am-noon. Class size: 8

Classes are video-based instructional sessions taught by the Virtual Services Librarian.

#### Job Search

#### Online Job Searching

Learn how to look for and apply for jobs online and how to use Microsoft Word to create resumes and cover letters.

Thursday, January 14 from 2-4 pm. Class size: 6

#### Introduction to LinkedIn

How to join LinkedIn, build your profile, make connections, add recommendations, and maintain and enhance your LinkedIn page. This class is for those without existing LinkedIn accounts.

Friday, February 26 from 2-4 pm. Class size: 6

#### **Mobile**

#### You & iOS

Learn to organize, customize, back up, and secure your iPad, iPhone, or iPod touch. Discover some fun and practical apps to get started. Please bring your device to class. Several iPad 2s will be available for those who do not bring one.

Wednesday, January 13 from 10 am-noon. Class size: 10



#### Stress Reduction Meditation

First Thursday of the month from 7-8:30 pm December 3 and February 4

Registration for each class begins on the 20th of the month for the following month's program.

Bring your pillow and yoga mat or blanket to lie on the floor and enjoy this wonderful guided meditation designed to help you let go of stress. Relax, refresh, and renew during this time set aside just for you. Turn off your cell phone before entering the Meeting Room. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Please arrive no later than 10 minutes before start time to ensure that we can begin promptly at 7 pm. No admittance once the meditation has begun.

#### Stitch Club

First and third Thursdays of the month from 11 am-1 pm December 3 and 17 January 7 and 21 February 4 and 18 No registration required.

Open to anyone who wants to meet, mingle, or share tips on needlecraft projects. Bring your own supplies.

#### Go Open Game Night

Mondays from 6-8 pm January 25 and February 29 All ages; no registration required.

Come learn about the Asian board game Goa strategy game not unlike chess or Parcheesi. Thousands of years old and wildly popular in China, Japan, and Korea, Go is catching on quickly here in the U.S. Game boards are provided and experienced players are on hand to introduce newbies to the game. Children age 13 or younger must be accompanied by an adult.

#### Mah Jongg Club

First Tuesday of the month from 11 am-1 pm December 1, January 5, and February 2 No registration required.

Whether you are an experienced player or newbie, now is your chance to play mah jongg at the library. Similar to rummy, this popular game of luck and skill originated in China. An instructor will be on hand to teach those new to the game. No registration required. Additional meeting dates: Mondays from 6–8 pm: January 25 and February 29.

#### Joker's Wild Card Club

Third Tuesday of the month from 11 am-1 pm December 15, January 19, and February 16 No registration required.

Meet up with others interested in playing various card games. For amusement only; no gambling permitted.



#### Chair Yoga

Second and fourth Thursdays of the month from 11 am-12:30 pm December 10 January 14 and 28 February 11 and 25 Registration for each class begins on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month for the following month's programs.

Instructor Kathy Ruiter will guide you in gentle, non-strenuous chair exercises and meditation.



#### Monday Mornings @ the Library

Mondays from 11 am—noon No registration required.

Once a month we're hosting some of your favorite presenters and discussing topics that will enrich, enlighten, and entertain you. Seating is limited to 100 for these programs.

January 25: Writing the Chapters of Your Life This encore presentation by Joann Dobbie focuses on preserving the memories of your life while having fun doing so.

February 29: Henry Ford and His Model T Historian Jim Weren returns to present a fascinating and entertaining study of American folk hero Henry Ford and his once ubiquitous Model T.

#### Early Bird Flicks

Mondays at 11 am and 2 pm Seating is limited to 125. No registration required.

December 14 Mr. Holmes PG. 104 minutes Please note: This movie will be shown only at 11 am.

An aged, retired Sherlock Holmes searches for answers on life and love while struggling with an unsolved case involving a beautiful woman.

January 11 Ricki and the Flash PG-13, 102 minutes Meryl Streep portrays a musician who returns home to her family after having given up everything for her dream of rock-and-roll stardom.









#### Movies&Books

Saturdays at 1 pm No registration required.

So many films are made from books these days! Come enjoy the movie and, if you wish, check out a copy of the corresponding book. Seating is limited to 125.

December 5 Star Wars: Episode VI-Return of the Jedi PG. 134 minutes Book: Star Wars: Return of the Jedi by James Kahn

After rescuing Han Solo from Jabba the Hutt, the rebels aim to destroy the second Death Star and Luke attempts to bring Vader back from the dark side of the Force.



February 13 **Everest** PG-13, 121 minutes Book: Into Thin Air by John Krakauer A climbing expedition on Mt. Everest is ravaged by a severe snow storm.

