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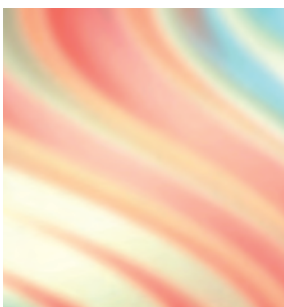
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SEPTEMBER IS... LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH!

Sign up for a Tinley Park Public Library card or show us your existing card at the Checkout Desk during September to receive a fun giveaway. You will also be entered into a drawing for a Fall Fandom Fest prize basket, including a T-shirt and a gift card!



Who can get a library card?

- Anyone who lives in incorporated Tinley Park or Orland Hills
- Anyone who owns or leases taxable residential or business property in incorporated Tinley Park or Orland Hills
- Individuals who live in unincorporated Tinley Park may apply for a non-resident fee card.

How to get your library card

Apply in person:

Stop by the Checkout Desk or visit the Bookmobile with your Illinois driver's license or state ID with your current address. A parent's or legal guardian's signature is required on the application and library card of anyone under the age of 18. For a complete list of acceptable forms of identification and proof of residency, visit tplibrary.me/circulation-policy or call 708.532.0160, x3.

Apply online:

You can sign up for your library card online at tplibrary.me/card.



FALL FANDOM FEST 2025

All September!

Do you love superheroes? Anime? Video games? Whatever you're into, we invite you to celebrate your favorite fandoms at the library's third annual Fall Fandom Fest!

Throughout the month of September, enjoy a variety of themed events for all ages. On Saturday, September 27, join us for our Grand Finale! Attendees are welcome to dress in costume—no full face masks or realistic weapons.

Sponsored by:



Check out our Fall Fandom Fest site at tplibrary.me/fff.





Win Prizes!

You can earn tickets to enter to win one of several prizes, including themed prize baskets. Submit your tickets by 5 pm on Saturday, September 27 for a chance to win! Earn tickets by:

- **Attending Fall Fandom Fest events during September.** Tickets will be handed out at the end of each event.
- **Visiting vendors at Artist Alley on September 27.** Collect stamps from at least 10 vendors and turn in your stamp sheet for a drawing ticket.



Signup is required for most events and begins on August 15 unless noted as Drop in.

All Ages

Friday Film: *Snow White*

Fri, Sep 12 | 11 am & 2 pm

Drop in

2025 | PG | 109 min | CC |

Fantasy, Adventure

All Ages: Join us for a viewing of *Snow White* (2025). Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult throughout the film.

Wicked: For Good

Sat, Sep 13 | 2–3:30 pm

All Ages: Join us as we dance through life and celebrate all things *Wicked* with photo opportunities, trivia, singing, and more.

Children & Families

Bluestem Book Club: *The Guardian Test* by Christina Soontornvat

Thu, Sep 4 | 4:30–5:30 pm

Grades 3–5: Each month, we'll discuss a different nominee from the 2026 Bluestem Readers' Choice List while enjoying a snack. We'll conclude with fun activities!

Team LEGO

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Grades 2–3: Teamwork is the name of the game! Each person will be paired with a teen to work together to complete their LEGO challenges.

Comic Book 101

Mon, Sep 8 | 5:30–6:30 pm

Grades 3–5: Explore the different languages of comics, from the eyes, to body posture, to the actual language within speech bubbles.

Superhero Science

Wed, Sep 10 | 5–5:45 pm

Grades 3–5: Calling all superheroes! Join us for some science fun!

Family Pajamarama

Fri, Sep 12 | 6:30–7:15 pm

Drop in

Ages 3–8 years with adult(s): Participate in fandom-related stories, fingerplays, games, crafts, and songs.

"Sew" Simple

Mon, Sep 15 | 6:30–7:30 pm

Grades 4–5: Learn a few simple stitches and create a Fandom tic-tac-toe game. All supplies provided.

Storytimes

Sep 22–26 | Various Times

Our regularly scheduled storytimes the week of our Fall Fandom Fest Grand Finale will be fandom themed. See our full storytime schedule beginning on page 10.

Pushing Shape into Your Art

Mon, Sep 22 | 4:30–5:30 pm

Grades 1–2: Learn tips and tricks to emphasize shape in your art and create cartoons.

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We Love Hello Kitty

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Grades K–1: Celebrate the cuteness of Hello Kitty by playing games and making a special craft!

Our Friend, Hello Kitty

Tue, Sep 23 | 6–7 pm

Grades 2–3: Who doesn't love Hello Kitty? Join us to play Hello Kitty trivia and make a special craft!

Someday We'll All Be Action Figures Academy: Improv Workshop

Wed, Sep 24 | 6:30–7:30 pm

Grades 4–8: Through fun games, quick-thinking exercises, and collaborative storytelling, you'll discover how to say "Yes, And," build confidence, and turn any idea into a scene.

Family Activity Night: Popular Board Games

Fri, Sep 26 | 6:30–7:30 pm

📍 Drop in

Families: Come to the library and spend some quality time together! We'll supply an assortment of popular games for your family to enjoy.



Teens & Adults

Classic Comics Bingo

Wed, Sep 3 | 2–3:30 pm

Adults: Celebrate the Sunday Funnies you grew up with: "Dick Tracy," "Blondie," "Nancy," "Archie," "Cathy," "Family Circus," "Peanuts," and more. It's a trip down memory lane—with prizes!

Character Exploration: Developing Original Characters

Fri, Sep 5 | 6:30–8 pm

Grades 9–Adult: Participants will learn how to brainstorm and build original characters. This session is designed to strengthen your creativity and storytelling skills.

Fandom Fest Trivia: Films and Literature

Fri, Sep 12 | 6–8 pm

Grades 9–Adult: Show off your film & literature knowledge with a game of trivia! Play alone or with a team (limit 6 people per team) for a chance to win a prize.

Teen Craft Night: Minecraft Mosaics

Fri, Sep 12 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Test your IRL crafting skills! Create an original Minecraft-themed mosaic out of wood and paint.



The Art of the Anime Expression

Mon, Sep 15 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Learn how to draw different expressions in an anime and manga style and about their influence in modern day comics and cartoons.

Super Mario Origami Star Jars

Tue, Sep 16 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Learn to make miniature origami stars that look like the ones in Super Mario and fill a small jar with them! Beverages served.

Cricut 101: Using the Cricut

Wed, Sep 17 | 6–7:30 pm

Grades 9–Adult: Learn how to use the Cricut and cut out fandom-related designs.

Caudill Book Club:

Dungeon Club: Roll Call by Molly Knox Ostertag

Thu, Sep 18 | 4:30–5:30 pm

📍 Bean N' Breek

17835 S 80th Ave

Grades 6–8: Each month we'll discuss a nominee from the 2026 Caudill Readers' Choice List. Permission slip required. See full description at tplibrary.me/events.



