

IMPORTANT SERVICE UPDATE:

The library resumed walk-in service February 8, but at 50% capacity. Here's what you need to know:

- Our hours will stay the same — Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday: 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Sunday: closed
- In-building visits are limited to 30 minutes per person per day, and includes browsing, checking out holds and using our technology equipment.
- Curbside pickup of library materials is available by appointment during open hours — call, chat or email to reserve a time.
- Face coverings are still required (both nose and mouth must be covered).
- Late fees will not accrue, but we can accept payment for lost/damaged items.

Staff are working both on-site and remotely to provide virtual programming, as well as help by phone, chat and email (during open hours). For the latest updates visit our website, our Facebook page, or call the library's main number: 815-385-0036.

Featured Programs

Irish Heritage Singers — A Virtual Concert **Watch on YouTube March 14 - March 17 at 3 p.m.**

The Irish Heritage Singers, resident choir of the Irish American Heritage Center in Chicago, will present



a virtual St. Patrick's Day concert featuring choral settings of Irish poetry, traditional Irish pieces, and at-home singalong favorites. If you register before the 14th a link will be emailed to you to view the concert. If you register after the 14th the link will be posted on our events calendar. **R**

Improv Playhouse **Live on Zoom Tuesday, March 30, 2-3 p.m.**

Enjoy a fun improv class brought to us by Improv Playhouse. In this collaborative session, tweens will be able to learn the basics of improv all while honing their acting skills!
For Grades 4-8. **R**



NOTE: Some programs require that you register so we can email you a link to join the program. Programs can be accessed from a computer, tablet or mobile phone. If you're attending a program for the first time, you may need to download the free Zoom software/app. Program supplies (if applicable) can be picked up in person or using our by-appointment curbside pickup service.

For Little Ones

Preschool Storytimes

Live on Zoom: Wednesdays, March 3, 10, 17 & 24; April 7, 14, 21 & 28; May 5, 12, 19 & 26, 10-10:30 a.m. R

Polskie Bajki/Polish Storytime

Watch on YouTube: Saturday, April 24. All ages.

Storytimes — Watch On YouTube

Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!
Tuesday, March 2 R

Farm Storytime
Tuesday, March 9

Music & Movement
Tuesday, March 16

Elephant and Piggie
Tuesday, April 6

Share a Hug
Tuesday, April 13

Friendly Monsters
Tuesday, April 27

Mom & Me
Tuesday, May 4 R

A Colorful Storytime
Tuesday, May 11

Toddler Storytime and Activity Kit
Tuesday, May 18 R

Food and Fun
Tuesday, May 25

Lapsits

Watch On YouTube
Mondays: March 22,
April 26 & May 24

Join us for some lap bounces and rhymes that you can do at home with your baby!



About Virtual Programs

Watch On YouTube

These are pre-recorded storytimes and programs. They become available on our YouTube channel ("The MPLD") on the dates listed.

Live on Zoom

These live virtual programs are hosted on Zoom by the Youth Services librarians you know and love!

Visit our online Events Calendar to view, register and get more details.

Mini Masterpieces on YouTube

After you register, pick up one of these kits in person or curbside. For ages 3-6. R

Thursday, March 11: Floral Craft



Monday, April 12:
Kite Craft

Friday, May 14:
Korean Fan Craft

Little Explorers

Live on Zoom 1:30-2 p.m. on:

Monday, March 22: Mae Jemison and Space Experiments

Thursday, April 29:
Static Electricity

Monday, May 24: Maya Lin and Architecture



After you register, pick up one of these kits in person or curbside. For ages 3-6. R

Take-and-Make Kits

Pick up one of these kits in person or curbside, while supplies last.

March 22-27: 3D Rainbow —All ages

March 29-April 3: Crafting with Recyclables/Elaboración con reciclables — Grades K--4

April 12-17: Coffee Filter Flower Craft — All ages

May 3-8: Mother's Day Flower Pot
All ages



Baby & Toddler Art

Watch on YouTube: Tuesday, April 20

This month we'll make a contact paper collage and also enjoy a process art activity using paint on canvas. After you register, pick up a craft kit for your little one either in person or using curbside. R

Grab 'n Go After School Supper Service

When: Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 4-5 p.m.

