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# THE EXPLORER

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# Spring into MAKING

Explore new ways to be creative at the library this spring! Three local makers will share their techniques and sources of inspiration as Artists in Residence throughout the months of April and May. Drop in for demonstrations in the lobby, attend workshops, and enjoy pieces on display.

## Polymer Clay Jewelry with KAREN A. JOHNSON

### DEMONSTRATIONS

Monday, March 11, 6:30 – 8 pm  
Tuesday, March 26, 2 – 3:30 pm

Karen Johnson will show how to transform blocks of polymer clay into wearable art, as she sculpts a beautiful flower pendant that's ready to add to a chain or bead necklace. She will share finished pieces, as well as works-in-progress illustrating each stage of her process.

## Watercolor Painting with MARY LAUNI

### DEMONSTRATIONS

Wednesday, April 10, 5 – 7 pm  
Tuesday, April 16, 2 – 4 pm

Artist Mary Launi will demonstrate her watercolor painting style. Stop by the lobby to meet the artist, watch her work and get inspired!

### BOTANICAL WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

Wednesday, April 24, 6:30 – 8 pm  
Community Meeting Room

Explore your creative side with watercolors! Mary Launi will guide you in creating a floral watercolor painting. Supplies will be provided.



## Architectural Photography with DIANA CHRISMAN

### PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

Wednesday, March 13, 6:30 – 8 pm  
Community Meeting Room

Learn about geometric elements in architectural photography as Diana Chrisman shares some of her work, along with the elements she looks for and the way she approaches taking a photograph. See how she explores light and color to create a visual framework, and finds the beauty within a structure.



## IN THE ART GALLERY

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

### MARCH

**Diana Chrisman, Artist in Residence**  
Geometric elements in architectural photography

### APRIL

**Mary Launi, Artist in Residence**  
Watercolor paintings

### MAY

**People's Resource Center Art Students**  
A variety of styles and media



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

## NEW TEEN ART GALLERY

We're adding a new gallery upstairs where we'll showcase art made by Westmont teens. See page 7 for more details!

creativebug

### GET CRAFTY WITH CREATIVEBUG

Learn how to DIY everything from throw pillows to party decor with comprehensive how-to videos from professional artists and designers. Whether you're a curious beginner or a dedicated crafter, there's something for you! Find Creativebug online at [westmontlibrary.org/digitalbranch](http://westmontlibrary.org/digitalbranch) under "Learning".

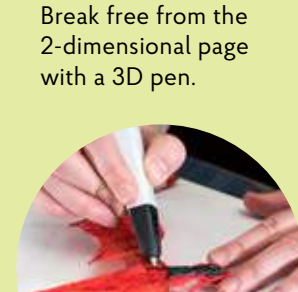


### CREATE AND EXPLORE WITH MAKERY KITS!

Did you know you can check out tools and tech for trying a new hobby or making a special project? We have a range of kits, from digital cameras to a mechanical button maker! Stop by the Makery display on the first floor or visit [westmontlibrary.org/makery](http://westmontlibrary.org/makery) to see what's available.



Draw, design, and edit photos with a computer drawing tablet.



Break free from the 2-dimensional page with a 3D pen.



Explore immersive worlds and experiences with a VR headset.

# FAMILY

(All Ages)

## HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON ✓

Wednesday, March 13, 4 – 6:45 pm

Enjoy an evening of all things dragon! Become a dragon through the magic of face paint, then create your own set of interactive props to use while watching the movie *How to Train Your Dragon*.

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

## LIGHT PAINT: FAMILY NAMES ✓

Saturday, March 23, 20-minute sessions from 2 to 4 pm

Light paint your family name! Draw each letter with LEDs, then put them together for a unique image keepsake.

## BUTTERFLY LIFE CYCLES

Saturday, April 27, 1:30 – 2:30 pm

Join a naturalist from Lyman Woods Nature Center to learn about native butterflies, the ecosystems they call home, and their life cycles. Stay after the presentation to create a beautiful butterfly craft.

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

## FROM LARVAL TO MARVEL

Witness the metamorphosis from wriggly caterpillar to fluttering butterfly in Youth Services this spring! The caterpillars will arrive at the library in April, form into chrysalises, and finally emerge as butterflies in May.

## STEM AFTER HOURS: DESIGN, ENGINEER, REPEAT

Friday, April 12, 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Visit us after hours for a series of hands on experiments that explore principles of engineering and design. Use household objects to build towers, pulleys, and more!