Birth of the Universal Monsters at Tinley Park Performing Arts Center

Mon, Sep 22 | 6:30–8 pm

📍 Tinley Park Performing Arts Center

16801 S 80th Ave

Adults: Storyteller William Pack discusses the creation story and legacy of Universal Pictures classic and iconic monsters, including the Mummy, the Invisible Man, Count Dracula, and more.

Teen "Sew" Simple

Mon, Sep 22 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Create a Super Mario-inspired magnet as you visit with other stitchers. All supplies provided.

PowerPoint Night: Fandom Edition

Tue, Sep 23 | 6:30–8 pm

Adults: Present a PowerPoint with your opinions on any fandom or pop culture subject! Send slides to dclements@tplibrary.org by Sep 19. Eight minutes max. Signup required for presenters; not required for observers.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Fri, Sep 26 | 6–8:30 pm

Grades 6–Adult: Join a friendly competition among fellow Super Smash Bros. enthusiasts. All equipment provided.





Grand Finale!

Food Trucks ✱ Escape Room
Artist Alley ✱ Video Games
Fandom Crafts ✱ Cosplay ✱ Green
Screen Photos ✱ *and much more
fun for all ages!*



Visit tplibrary.me/fff
for full details.



Saturday, September 27 10 am–3 pm



Parking & Safety

Parking is available in the Metra lots. Attendees are welcome to dress in costume—no full face masks or realistic weapons. Security will be present.

Artist Alley | 10 am–3 pm: Local artists, authors, and vendors will be selling their wares in our Meeting Room. Visit tplibrary.me/fff for vendor list.

Button Making | 10 am–1 pm: Choose from a selection of fandoms to make your own button!

Cosplay Photo Ops | 10 am–1 pm: Princess Party Chicago and League of Enchantment Cosplayers will be in costume and available for photos.

Disney: Craft and Create | 10–11 am | Ages 3–8 years with adult(s): Drop in and create a special craft related to the magical world of Disney.

Food Trucks | 11 am–3 pm: Joey's Red Hots Hot Dogs & Tacos, The Scoop, Life's a Slice, and Aunt Tina's Sound Bites

DJ from MLO Entertainment | 11 am–3 pm

Bookmobile | 11 am–3 pm: Look for hidden items in the Bookmobile to win a prize!

Mobile Adventures Escape Room | 11 am–2 pm | Ages 6–Adult: Test your sleuthing skills with your friends in this Superhero themed escape room! Ages 6+. Sign up in person on September 27 for a time slot. Each participant must register individually.

Green Screen Photos | 11 am–1 pm: Pop into our Teen Lounge to have your photo taken in front of a cool background!

Teen Fandom Trivia | 11 am–12 pm | Grades 6–12: Join us for an exciting trivia challenge on Kahoot! Put your fandom knowledge to the test and compete for fantastic prizes!

Nintendo Time | 12–3 pm | All ages: Play a variety of video games on the library's Nintendo Switches or NES consoles. Sign up in person on September 27 for a time slot.

Fandom Tattoos and Face Painting | 12–3 pm

Balloon Artist Dave Fleming | 1–3 pm

Cosplay Showcase | 2–2:30 pm: Calling all fandom fashionistas! Join us at the DJ booth to show off your creative costumes.

Celebrate Heritage

Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15–October 15

German American Heritage Month

October

Polish American Heritage Month

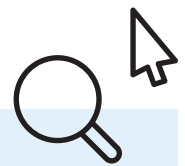
October

Native American Heritage Month

November

Heritage months are cultural celebrations

that can help everyone to better understand and appreciate different cultures and identities. These commemorations provide space to learn about the traditions, history, and current experiences of individual communities. They also serve as a reminder to examine the issues and struggles they have faced, both in the past and present. We are dedicated to sharing the stories and experiences of people from all cultural backgrounds—during designated heritage months and year round. We invite you to check out our displays for each designated month.



Online Resources to Explore

- **Ancestry Library Edition**—Uncover your family's history through census, birth, marriage, death, and immigration records, and more. Must visit the library to use this resource.
- **AtoZ World Food**—A comprehensive database of food and food culture for 174 countries.
- **CultureGrams**—Discover snapshots of over 200 countries around the world.
- **Ethnic Diversity Source**—Read articles covering the culture, traditions, social treatment, and lived experiences of different ethnic groups in America.

Visit tplibrary.me/research to find these resources and more.





The LEGO Trains Are Back

Presented by Northern Illinois LEGO Train Club

LEGO Train Event

Sat, Nov 8 | 9 am–4 pm

Sun, Nov 9 | 12–4 pm

📍 Drop in

Be inspired! Members of the Northern Illinois LEGO Train Club will showcase a variety of their amazing original creations, all connected by running LEGO trains. This exhibit is open to all ages and children must be accompanied by an adult.

Sensory Sensitive Offering

Sun, Nov 9 | 11 am–12 pm

A low-sensory offering for LEGO fans will be available to registered patrons the hour before we open. Meeting Room lights will be dimmed and registration will be limited. Signup begins Oct 15.

Join us for these fun LEGO events!

Lo-Fi LEGOs

Tue, Oct 21 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Hang out and build freeform LEGO creations while eating snacks in a chill atmosphere. Signup begins Sep 15.

Sunday Matinee: *The LEGO Movie*

Sun, Nov 2 | 1–3 pm

📍 Drop in

2014 | PG | 100 minutes

All Ages: Join us for a viewing of *The LEGO Movie*. A snack and juice will be offered. Children must be accompanied by an adult throughout the film.

Bricks and Brews at Tinley Park VFW

Tue, Nov 4 | 6:30–8 pm

📍 VFW Bremen Post 2791

17147 Oak Park Ave

We'll bring the (LEGO) bricks, you bring your creativity! Pizza provided, beverages available to purchase. Signup begins Sep 15 for Tinley Park cardholders, Oct 15 for others. Ages 21+.

LEGOpalooza!

Sat, Nov 8 | 11 am–12 pm

📍 Drop in

Families: Help us celebrate all things LEGO! Drop in during the hour to create, craft, or color.

All Ages

Signup is required unless noted as **Drop in**. Signup begins on the 15th of the month prior to the event's listed date.

All Ages

Wicked: For Good

Sat, Sep 13 | 2–3:30 pm

All Ages: Join us as we dance through life and celebrate all things *Wicked* with photo opportunities, trivia, singing, and more.

Nintendo Time

Sat, Sep 27 | 12–3 pm

Drop in
All ages: Play a variety of video games on the library's Nintendo Switches or NES consoles. Sign up in person on 9/27 for a time slot.

Downtown Tinley Boo Bash

Sun, Oct 26 | 12–4 pm

Harmony Square Plaza
Oak Park Ave & North St
Drop in ►

All Ages: Visit the library's photo booth at Boo Bash to have your picture taken and pick up a treat! All ages storytimes at 1 pm and 3 pm.

