



## New Improvements Coming to Your Library!

During the week of April 16, our library, as part of a consortium of 24 libraries, will transition to a new online catalog. You'll see a new look as you search for library materials, and will enjoy new features as we work to improve your library experience.

### New Catalog Features

- Seamlessly use the new catalog on your phone, tablet, or computer.
- Create an easy-to-remember username to log into the library catalog.
- Select your notice preference, including email, text, or automated calls.
- Have your items automatically renewed 3 days before your due date. If you have an email listed in your library account, you'll receive an email letting you know the new due date, or a courtesy reminder if the items cannot be renewed.
- Choose your preferred pickup location from any of the 24 participating locations.

### What it Means For You

- From April 14 through April 16, if you're checking out items, you must have your valid library card with you. Library staff will not be able to look up your account to check out materials to you without your card.
- As we transition from one system to another, results in the online catalog may not be up to date. From April 14 to April 16, we encourage you to call your library to confirm that an item is on the shelf. You can also visit other area libraries not in our consortium that weekend.
- Library staff nor patrons will be able to place holds from April 14-April 16, so you may want to do so earlier.
- Items returned to the library April 14-April 16 will not be checked in. We will automatically extend your due dates, and items will remain on your library card until we are live on the new system.
- Your library PIN or password will transfer over to the new system in ALL CAPS. For example, if your PIN is currently mypin1, it will be MYPIN1 in the new catalog.
- Your reading history and lists will be not transferred over. Ask a staff member for help in printing your reading history and/or your lists ahead of time if you want them, so that information can be preserved.

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## ILLINOIS 200 Bicentennial Programs



### Learn Bicycle Repair and Maintenance at Epic Cycle

**When:** Saturday, March 24, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Who:** Adult Program

Did you know cycling is Illinois' new state exercise? Learn basic bicycle repairs. This program will be held at Epic Cycle, 909 Front St. McHenry. You must have a valid McHenry Public Library Card. Register in person or call 815-385-0036. **R**

### Roadside History of Illinois with Author Stan Banash

**When:** Thursday, April 5, 7-8 p.m.

**Who:** Adult Program

Author Stan "Tex" Banash will talk about his book, which offers vacationers a series of short trips to historical, cultural and natural sites throughout the state. Copies of the book will be available for sale. **R**

### Raising Illinois Queen Bees

**When:** Monday, April 23, 7-8 p.m.

**Who:** Adult Program

In 1900 American beekeeping was centered in Illinois. Join apiarist Larry Krengel to discuss the past, and future of Illinois beekeeping. **R**

### Create Bicentennial Monarch Butterflies with the McHenry Garden Club

**When:** Friday, April 27, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

**Who:** Grades K-5

Did you know that the monarch butterfly is the official state insect of Illinois? Join members of the McHenry Garden Club as they help us create a beautiful monarch butterfly work of art. **R**



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**Registration for most programs starts Monday, February 12 at 9 a.m.**

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**Into the Woods: The Mighty Oak**

**When:** Sunday, April 29, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

**Who:** All ages; Family Program

Did you know that Illinois's state tree is the Mighty Oak? Illinois State forester Dave Griffith will take us on a fun interactive journey through the eyes of the Mighty Oak tree! You'll get an oak sapling at the end of the program! **R**

**Illinois Birdwatching**

**When:** Monday, May 7, 7-8 p.m.

**Who:** Adult Program

Test your skills at identifying birds commonly found in the state. McHenry County Audubon Society members will also teach you how to best attract birds to your yard. **R**

**Explore the Ancient Life of Illinois**

**When:** Monday, May 14, 7-8:15 p.m.

**Who:** Adult Program

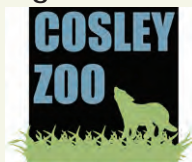
Ray Wiggers, author of "Geology Underfoot in Illinois," tells the geologic and biologic history of Illinois revealed by its fossils — from invertebrates of the Ordovician sea to the mammals of the modern Ice Age. Sponsored by the Friends of the McHenry Public Library. **R**

