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# THE EXPLORER

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**MONARCH FESTIVAL**

All ages welcome!

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 14**  
**11 AM – 2:30 PM**

**at Ty Warner Park**  
Pavilion off Burr Oak Drive

**Join us on Saturday, September 14 at Ty Warner Park to celebrate the monarch butterfly migration!**

Learn more about this wonderful insect from presenters and enjoy facepainting, crafts, and more.

**Booths presented by:**  
DuPage Birding Club  
DuPage Monarch Project  
Forest Preserve of DuPage County  
Friends of the Westmont Public Library  
The Conservation Foundation

**FACEPAINTING**  
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

**CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES**

**PRESENTATIONS & BOOTHS**

11 am – noon

**THE MONARCH LIFECYCLE**  
Presented by LYMAN WOODS NATURE CENTER  
Monarchs—like all insects—change form as they grow. Learn all about the monarch's fantastic metamorphosis from egg to adult.

12:15 – 1:15 pm

**THE MONARCH MIGRATION**  
Presented by DUPAGE MONARCH PROJECT  
Monarchs are not able to survive in the cold weather and must migrate southwest every year. Learn about the monarchs' journey, including the path they take and their time in hibernation.

1:30 – 2:30 pm

**ATTRACTING POLLINATORS**  
Presented by THE CONSERVATION FOUNDATION  
What can you do to help these important creatures thrive? Discover ways to attract pollinators into your own yard and help with monarch recovery.

**WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS FALL**

**A BIT MORE RENOVATION IS COMING!**

This fall we'll be replacing the carpet on the first floor and painting the atrium walls. As always, we'll keep the disruption to a minimum and do our best to accommodate you as we continue to improve the library.

**IN THE ART GALLERY**

Enjoy artwork from the following artists in our first floor gallery.

**SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER**  
**Kristin Heldt**  
Acrylic on canvas

**NOVEMBER**  
**NAMI DuPage Recreation Participants**  
Art inspired by nature

**Interested in displaying your artwork?** For more information, visit [westmontlibrary.org/exhibits-and-displays](http://westmontlibrary.org/exhibits-and-displays).

**GET LIBRARY NEWS BY EMAIL**

Did you know the library has a monthly email newsletter and a quarterly technology email newsletter? Sign up to learn all about what your library has to offer, from streaming movies to programs for all ages. Opt in at [westmontlibrary.org/newsletter](http://westmontlibrary.org/newsletter).

**PROGRAMMING NOTES**

**YOUTH PROGRAMS**

Appropriate age levels for program participation are established by our staff of professionals. We ask that children meet the age requirements to ensure a rewarding experience for all. Our storytimes are designed for children to attend with a caregiver.

**ALL PROGRAMS**

Staff kindly ask all participants to arrive promptly for our programs. Late arrivals may have their spot forfeited. Program participants may be photographed or videorecorded for library promotional purposes. Please notify library staff if you prefer not to be photographed.

**COMMUNITY CORNER**

**Wicked West Fest 2019**

**Saturday, October 19**  
**Downtown Westmont**  
**on Cass Ave.**

**TRICK OR TREAT TRAIL**  
**11 am – 1 pm**

Walk down Cass Avenue and visit participating businesses for goodies! The street is closed to traffic so families can safely "trick or treat."

**COSTUME CONTEST**  
**10:30 am**

Dress up for Halloween and head downtown. Prizes will be awarded for overall costume impact, creativity, and originality.

**PUMPKIN SMASHING**  
**11 am**

Sign up to decorate your pumpkin and throw it at a target from 30' in the air!

**ZOMBIE RUN (Ages 10 years and older)**

**Saturday, October 12, 6:30 – 10 pm**  
**Twin Lakes Golf Club, 400 W 59<sup>th</sup> St.**

The zombie apocalypse is here! Dodge brain-eating zombies as you maneuver your way through the mile-long golf course to reach safety. Please wear athletic/running shoes and apparel and bring a flashlight or headlamp.

**\$25/\$35. Register with the Westmont Park District.**

**HAUNTED FOREST TOUR (All ages)**

**Saturday, October 19, 5 – 9:30 pm**  
**Smith Woods, 200 W 59<sup>th</sup> St.**

Sandra Smith Woods comes alive for one magical night! Participants will walk for the first part of the tour, then hop on a wagon for the rest of the spooky adventure. The Merry Monsters Matinee from 5 – 6:30 pm is great for younger children. Tours are ongoing; arrive at any time. Park along 59<sup>th</sup> Street at Twin Lakes Golf Club or the Twin Lakes Learning Center.