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All ages: View the amazing creative displays presented by the Northern Illinois LEGO Train Club, all connected by LEGO trains! Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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Children

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Storytimes

Preschool Stories

Tue, Sep 2–Oct 7 & Oct 28–

Nov 18 | 10–10:30 am

Wed, Sep 3–Oct 8 & Oct 29–

Nov 19 | 11–11:30 am

Drop in
Preschoolers with adult(s): Designed to promote early literacy and fine motor skills for preschoolers.

Bouncing Babies

Tue, Sep 2–Oct 7 & Oct 28–

Nov 18 | 11–11:30 am

Thu, Sep 4–Oct 9 & Oct 30–

Nov 20 | 10–10:30 am

Drop in
Ages Birth–23 months with adult(s): Stories, songs, and rhymes for caregiver and child to share.

Toddler Tales

Wed, Sep 3–Oct 8 & Oct 29–

Nov 19 | 10–10:30 am

Fri, Sep 5–Oct 10 & Oct 31–

Nov 21 | 10–10:30 am

Drop in
Toddlers with adult(s): Build early literacy skills through stories, fingerplays, songs, and more.

Evening Storytime

Thu, Sep 4–Oct 9 & Oct 30–

Nov 20 | 6:30–7 pm

Drop in
Ages 3–8 years with adult(s): Join us each week for themed stories, songs, activities, and a craft!

Supported Storytime

Sat, Sep 6, Oct 4, Nov 29 |

10–11:15 am

Ages 3–8 years with adult(s): A visual schedule and sensory supports will be available in this adaptive storytime. Join us for stories, songs, movement, and sensory activities.

Family Pajamarama

Fri, Sep 12, Oct 17, Nov 14 |

6:30–7:15 pm

Drop in
Ages 3–8 years with adult(s): Participate in stories, fingerplays, games, crafts, and songs. The October session will be Halloween themed.

Youth & Teen Subscriptions

Children, families, and teens can sign up for monthly subscription services with books or movies that are curated and chosen based on their preferences.

Ready Readers Subscription Bag | Grades K–2

Junior Reads Subscription Bag | Grades 3–5

Teen Reads Subscription Box | Grades 6–12

Signup: September 1–20

Pickup: October 6, November 3, December 1

Baby's First Book Bag | Birth–23 months

Family Movie Subscription Bag

Families with children ages 3–8 or 9–12

Signup: begins on the 15th of the month prior

Pickup: September 2, October 6, November 3

Polish Storytime

Sat, Sep 13, Oct 25 | 10:30–11 am

Ages 3–8 years with adult(s):

Enjoy stories and songs in both Polish and English. Ciesz się opowieściami i piosenkami w języku polskim i angielskim.

Stories Around Town at Krema Coffee

Mon, Sep 15, Oct 20, Nov 17 |

Bookmobile: **10–11 am**

Storytime: **10:15–10:45 am**

📍 Oak Park Ave Train Station—

Krema Coffee

6700 South St

📍 Drop in

Families: Drop by for a 30-minute storytime and craft. Visit the Bookmobile to check out books and pick up a special treat!

Arabic Storytime

Sat, Sep 20, Oct 18 | 10:30–11 am

📍 Drop in

Ages 3–8 years with adult(s):

Enjoy children's stories and songs in Arabic.

قصص و أغاني باللغة العربية مع
المعلمة منى جرار

Bilingual Storytime: Spanish and English

Sat, Oct 11, Nov 15 | 10:30–11 am

📍 Drop in

Ages 3–8 years with adult(s):

Enjoy stories and songs in both Spanish and English. Disfruten de cuentos y canciones para niños en español e inglés.

Families

Family Activity Night

Fridays | 6:30–7:30 pm

Sep 26: **Popular Board Games**

Oct 24: **Halloween Minute to Win It!**

Nov 21: **LEGO**

📍 Drop in

Families: Come to the library and spend some quality time together!

Disney: Craft and Create

Sat, Sep 27 | 10–11 am

📍 Drop in

Ages 3–8 years with adult(s):

Drop in and create a special craft related to the magical world of Disney.



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Oak Park Ave & North St

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Babies & Toddlers

Baby Loves...

Wednesdays | 6–6:30 pm

Sep 3: **Baby Loves to Explore**

Oct 1: **Baby Loves to Play**

Nov 5: **Baby Loves Music**

Ages 3–23 months with adult(s):

Join us for a fun time as we let baby do activities and learn.

Movin' and Groovin' Indoors

Wed, Oct 15 | 11–11:30 am

📍 Drop in

Ages 2–3 years with adult(s):

Kids will engage with interactive stories and move to upbeat rhythms.

Wiggleworms

Wed, Oct 29 | 6–6:30 pm

Ages 2–3 years with adult(s):

Enjoy stories, songs, and a craft.

Preschool

Stories and Stretches

Thu, Oct 16 | 11–11:30 am

Ages 3–5 years with adult(s):

This movement-based storytime program uses yoga to build both gross and fine motor skills through stories and songs. Bring your favorite yoga mat!

STEAMers at Work

Fri, Oct 17 | 10–10:45 am

Ages 4–5 years with adult(s):

Join us for play-based activities for our little scientists.

Create with Me

Mon, Nov 3 | 5:30–6 pm

Ages 3–5 years with adult(s):

Your child and their favorite adult will create a keepsake art project.

Grades K–1

We Love Hello Kitty

Tue, Sep 23 | 4:30–5:15 pm

Grades K–1: Celebrate the

cuteness of Hello Kitty by playing games and making a special craft!

Read, Taste, Discover: Apples

Mon, Sep 29 | 5–5:45 pm

Grades K–1: Read a story, taste several different varieties of apples, and create an apple-inspired craft in this juicy fall program!

Happy Little Painters

Mon, Oct 6 | 6:30–7:15 pm

Grades K–1: Bring out your inner artist and create a simple, step-by-step painting.

Dinosaur Tea Party

Mon, Nov 10 | 5–5:30 pm

Grades K–1: Roar and stomp your way to us for a tea party with dinosaur-inspired games, crafts, and a snack!

Grades K–2

Monarch Madness

Thu, Oct 16 | 1–2 pm

Grades K–2: Are you ready to battle a few of the 2026 Monarch nominees? Join us as we read 3–4 books, choose our favorites, and complete fun activities.

Grades K–8

Novels and Nachos

Thu, Oct 2 | 11 am–12 pm

Grades K–8: Come learn about Illinois Readers' Choice Book Award nominees while snacking on nachos.

Grades 1–2

Pushing Shape into Your Art

Mon, Sep 22 | 4:30–5:30 pm

Grades 1–2: Learn tips and tricks to emphasize shape in your art and create cartoons.

Fall Events

Grades 2–3

Team LEGO

Fri, Sep 5 | 6:30–7:30 pm

Grades 2–3: Teamwork is the name of the game! Each person will be paired with a teen to work together to complete their LEGO challenges.

Our Friend, Hello Kitty

Tue, Sep 23 | 6–7 pm

Grades 2–3: Who doesn't love Hello Kitty? Join us to play Hello Kitty trivia and make a special craft!