Any student age 18 and under can get a free boxed supper provided by the Northern Illinois Food Bank.



Drive to the north side of the building, look for the WELCOME banner. If the banner is out, that means we have meals. Knock on the door by the banner.

No meals will be served on: April 2. This service ends May 21, 2021.

For Older Kids

Art Lab on YouTube

After you register, pick up a supply kit in person or curbside. For Grades K-3. **R**

Wednesday, March 10: Color Wheel
Thursday, May 13: Piet Modrian



STEM Me a Story on YouTube

After you register, pick up an activity kit in person or curbside. For Grades K-3. **R**

Tuesday, March 23 — *Shark Lady: The True Story of How Eugenie Clark Became the Ocean's Most Fearless Scientist* by Jess Keating



Friday, April 23 — *One Plastic Bag: Isatou Ceesay and the Recycling Women of the Gambia* by Paul Miranda



Wednesday, May 26 — *A Big Mooncake for Little Star* by Grace Lin



Family Trivia

Live on Zoom Monday, March 29, 2-3 p.m.

Put your knowledge to the test in categories such as superheroes, books, Disney movies, and more. Register to receive the Zoom link.

For all ages. **R**

Imagination Station: Dragon Eggs

Watch on YouTube: Tuesday, April 6

Let your imagination take you to the land of dragons! This month we will be making our very own dragon eggs! After you register, pick up a supply kit in person or curbside. For Grades K-3. **R**



For Grades 4-8

Paint 'n Sip on YouTube

Thursday, March 4: Pastel Resist Rainy Windows

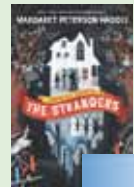
Monday, May 3: Animal Portrait Marker Prints

After you register, pick up a supply kit in person or curbside. For Grades 4-8. **R**

Tween Book Club

Live on Zoom: Fridays, 3:30-4:30 p.m. R

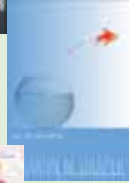
March 19 — *The Strangers* by Margaret Peterson Haddix



April 16 — *Out of My Mind* by Sharon M. Draper



May 21 — *Other Words for Home* by Jasmine Warga



Make a DIY Phone Stand

Watch on YouTube: Friday, April 2

Tired of holding your phone all day? Create this DIY phone stand so you can enjoy your phone hands-free and learn a little about engineering, too! After you register, pick up a supply kit in person or curbside. For Grades 4-12. **R**



Make a DIY Recycled Photo Frame

Watch on YouTube: Thursday, April 22

In honor of Earth Day and to encourage recycling, let's make a neat picture frame out of old magazines. For Grades 4-12.



2021 "Book Madness" Tournament — Remember to Vote! Details on our website.



Dungeons & Dragons on Roll20
Live on Zoom: Tuesdays, March 9,
April 13 & May 11, 5:30-8:30 p.m.
Join us for a virtual D&D event.
We will be using the virtual
tabletop site Roll20 to make our
characters and play this special
one-shot adventure. For ages
11-20. **R**



Volunteer Afternoon
Live on Zoom: Tuesdays,
March 23, April 27 & May 25,
3:30-4:30 p.m.
Learn about Teen Volunteer
opportunities you can do from
home and earn service hours from
the McHenry Public Library!
For ages 13-18. **R**

Library & Community News

Library Board Names New Director

The McHenry Public Library District Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the appointment of a new director. Lesley Jakacki, who has been Acting Director for the past few months following the retirement of James Scholtz, was officially appointed Executive Director at the January 19 Board meeting by a unanimous vote.

Jakacki, formerly Youth Services Manager for the Library, has been with the Library since 2004. She holds a Master's Degree in Library Science, and started at McHenry as a librarian in the Adult Services department, then moved to the Youth Services department as Teen Librarian/ Youth Services Assistant Manager, then was promoted to Youth Services Manager.

Charles Reilly, Library Board President, said "The Library has faced many challenges in the past and will continue to face more in the future. However, challenges also give rise to opportunities. The Board is confident that under Lesley's leadership, and all working together, we can utilize those opportunities to continue to grow and develop the Library, so that it remains and will continue to be a source of high standards, satisfaction and pride for our patrons and the entire community."