**\$6. Register with the Westmont Park District.**

**OFFICE HOURS FOR CONGRESSMAN CASTEN**

**Tuesdays, September 3 and October 1, 3 – 7 pm**

Congressman Sean Casten's staff hosts monthly mobile office hours in order for his constituents to ask questions and receive assistance accessing federal services. They will be available in our lobby to provide resources for working with federal agencies on issues including Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security, the Veterans Administration, and passports and immigration.



PRE-READERS  
(Ages 0 – 6)

Registration is required for programs with a checkmark. ✓  
Registration begins Thursday, August 15 at 9:30 am.  
Register online at [westmontlibrary.org/events](http://westmontlibrary.org/events), by phone at 630 869 6150, or in person.

SATURDAY DANCE PARTY  
(Ages 0 – 6 years)

Saturdays, 3 – 3:30 pm  
Sept. 28, Oct. 26, and Nov. 23

Dance to the music, enjoy creative movement activities, and shake your sillies out in this fun and interactive drop-in program.

DISCOVERY PLAYTIME  
(Ages 18 months – 5 years)

Tuesdays, 1 – 2:30 pm  
Sept. 10 & 24, Oct. 8 & 22, and Nov. 5 & 19

We'll have different sensory, art, and educational play stations set up each week. Playdough, rice, shredded paper and water play are just a few possibilities. Make sure to wear old clothes and drop-in for some messy, sensory fun while learning about your world.

PLAYDOUGH PLAYDATE  
(Ages 18 months – 5 years)

Wednesday, October 23, 10 – 11:30 am

Drop in for a morning of fun and creative playdough play. We'll have stations set up with various scents and textures of playdough, along with a variety of activities. Take home a recipe sheet to continue the fun at home!

PUMPKIN PARTY  
(Ages 18 months – 5 years)

Wednesday, October 30, 10 – 11:30 am

Drop in for some seasonal fun. We'll have art projects, playdough, and other pumpkin themed activities. Wear old clothes because we might get messy!

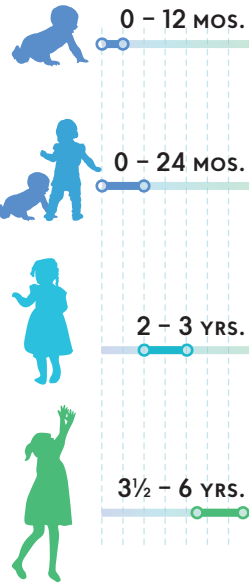
STORYTIMES

Enjoy stories, rhymes, music, and movement at storytimes for children and their caregivers. Storytimes are designed to maximize learning and enjoyment for each group, with age-appropriate activities and opportunities to socialize—for both our littlest patrons and their caregivers, as well!

Storytimes run weekly for **two sessions in the fall:**  
**September 3 – October 18** and  
**November 4 – December 13**, unless otherwise noted.  
Please register separately for these sessions.

Children must be accompanied by a caregiver during storytimes.

STORYTIMES FOR EACH AGE



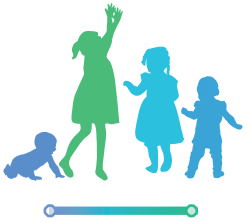
**BABY BOUNCE STORYTIME** ✓  
Fridays, 9:45 – 10:30 am

**LAPSIT STORYTIME** ✓  
Wednesdays **OR** Thursdays, 9:45 – 10:30 am  
Register for either Wednesdays **OR** Thursdays.

**TODDLER STORYTIME** ✓  
Wednesdays **OR** Thursdays, 10:45 – 11:30 am  
Register for either Wednesdays **OR** Thursdays.

**PRESCHOOL STORYTIME** ✓  
Wednesdays, 2 – 2:30 pm

DROP-IN STORYTIMES FOR ALL (AGES 0 – 6 YEARS)



**LANGUAGE STORYTIME**  
Mondays, 9:45 – 10:15 am  
French: Sept. 9 & 23, Oct. 7, Nov. 11 & 25, Dec. 9  
Spanish: Sept. 16 & 30, Oct. 14, Nov. 4 & 18, Dec. 2

**STORYTIME!**  
Tuesdays, 9:45 – 10:15 am

If you are not able to attend a program for which you are registered, please let us know so that we can make your spot available for someone else. Thank you!