**Cosley Zoo Native Illinois Wildlife Experience**

**When:** Sunday, May 20, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

**Who:** All ages; Family Program

Celebrate Illinois's Bicentennial with Cosley Zoo! What better way to learn about Illinois wildlife than to see them up close! Join us for a fun interactive presentation featuring animals native to Illinois! **R**



**Tax Forms & Tax Help**

We don't receive paper tax forms or booklets, but you may use our public computers and printers to print forms at 10 cents per page. For more info on tax forms and free tax prep help, go to [www.mchenrylibrary.org](http://www.mchenrylibrary.org), click the heading FIND IT, then Tax Forms.

**Spring Storytimes**

**Two Sessions: March 19 - April 10 & April 23 - May 15**  
(No Storytimes 3/27-4/2 due to Spring Break)

Children learn through stories and music, and use their minds and bodies in interactive play. Staff also promote books, so parents can learn about new authors and illustrators. For "Fun for All," register for each date **individually**. See online calendar for specific dates and locations. No older siblings in Lapsit, Tot Time, Preschool or Music Makers, please. **R**  
\* Parent/caregiver must accompany child. For those storytimes without parent/caregiver, the adult must remain in the library.

Name	Age	Day	Time
Lapsit	6-18 mos.*	Monday	9:30-10 a.m.
Tot Time A	19-36 months*	Monday	10:15-10:45 a.m.
Preschool	3-6 years	Monday	10:15-10:45 a.m.
Tot Time B	19-36 months*	Tuesday	9:30-10 a.m.
Bilingual	3-8 years	Tuesday	10:30-11 a.m.
Music Makers	3-6 years	Tuesday	1:30-2 p.m.
Fun For All	All ages*	Thursday	10-10:30 a.m.



**Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!**

**When:** Friday, March 2, 10-10:45 a.m.

**Who:** Ages 18 mos. - 3 yrs. w/adult

Listen to several of Dr. Seuss's classic stories, play Seuss-themed games, and create a whimsical craft to take home. **R**

**Wiggles & Giggles**

**When:** Fridays: March 9 & 23, April 13 & 27, 9:30-10 a.m.

**Who:** Ages 6-23 mos. w/adult

Enjoy fun and active stories, rhymes & songs. **R**

**Parachute Play for Toddlers**

**When:** Fridays: March 9 & 23, April 13 & 27, 10:30-11 a.m.

**Who:** Ages 2-3 1/2 w/adult

Join us for a storytime and activities using our indoor parachute! **R**

**Preschool Playtime**

**When:** Fridays: March 23, April 27 & May 25, 1-1:45 p.m.

**Who:** Ages 2-5 w/adult

Who says you can't play in the library? Join us for fun activities that will get preschoolers up and moving! We'll work on childrens' gross motor and play skills in a fun, upbeat social setting. **R**

**Mini Masterpieces**

**When:** Wednesdays, 1-1:45 p.m.

**Who:** Ages 3-6 w/adult

March 14: Line Painting

April 18: Fork Painting

Make art, make crafts, and make friends at this program for creative kids. **R**

**Little Explorers**

**When:** Tuesdays, 10-11 a.m.

**Who:** Ages 3-6 w/adult

March 16: Oobleck

April 20: Shadow Show

May 18: Sinking Diver

Let's learn about the world around us through these activities. **R**

**"Block" Party**

**When:** Saturdays, March 17 & May 19, 10-11 a.m.

**Who:** Ages 2-6 w/adult

Playing is learning! Join us to have a great time playing and building with the library's block collection. No registration is required, but sign up if you would like a reminder call.

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Registration begins Monday, February 12 at 9 a.m.