Jakacki's goals for the coming year include focusing on changing service models due to the pandemic, building repairs, filling staff vacancies once full services are restored, and updating the Library's Long-Range Plan with the Board.

Three Online Resources Discontinued

We had to make some difficult decisions last year. One of those was deciding to discontinue three of our online resources — *CreativeBug*, *Miss Humblebee's Academy* (ended January 1) and *Curiosity Stream* (ends February 28). We work to keep providing the best resources we can to our patrons.

To explore our vast selection of online resources, from our website go to "FIND IT" then Databases.

Community Shredding Event Saturday, May 1 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Bring up to 4 boxes/bags of personal documents to shred (no businesses). Regular staples can be left in, but no material with ring binders, medical x-rays, CDs, DVDs, hanging file folders, or binder clips. No certificates of destruction will be issued.

The commercial shredding truck will be in the back of the north parking lot. The event will end at noon or when the truck is full.

Please place your boxes/bags in the rear of your vehicle. When you arrive, get in line and stay in your car. When it's your turn, pop your trunk/hatch and staff will remove the boxes/bags.



Home & Garden

Flower Beds with Seasonal Interest with the Master Gardeners

Live on Zoom Thursday, March 11, 7-8 p.m.

Have you ever seen a garden that just took your breath away? You visit later, and the garden is again in full glory. This lesson will walk you through the design process step by step. The Master Gardeners will teach you how to plan a garden that will offer visual interest spring through fall with a few winter accents as well. **R**

Birding McHenry County: Back Yard and Beyond

Live on Zoom Thursday, March 25, 7-8 p.m.



McHenry County Audubon Members Maggie and Doug Crane will help new bird watchers identify bird species and

learn how local birds adapt to their environment. Get tips for attracting birds through feeders and garden plants, and suggestions for the best places to look for birds in McHenry County. **R**

The East Asian Garden

Live on Zoom Thursday, April 8, 7-8 p.m.

Cultural consultant Yvonne Wolf will share how cultural history and Confucian symbolism influence the aesthetics of Asian gardens. She will use examples from the Chicago Botanic Garden's Japanese Garden and the Ping Tom Chinese garden in Chinatown. **R**



Baking Scones with Bill the Baker

Live on Zoom Thursday, April 15, 7-8:30 p.m.

With 50 years of bakery experience, Bill Reichman will take you through the science of making perfect scones. Bill encourages you to bake along with him. **R**



Tea Gardens with the Master Gardeners

Live on Zoom Monday, May 3, 7-8 p.m.

Tea gardens provide enchanting outdoor spaces that are soothing, productive, sustainable, and lovely to visit. Learn about different types of tea gardens and the design components that make these great spaces to enjoy tea. Various plants used to make tea will also be covered. **R**

Spring Pies, Tarts and Crisps with Chef Susan Maddox

Live on Zoom Thursday, May 27, 7-8:15 p.m.

Chef Susan Maddox will prepare three new "favorite" pies, tarts, and crisps. Along with the

pastries, you'll learn some great tips and techniques to make great crusts and toppings. Through the demonstration, you'll learn methods for baking success every time! **R**

FOR ADULTS

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Women in History with Martina Mathisen

Watch on YouTube: March 1-28

A fascinating look at dynamic women in history that have impacted our lives. Hear stories of Anne Oakley, Harriet Tubman, Madame Currie, Clara Barton, Anne Sullivan, Florence Nightingale Amelia Earhart, and Bessie Coleman.



Media & Me for Emerging Adults

Live on Zoom: Tuesdays at 7 p.m. on March 2, April 6 & May 4

This group talks about creator content, series, TV shows, movies, and books. Also check out the library's Emerging Adults Meetup Group. For ages 18-30. **R**

Madrid in March

Live on Zoom: Wednesday, March 17, 7-8 p.m.

Join Gene Flynn on this virtual trip to Madrid, Spain (with side trips to Toledo and Segovia). Besides Madrid being a wonderful and welcoming modern city, there are reminders of ancient Roman rule, Islamic and Jewish influences, and Spain's golden age. **R**

FOR ADULTS (continued)

R = Registration required

Register online (www.mchenrylibrary.org) or call 815-385-0036.