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#### Special bonus for Movies&Books patrons!

Following each movie, you may enter a drawing for a chance to win a free movie pass to Marcus Theatres Orland Park. Program sponsored in part by Marcus Theatres.

# Ingoing Programs

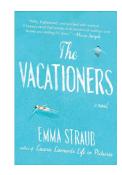


#### Tinley Tomes

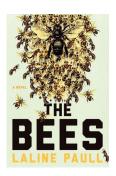
Tinley Tomes comprises two groups that discuss a variety of fiction and nonfiction books. One group meets at 1:30 pm on the second Wednesday of the month and the other at 7:30 pm on the fourth Tuesday. Selections are available at the Adult Reference Desk in hardcover, large print, and audio formats one month before the discussion date. Discussions are held in Meeting Room A.

#### Tuesday Tomes Selections-7:30 pm

January 26 The Vacationers by Emma Straub Franny and Jim Post are heading to Mallorca with their family and friends to celebrate their thirtyfifth wedding anniversary. Like most vacations, this one doesn't go quite as planned: rivalries resurface, new and old humiliations rear their ugly heads, and lifechanging secrets are revealed.



February 23 The Bees by Laline Paull Part Handmaid's Tale and part Animal Farm, this imaginative debut novel depicts the life of Flora 717, a lowly sanitation worker who ascends through the honeybee hierarchy to challenge the Queen Bee's pre-eminence.

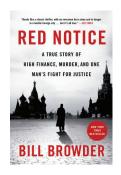


#### Wednesday Tomes Selections-1:30 pm

January 13 Sweetness #9 by Stephan Eirik Clark Travel back to 1973, when the artificial sweetener industry was in its infancy, and David Leveraux lands his dream job as Flavoristin-Training at the ominously named Goldstein, Olivetti, and Dark. Though David notices that his assigned test product causes curious



side effects, he shares the experimental sweetener with his family—with dire results. We're all anxious about our food supply, but it takes a satirist like Stephan Clark to transmute that anxiety into humor. February 10 Red Notice by Bill Browder Bill Browder started his professional life as a Wall Street maverick who set out to make his fortune in Russia just after the Soviet Union's breakup. By exposing the corrupt mechanics of Russia's financial empire, he



became Putin's public enemy number one. Rather than running scared from the Russian bear, Browder grew into an accidental activist for retributive justice. Endorsed by Lee Child, this true-life account has the pacing and suspense of the best of crime thrillers.

#### **Books with Buzz**

Books with Buzz is our bestselling book discussion group. BwB meets in Meeting Room A on the third Thursday of every other month. Because we pick books that are fresh off the press, selections are announced on our website rather than in



the newsletter. Check our book discussions page (http://tplibrary.org/events/book-discussion-groups) for the winter selection one month before the discussion date—or just drop by the Adult Reference Desk, where discussion books are kept. The winter meeting date is January 21, 2016.

#### **Partners In Crime**

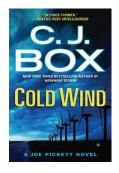
Tuesdays at 7:30 pm

Our mystery and suspense thriller discussion group. For more information about Partners In Crime, call Fran Heinemann at 708.532.0160, x 5691.

December - Special ticketed event

January - No Discussion

February 2 Cold Wind by C. J. Box Wyoming game warden Joe Pickett makes a gruesome discovery while out on a routine patrol. The body dangling from a wind turbine is the fifth husband of his much despised mother-in-law, Missy. The townspeople have already tried and convicted Missy



as soon as she is she is arrested for the murder. As much as Joe supports everyone's dislike of the cold and calculating woman, the evidence does not convince him that she is the murderer. Now Pickett finds himself in the uncomfortable position of trying to find the real killer.

Online registration begins on the 20th of each month for the following month's programs. Register at tplibrary.org and click on Events. Phone registration begins one day after online registration. All programming is for grades entering 6–12 unless otherwise noted.

#### Geek Out! Star Wars Night

Friday, December 4 from 7 -8 pm

Celebrate the release of Star Wars Episode VII: The Force Awakens with a night of Star Wars crafts, games, and food!

#### **Lightsaber Training Class**

Saturday, December 5 from 11 am-noon Attention Star Wars fans! Don't miss a lightsaber demonstration from members of Chicago Jedi and learn just how Obi Wan, Luke, and other Jedi Knights honed their skills. Held in our Meeting Room on the first floor, registration is limited to 80.

#### YAC

#### **Youth Advisory Council**

Tuesdays from 6-7 pm December 8, January 12, and February 9

Boss us around! Tell us what YOU want at the library!