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**Storytime at Panera Bread**

**When:** Wednesdays: March 21, April 18 & May 16, 10-10:30 a.m.

**Who:** Ages 3-6 w/adult

Listen to stories, songs and fingerplays while you enjoy milk and cookies at the McHenry Panera, 1711 N. Richmond Rd. (Caregivers must remain in the restaurant during the program.) Register just the child. **R**

**Pajama Parties**

**When:** Wednesday, March 27

9:30-10:15 — 6-12 mos.  
10:30-11:15 — 13 mos. -2 yrs.  
11:30-12:15 — 2 1/2 - 4 yrs.

**An adult must accompany each child.** Wear your favorite pajamas, bring a blanket, and prepare to snuggle! During this storytime, we'll read bedtime stories, sing new lullabies and old nursery rhymes, plus spend some time doing infant/toddler massage. **R**

**Come on Down to Miss Jamie's Farm!**

**When:** Monday, April 2, 10-11 a.m.  
**Who:** Ages 12 mos. - 6 yrs. w/adult



Sing, dance, laugh and learn with Miss Jamie and her farm puppet friends as they share values from life down on the farm in this fun

and educational music show! *This program is funded by the Friends of the McHenry Public Library.* **R**

**Baby Art: Ladybug Potato Prints**

**When:** Tuesday, April 17, 10-10:45 a.m.

**Who:** Ages 1-23 mos. w/adult

Let your baby explore different textures as we create ladybugs using potatoes, paint and your baby's fingerprints. **R**

**Toddler Art: Painted Flower Pots**

**When:** Tuesday, April 17, 11:15 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Who:** Ages 19 mos.-3 yrs. w/adult

Your toddler will have a good time creating a unique flowerpot using paint and their fingerprints. **R**

**Mom & Me Tea**

**When:** Friday, May 11, 2-3 p.m.  
**Who:** Ages 2-4 w/adult



Enjoy an old-fashioned afternoon tea while listening to stories featuring moms and create a special gift for mom. Tea, lemonade, and cookies will be served. **R**

**Potty Palooza**

**When:** Monday, May 22, 10-11 a.m.

**Who:** Ages 2-4 w/adult

Get your little one excited to use the potty with this potty party! We will have songs, stories and fun! **R**

**Mark Your Calendars!  
Summer Reading  
Program  
Kicks Off Friday, June 1!**

**"LIBRARIES ROCK!"**

That's the theme of this year's Summer Reading Program.

Stop by the Questions Desk starting Friday, **June 1** to sign up!

We have great prizes for all reading levels! You don't have to have a MPLD library card to participate.



**Children under age 10 MUST have an adult caregiver remain in the library during events.**

**STEM Me a Story**

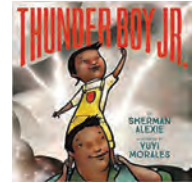
**Who:** Grades K-1

**When:** Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

March 21 — *Sam and Dave Dig a Hole*  
April 18 — *The Little Tree that Wouldn't Share*

May 16 — *Thunder Boy Jr.*

Experience the story and then enjoy a hands-on STEM activity that relates to the story. **R**



**Big Bang Science Club**

**When:** Saturdays, March 24, April 28 & May 26, 2-3 p.m.

**Who:** Ages 6-10

Join us for some fun hands-on science experiments! **R**

**Dinosaurs vs Robots: You Decide!**

**When:** Monday, March 26, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

**Who:** Grades K-5

In this high-energy draw-along program, professional cartoonist Mark Anderson will teach you to draw awesome dinosaurs and robots. Will they challenge each other or eat ice cream together? You decide! **R**



**Curious About Coding?**

**Who:** Grades 2-3

**When:** Mondays, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Coding is easy once you know the method! **R**

March 26 — Coding with Legos

April 23 — Early Bird's Scavenger Hunt

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**Hop Into Spring Family Bingo**

**When:** Wednesday, March 28, 6-7 p.m.

**Who:** All Ages — Family Program

Family Bingo is back! Bingo winners will get trimmings towards their Easter meal. There will also be a special round for children. All adults playing must be accompanied by a child. Please register *all* attendees. **R**