The Great Decision Series with Professor Gary Midkiff

Live on Zoom: Fourth Tuesday,
7-8:30 p.m.

Register to receive
the Zoom link. R

March 23 — Chapter
2: Persian Gulf
Security Issues by
Lawrence G. Potter



April 27 — Chapter 3: Brexit and the
European Union by Harris LaTeef

May 25 — Chapter 4: Struggles Over
the Melting Arctic by Stephanie
Pezard



Intermediate Microsoft Excel

Live on Zoom: Saturday,
March 27, 2-4 p.m.

This is the next stage in learning
Excel. You'll learn simple formulas
and functions to perform
calculations. Attendees must have
taken Beginning Excel. R

Excel Pivot Tables

Live on Zoom: Saturday,
April 24, 2-4 p.m.

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

Genealogy Programs

Central Europe is Easy – Merci, Napoleon!

Live on Zoom: Wednesday,
March 10, 7-8:30 p.m.

Genealogist
Jacquie Schattner
explores European
and American
websites to locate
family in the
countries where
Napoleon ruled. R



When Life Becomes Myth

Live on Zoom Thursday,
April 22, 7-8:30 p.m.

Genealogist Dr. Daniel Hubbard
will talk about the reconstruction
of a life using genealogy, history,
and even weather records. R

What are Lineage Societies and Why Would I Want to Join One?

Live on Zoom Wednesday,
May 12, 7-8:30 p.m.

Join professional genealogist
Jenny Warner and learn about
the different lineage societies
that are out there and how to join
them. Why do people join them
and is it worth the effort? R

Book Discussion Groups

To obtain a copy of the book, stop in or
make a curbside pickup appointment.
Some titles may be available for download
through hoopla or OverDrive. Registration
with email address is required in order to
receive the Zoom link for the program. R



Mystery Group Meets on Zoom the first Thursday at 7 p.m. on:
March 4: *Girl Waits with Gun* by Amy Stewart | **April 1:** *Case of the
Reincarnated* by Tarquin Hall | **May 6:** *Flat Spin* by David Freed

Contemporary Group meets on Zoom the second Monday at 7 p.m.
on:

March 8: *Founding Mothers* by Cokie Roberts | **April 12:** *Where the
Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens | **May 10:** *Daisy Jones & The Six* by
Taylor Jenkins Reid

Classic Literature Group meets on Zoom the third Monday at 7 p.m.
on:

March 15: *This Side of Paradise* by F. Scott Fitzgerald | **April 19:** *Jazz*
by Toni Morrison | **May 17:** *Lolita* by Vladimir Nabokov

The Ins and Outs of Personal Bankruptcy

Live on Zoom Thursday,
May 13, 7-8:30 p.m.

Donna Rasmussen of
Consumer Credit Counseling
Service will describe the
bankruptcy process, the
requirements for Chapter 7
and Chapter 13 bankruptcies, and the pros
and cons of each bankruptcy option. R



Es necesario registrarse ("R") para algunos los siguiente eventos, en línea en nuestro sitio web, or por teléfono al 815-385-0036. El canal de YouTube de la biblioteca es www.youtube.com/user/TheMPLD

Hora de cuentos bilingüe

Cada martes en YouTube

Haremos cuentos bilingües, rimas, música y más. La hora de cuentos se lanzará en el canal de YouTube de la Biblioteca. **Para niños de 2-6 años**



marzo

Video en YouTube: PowerPoint

el 3 y 4 de marzo

El video presenta conceptos de cómo utilizar PowerPoint. Practique en casa, el paquete de hojas presenta conceptos de nivel intermedio en cómo usar Microsoft PowerPoint.

Para adultos.

Manualidad de crayola

ver en YouTube: viernes, el 5 de marzo

Ven a la biblioteca para recoger el material para hacer un cartel de crayolas para tu cuarto.

Para niños en 4-8º grado. R

Cuentos del Día Internacional de la Mujer

ver en YouTube: martes, el 9 de marzo

Ven a disfrutar cuentos virtuales para celebrar el Día Internacional de la Mujer y escuchar historias de asombrosas mujeres que cambiaron nuestras vidas.