Fun Ways to Paint

Wed, Oct 15 | 6:30–7:15 pm

Grades 2–3: Discover and try different fun ways to paint.

Books and Cooks

Mon, Oct 20 | 5:30–6:30 pm

Grades 2–3: Arrive hungry for a spine-chilling good time as we read a spooky book and create our very own graveyard dirt cakes.

Grades 3–5

Bluestem Book Club

Thursdays | 4:30–5:30 pm

Sep 4: *The Guardian Test* by Christina Soontornvat

Oct 2: *Batcat* by Maggie Ramm

Nov 6: *The Misfits* by Lisa Yee

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Grades 4–5

"Sew" Simple

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Grades 4–5: Learn a few simple stitches and create a Fandom tic tac toe game. All supplies provided.

Videogame Club

Tue, Sep 30, Oct 28, Nov 25 |

4:30–5:30 pm

Grades 4–5: Play a variety of video games on the library's Nintendo Switches.

The First Cat in Space

Wed, Oct 8 | 5:30–6:30 pm

Grades 4–5: Have fun with a variety of games and activities all about the *The First Cat in Space Ate Pizza* books.

Game On!: International Games

Tue, Nov 18 | 4:30–5:30 pm

Grades 4–5: We're celebrating International Games Month by playing games from all around the world.

A Special Kind of Robot

Wed, Nov 19 | 5:30–6:30 pm

Grades 4–5: Enjoy fun activities based on the new picture book, *Wild Robot on the Island*.

Grades 4–8

King Me!

Fri, Sep 19, Oct 17 | 7–8 pm

Nov 14 | 6–7 pm


Grades 4–8: Show off your skills and join us for chess and checker fun! Beginners and experts alike are welcome.

Someday We'll All Be Action Figures Academy: Improv Workshop

Wed, Sep 24 | 6:30–7:30 pm

Grades 4–8: Through fun games, quick-thinking exercises, and collaborative storytelling, you'll discover how to say "Yes, And," build confidence, and turn any idea into a scene.

Teens

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Grades 6–8

Caudill Book Club

Thursdays | 4:30–5:30 pm

 **Bean N' Breek**

17835 S 80th Ave

Sep 18: *Dungeon Club: Roll Call* by Molly Knox Ostertag

Oct 16: *The Bellwoods Game* by Celia Krampien

Nov 20: *What Happened to Rachel Riley* by Claire Swinarski

Grades 6–8: Each month we'll discuss a nominee from the 2026 Caudill Readers' Choice List. Permission slip required. See full description at tplibrary.me/events.

Grades 6–12

Teen Volunteering Opportunities

Grades 6–12: Volunteer to help out at children's programs! Check our calendar regularly for new opportunities: tplibrary.me/programvolunteers.

YAC: Youth Advisory Council

Tue, Sep 9, Oct 14, Nov 11 |

6–7 pm

Grades 6–12: Help plan teen programs at the library. Pizza and pop are served.

Café Olé

Tue, Sep 9, Oct 14, Nov 11 |

7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Hang out with your friends, eat cookies, sip on a hot or cold drink, and enjoy a different activity each time.

Teen Craft Night

Fridays | 7–8 pm

Sep 12: *Minecraft Mosaics*

Nov 7: *3D String Art Stars*

Grades 6–12: Test your crafting skills with these fun projects!

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Grades 6–12: Create a Super Mario-inspired magnet as you visit with other stitchers. All supplies provided.

Teen Tabletop Game Night: Flip 7

Tue, Sep 23 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Flip 7 is a game that's easy to learn and hard to master. The first to earn 200 points wins. Snacks will be served.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Fri, Sep 26 | 6–8:30 pm

Grades 6–Adult: Join a friendly competition among fellow Super Smash Bros. enthusiasts. All equipment provided.

Teen Fandom Trivia

Sat, Sep 27 | 11 am–12 pm

📍 Drop in

Grades 6–12: Join us for an exciting trivia challenge on Kahoot! Put your fandom knowledge to the test and compete for fantastic prizes!

Teen Video Games

Fri, Oct 3 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Play old-school Nintendo classics on the library's mini-NES consoles.

Teen Paint Night: Neon Skeleton Painting

Fri, Oct 10 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Follow step-by-step instructions to create an original painting for Halloween.

Loom Pumpkin

Mon, Oct 13 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Learn how to use a spool loom to create a pumpkin. Supplies are provided.

Winter Fairy Tale Theatre Auditions

Thu, Oct 16 | 5:30–7 pm

📍 Drop in

Grades 6–12: Auditions are being held for this year's winter Fairy Tale Theatre production. ►

For more information, please visit tplibrary.me/ftt-actors or call the Youth & Teen Services Desk.

Lo-Fi LEGOs

Tue, Oct 21 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Hang out and build freeform LEGO creations while eating snacks in a chill atmosphere.

Teen Galaxy Jars

Tue, Nov 4 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: We'll have a relaxing evening of crafting as we make swirling galaxy jars. Beverages will be served.

Crochet Mania

Wed, Nov 5 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Learn the basics of crocheting and make your own craft. Experts and beginners alike are welcome.

Teen How-To: Hair Styling

Wed, Nov 12 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Learn how to do different braids, updos, and more!

Teen Board Games and Brownies

Tue, Nov 18 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Play fun games while eating tasty brownies. Beverages also served.

Teen Art Studio

Fri, Nov 21 | 7–8 pm

Grades 6–12: Learn the art of designing and carving a reusable print block and create custom crafts with your creation.

Grades 9–12

Character Exploration: Developing Original Characters

Fri, Sep 5 | 6:30–8 pm

Grades 9–Adult: Participants ►

will learn how to brainstorm and build original characters. This session is designed to strengthen your creativity and storytelling skills.

Fandom Fest Trivia: Films and Literature

Fri, Sep 12 | 6–8 pm

Grades 9–Adult: Show off your film & literature knowledge with a game of trivia! Play alone or with a team (limit 6 people per team) for a chance to win a prize.

Cricut 101: Using the Cricut

Wed, Sep 17 | 6–7:30 pm

Grades 9–Adult: Learn how to use the Cricut and cut out fandom-related designs.

High School Book Club

Tue, Sep 30, Oct 28, Nov 25 | 7–8 pm

Grades 9–12: Read and talk about books! Each month we will discuss one book and choose the book for the following month.

Adults

Signup is required unless noted as 📍 Drop in. You may sign up beginning now unless otherwise noted.

Seasonal Events

Classic Comics Bingo

Wed, Sep 3 | 2–3:30 pm

Celebrate the Sunday Funnies you grew up with: "Dick Tracy," "Blondie," "Nancy," "Archie," "Cathy," "Family Circus," "Peanuts," and more. It's a trip down memory lane—with prizes!