**Meet the Doodle Bots!**

**When:** Wednesday, April 11, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

**Who:** Grades K-3

Celebrate National Robotics Week by creating your own Doodle Bot out of a pool noodle and an ordinary toothbrush! Then we'll program our Doodle Bots to create zany pieces of artwork! **R**



**NatureKids: It's For the Birds!**

**When:** Wednesday, May 2, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

**Who:** Grades K-3

It's spring and the robins have made their way back to our area! Join us as we explore the outdoors to learn about bird adaptation and identifying common birds. Our program will continue indoors where we will create a bird feeder and participate in a hilarious hands-on activity called "Bird Beak Buffet." Please dress accordingly as parts of this program will be outdoors if weather permits. **R**



**The Science Behind Peeps!**

**When:** Monday, April 2, 1-2 p.m.

**Who:** Grades 2-3



Explore the science behind Peeps through simple experiments and hands-on activities. You'll

become an expert on the science behind these spring marshmallow favorites! **R**

**Family Night Lego Challenge**

**When:** Tuesday, April 17, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**Who:** All Ages

Get Ready, Get Set, Build! There is no "I" in the word "Team" when you and your family join us for non-stop fun as you participate in various challenges that will test your Lego building skills. **R**

**Make a Mother's Day Gift**

**When:** Saturday, May 5, 1-2 p.m.

**Who:** Ages 5-10

Come in to make a special gift and card for Mom. **R**

**Money Smart Kids**

**When:** Wednesday, April 25, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

**Who:** Grades K-3

A representative from First Midwest Bank visits the library to introduce kids to the concepts of saving, spending and sharing in this interactive program for both children and parents. **R**



**Cookies with the Chief**

**When:** Monday, May 14, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

**Who:** Grades K-3

Join McHenry Police Chief Birk as he reads us a story and explains his role in McHenry's Police Department. Then we will enjoy cookies and juice as Chief Birk answers any questions you may have about police work. **R**



**Take-Home Craft**

Stop in to pick up a theme-related craft, while supplies last. All ages.

March 18-24 Spring Chick  
 April 15-21 Paper Plate UFO  
 May 13-19 Rainbow Snail

Register online  
 ([www.mchenrylibrary.org](http://www.mchenrylibrary.org))  
 or call 815-385-0036.

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**Community Service Project**

**Police and Firefighter Appreciation**

**When:** Saturday, May 12, 1-2:30 p.m.



Drop in and join us as we celebrate Police Appreciation Month and Firefighters Appreciation Day with a service project for our community's police and firefighters! We will be putting together goodie bags filled with the little things that remind our town's finest that we care.

**After School Snack Program**

**When:** Tuesdays & Thursdays 3:30-5 p.m. in our Meeting Room



Come to the library for a quick snack. While you're here get started on your homework or work on a mind-bending activity. Any student age 18 and under receives a free snack provided by the Northern Illinois Food Bank.

### Chat 'n Chew Book Group

**When:** Thursdays, 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
**Who:** Grades 4-6  
**Where:** Jimano's Pizza on Rt. 31



**March 1:** Read & bring a realistic fiction book  
**April 5:** *Among the Hidden* by Margaret Peterson Haddix (first 10 to sign up get a free copy)  
**May 3:** Read & bring a mystery book



Pizza and books - two of the best things ever! Join us at Jimano's Pizza for good eats and to chat about the books you've chosen to read in the above genres. Bring your book! **R**

### New! Reader's Dozen Book Group

**When:** Fridays, 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
**Who:** Grades 6-8  
**Where:** The new Dunkin' Donuts on Rt. 31 & Oak Ave. (The first 10 to sign up at the Questions Desk will get a free copy of the book.)