Para niños de 2-6 años.

Arbol Familiar

ver en YouTube: jueves, el 18 de marzo

Pasa tiempo con tu familia haciendo un árbol genealógico y aprende de tus antepasados.

Para niños en 2-5º grado.



¡Cena después de la escuela para Recoger!

Fecha: lunes, miércoles y viernes* de 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Cada estudiante menor de 18 años recibirá una cena complementaria proporcionada por Northern Illinois Food Bank.



Conduzca hacia el lado norte del edificio y busque la pancarta que dice BIENVENIDOS. Si la pancarta está afuera significa que tenemos comidas. Toque la puerta junto a la pancarta para recibir servicio.

* No hay cena el 2 de abril. Terminará el 21 de mayo, 2021.

abril

Cuento de Selena y Loteria en Zoom

jueves, el 1 de Abril, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Ven a nuestro programa virtual para escuchar el nuevo libro de Queen of Tejano Music SELENA y jugar lotería para ganar algunos premios.

Para todos los niños. R



Día de la tierra proyecto de art con reciclables

ver en YouTube: jueves, el 22 de Abril

Ven a la biblioteca a recoger un kit para hacer arte con revistas recicladas y papel de construcción. **Para niños en 4-12º grado. R**

Cuentos del Día del Niño

ver en YouTube: martes, el 27 de Abril

Celebra el día del niño con cuentos y una manualidad.

Para niños de 2-6 años. R

Photobook/Libro de fotos

ver en YouTube: viernes, el 30 de Abril

El video presenta las instrucciones para crear una manualidad de papel. También repasara como hacer una mascarilla con materiales en casa. Regalamos bolsas con los materiales para crear la manualidad disponibles el 28 de abril. **Para adultos. R**

mayo

Cuento del día de las madres y manualidades

ver en YouTube: martes, el 4 de mayo

Vamos a celebrar el día de las madres con cuentos y hacer una bonita manualidad para regalársela a mamá.

Para niños de 2-6 años. R

Cinco de mayo: pandereta de plato de papel

ver en YouTube: miércoles, el 5 de mayo

Recoge un kit para celebrar el 5 de mayo haciendo una pandereta.

Para niños en grados K a 3º. R

Horneando y Cocinando

ver en YouTube: jueves, el 27 de mayo

Dale un vistazo al canal de YouTube para hacer deliciosas recetas. Niños deben ser supervisados por un adulto.

Para todos los niños.



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CURRENT HOURS

M/W/F/Sat. - 9-5
T/TH - 11-7
Sunday - Closed

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

April 4 (Easter)
May 31 (Memorial Day)

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Charles Reilly, President
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Margaret Carey
Bud Alexander
Susan Murphy

BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are generally held the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.
The public is welcome to attend virtually. Please call or email our director (director@mchenrylibrary.org) for the Zoom link.

Lesley Jakacki, Director
Kathy Lambert, Editor



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SUMMER READING 2021: TAILS AND TALES JUNE 1 - JULY 31

Mark your calendars for Summer Reading! Once again, Summer Reading will happen virtually on our Beanstack website!

We will have four levels depending on age. Track your reading and earn prizes along the way! If you complete the program, you will earn a free book from the Friends of the McHenry Public Library.

The last day to log time is July 31. The first day to pick up completion prizes is August 1. Sign up starting June 1 at <https://mchenrylibrary.beanstack.com/reader365>



LECTURA DE VERANO 2021: COLAS Y CUENTOS 1 DE JUNIO A 31 DE JULIO

¡Marque sus calendario para nuestra Lectura de Verano! Una vez más nuestra Lectura de Verano sucederá virtualmente en nuestro sitio web de Beanstack!

Tendremos cuatro niveles dependiendo de la edad. ¡Registre su lectura y gane premios en el camino! Si completas el programa, ganarás un libro proporcionado por Los Amigos de la Biblioteca Pública de McHenry.

El último día para registrar el tiempo es el 31 de julio. El primer día para recoger el premio de completación es el 1 de agosto.

Inscribase el 1 de junio en <https://mchenrylibrary.beanstack.com/reader365>

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