American Sign Language 101

Thu, Sep 4 | 6:30–7:30 pm

September is National Deaf Awareness month. Amber Williams will introduce you to American Sign Language (ASL), the manual alphabet, basic vocabulary, and some aspects of Deaf culture.

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Wicked: For Good

Sat, Sep 13 | 2–3:30 pm

All Ages: Join us as we dance through life and celebrate all things *Wicked* with photo opportunities, trivia, singing, and more.




Friends' Concert Knights of Harmony Chorus Performance

Sun, Sep 14 | 2–3 pm

Enjoy the rich harmonies of this local barbershop-style acapella group. Sponsored by the Friends of the Tinley Park Public Library. Signup begins Aug 15.

Tour the Tinley Park Historical Society


Wed, Sep 17 | 1–2:30 pm

 Tinley Park Historical Society
6727 174th St

Meet us at the Historical Society in downtown Tinley and get a glimpse of the past with a guided tour of the museum.

Birth of the Universal Monsters at Tinley Park Performing Arts Center

Mon, Sep 22 | 6:30–8 pm

 Tinley Park Performing Arts Center
16801 S 80th Ave

Storyteller William Pack discusses the creation story and legacy of Universal Pictures classic and iconic monsters, including the Mummy, the Invisible Man, Count Dracula, and more.

PowerPoint Night: Fandom Edition

Tue, Sep 23 | 6:30–8 pm

Adults: Present a PowerPoint with your opinions on any fandom or pop culture subject! Send slides to dclements@tplibrary.org by Sep 19. Eight minutes max. Signup required for presenters; not required for observers.


Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Fri, Sep 26 | 6–8:30 pm

Grades 6–Adult: Join a friendly competition among fellow Super Smash Bros. enthusiasts. All equipment provided.


Nintendo Time

Sat, Sep 27 | 12–3 pm

 Drop in
All ages: Play a variety of video games on the library's Nintendo Switches or NES consoles. Sign up in person on September 27 for a time slot.

Medicare Update: Part D

Wed, Oct 1 | 6–7 pm

 Attend in person or view recording

Learn how to choose a Medicare prescription drug plan. Presented by Diane Adduci, a community educator & licensed insurance representative.


Pathlights Presents: Hold That Thought!

Fri, Oct 3 | 11 am–12 pm

Learn about the memory process, including types of memory, and strategies for helping with everyday forgetfulness. Presented by U of I Extension Family Life Educator Molly Hoffer.

Bookmobile at Walk to End Alzheimer's—South Suburban

Sat, Oct 4 | 8:30–11:30 am

 80th Ave Train Station
18001 S 80th Ave

Visit the Bookmobile and learn about library resources and programs for caregivers and those living with dementia.

Argentinian Empanadas

Mon, Oct 6 | 6:30–8 pm

Chef Violeta will demonstrate how to prepare dough, create a savory beef filling and chimichurri sauce, and shape and assemble empanadas. Samples and recipes provided. Signup begins Sept 15.

Comedy Gold on the Silver Screen

Thu, Oct 9 | 2–3:30 pm

Explore 100 years of film and TV comedy in John LeGear's fun, fast-paced presentation featuring classic clips, behind-the-scenes insights, and laughs for the whole family.

Morbid History: Because You're Just More Interesting When You're Dead

Mon, Oct 20 | 7–8 pm

Discover bizarre burials, grave robbers, and cemetery secrets in this spooky, fun talk by filmmaker and taphophile Lorrissa Julianus. True tales you never learned in history class!

New Orleans Ghosts and Haunts

Wed, Oct 22 | 2–3 pm

Historian Bob Trzeciak explores the mystical side of New Orleans, a city home to the living, the dead, and restless spirits of every description.


Managing Money: A Caregiver's Guide to Finances

Thu, Oct 23 | 6:30–7:30 pm

Learn about the costs of caregiving and the benefits of early planning, avoid financial abuse and fraud, and find support. Presented in partnership with The Alzheimer's Association.

Bricks and Brews at Tinley Park VFW

Tue, Nov 4 | 6:30–8 pm

 VFW Bremen Post 2791
17147 Oak Park Ave

We'll bring the (LEGO) bricks, you bring your creativity! Pizza provided, beverages available to purchase. Signup begins Sep 15 for Tinley Park cardholders, Oct 15 for others. Ages 21+.

The Women: A Story of Two Army Nurses in Vietnam

Wed, Nov 5 | 2–3 pm


In this dramatic portrayal, storyteller Lynn Rymarz weaves the fictional story of Frances ►

McGrath from *The Women*, written by Kristin Hannah, and the true story of Lynda Van Devanter.

LEGO Train Event

Sat, Nov 8 | 9 am–4 pm

Sun, Nov 9 | 12–4 pm

 Drop in
All ages: View the amazing creative displays presented by the Northern Illinois LEGO Train Club, all connected by LEGO trains! Children must be accompanied by an adult.


LEGO Train Event: Sensory Sensitive Offering

Sun, Nov 9 | 11 am–12 pm

All ages: A low-sensory offering for LEGO fans will be available to registered patrons the hour before we open. Meeting room lights will be dimmed and registration will be limited.

Native American Bead Workshop for Adults

Sat, Nov 15 | 1–2:30 pm

 TPPL cardholders only
Learn about beadwork and use a traditional loom to make a paw print keychain. Led by Sam Thompson from the Midwest Soaring Foundation. Ages 18+. Signup begins October 15.


Travel Around the World from A to Z

Mon, Nov 17 | 11 am–12 pm

Local traveler and avid photographer Ron Centanni shares experience and knowledge through photos taken in his travels.

Pizza Night with Papa Dom at Rec Center

Tue, Nov 18 | 6–7:30 pm

 Bettenhausen Recreation Center
8125 W 171st St

Learn to make dough, cook a ►

savory sauce, and craft gourmet pizzas with simple, delicious ingredients. Samples and recipes provided. Signup begins Oct 15 for Tinley Park cardholders, Nov 1 for others.



Friends' Concert Eddie Korosa, Jr. & The Boys from Illinois Performance

Sun, Nov 23 | 2–3 pm
Join Eddie, playing his accordion, and his band as they entertain with polkas and other old favorites. Sponsored by the Friends of the Tinley Park Public Library. Signup begins Oct 15.

Ongoing Events

Mah Jongg Club

Tue, Sep 2 & 16, Oct 7 & 21,
Nov 4 & 18 | 11 am–1 pm
Mon, Sep 29, Oct 27, Nov 24 |
6–8 pm
📍 Drop in
Players of all skill levels are welcome. An instructor will be on hand to teach those new to the game.

Stitch Club

Thu, Sep 4 | 11 am–1 pm | Sep 25 |
12–2 pm | Oct 2 & 16, Nov 6 & 20 |
11 am–1 pm
📍 Drop in
Open to anyone who wants to meet, mingle, and share tips on needlecraft projects. Supplies not provided.