#### Café Olé

Tuesdays December 8, January 12 & 26, February 9 & 23 from 7-8 pm



Eat cookies, drink a tasty beverage, and have fun with your friends with a new game, craft, or activity each time!

#### Get Graphic!

Fridays, December 10, January 21, and February 1 from 7–8 pm

Our Graphic Novel Club is where you get to play fun games and create projects! We want your INPUT on what kinds of graphic novels and/or other books you like to read! Snacks will be served.

December 10: Star Wars January 21: Team Fortress February 18: Anime Drawing Night

#### **Build and Control a Star Wars Droid**

Friday, December 11 from 7-8 pm Operate a model Star Wars Droid and learn how to build and control a miniature Droid with LEGO Mindstorms.

#### **Reading Champions!** Winter Reading Challenge

Grades: K-12 Saturday, December 26 through Saturday, February 6

Be a Chicago Wolves Reading Champion! Earn a prize when you reach your reading goal.



#### The Real Deal on College

Grades 9-12

Tuesday, December 15 from 7-8 pm Hear the real story about what you need to know about college from current college students.

#### **LEGO Mindstorms: Build and Program a Robot**

Grade: 6-8

Tuesday, January 5 & Friday, January 8 from 7-8 pm In this two-part series, you will work in a group to build and program a robot!

Geek Out! Dr. Who Night

Friday, January 29 from 7–8 pm Calling all Whovians for a night of Dr. Who crafts, games, and food!

#### DIY: Duct Tape

Friday, February 26 from 7-8 pm Make cool stuff for your room out of duct tape!







No registration required.

NOTE: If you or your child needs a reasonable accommodation to be successful in a program, please inform a staff member as soon as possible.

#### **Storytimes**

#### **Bouncing Babies**

Storytimes for 3-23-month-olds and parent Tuesdays, January 12-February 9 from 11-11:20 am

#### **Wee Readers**

Storytimes for 3-35-month-olds and parent Thursdays, January 14-February 11 from 6:30-6:50 pm

#### **Tales for Twos**

Storytimes for 2-year-olds and parent Tuesdays, January 12-February 9 from 10-10:20 am OR Wednesdays, January 13-February 10 from 11-11:20 am

#### **Preschool Stories**

Storytimes for 3-5-year-olds and parent Wednesdays, January 13-February 10 from 10-10:30 am OR Thursdays, January 14-February 11 from 1-1:30 pm

#### Family Pajamarama

Ages: 3-8-year-olds and parent Fridays, December 11, January 22, and February 19 from 7-7:45 pmYou are invited to our nighttime storytime with crafts

and games! Kids may come dressed for bedtime.

#### Saturday Stories

Ages: 2-6 years and parent Saturdays, January 23 and February 20 from 10-10:30 am

Drop in and enjoy a storytime and craft with your family. January 23: Snowmen February 20: Hugs & Kisses

#### **Sensory Storytime**

Ages: 3-8 years and parent Saturdays, January 2 and February 27 beginning at 10:30 am

Children of all abilities are invited to participate at their own pace in stories, activities, and songs. January 2: Winter Wear February 27: Mmm! Let's Eat!

#### Share-a-Language Storytime: Spanish

Ages: 3-8 years and parent Spanish: Saturdays, January 9 and February 6 from 11-11:45 am

Enjoy children's favorite stories and songs in diverse languages featuring children's favorites.



#### **Holiday Stories**

3-23 months and parent: Tuesday, December 8 from 11-11:30 am

3-35 months and parent: Thursday, December 3 from 6:30-7 pm

2 years and parent: Tuesday, December 8 from 10-10:30 am

3-5 years and parent: Wednesday, December 9 from 10-10:30 am OR Thursday, December 10 from 1-1:30 pm

Celebrate the season with stories, songs, and a craft.

#### Cuentos Compartir-a la-Idioma: español

Edades: 3-8 años con los padres Sábado, 9 de enero y 6 de febrero de 11-11:45 am

Disfrute de cuentos y canciones favoritos en español que ofrecimos para sus niños.

#### Star Wars Family Craft & Photo Op

Ages: All Saturday, December 5 from 10 am-1 pm Make a Yoda headband with this fun and easy craft! Then, put on your Yoda ears and get your picture taken with our Star Wars characters. You can also tag your Star Wars Photo Op selfies all week long with #TPPLStarWarsWeek. We will add the photos to our website and social media pages!

#### **Family Movie Night**

Ages: All

Fridays, December 18 Home (PG), January 8 Earth to Echo (PG), and February 5 Inside Out (PG). Movies begin at 6:30 pm.

The whole family is invited to movie night!