FAMILY  
(All Ages)

TINKER TALES  
(Ages 3 – 8 years)

Saturdays, 3 – 4 pm  
Sept. 7, Oct. 5, and Nov. 2

Can you build a house to withstand the Big Bad Wolf or make a new chair for Baby Bear? Strengthen your family's problem solving skills with fun engineering challenges. In each session, we'll read a story together and then you will have the opportunity to engineer a solution.

*This program is for children and caregivers to participate in together.*

BUBBLE WONDER

Thursday, September 26, 6 – 7 pm

Join Geoff Akins-Hannah for amazing bubble tricks including the bubble caterpillar, bubble volcano, the dancing bubble, and bubbles inside of bubbles.

GIF DANCE PARTY

Saturday, October 12, 2 – 4:30 pm

Show off your moves in front of a display of GIF backup dancers!

PUMPKINPALOOZA

Wednesday, October 23, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Celebrate this stupendous squash with festive crafts, costumes, and light snacks. Join us for an informational presentation on pumpkins by Melanie Krawczyk with the Dupage County Farm Bureau, followed by face painting and more! Costumes are encouraged, but not required.

FAMILY FORT NIGHT

Friday, November 8, 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Bring your own blankets, sheets, pillows, and a flashlight to build your fort. Enjoy a s'mores snack and a "campfire" sing-a-long, then crawl into your fort to read with your family.

*Sponsored in part by Prairie Area Reading Council, who will be distributing free books while supplies last! Doors open at 5:30 pm. Please arrive by 5:45 pm to ensure entrance to the program.*

FALL STORYWALK

Friday, Oct. 18 – Monday, Oct. 21  
Bernas Park, 5716 S Wilmette Ave.

Enjoy the book *Walter's Wonderful Web* by Tim Hopgood with the whole family while you stroll through the park. Simply follow the path around the park, reading signs placed along the trail, to take in the full story.

STORYWALK CRAFT

Saturday, October 19, 2:30 – 4 pm  
Bernas Park, 5716 S Wilmette Ave.

Drop in for a craft activity in the park after enjoying the StoryWalk.



HOLLY DAYS ORNAMENTS:  
COZY CRITTERS

Saturday, November 16, 2 – 3 pm

Take part in Westmont Holly Days by making a cozy critter out of wooden tree slices, and decorate it using paint and fabric. Make one for the library and one to take home! The ornaments will be displayed on the library's tree in Veteran's Memorial Park.

*While supplies last.*

HOT CHOCOLATE & COOKIE BAR

Saturday, December 7, 5:30 – 6 pm

Warm up with a cookie and a cup of hot chocolate, personalized by you, before settling in to visit with some forest fauna. We'll provide a variety of ingredients and toppings to decorate your cookie and give your cocoa an extra dash of tasty fun!

*Doors open at 5:30 pm. Please arrive by 5:45 pm to ensure entrance to the program.*

FURRY FRIENDS AND COZY CRITTERS

Saturday, December 7, 6 – 7 pm

After some sweet treats, learn about our furry outdoor friends as the staff from Animal Quest introduces us to mammals from around the world.

*Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Westmont Public Library.*



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
Celebrate the season with crafts and activities to enjoy together.

GRADES  
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**NATURE SLEUTH** ✓  
**Monday, September 9, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Put your sleuthing abilities to the test and learn how to find an animal using their tracks, scat (don't worry, it's fake!), and other clues they leave behind. Afterward, we'll create our own casts of an animal track using paper and plaster.

**READ WITH HINSDALE HUMANE SOCIETY** ✓  
**Mondays, 6:30 – 7:30 pm**  
**Sept. 23, Oct. 28, and Nov. 25**  
Meet with a trained therapy pet and its handler for 15-minute reading sessions.  
*Co-sponsored by Hinsdale Humane Society. Sign up by phone or in person only.*

GRADES  
3 – 5

**SCENE PLAYBACK** ✓  
**Wednesday, September 4, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Choose from the provided scenes and then pantomime along with the dialogue and sound effects!