**March 16:** *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle  
**April 20:** *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* by John Boyne  
**May 18:** *Greenglass House* by Kate Milford

Join our new book group just for middle schoolers! We will join friends and enjoy delicious donuts while spending time discussing books. **R**

### My Little Pony - The Role Playing Game

**When:** Tuesday, March 27, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Who:** Grades 4-8

Calling all Pegasisters and Bronies! Join us for a tabletop role playing game set in the My Little Pony World of Equestria. No role playing experience needed. **R**



### Game On!

**When:** Wednesday, March 28, 2-4 p.m.

**Who:** Grades 4-8

Join us at the library for a fun afternoon of games featuring Wii and Xbox One, board games and puzzles. **R**

### Tween D.I.Y. — No-Sew Phone or Tablet Case

**When:** Thursday, March 29, 2-3:30 p.m.

**Who:** Grades 4-8

Using a no-sew method, make a case for a phone or small tablet. **R**

**FREE COMIC BOOK DAY**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 5**

Stop by the Questions Desk and pick out a free comic book. One to a customer!



### SUMMER READING FOR TEENS & TWEENS



**"LIBRARIES ROCK!"**

**THAT'S THE THEME OF THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM.**

**STOP BY THE QUESTIONS DESK ON OR AFTER FRIDAY, JUNE 1 TO SIGN UP AND START READING!**

**EARN GREAT PRIZES!**

### McHenry High School Student Art Shows @ the Library

April 23-28: East Campus AP & Honor Students Art Show

April 30-May 6: East Campus All-Student Art Show



**WE NEED YOU!!**

*Interested in volunteering this summer? Contact Youth Services or stop by the Questions Desk. For ages 13-18.*

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## Dungeons & Dragons

**When:** Tuesdays: March 13,  
April 10 & May 8,  
5:30-8:30 p.m.

**Who:** Ages 11-21

Make a character and join an experienced Dungeon Master in this fantasy role playing game. We will be playing the 5th edition.  
**R**

## Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

**When:** Wednesdays: March 14,  
April 11 & May 9,  
3:30-4:30 p.m.

**Who:** Grades 6-12

Teens, join our Teen Advisory Group (TAG). Help make the library better for your generation while earning volunteer hours for school! No need to register.

## LGBT+ Rainbow Reads

**When:** Sundays: March 18, April 15  
& May 20, 1-2 p.m.

**Who:** Grades 6-12

Hang out with your rainbow fam at our new monthly LGBTQ+ casual book club and support group. Sip some tea or coffee and tell us what you've been reading or watching, and whatever else might be on your mind in an open and accepting environment.

## Coder's Cafe

**When:** Mondays: March 19,  
April 16 & May 21, 4-5 p.m.

**Who:** Grades 5-12

Work on a project you have, learn a new language through Code Academy, or simply come to talk coding with other coders in a comfortable and communal place. Sip some tea or coffee and code to your heart's content. **R**

## Anime & Manga Club

**When:** Thursdays, March 22,  
April 26 & May 24, 7-8 p.m.

**Who:** 6th Grade & up

For fans of Anime and Manga. In March we're playing Werewolves of Miller's Hollow. **R**



## Pizza & Pages Book Group

**When:** Third Thursdays,  
3:30-4:30 p.m.

**Who:** Grades 6-12

**Where:** Jimano's Pizza on Rt. 31

Join us at Jimano's Pizza as we talk about books, eat some pizza, and hang out. The first 10 teens to sign up will get a free copy of the book.  
**R**

**March 15: Kids of Appetite**  
by David Arnold

**April 19: Decelerate Blue**  
by Adam Rapp & Mike Cavallaro.

**May 17: You're Welcome, Universe**  
by Whitney Gardner.

## Dice & Destiny

**When:** Mondays: March 26 &  
April 23, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

**Who:** Ages 11-21

Grab a snack, your dice, and your friends to step into the shadows of the dark and magical cyberpunk wonderland of the role playing game Shadowrun! **R**

## Teen Crafternoon - Stuffed Animal Taxidermy

**When:** Tuesday, March 27, 3-4 p.m.

**Who:** Grades 6-12

Mount a stuffed animal's head to a plaque to hang on your wall for decor that's both cute and macabre. **R**

## Roll the Dice!

**When:** Saturday, April 14, 2-4 p.m.

**Who:** Ages 11-21

Tired of checkers and Chutes and Ladders? Try rooting out who wants to overthrow an Orwellian government in Resistance, stop Cthulhu before he ends the world in Elder Sign, or simply try not to topple a Jenga tower! **R**

## In the Spotlight!

Did you know that we offer online resources that help you shop, sharpen your technology skills, prepare for tests, fix your vehicles, look up medical information, do your taxes, or learn a new language?