Ageless Grace (Brain and Body Fitness)

Mon, Sep 8 & 29, Oct 13 & 27,
Nov 10 & 24 | 10–10:45 am
📍 Attend online or in person
Work out your brain as well as your body in this fun, creative, and playful chair exercise program. Signup begins on the 15th of the month prior to the dates listed.

Wits Workout for Older Adults

Tue, Sep 9, Oct 14, Nov 11 |
10:30–11:30 am
Give your brain the workout it needs to stay sharp! Join us for fun brain-teasers, games, and puzzles that get you thinking. Made possible through a grant from AgeOptions.

English as a Second Language: Conversation Group

Tue, Sep 9, Oct 21, Nov 11 |
7–8 pm
Practice conversational English with other members of the community who speak English as a second language.

Chair Yoga

Thu, Sep 11, Oct 9, Nov 13 |
11 am–12 pm
Instructor Kathy Ruiter will guide you in gentle, non-strenuous chair exercises and meditation. Signup begins on the 15th of the month prior to the dates listed.

Evening Yoga

Wed, Sep 17, Oct 15, Nov 19 |
6:30–7:30 pm
Through guided instruction from Kathy Ruiter, combine gentle yoga poses with breathing awareness to relax the mind. Bring a yoga mat and a firm blanket. Signup begins on the 15th of the month prior to the dates listed.

Memory Café

Tue, Sep 23, Oct 28, Nov 25 |
10:30–11:30 am
A comfortable social gathering for people living with dementia to attend with a family member or care partner. Includes creative engagement activities, music, and refreshments.

Posture, Balance, and a Little Cha-Cha

Thu, Sep 25, Oct 30 | 10–10:45 am
Increase strength, flexibility, and endurance for living a healthy lifestyle. Led by Elaine Gotfryd Noonan, exercises can be done standing or in a chair. Signup begins on the 15th of the month prior to the dates listed.

League of Aspiring Writers

Mon, Sep 29, Oct 27, Nov 24 |
6–8 pm
Connect with other local writers who are eager to improve their craft and help you improve yours.

Movie Discussions

Movies are available at the Adult Reference Desk about one month before the discussion date. Watch at home and join us for the discussion.

Real Women Have Curves

Wed, Sep 10 | 7–8 pm
📍 Drop in
2002 | PG-13 | 90 min |
Comedy, Drama

Get Out

Wed, Oct 8 | 7–8 pm
📍 Drop in
2017 | R | 104 min | Horror

Mulholland Dr.

Wed, Nov 12 | 7–8 pm
📍 Drop in
2001 | R | 147 min | Mystery,
Thriller

Movies

Events are 📍 Drop in. Signup not required.

Friday Films

Drop in and join us for a free daytime movie showing.

Snow White

Fri, Sep 12 | 11 am & 2 pm
📍 Drop in
2025 | PG | 109 min | CC |
Fantasy, Adventure

The Friend

Fri, Oct 17 | 11 am & 2 pm
📍 Drop in
2024 | R | 119 min | CC |
Comedy, Drama

Mission: Impossible—The Final Reckoning

Fri, Nov 14 | 11 am
📍 One Showtime
📍 Drop in
2025 | PG-13 | 170 min | CC |
Action, Adventure

Sunday Matinee

The LEGO Movie

Sun, Nov 2 | 1–3 pm
📍 Drop in
2014 | PG | 100 minutes
All Ages: Join us for a viewing of *The LEGO Movie*. A snack and juice will be offered. Children must be accompanied by an adult throughout the film.

Technology Classes

Signup is required for events and begins on the 15th of the month for the next month's events.

Classes & Workshops

Apple Devices: Basics

Thu, Sep 4 | 2–3:30 pm

Mon, Oct 6 | 2–3:30 pm

Thu, Nov 6 | 2–3:30 pm

Familiarize yourself with the basic features of your iPad or iPhone.

Apple Devices: Advanced

Fri, Sep 19 | 10–11:30 am

Wed, Oct 22 | 2–3:30 pm

Tue, Nov 18 | 6–7:30 pm

Learn about some of the advanced features of your iPhone or iPad.

Create Professional Presentations with Canva

Thu, Oct 9 | 6–7 pm

Learn how to use the free graphic design tool Canva to create presentations for school or work.

Cut the Cable Cord

Mon, Sep 22 | 10–11 am

Thu, Oct 30 | 2–3 pm

Tue, Nov 18 | 11 am–12 pm

Learn about streaming services, like Netflix and Hulu, and streaming devices, like Apple TV and Roku.

Deepfake: ChatGPT and AI

Wed, Oct 29 | 10–11 am

Learn about Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology innovations and how AI can influence various aspects of our lives and industries.

eBay and Facebook Marketplace: How to Sell Stuff Online

Sat, Nov 8 | 2–3 pm

Learn how to sell items on eBay and Facebook Marketplace.

Excel: Basics

Tue, Sep 16 | 6–8 pm

Thu, Oct 2 | 2–4 pm

Mon, Nov 10 | 10 am–12 pm

Learn the fundamentals of Microsoft's spreadsheet application.

Excel: Intermediate

Tue, Sep 23 | 6–8 pm

Thu, Oct 16 | 2–4 pm

Wed, Nov 19 | 6–8 pm

Learn to format and arrange data to improve the functionality and analysis of your dataset.

Excel: Advanced

Wed, Oct 29 | 2–4 pm

Tue, Nov 25 | 10 am–12 pm

Learn advanced level Excel skills, including charts, pivot tables, and advanced filtering.

How to Listen to Podcasts

Tue, Oct 21 | 10–11 am

Learn how to find and listen to podcasts on your favorite devices.

Information Literacy in the Age of AI and Social Media

Sat, Sep 13 | 10–11:30 am

Tue, Oct 14 | 6–7:30 pm

Learn how to identify misinformation and content created by AI on social media.

Introduction to Android Devices

Sun, Oct 19 | 2–4 pm

Wed, Nov 5 | 2–4 pm

Bring your phone or tablet to learn what makes Android unique.

Introduction to Cloud Storage

Mon, Sep 22 | 2–3:30 pm

Fri, Oct 31 | 2–3:30 pm

Sat, Nov 22 | 2–3:30 pm

Learn the benefits and drawbacks of cloud storage. Informational, no individual technology support provided.

Introduction to Google Apps

Mon, Sep 8 | 10–11 am

Sat, Oct 4 | 10–11 am

Tue, Nov 4 | 3–4 pm

Learn how to use various Google apps on your smartphone.

Introduction to Windows 11

Wed, Sep 24 | 10 am–12 pm

Tue, Oct 14 | 2–4 pm

Tue, Nov 11 | 10 am–12 pm

Familiarize yourself with Microsoft's Windows 11.

Password Management

Mon, Oct 27 | 3–4 pm

Learn to create and store secure passwords.

PowerPoint: Basics

Mon, Sep 15 | 2–4 pm

Thu, Oct 9 | 2–4 pm

Mon, Nov 10 | 6–8 pm

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

PowerPoint: Advanced

Mon, Nov 17 | 6–8 pm

Learn some of the more advanced features of Microsoft PowerPoint.