**SQUISHIES** ✓  
**Tuesdays, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
**Sept. 10, Oct. 15, and Nov. 12**  
Design and make your very own soft foam squishy to squeeze for fun or when you're in need of a pick-me-up.

**GIF STORYTELLING** ✓  
**Thursday, September 26, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Make a cool, 5-part GIF story. Record and save it for posterity!

**WHAT A HOOT: OWL CRAFTS** ✓  
**Wednesday, October 9, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Turn ordinary household items like toilet paper rolls, paper plates, and more into extraordinary owl friends.

**THE WACKY SCIENTIST'S LABORATORY** ✓  
**Thursday, October 24, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
We'll use the scientific method to explore chemical reactions in a variety of bubbling concoctions made with household materials. Please dress for a mess!

**T-SHIRT DREAM CATCHERS** ✓  
**Thursday, September 19, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Repurpose old t-shirts and fabric to make personalized dreamcatchers. T-shirts will be provided.

**INTRO TO STOP MOTION** ✓  
**Thursday, October 3, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Learn the basics of stop motion animation and make your own movie. Create your own characters or bring toys from home!

**GLOVE MONSTERS** ✓  
**Wednesday, October 16, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Sew your own glove monster using knit gloves, buttons, and felt. Materials provided.

**FALL PUMPKIN DECORATING** ✓  
**Thursday, November 14, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Bring your favorite book character to life using a pumpkin, paint, paper, and pipe cleaners! Please come dressed to get messy.

**CATAPULT STEM CHALLENGES** ✓  
**Monday, November 25, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Build your own mini catapult using wood sticks, spoons, tape and more. Then determine your catapult's strength and accuracy through a variety of challenges.



**MONARCH FESTIVAL**

**ALL AGES**

**CRAFTS • PRESENTATIONS**

**FACEPAINTING • BOOTHS**

**LEARN**

**PLAY**

Join us on Saturday, September 14 at Ty Warner Park to celebrate the monarch butterfly migration!  
*See page 2 for more information.*

**PAPER ROLLER COASTERS** ✓  
**Monday, November 4, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Learn about gravitational potential energy and send a marble on a thrilling ride—complete with loop-de-loops—as you build a roller coaster out of paper!

**FALL SNOWGLOBES** ✓  
**Wednesday, November 20, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Get inspired by the beautiful fall foliage and make your very own falling leaf globe using a mason jar.

If you are not able to attend a program for which you are registered, please let us know so that we can make your spot available for someone else. Thank you!

**CUPCAKE WARS** ✓  
**Thursday, September 5, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Compete to see who can decorate the most original cupcake!

**SEW IT: POPTART TASTER** ✓  
**Monday, September 16, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Snack on poptarts and use them as a muse while making your very own poptart pillow with the library's sewing machines.

**A SERIES OF MESSY EVENTS** ✓  
**Mondays, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
**Sept. 23, Oct. 28, and Nov. 13**  
Unleash your crafty side and experiment with a variety of art forms.  
Sept. 23 Shredded paper art  
Oct. 28 Pumpkin carvings  
Nov. 13 Cook from the book

TEENS  
(Grades 6 – 12)

**HENNA TEMPORARY TATTOO WORKSHOP** ✓  
**Wednesday, October 2, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Design your very own henna pattern and recreate that pattern on your skin with actual henna paste. Everyone leaves with their very own henna tattoo!

**TEEN PAINT & SIP** ✓  
**Thursday, October 10, 4:15 – 5:15 pm OR 5:30 – 6:30 pm**  
Create a Halloween inspired watercolor painting with artist Mary Launi while enjoying a frightening beverage! All materials will be provided.  
*Please sign up for one session only.*

**GHOST ESCAPE** ✓  
**Friday, October 25, 5:30 – 6:30 pm**  
Can you survive the ghost onslaught and discover the secret of the terrible event, armed with only a spectral camera? Find out in this after hours program!  
*Doors open at 5:30 pm. Please arrive by 5:45 pm to ensure entrance to the program.*

**TEEN YOGA** ✓  
**Wednesday, November 6, 4:15 – 5:15 pm**  
Meditate with Body & Brain Yoga Studio for a relaxing evening exploring fun poses and learning about the healing power of yoga.



Looking for your next great read?  
Try our staff review blog, Book Recs, at [westmontlibrary.org/bookrecs](http://westmontlibrary.org/bookrecs). With titles tagged by age and genre, it's easy to find the perfect match.