The electronic resources we subscribe to — available free, and some 24/7 — include reference materials, articles, images and interactive tutorials. These tools provide reliable information, peer-reviewed articles and citations.

## Featured Resource:

### Newspapers.com Library Edition



This database can be used in the library or from home. Whether you're interested in genealogy, historical information or just have a curiosity about life in the past, this is a great place to start your journey.

Newspapers.com is an extensive online database that offers more than 3,000 historical newspapers from the early 1700s into the early 2000s. It will give you insight to how life was for generations before. You can search obituaries, marriages and much, much more from the past.

It also offers tutorials and videos to help you get started on your adventure! This free resource is available on our website under FIND IT /databases.

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## Celtic Crosses of Chicago

Thursday, March 8, 7-8 p.m.

Laurel Mellien takes us on a visual tour of Chicagoland cemeteries' Celtic Cross headstones to reveal their meanings and history. **R**



## Spring Stamping with Darla

Saturday, March 10, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

A community favorite, Darla returns for another great spring card-making experience. Supplies will be provided. Register in person or by phone with your library card number. **R**

## AARP Safe Driver Course

Monday & Tuesday,  
March 12 & 13, 12-4 p.m.



This is a two-part program. Registration automatically enrolls you for both sessions. Cost is \$15 for AARP members (bring card); \$20

for non-members. Fee covers both sessions and should be paid with a personal check on the first day of class. Completion of the course may entitle you to a discount on your auto insurance. The AARP Smart Driver™ Course is the nation's first and largest refresher course for drivers age 50 and older. **R**

## Swedenberg Valkommen till Swedenberg!

Wednesday, March 14, 7-8:30 p.m.

Come explore the Swedish community (1850-1950) that was an integral part of Nunda and Crystal Lake. Learn about the immigrants: who they were, why they came, where they worked, what organizations they established and the legacy they left behind. **R**

## Joseph McCarthy

Thursday, March 29, 7-8:30 p.m.

Professor Gary Midkiff discusses McCarthy, who rode the wave of American fears of communism from 1950-1954. McCarthy recklessly and ruthlessly attempted to destroy the reputations and careers of academics, politicians, entertainers and military leaders. Supported by some, it took the courage of one individual to end his reign of tyranny. **R**

## The Real Cost of Home Ownership

Thursday, April 12, 7-8:30 p.m.

Thinking of buying a home? This workshop is designed to help



you accurately assess the cost of home ownership and explore its impact on your budget. Find out if owning a home makes sense for you. Presented by the Consumer Credit Counseling Service. **R**

## A Sunday Concert: Trillium



Sunday, April 15, 1-2:15 p.m.  
Join us for some special live music! Trillium plays a collection of Celtic, folk, ragtime, bluegrass, and Dixieland music. *Funded by the Friends of the McHenry Public Library.* **R**

## Decades of Dress: Gibson Girls to Flappers 1905-1929

Thursday, April 19, 7-8 p.m.

Ruth Thomas and Chloe Berg will showcase their collections of outfits and accessories from the early 20th century. They will also provide information on women's history, fashion trends, and events of the time. *Funded by the Friends of the McHenry Public Library.* **R**

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## Prohibition: The 18th Amendment

Thursday, May 3, 7-8:30 p.m.

From 1920 to 1933 the 18th Amendment prohibited the public sale or consumption of alcohol. Join Professor Gary Midkiff for an examination of the Anti Saloon League, the Untouchables and political careers affected by support for the "Wets" or the "Drys." **R**

## Community Shredding Event

Saturday, May 19,  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Go through those papers and bring up to four (4) boxes/bags of personal (no business) documents to be shredded by a commercial service in our parking lot. Staples can be left in, but no binder clips, xrays, hanging folders or ring binders, please.