Please arrive by 5:45pm to ensure entrance to the program.

## FROM THE HEART FAMILY COLLAGE ✓

Tuesday, May 14, 6 – 7 pm

Create a collage of hearts! Each family will work together to decorate this iconic symbol using a variety of crafting materials. Frame your masterpiece to hang at home. We'll be using paint, so be sure to wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty.

# PRE-READERS

(Ages 0 – 6)

Registration is required for programs with a checkmark. ✓

Registration begins Friday, February 15 at 9:30 am.

Register online at [westmontlibrary.org/events](http://westmontlibrary.org/events), by phone at 630 969 5625, or in person.

# PRE-READERS

(Ages 0 – 6)



## 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!

See the table to the right for storytime dates and times.

Storytimes run weekly from March 18 – May 2, unless otherwise noted.

MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS
<b>Language Storytime*</b> Ages 0 – 6 years 9:45 – 10:15 am *See dates listed below.	<b>Storytime!</b> Ages 0 – 6 years 9:45 – 10:15 am	<b>Lapsit Storytime ✓</b> Ages 0 – 24 months 9:45 – 10:30 am Please register for either Wednesdays OR Thursdays.	<b>Lapsit Storytime ✓</b> Ages 0 – 24 months 9:45 – 10:30 am
<b>Preschool Storytime ✓</b> Ages 3½ – 6 years 10:45 – 11:15 am		<b>Toddler Storytime ✓</b> Ages 2 – 3 years 10:45 – 11:30 am Please register for either Wednesdays OR Thursdays.	<b>Toddler Storytime ✓</b> Ages 2 – 3 years 10:45 – 11:30 am

\*Language Storytime alternates weekly between French and Spanish.

French: March 18 and April 1, 15 & 29

Spanish: March 25 and April 8 & 22

## SATURDAY DANCE PARTY

(Ages 0 – 6 years)

Saturdays, 3 – 3:30 pm

March 9 and May 11

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

March 19, April 2, 16 & 30, and May 14

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.

## MY FIRST PLAYGROUP

(Ages 0 – 9 months)

Fridays, 9:45 – 10:45 am

March 22 – May 3

Share books, learn rhymes, and stimulate your baby's senses with bubbles, music, and age appropriate toys. Come socialize with other babies and caregivers during this drop-in play time especially for our pre-walkers.

## SENSORY SATURDAY

(Ages 18 months – 5 years)

Saturday, April 13, 2 – 3:30 pm

Enjoy various art experiences such as playdough or paint and dig into bins filled with rice or corn for a fun, sensory play date. Make sure to wear old clothes for this drop-in program.

## MACARONI SOUP

Tuesday, May 7, 10 – 10:45 am

Join Miss Carole and Clarence as they share tunes that will get everyone wiggling and giggling, hopping and stomping, and singing along!

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

## SUPERGIRL STORYTIME

Tuesday, May 14, 10 – 10:30 am

Supergirl loves being a hero but she also loves to read! Join her for a few daring tales while she takes a break from saving lives to stop by the library.

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

## BIRDS, BEES, AND BUTTERFLIES

(18 months – 5 years)

Thursday, May 16, 10 – 11:30 am

Drop in with your child to experience spring-themed play activities with a focus on pollinators and flowers.

## SPRING STORYWALK

Friday, April 19 – Monday, April 22  
Diane Main Park, 399 W 59<sup>th</sup> St.

Enjoy *Hooray for Spring* by Kazuo Iwamura with the whole family while you stroll through the park. Simply follow the path around the lake, reading signs placed along the trail, to take in the full story.

## SPRING STORYWALK CRAFT

Saturday, April 20, 2:30 – 4 pm

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

## 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.

# GRADES K - 2

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## iHABLEMOS! SPANISH FOR ENGLISH SPEAKERS

Saturdays, 12:30 - 1:15 pm  
 March 2, April 6, and May 4

Sharpen your conversational Spanish skills with other language learners.

## WATERCOLOR ARTWORK ✓

Wednesday, March 6, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Paint three different works of watercolor art using different techniques we'll learn together.

## BEE CONSERVATION CRAFTS ✓

Tuesday, March 19, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Learn about bees and other pollinators, and how they are important to our ecosystem. Get ready for spring by making seed bombs to plant bee-preferred flowers and decorate a watering station so bees in your yard can drink!