**Board Book**  
***Let's Go, Ted!***  
by Sophy Henn  
Ted uses his imagination and a

cardboard box to zip around in a race car, explore the oceans, and visit the moon—all before lunch. Whimsical details add depth to this interactive board book, and the liftable flaps encourage exploration and support fine motor skill development.



**Middle Grade**  
***I Am Princess X***  
by Cherie Priest & Kali Ciesemier  
Years after her friend Libby dies, May starts seeing references to

Princess X, a comic book character they created together, popping up everywhere. The novel follows May and her hacker partner Tricky through a blend of prose and illustrations, as the duo try to untangle the mystery of Libby's true fate.



**YA**  
***Skyward***  
by Brandon Sanderson  
Seventeen-year-old Spensa may be humanity's last chance to defeat

the alien Krell. Readers will enjoy exhilarating combat scenes and compelling characters in this fast-paced underdog story.





FRIENDS BOARD MEETINGS

Tuesdays, 10 – 11 am  
September 10 and November 12  
Community Meeting Room  
All are welcome!



FRIENDS of the  
WESTMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY

FRIENDS FUNDRAISER

Tuesday, September 10, 4 – 8 pm  
Chipotle Mexican Grill  
300 E Ogden Ave.

Mention the Friends of the Westmont Public Library and 33% of the earnings will be donated to the library!

WELLNESS THROUGH THE ADULT YEARS ✓

Wednesday, September 4, 6:30 – 8 pm  
Community Meeting Room

Learn about the healthcare and lifestyle choices people can make at all stages of their adult life to achieve the best health possible. Representatives from Midwestern University's Family Medicine Clinic and the Physical Therapy Institute will be here to give you tips to help you to enjoy life to the fullest.

WATERCOLOR BUTTERFLIES ✓

Wednesday, September 11, 6:30 – 8:30 pm  
Community Meeting Room

Monarch butterflies will soon be migrating south. Participants will create a watercolor painting of a monarch butterfly using watercolor pencils to capture the fine details of the wings—so when winter arrives, you'll have a joyful reminder of what next summer will bring!

IMPROV 101 ✓

Tuesday, September 24, 7 – 8:30 pm  
Kwasek Meeting Room

Come out and play! Explore the elements of improv with Second City trained teacher and actor Rhona Taylor. Enjoy the fundamentals and principles of improvisation, focusing on various games and exercises that encourage trust, communication, agreement and active listening. No experience necessary. Just bring your sense of humor and team spirit!

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS ✓

Tuesday, October 1, 6:30 – 7:30 pm  
Kwasek Meeting Room

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and knowing what to look for can save a life. Join Edward Elmhurst Health's breast nurse navigator, Kelly Southwell, as she presents on breast cancer awareness topics.

REMODELING 101 ✓

Monday, October 7, 7 – 8 pm  
Kwasek Meeting Room

Join Stephanie Bullwinkel and Larry Rych from Imperial Kitchens and Bath to feel empowered and confident when looking to remodel. They understand the pitfalls of remodeling and are here to make you feel more comfortable about what can be a very stressful experience.

INK PEN & WATERCOLOR PENCILS: FALL PUMPKINS ✓

Wednesday, October 9, 6:30 – 8:30 pm  
Community Meeting Room

Create a small pumpkin patch of your own. You will paint a still life of pumpkins using an ink pen and watercolor pencils.

THE ART OF HENNA ✓

Wednesday, October 16, 6:30 – 8 pm  
Community Meeting Room

Join local henna artist, Elizabeth Markus, as she teaches about the history of a glorious art that is over one thousand years old. She will teach you the basic forms of henna and you will get to practice yourself as you "henna" your own cookies.

Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Westmont Public Library.

SUPERNATURAL CEMETERY SAFARI ✓

Thursday, October 24, 7 – 8 pm  
Kwasek Meeting Room

Join Hillside residents Jim and Paula Hantak on a friendly slide show tour of Chicagoland and Illinois' cemeteries, gravesites, and headstones that have supernatural overtones. Come and learn about Diana of the Dunes, the Devil's Chair, the Alton Mummy, and others!



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PRESENTATIONS • BOOTHS

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CRAFTS • FACEPAINTING


TECHNOLOGY


TECH TUESDAYS


Community Meeting Room


Join our Digital Services Librarian on Tuesday afternoons for a brief overview of software and technology resources.