#### **Preschool Fair**

Saturday, January 23 from 10:30 am-12:30 pm

Meet representatives from a variety of local preschools to help you find the preschool experience that is right for your child.

Online registration begins on the 20th of each month for the next month's programs at http://www.tplibrary.org/events/calendar. Phone registration begins one day after online registration. Please register for the following programs.

> Please arrive a few minutes early to check in at the Youth Services Desk for the programs below.

#### Silly Santa Stories

Ages: Families

Saturday, December 12 from 11 am-noon

Grant Fitch returns to present Silly Santa Stories, featuring favorite picture books of the season, with fun and interactive storytelling and songs. Registration is preferred, but drop in if you're in the neighborhood!

#### Rhythm, Story, and Rhyme-**Bringing History to Life**

Ages: Families

Sunday, February 7 from 1-1:45 pm

Gifted storyteller, Mama Edie Armstrong brings history to life with music, stories, and tales that illustrate both the uniqueness and unity among all. Mama Edie shares stories and music in this tribute to Black History Month that includes tales about Pullman Porters and "Ballin' the Jack," a song by her grandfather, Christopher Smith.

#### Wiggle Worms

Ages: 2-3 years and parent Wednesdays, December 9, January 20, and February 17 from 6-6:30 pm

Enjoy a fun and new activity with your child each month! December 9: All About Me

January 20: Penguins February 17: Transportation

#### On My Own

Ages: 4 years through Preschool Mondays, December 7, January 4, February 1, and February 29 from 6:30-7:15 pm

Explore a new theme each month with games, crafts, and activities all on your own! December 7: Gingerbread Fun January 4: Penguin Power February 1: Goofy Games February 29: Colors, Counting, & Shapes, Oh My!

#### **Kidz Zone**

Grades: K-1

Mondays, December 28, January 25, and February 22 from 6:30-7:15 pm

Stories, games, science, arts & crafts—for kids only! December 28: Hello 2016! January 25: Panda-monium February 22: Love Your Pet

#### **Arctic Art**

Grades: K-1

Monday, January 11 from 6:30-7:15 pm

Enjoy winter fun as we draw and get lost in the Arctic.

#### **LEGO Night**

Grades: K-1

Thursday, January 14 from 4:30-5:30 pm

Use your imagination and the library's LEGOs to build an awesome creation!

#### iFun Fridays

Grades: 2-3

Fridays, December 4, January 29, and February 26 from 7-8 pm

Enjoy different activities each month!

December 4: Feel the Force (Star Wars!) January 29: Celebrate Superbowl 50 February 26: Stuck Inside Game Night

#### STEM Challenge

Grades: 2-3

Wednesdays, December 2, January 13, and February 10 from 6:30-7:15 pm

Science is so much fun when you try out the experiments on your own.

#### Star Wars LEGO Night

Grades: 2-3 Thursday, December 10 from 4:30-5:30 pm

Use the library's LEGOs and your imagination to build an awesome Star Wars creation!









#### **Add Color to Your Winter**

Grades: 2-3

Monday, February 8 from 4:30-5:15 pm

Learn about Piet Mondrian and paint like him too!

#### **LEGO Night**

Grades: 2-3

Thursday, February 11 from 4:30-5:30 pm

Use your imagination and the library's LEGOs to build an awesome creation!

#### **Bluestem Book Group**

Grades: 3-5

Thursdays, December 3, January 7, and February 4 from 4:30–5:30 pm

Discuss the 2016 Bluestem Book Award nominees and complete fun activities!

December 3: Regarding the Fountain by Kate Klise January 7: The 13 Story Treehouse by Andy Griffiths February 4: Dorko the Magnificent by Andrea Beatty

#### **TAG: Tween Activity Group**

Grades: 4-5

Fridays, December 18, January 15, and February 12

from 7-8 pm

We meet once a month for fun activities and games.

December 18: Star Wars "Guess Who?" Costumes are encouraged but no accessories/weapons allowed.

January 15: Snow-tastic

February 12: "Pinterest"-ing Picks!

#### "Sew" Simple

Grades: 4-5 Saturday, December 5 from 10-11 am Monday, February 8 from 6:30-7:30 pm



Learn some simple stitches and make a cool craft!

# LEGO Mindstorms: Build and Program a Robot

Grades: 4-5

Tuesday, December 29 AND

Wednesday, December 30 from 2-3:30 pm

In this two-part series, you will work in a group to build and program a robot!

# 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Ages: Birth–Preschool
Every book read helps to build your child's
literacy skills! Stop by the Youth Services
Desk to register your child for this
ongoing reading club and keep them on
track for kindergarten!