## READ WITH HINSDALE HUMANE SOCIETY ✓

Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm  
 March 25 and April 22

Meet with a trained therapy pet and its handler for 15-minute reading sessions.  
*Sponsored by Hinsdale Humane Society. Sign up over the phone or in person only.*

## SOAP CARVING ✓

Thursday, April 4, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Create your own sculpture using an ordinary bar of soap and silverware! Choose a basic design and slowly carve away to reveal your work of art.

## COLLABORATIVE GIF PROJECT ✓

Wednesday, April 17, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Use the Giphy Cam app to create original gifs, then share them with others via a web page that collects all our creations.

## BUILD YOUR OWN VOLCANO ✓

Monday, May 6, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Explore the chemical reaction between acids and bases when we build our own volcanoes using cardboard and playdough.

# GRADES 3 - 5

## iHABLEMOS! SPANISH FOR ENGLISH SPEAKERS

Saturdays, 1:30 - 2:15 pm  
 March 2, April 6, and May 4

Sharpen your conversational Spanish skills with other language learners.

## WIRE WORD ART ✓

Monday, March 11, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Use pliers to shape crafting wire into your favorite word or a name that you can hang on a wall or wear around.

## MAKE A MUSIC VIDEO ✓

Wednesday, March 27 or Thursday, March 28, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Your singing might not be the real deal but the spotlight is! Direct and star in a short, lip-synced music video. After, we'll edit them and watch the finished product.

## SPOT ATTACK ✓

Monday, April 8, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Work with teammates to overtake your opponents in this turn-based strategy game based on Othello.

## 3D PRINTED STAMPS ✓

Wednesday, April 24, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Design your very own stamp using Tinkercad. After, your stamp will be printed so you can use what you created!

## TILE MOSAICS ✓

Monday, May 13, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Design a creative mosaic art piece with colorful tiles provided by the library.

## READ AND SHRINK ✓

Tuesdays, March 5 and April 2 & 30, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Read a graphic novel on your own before we come together to discuss it each month. We'll follow the discussion with a Shrinky Dinks charm project based on the story.

March 5 *Tea Dragon Society* by Katie O'Neill  
 April 2 *Cardboard Kingdom* by Chad Sell  
 April 30 *Phoebe and Her Unicorn* by Dana Simpson



# TEENS (Grades 6 - 12)



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!

## GAME ON: BE A VISUAL NOVEL STAR ✓

Monday, March 4, 4:15 - 5:45 pm

Create a visual novel (an interactive storytelling game) starring you! You'll have an opportunity to create and play a sprite modeled after you in this personalized gaming adventure.

## A SERIES OF ARTISTIC EVENTS ✓

Thursdays, 4:15 - 5:15 pm  
 March 14, April 18, and May 16

Make various pieces of decorative art using our Makery technology tools.

March 14 Soundwave Art  
 April 18 3D Pen Pins  
 May 16 Carvey Locker Magnets

## GUITAR 101 WITH UNCLE JON'S MUSIC ✓

Thursday, April 11, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Learn the basics of playing the guitar with Jon from Uncle Jon's Music. Guitars will be provided.