## Medicare Made Clear

Monday, May 21, 7-8:30 p.m.

Are you nearing age 65? Understanding the basics of Medicare will help you know how to get the most out of these benefits. Presented by Vicki Madigan. **R**

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## Computer Classes

Attendees must have a valid MPLD card and register by phone (815-385-0036) or in person.

### Windows 10 for Beginners

Sunday, April 22, 1-3 p.m.

Explore the newest Microsoft operating system. R

### Excel Pivot Tables

Sunday, April 29, 1-3 p.m.

Learn how to create Pivot Tables and generate charts to summarize data. Previous Excel experience is required. R

### Intro to LinkedIn

Sunday, May 6, 1-3 p.m.

Set up an account in LinkedIn and learn the basics. You will need an active email account for the class. R

## Free Movies @ Your Library

Starts promptly at 1 p.m. Sundays on:



March 11 — "Victoria & Abdul" Rated PG-13. Focus Features.

April 8 — "Stronger" Rated R. Lions Gate Films.

May 13 — "Dunkirk" Rated PG-13. Warner Bros.



For ages 18 & up.

No registration needed. This program is funded by the Friends of the McHenry Public Library.

Register online ([www.mchenrylibrary.org](http://www.mchenrylibrary.org)) or call 815-385-0036.

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## Book Discussion Groups

For ages 18 and up. No registration required. The books are available for checkout at the Checkout Desk.

Mystery Group meets at 7 p.m. on:

March 1 — *All the Little Liars* by Charlaine Harris

April 5 — *The Suspicions of Mr. Whicher* by Kate Summerscale

May 3 — *Tamarack County* by William Kent Krueger

Contemporary Group meets at 7 p.m. on:

March 12 — *Once We Were Brothers* by Ronald H. Balson

April 9 — *The Shack* by William Paul Young

May 14 — *Rocket Girl: the Story of Mary Sherman Morgan, America's First Female Rocket Scientist* by George D. Morgan

Classic Literature Group meets at 7 p.m. on:

March 19 — *Dandelion Wine* by Ray Bradbury

April 16 — *Bleak House* by Charles Dickens

May 21 — *The Virginian* by Owen Wister

## Director's Desk

I'm happy to announce two projects that will improve your library experience. The McHenry Public Library is part of a 24-library consortium in the northwest suburbs and we share a library catalog – so, you can see the collections of all of these libraries whenever you use our catalog.

In mid-April, all 24 libraries are switching over to a new online catalog that has some great new features: you'll be able to use the catalog on your smart phone, tablet or computer; place and pick up holds at any of the 24 libraries; have your items automatically renew 3 days ahead of the due date; get notified by text message instead of email or phone.

Also, new self-check machines will let you pay fines and make the checkout process easier; a state-of-the-art return system at our drive-up window will allow items to be taken off your account instantly.

See details on how you'll be impacted by the catalog transition in the article on page 1. We're excited about these improvements and hope to complete them this spring. We'll keep you up-to-date on our progress through our website and e-newsletters (sign up on our website). Thanks for using the McHenry Public Library!

— Jim Scholtz, Executive Director



Es necesario registrarse para todos los eventos, comenzando lunes el 12 de febrero a las 9 a.m., en persona, en línea en nuestro sitio de Web, o por teléfono en 815-385-0036.

**Hora de cuentos bilingüe** | los martes, el 6 y 20 de marzo, el 3, 10 y 24 de abril, y el 1, 8 y 15 de mayo, 10:30-11:00 a.m. | Para niños de 2-6 años y sus padres o proveedores de cuidado  
¡Haremos cuentos bilingües, rimas, música, baile y más para niños que quieren escuchar los dos idiomas!