Spot the Scam: Stay Safe Online

Mon, Nov 24 | 3–4 pm

Learn tips to identify and avoid common online scams.

Tech Time: Apple Devices

Sat, Oct 11 | 3–4:30 pm

Bring any questions you may have about your Apple device for one-on-one support. Sessions are limited to 15 minutes per person.

Tech Time: Android Devices

Thu, Nov 13 | 2–3:30 pm

Bring any questions you may have about your Android device for one-on-one support. Sessions are limited to 15 minutes per person.

Word: Basics

Mon, Sep 29 | 2–4 pm

Mon, Oct 20 | 10 am–12 pm

Thu, Nov 13 | 6–8 pm

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

Genealogy

Introduction to Genealogy: Uncover Your Family's Past

Tue, Sep 30 | 6–7:30 pm

Sun, Nov 16 | 3–4:30 pm

Learn about the many genealogy resources in the library and beyond with this introductory course.

Ancestry.com Library Edition: Research Your Family History

Mon, Nov 3 | 10–11 am

Start your genealogy research with the library's edition of the popular database.

Career Building

Create a Professional Profile with LinkedIn

Wed, Oct 22 | 10–11:30 am

Enhance your professional presence with a LinkedIn profile.

Interview Essentials: Strategies for Standing Out

Mon, Sep 29 | 10–11 am

Tue, Oct 28 | 6–7 pm

Tue, Nov 11 | 6–7 pm

Learn tips to help you succeed at your next job interview.

Résumé Tips and Tricks

Tue, Sep 2 | 2–3 pm

Fri, Oct 17 | 3–4 pm

Tue, Nov 4 | 6–7 pm

Learn techniques to help your résumé get seen by a human.

Digital Media Studio


Cricut 101: Using the Cricut

Wed, Sep 17 | 6–7:30 pm

Grades 9–Adult: Learn how to use the Cricut and cut out fandom-related designs.

Preserve Your Past: Record Your Family's Oral History

Tue, Nov 11 | 3–4 pm

 TPPL cardholders only

Learn how to record your family's oral history and have it added to the the StoryCorps Archive at the Library of Congress.

Conversion Station

Digitize It: Photos and Slides

Sat, Sep 20 | 10–11 am

Sat, Oct 18 | 11 am–12 pm


Fri, Nov 21 | 6–7 pm

 TPPL cardholders only

Learn to digitize your photos and slides.

Digitize It: Reel-to-Reel Films

Tue, Sep 16 | 2–3 pm

 TPPL cardholders only

Learn to digitize your 8 mm, Super 8, or 16 mm reel-to-reel films.


Digitize It: VHS Tapes

Thu, Sep 11 | 6–7 pm

Thu, Oct 2 | 6–7 pm

Tue, Nov 4 | 10–11 am


Sat, Nov 15 | 3–4 pm

 TPPL cardholders only

Learn to digitize your VHS tapes.

Digitize It: Vinyl Records

Fri, Oct 24 | 6–7 pm

 TPPL cardholders only

Learn to digitize your vinyl records and cassette tapes.

Online Resources

GALE Legal Forms: Access Legal Resources

Mon, Nov 17 | 10–10:30 am

Learn how to access legal forms and other resources using the GALE Legal Forms database.

How to Use eAudiobooks and eBooks

Tue, Sep 2 | 6–7 pm

Sun, Nov 9 | 2–3 pm

 TPPL cardholders only

Learn how to remotely access the library's collection of eAudiobooks and eBooks on your favorite devices.

Morningstar: Research Stocks with Confidence

Tue, Oct 7 | 10–10:30 am


An introduction on how to use Morningstar to help you research investment opportunities and build your investment knowledge.

PressReader: How to Access eNewspapers

Wed, Sep 3 | 3:30–4 pm

Wed, Oct 1 | 3–3:30 pm

Wed, Nov 5 | 6–6:30 pm

 TPPL cardholders only

Learn how to remotely access the library's collection of eNewspapers on PressReader on your favorite devices.

Udemy: Online Courses to Learn a New Skill

Thu, Sep 25 | 3–4 pm

 TPPL cardholders only

Learn how to use the library database Udemy to learn new skills.



Udemy provides access to thousands of online courses across unique categories. From web development and business fundamentals to software basics—and even fitness and beauty tutorials—there's something for everyone! All you need is your library card.

tplibrary.me/udemy

Dementia-Friendly Events & Resources

The library is part of Dementia Friendly Tinley Park—an initiative that brings together local government, businesses, healthcare providers, first responders, and individuals to raise awareness and reduce stigma around Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. Through this program, we work to create a more attentive, caring, and supportive community.



"Farm" Memory Care Collection Activity Kit



Events

Memory Café

Tue, Sep 23, Oct 28, Nov 25 | 10:30–11:30 am

A comfortable social gathering for people living with dementia to attend with a family member or care partner. Includes creative engagement activities, music, and refreshments.

Managing Money: A Caregiver's Guide to Finances

Thu, Oct 23 | 6:30–7:30 pm

Learn about the costs of caregiving and the benefits of early planning, avoid financial abuse and fraud, and find support. Presented in partnership with The Alzheimer's Association.

Memory Care Collection

Located in the adult nonfiction section on the first floor along the north wall:

- Books, DVDs, and resources on caregiving and understanding and coping with dementia
- Simplified large print fiction and nonfiction
- Adult picture books
- Sing-along DVDs
- Activity kits, which offer a fun way for family and friends to engage

Learn more on our Dementia-Friendly web page: tplibrary.org/dementia-friendly.





English as a Second Language Conversation Group

Tue, Sep 9, Oct 21, Nov 11 | 7–8 pm

Practice conversational English with other members of the community who speak English as a second language. Light refreshments will be served.

Sign up at tplibrary.me/events.



HALLOW-READ

Reading Challenge **OCTOBER 1–31**

For Adults: Spooky season is upon us! Halloween is a holiday full of merrymaking, magic, and mischief. Get ready to monster mash, have ghoulish fun, or curl up with a chilling book. Log your reading throughout October and earn eerie badges all month long. Once you've completed the challenge, stop by the Adult Reference Desk for a sweet treat!



Illinois Libraries Present

Join us for a virtual discussion.



Steve Burns

Tue, Sep 16 | 7–8 pm

▶ Attend online

Join us virtually for a nostalgic and intimate conversation with Emmy-nominated actor Steve Burns, best known as 'Steve' from the beloved Nickelodeon show *Blue's Clues*.



Marissa Bode

Tue, Oct 21 | 7–8 pm

▶ Attend online

Prepare for a magical virtual evening with actress Marissa Bode. Bode will explore her early inspirations and performances, leading up to her portrayal of Nessarose in *Wicked*.