## SUCCULENT PLANTERS ✓

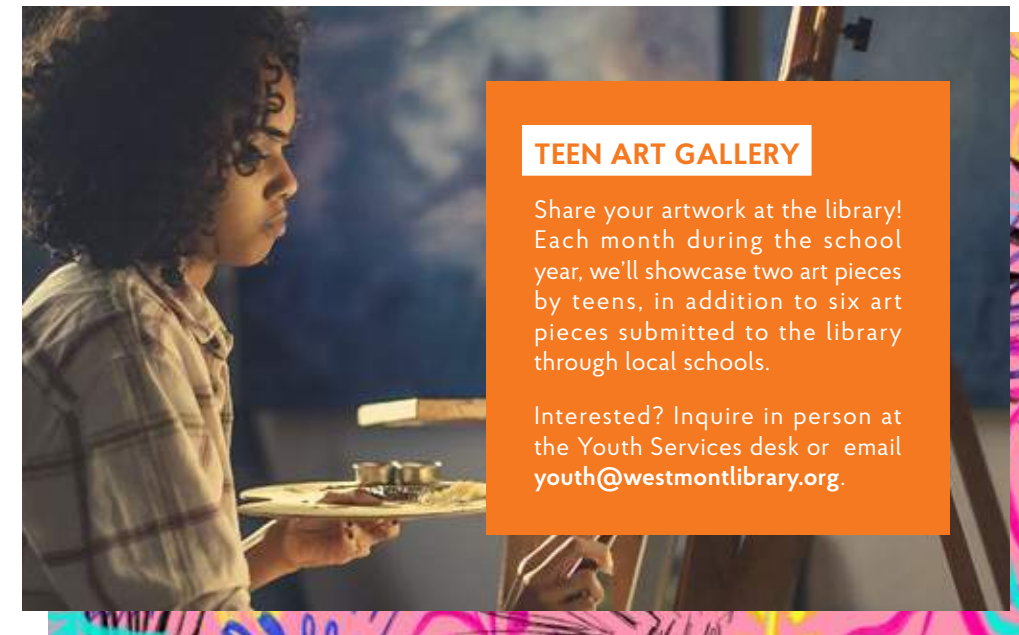
Tuesday, April 23, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Celebrate Earth Day by decorating a terracotta pot and planting a succulent to care for at home.

## UPCYCLED FASHIONS ✓

Wednesday, May 1, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Cut, sew, tape, and tie to make boring old clothes new again. You are welcome to bring materials from home to supplement but we'll provide all you need!



## TEEN ART GALLERY

Share your artwork at the library! Each month during the school year, we'll showcase two art pieces by teens, in addition to six art pieces submitted to the library through local schools.

Interested? Inquire in person at the Youth Services desk or email [youth@westmontlibrary.org](mailto:youth@westmontlibrary.org).

## MAGIC: THE GATHERING STARTER PACK ✓

Tuesday, March 26, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Explore the world of Magic: The Gathering and learn the basics of playing the trading card game. Cards will be provided for use during the program.

## DIY BATH BOMBS ✓

Wednesday, May 8, 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Make your own fizzy bath bombs to use for a relaxing time at home! Materials will be provided.

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.

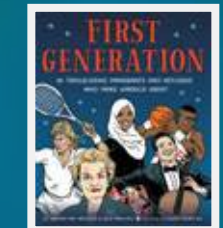


## Board Book

*Cat Nap*  
 by Toni Yuly

Kitten is up and ready to play, while Cat is ready

for his afternoon nap. Will a game of hide-and-seek distract Kitten, so Cat can nap? If you cannot find Cat's hiding place, do not worry, because Kitten can!



## Intermediate Chapter

*First Generation: 36 Trailblazing Immigrants and Refugees Who Make America Great*  
 by Sandra Neil Wallace & Rich Wallace

Readers learn how immigrants and refugees from around the world—including well-known figures like Albert Einstein and Madeleine Albright—have made important contributions to the United States for over a century in areas such as politics, sports, entertainment, art, and science.



## YA

*Last Pick*  
 by Jason Walz

Three years ago, aliens invaded Earth and took as many 16 to 65-year-olds as they could collect, so long as they seemed useful. The now 16-year-old twins Sam and Wyatt managed to avoid capture, but while they were spared, their parents weren't.

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## CENSUSES: THE BACKBONE OF U.S. GENEALOGY RESEARCH ✓

Monday, March 4, 7 – 8 pm  
 Kwasek Meeting Room

Suz Bates, a local genealogist, will present step-by-step strategies for using censuses to further your family history research. Learn how to organize your research, find valuable leads, and fill in the gaps through census data.

## HENNA MASON JARS ✓

Wednesday, March 6, 6:30 – 8 pm  
 Community Meeting Room

Hajar Cummings, local henna artist, will teach you how to make beautiful jar lanterns adorned with henna designs. Attendees will transform a gem-toned jar into a lantern by adding patterns and henna motifs in golden paint.

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Tuesdays, 10 – 11 am  
 March 12 and May 14

All are welcome!



## HOW TO PAY FOR COLLEGE WITHOUT GOING BROKE ✓

Monday, March 18, 7 – 8:30 pm  
 Kwasek Meeting Room

Discover creative, little-known financial and academic strategies to reduce college costs while finding the best-fit college for your child. Parents are encouraged to attend this 90-minute seminar presented by My College Planning Team.