## marzo

**Bingo de la primavera ¡en español!** | lunes, el 26 de marzo p.m. | 6:30-7:30 p.m. | para toda la familia!  
¡Es su oportunidad a ganar buenísimo premios jugando Bingo como una familia contra otras familias! Busquen los signos de la primera en su tarjeta para ganar premios como algo por su comida de Pascua u otro celebración de la primavera. Los adultos jugando necesitan estar acompañado por (por lo menos) un niño/a.



**TAG en español** | miércoles, el 28 de marzo, el 25 de abril y el 23 de mayo, 4:30-5:30 p.m. | para niños en grados 9-12  
Acompáñanos por refrescos y la oportunidad de hablar de como puedo mejorar los servicios de la biblioteca para los adolescentes hispanohablantes.

## abril

**STEM de la primavera con Peeps** | lunes el 2 de abril, 2:30-3:30 p.m. | para niños de 5-13 años  
¡Aprende más de la ciencia con los dulces de malvaviscos — Peeps!



**Baile Latinoamericano** | lunes el 16 de abril, 6:30-7:30 p.m. | para toda la familia!

¡Sea activo y aprenda como bailar salsa, bachata y otros estilos de baile latinoamericano! El baile es una gran manera de ser activo y explorar su cultura.

**El día de los niños/El día de los libros con Mariachi Los Rayos** | lunes, el 30 de abril, 6-7 p.m. | ¡Divertido para toda la familia!

Celebre El Día de los niños/El Día de los Libros con la música de los jóvenes de Mariachi Los Rayos de Lemay Middle School en West Chicago.



## mayo

**Aprende más de la programa bilingüe de pre-kinder del distrito 15** | miércoles, el 2 de mayo, 6-7 p.m. en la escuela Edgebrook | para toda la familia!

Aprende mas de la programa de pre-kinder del distrito 15, como puede saber si su hijo califica para este programa bilingüe gratis en la escuela Edgebrook. Presentado en conjunción con el personal de D15.

**Regalos para El Día de la Madre** | miércoles, el 9 de mayo, 6:30-7:30 p.m. | para toda la familia!

¿Todavía faltas un regalo para su mamá u otro miembro de la familia? Cada niño va a hacer un regalo bonito para dar a un ser querido.



## ¡Zona de Merienda Después de la Escuela!

¿Cuándo?: Cada martes y jueves, 3:30-5 p.m. en el Sala de Reuniones

¿Tienes mucha hambre después de la escuela? Lleva a un amigo y ven la Biblioteca para comer una merienda rápida. Mientras que estás aquí puedes empezar en su tarea o trabajar en una actividad desafiante. Cada estudiante de 18 años y menor recibirá una merienda gratis proporcionada por Northern Illinois Food Bank.



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#### HOURS

Monday - Thursday  
9 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Friday & Saturday  
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Sunday - Noon to 4 p.m.

#### PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Online: [www.mchenrylibrary.org](http://www.mchenrylibrary.org)  
In person: At the Questions Desk  
By Phone: Youth: 815-344-5878  
Adult: 815-344-5897

#### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Sunday, April 1 — Easter  
Monday, May 28 — Memorial Day

#### Library Board

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Board meetings are generally held on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. The public is welcome.

Jim Scholtz, Executive Director  
Kathy Lambert, Editor

#### Photo Policy

The library reserves the right to photograph and videotape program participants. These photos/videos may be used in library publications and publicity including the library's website. Notify staff if you don't want to be photographed/videotaped.



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#### New Improvements Coming to the Library *(continued from page 1)*

##### Easier Checkouts>Returns

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#### Celebrate National Library Week With Us April 8-14

“Libraries “Lead” is this year’s theme for National Library Week. Check out a program, book or just stop by to tell the library staff how much you appreciate their service!

#### Friends of the Library News

BIG Spring Book Sale: Saturday & Sunday, **May 19 & 20**, in the library's warehouse. Details on our website: [www.mchenrylibrary.org](http://www.mchenrylibrary.org). The next Friends' meeting is Thursday, March 15 at 7 p.m. in the Meeting Room. All are welcome!