# Reading Champions! Winter Reading Challenge

Grades: K-12

Saturday, December 26 through

Saturday, February 6

Be a Chicago Wolves Reading Champion! Earn a prize when you reach your reading goal.

Please stop by the Youth Services Desk to register.

Watch our website for more information about the upcoming Chicago Wolves player visit!







#### Tinley Park Public Library BOOKMOBILE Schedule DECEMBER 2015, JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2016

Route 1 (begins Tuesday, December 1, 2015)

**MONDAY** Tinley Court Retirement Center

3:00 - 3:45pmBuedingen Park 4:00 - 4:45pm John A. Bannes Park

Orland Hills -92<sup>nd</sup> Ave. & 169<sup>th</sup> St. 6:00 - 6:45pm

5:00 - 5:45pm

**TUESDAY** 

Richard M. Gory Park 4:00 - 4:45pm

Orland Hills - Meadowview Dr.

& Marshfield Ln. 5:00 - 5:45pm Orland Hills -Kelly Park 6:00 - 6:45pm

WEDNESDAY

Sundale Ridge 3:00 - 3:45pm**Bristol Park** 4:00 - 4:45pm Sandalwood 5:00 - 5:45pm Tinley Downs 6:00 - 6:45pm **THURSDAY** 

Pines Community 3:00 - 3:45pm **Tinley Trails** 4:00 - 4:45pm Brookside Glen -Southfield Ct. 5:00 - 5:45pm Fairfield Glen -Kilkenny Ave.

6:00 - 6:45pm

Dates: 1/11, 2/1, 2/22

CLOSED: 12/21

Dates: 12/1, 1/12, 2/22, 2/23

CLOSED: 12/22

Dates: 12/2, 1/13, 2/3, 2/24

CLOSED: 12/23

Dates: 12/3, 1/14, 2/4, 2/25

CLOSED: 12/24

Route 2 (begins Monday, December 7, 2015)

**MONDAY** 

Apartments of Orland 3:00 - 3:45pmTinley Gardens 4:00 - 4:45pm **Timbers Pointe** 5:00 - 5:45pm

Brookside Glen South -Clare Dr.

6:00 - 6:45pm

Dates: 12/7, 1/18, 2/8, 2/29 CLOSED: 12/28

**TUESDAY** 

Orland Hills - Hunter Ridge Apts. 3:00 - 3:45pm Frank Gasior Park 4:00 - 4:45pm Pottawattomie Park 5:00 - 5:45pm Town Pointe

6:00 - 6:45pm

Dates: 12/8, 1/19, 2/9 CLOSED: 12/29

WEDNESDAY

Fairmont Village 3:00 - 3:45pmVeterans Park 4:00 - 4:45pm German Park 5:00 - 5:45pm

Orland Hills - 89th Ave. & 170th St.

6:00 - 6:45pm

Dates: 12/9, 1/20, 2/10 CLOSED: 12/30

**THURSDAY** 

Edenbridge/Fulton Commons 3:00 - 3:45pm Memorial School Park 4:00 - 4:45pm Rauhoff Park 5:00 - 5:45pm

Brookside Glen South -Monaghan Dr.

6:00 - 6:45pm

Dates: 12/10, 1/21, 2/11 CLOSED: 12/31

Route 3 (begins Monday, December 14, 2015)

**MONDAY** 

Brementowne Manor Senior Center 3:00 - 3:45pm Brookside Glen -Cove Ct.

4:00 - 4:45pm Brookside Glen - Bayfield Ct.

5:00 - 5:45pmFairfield Glen -Fairfield Ln. 6:00 - 6:45pm

**TUESDAY** 

Meadow Park Estates 3:00 - 3:45pm Radcliffe Place 4:00 - 4:45pm Tinley Terrace 5:00 - 5:45pm Fulton School 6:00 - 6:45pm

WEDNESDAY

Hanover Place 3:00 - 3:45pm Brookside Glen -Greenview Pl. 4:00 - 4:45pm Brookside Glen -Glenbrook Pl. 5:00 - 5:45pmBrookside Glen -Robin Ct. 6:00 - 6:45pm

**THURSDAY** 

Bobbie Noonan 3:00 - 3:45pm Bobbie Noonan 4:00 - 4:45pm Brookside Glen -

7800 block of Glenfield Ave.

5:00 - 5:45 pm

Dates: 12/14, 1/25, 2/15

CLOSED: 1/4

Dates: 12/15, 1/26, 2/16

CLOSED: 1/5

Dates: 12/16, 1/27, 2/17

CLOSED: 1/6

Dates: 12/17, 1/28, 2/18

CLOSED: 1/7

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#### **OHPLD Board Dates:**

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