 GMAIL & YAHOO! MAIL — Sept. 3  
Basics: 3 – 4 pm ✓  
Intermediate: 4:15 – 5:15 pm ✓


 MICROSOFT EXCEL — Sept. 10  
Basics: 3 – 4 pm ✓  
Intermediate: 4:15 – 5:15 pm ✓

 GOOGLE SEARCH — Sept. 24  
Basics: 3 – 4 pm ✓

 WINDOWS 10 — Oct. 8 and Nov. 5  
Basics: 3 – 4 pm ✓  
Intermediate: 4:15 – 5:15 pm ✓

 MICROSOFT WORD — Oct. 22 and Nov. 12  
Basics: 3 – 4 pm ✓  
Intermediate: 4:15 – 5:15 pm ✓

 GOOGLE SUITE — Oct. 29 and Nov. 26  
Basics: 3 – 4 pm ✓  
Intermediate: 4:15 – 5:15 pm ✓



Do you need one-on-one assistance with library resources, apps, or your digital device? You can make a one-hour, individual appointment with a knowledgeable Adult Services staff member through our Book a Librarian form at [westmontlibrary.org/book-a-librarian](http://westmontlibrary.org/book-a-librarian).

MAKERY: CREATIVE TECHNOLOGY

DONATE YOUR SAVED SEEDS

Monday, Sept. 16 & Sept. 17, 4 – 5 pm  
Lobby



WESTMONT SEED LIBRARY

Donate your saved tomato, bean, pea and lettuce seeds to the Westmont Seed Library. All donations will be added to our seed library for others to grow and enjoy, helping preserve the heritage of our plants.

CARVE IT: POETRY PLAQUES

Thursday, September 19, 7 – 8:30 pm  
Registration starts Sept. 12 at 9:30 am.  
Kwasek Meeting Room

Use the software Easel to design a poetry plaque with text and images for your wall.

3D PRINT IT: COOKIE CUTTERS

Monday, October 14, 7 – 8 pm  
Registration starts Oct. 7 at 9:30 am.  
Community Meeting Room

Bake outside the circle! Design a cookie cutter, and we'll make it on our 3D printer. Basic computer skills are necessary.

OCULUS GO VIRTUAL REALITY DEMOS

Thursday, November 7, 7 – 8 pm  
Registration starts Oct. 31 at 9:30 am.  
Community Meeting Room

Strap yourself in for a virtual reality experience with the Oculus Go VR headset. Ride rollercoasters, learn about our solar system, or even go for a spacewalk. Each attendee will demo the headset for up to 10 minutes.

CUT IT: IRON-ON TEES

Monday, November 11, 7 – 8:30 pm  
Registration starts Nov. 4 at 9:30 am.  
Community Meeting Room

Create a custom t-shirt using heat transfer vinyl and the Silhouette Cameo machine. Please bring your own shirt. Basic computer skills are necessary.

OPEN LAB HOURS

Monday 10 am – 2 pm  
Thursday 5:30 – 8:30 pm  
1<sup>st</sup> + 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 1 – 4 pm

For more information, visit [westmontlibrary.org/makery](http://westmontlibrary.org/makery).



ADULTS

A PEEK INTO THE AMERICAN INDIAN WAY OF LIFE

Wednesday, November 6, 7 – 8 pm  
Kwasek Meeting Room

Kim Sigafus, an Ojibwa, invites you into the world of the American Indian, to discover what it once was—and what it means now—to be Native. Kim will dress in traditional Native regalia and present on Native culture, oral traditions, language, and history. She will discuss Native encampment life and will drum and sing an Ojibwa lullaby.

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INDOOR AIR QUALITY

Tuesday, November 12, 7 – 8 pm  
Community Meeting Room

No matter where you live, there are many ways to protect and improve your indoor air quality. During this presentation, Monica Paguia with the US EPA will teach you how to identify common indoor pollutants and how to control them to help reduce your risk of indoor health concerns.

Co-sponsored by Westmont Environmental Improvement Committee.

THE FIVE SULLIVAN BROTHERS AND THE STORY OF THE KISSING SAILOR

Wednesday, November 13, 7 – 8 pm  
Kwasek Meeting Room

Local resident Hal Burke will speak about the legacy of the five Sullivan brothers, the real life inspiration behind *Saving Private Ryan*. Tying into the Sullivans' story is the iconic photograph, *The Kissing Sailor*. Learn about that connection, as well as some little known details of the photographer, sailor, and nurse in the photograph.