J. Kenji López-Alt

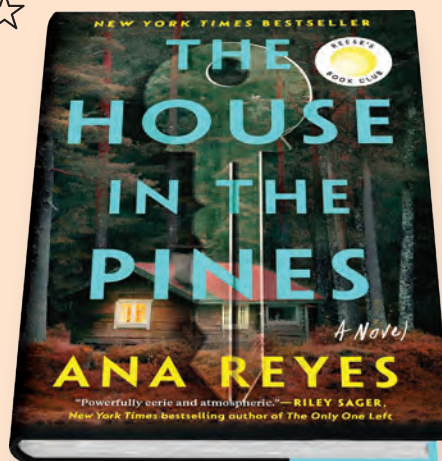
Tue, Nov 18 | 7–8 pm

▶ Attend online

Join award-winning cookbook author, former chef, and *New York Times* columnist J. Kenji López-Alt for a virtual discussion. Get insider cooking tips and hear the stories behind his bestselling books.

Book Groups

Books are available at the Adult Reference Desk about one month before the discussion date in multiple formats.



Seasonal Pick

The House in the Pines

by Ana Reyes

Suspense, Thriller

Wed, Sep 24 | 1:30–2:30 pm

Led by **Megan** | ⬇️ Drop in



Too Good to Be Missed Book Group



Bright Young Women

by Jessica Knoll

Thriller, Suspense

Wed, Sep 10 | 1:30–2:30 pm

Led by **Dominique** | ⬇️ Drop in



Trust

by Hernán Díaz

Literary

Wed, Oct 8 | 1:30–2:30 pm

Led by **Rosemarie** | ⬇️ Drop in



Whiskey Tender

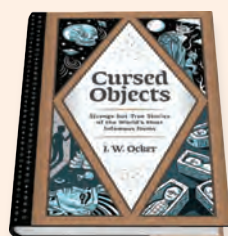
by Deborah Jackson Taffa

Memoir

Wed, Nov 12 | 1:30–2:30 pm

Led by **Kate** | ⬇️ Drop in

Out of the Ordinary Book Group



Cursed Objects

by J.W. Ocker

History

Thu, Sep 18 | 7–8 pm

Led by **Doug** | ⬇️ Drop in



Starling House

by Alix E. Harrow

Fantasy, Gothic

Thu, Oct 16 | 7–8 pm

Led by **Cindy** | ⬇️ Drop in



I Hope This Finds You Well

by Natalie Sue

Humorous Fiction

Thu, Nov 20 | 7–8 pm

Led by **Jenn** | ⬇️ Drop in

OUTREACH SERVICES

Bookmobile

Our Bookmobile is a mobile branch of the library for all ages. Look for us at neighborhood stops, special events, parks, and senior communities throughout Tinley Park and Orland Hills.

For more information:

tplibrary.me/outreach

Contact:

708.532.0160, x6

outreachservices@tplibrary.org

Request a Bookmobile Visit

Request a Bookmobile visit to your organization, neighborhood meet and greet, block party, or other special event.

Senior Community Lobby Stops

Residents: Meet us in the lobby for Chats and Checkouts.

Thursdays | 10:30–11:30 am
Once per month.

Hanover Place
Sep 11, Oct 9, Nov 13
Fulton Commons
Sep 18, Oct 16, Nov 20

Home Delivery

If you are unable to come to the library or the Bookmobile, you may qualify for our home delivery service. This service is free for Tinley Park cardholders who are ill, injured, physically challenged, or confined to their home. Visit tplibrary.me/homedelivery.



Neighborhood Stops

Tinley Park South

Thursdays

Sep 11, Oct 2 & 23, Nov 13

Brookside Glen

Glenbrook Pl & Glenbrook Ln
4:30–4:55 pm

Brookside Glen

Monaghan Dr & Fairfield Ln
5–5:30 pm

Tinley Park East & West

Thursdays

Sep 4 & 25, Oct 16, Nov 6
No Stop Nov 27

Parkside (East)

Glenview Dr & Ravinia Dr
3:45–4:15 pm

Fairmont Village (West)

Salem Ct & 170th Pl
4:25–4:50 pm

Radcliffe Place (West)

Radcliffe Rd & Harper Rd
5–5:30 pm

Orland Hills

Thursdays

Sep 18, Oct 9 & 30, Nov 20

Pheasant Ridge/Hunter Apts.

Hunter Dr & 94th Ave
3:15–4 pm

Apartments of Orland

Applewood Ln & 88th Ave
4:10–4:40 pm

Orland Hills Community Center

16553 S Haven Ave
4:45–5:15 pm

Community Events

Tinley Park Farmers Market

Second Saturdays

Sep 13, Oct 11

Harmony Square Plaza

Oak Park Ave & North St
8 am–12:30 pm

Stories Around Town

Mondays

Sep 15, Oct 20, Nov 17

Oak Park Ave Train Station—Krema Coffee

6700 South St
Bookmobile: 10–11 am
Storytime: 10:15–10:45 am

2025 Walk to End Alzheimer's—South Suburban

Saturday, October 4

80th Ave Train Station
18001 S 80th Ave
8:30–11:30 am

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Thank you for your ongoing support. With proceeds received from you, we are able to continue our commitment with funding library programs and events.

The Friends of the Library Bookstore is in the library's lobby. Through generous book donations received from library patrons we are able to offer a diverse selection of gently-used books—including fiction, nonfiction, history, business, health, and children's titles—for purchase at a low price. Our selections are not just limited to books—we also offer CDs, DVDs, and other media. From 25 cents for a children's book to \$2 for a hardcover book, there are always bargains to be had. We encourage you to please take a moment to stop in and see what we have available for sale. Your purchases help our organization support the library.



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Whether you are new or renewing, cut out and use the form below to make a donation and support the Friends!

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Address: _____
(Street Address) (City) (State/Province) (Postal/ZIP Code)

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Please check one: ☐ Adults (\$5) ☐ Good Friend (\$10) ☐ Best Friend (\$25)

☐ Family Friends (\$15) List names: _____

Please check one: ☐ New Membership ☐ Membership Renewal

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



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Love Grows by Giving

Nov 14–Dec 12

In our continual effort to support our community, the library will be a drop-off point for donations toward the following organizations ahead of the holiday season.



Crisis Center for South Suburbia

The Crisis Center wish list will be available in our lobby and our website closer to the collection dates.

Tinley Park Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be glad to receive nonperishable and non-expired food items. No glass containers please.

Board of Trustees

Laura Hess-Wojcik, President
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Bradley Daniels, Treasurer
Elizabeth Stern, Secretary

Board Dates

Tinley Park
Wed, Sep 24
Wed, Oct 22
Orland Hills
Mon, Sep 15
Mon, Nov 17

Administration

Zach Musil, Library Director
Sarah Schroeder, Assistant Director

Pathways Staff

Jessica Dyer
Kevin Palys

Library Closed

Sun, Aug 31
Mon, Sep 1
Wed, Nov 26 (at 5 pm)
Thu, Nov 27
Fri, Nov 28