If you are not able to attend a program for which you are registered, please let us know so that we can make your spot available for someone else. Thank you!

ADULTS

ONGOING GROUPS

TEAM TRIVIA

Mondays, 7 – 9 pm  
Sept. 9 & 23, Oct. 7 & 21, Nov. 4 & 18  
Zazzo's Pizza & Bar  
200 W Ogden Ave.

Bring your friends out for a pub quiz challenge by the WPL librarians.

4TH MONDAY BOOK GROUP

Mondays, 7 – 9 pm  
Sept. 23, Oct. 28, and Nov. 25  
Kwasek Meeting Room

Join this patron-led book discussion group as they explore the world—one book at a time!

- Sept. 23 *Montana 1948* by Larry Watson
- Oct. 28 *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens
- Nov. 5 *The Women in the Castle* by Jessica Shattuck

KNIT CLIQUE

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:30 pm  
Sept. 3, Oct. 1, and Nov. 5  
Community Meeting Room

Beginners and experienced crafters alike are invited to attend this casual knitting and crochet group!

UNREAL WORLD BOOK CLUB

Tuesdays, 7 – 9 pm  
Sept. 3, Oct. 1, and Nov. 5  
Sushi Nova, 677 N Cass Ave.

Discuss books set in imaginative times and places, from the mythic past to far future.

- Sept. 3 *Witchmark* by C. L. Polk
- Oct. 1 *The Tiger Flu* by Larissa Lai
- Nov. 5 *The FreezeFrame Revolution* by Peter Watts

PLAY IT

Thursdays, 7 – 9 pm  
Sept 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14  
Kwasek Meeting Room

Play board games at the library with family and friends. Come prepared to learn a new game or teach others if you're already familiar. All games are available for checkout.

- Sept. 12 *Splendor*
- Oct. 10 *One Night: Ultimate Werewolf*
- Nov. 14 *Coup*

WRITERS GROUP

Thursdays, 7 – 9 pm  
Sept. 12 & 26, Oct. 10 & 24, Nov. 14 & 21  
Community Meeting Room

This interactive, patron-led group is for adults interested in getting feedback from their peers on original writing.

HOPPY READS BOOK CLUB

Thursdays, 7 – 9 pm  
Sept. 26, Oct. 17, and Nov. 21  
Zazzo's Pizza & Bar  
200 W Ogden Ave.

Join fellow readers for a beer and fine company, as we explore themes in fiction, nonfiction, film, and graphic novels. Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

- Sept. 26 *The Good Neighbor* by Maxwell King
- Oct. 17 *The Cabin at the End of the World* by Paul Tremblay
- Nov. 21 *The Crowded Hour* by Clay Risen

ENGLISH CONVERSATION GROUP

Saturdays, 10 am – noon  
Sept. 14 & 28, Oct. 12 & 26, Nov. 9 & 23  
Community Meeting Room

This informal and friendly conversation group is for all adult English learners. Join us as we improve our verbal English skills.

Co-sponsored by Literacy DuPage.

WINTER MUSIC CONCERT WITH ROBYN VITSON

Tuesday, December 3, 7 – 8 pm  
Kwasek Meeting Room

Come in and join local resident Robyn Vitson for some wintertime tunes. Enjoy holiday classics as we prepare for the coming season.

All ages welcome!

DIY HOLIDAY CARDS

Wednesday, December 4, 6:30 – 8 pm  
Community Meeting Room

Artist Mary Launi and crafter Mary Wheeler will demonstrate how to create four special holiday cards using watercolor pencils, stamps, holiday papers and other layering techniques. All materials provided.

HOLIDAY GIFT BAG DECORATING

Thursday, December 12, 1:30 – 3 pm  
Community Meeting Room

Join some of your friendly Westmont Public Library staff as they teach you several techniques to decorate gift bags. You will get to decorate and take home 3 bags. Supplies will be provided.

FIND MORE FAMILY FUN  
See page 5 for more Holly Days programs to enjoy together.





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Sunday 1 pm – 5 pm

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Sunday, September 1  
Monday, September 2  
Wednesday, November 27 (5 pm closing)  
Thursday, November 28

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