## RADIO GOES TO WAR ✓

Wednesday, March 27, 7 – 8 pm  
 Kwasek Meeting Room

Steve Darnall, host of the weekly Chicago-area radio show “Those Were the Days,” examines how radio brought World War II into the lives of listeners with presidential speeches, news broadcasts, entertainment shows for the troops, and programs designed to boost morale at home.

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

## FINANCIAL PLANNING IN UNCERTAIN TIMES ✓

Wednesday, April 3, 6:30 – 7:30 pm  
 Community Meeting Room

Join Ray Kozicki, Educator and Financial Strategist for the Midwest Operations of the Foundation for Financial Education, to discuss topics such as budgeting for a change, retirement horizons, Thrift Savings Plans (TSP), benefit planning, and exit strategies.

## JAZZ WITH PETRA VAN NUIS ✓

Wednesday, April 10, 7 – 8 pm  
 Kwasek Meeting Room

Celebrate Jazz Appreciation Month at the library with Chicago jazz musicians Petra van Nuis and Dennis Luxion! Enjoy an engaging and appealing live performance that has been called “high-spirited, fresh, and worth savoring!”

## TECHNOLOGY IN BANKING ✓

Monday, April 1, 6:30 – 7:30 pm  
 Kwasek Meeting Room

So much of what we do has moved to an online format. Banking is no different. Join local banker Christopher Nation as he shows you some tips on how to navigate in your online banking world.

## SPRING FLING CLEANING ✓

Wednesday, March 20, 7 – 8 pm  
 Community Meeting Room

Join us for some spring cleaning! Kim Cosentino, local Westmont professional organizer, will share cleaning techniques, including the DeClutter Dozen, as well as information on home staging.

## DID YOU KNOW?



This winter, construction was completed on three new study rooms equipped with presentation technology, and the existing study rooms were painted, re-carpeted, and had new furniture installed.

The entire computer lab also got fresh paint, new flooring, and new furniture designed to make the space more inviting and enjoyable to utilize.

Our computer lab and study rooms are available for patron use during regular hours.

Study rooms can be booked by Westmont Library patrons up to two weeks in advance, for up to three hours. Simply stop in, call, or book online at [westmontlibrary.org/meeting-spaces](http://westmontlibrary.org/meeting-spaces).

## MAKERY (Adults)



Registration for adult Makery programs begins one week before the event at 9:30 am.

Want to receive email notices when registration opens for Makery programs? Visit the online calendar at [westmontlibrary.org/events](http://westmontlibrary.org/events), click on any Makery program to see more details, then click the subscribe button in the upper right.

## PRINT IT: 3D GARDEN PLANT SIGNS ✓

Thursday, March 7, 7 – 8 pm  
 Registration starts February 28 at 9:30 am.  
 Community Meeting Room

Create garden plant identifiers for your newly planted seeds using our 3D printer, while learning about the Westmont Seed Library. All signs will be printed in the weeks following the program.

## CARVE IT: LINOLEUM STAMPS ✓

Thursday, April 11, 7 – 8 pm  
 Registration starts April 4 at 9:30 am.  
 Community Meeting Room

Use Easel and the Carvey to carve a personalized linoleum stamp, perfect for greeting cards or block printing. All stamps will be carved by a librarian in the weeks following the program.

## CUT IT: FRAMED SILHOUETTE ART ✓

Monday, April 29, 7 – 8:30 pm  
 Registration starts April 22 at 9:30 am.  
 Community Meeting Room

Create a piece of beautiful papercut art that's ready to display! We will use the Silhouette Cameo vinyl cutter to cut designs, then frame them in glass. Basic computer skills are required.

## OCULUS GO VIRTUAL REALITY DEMOS ✓

Thursday, May 9, 7 – 8 pm  
 Registration starts May 2 at 9:30 am.  
 Community Meeting Room

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

# Celebrate EARTH MONTH

## HABITAT MAKEOVER: ADDING WILDLIFE VALUE TO THE LANDSCAPE ✓

Wednesday, April 17, 7 – 8 pm  
 Community Meeting Room

Join Andy Stahr, Principal Landscape Architect and Ecologist for ecology+vision, for a presentation on naturalized landscapes and ecosystem restoration. Learn how to reduce runoff and better manage stormwater through the use of rain gardens, permeable pavers, native plants, bioswales, and other green infrastructure techniques.

Co-sponsored by the Westmont Environmental Improvement Committee.

## SEED SWAP AND PLANT EXCHANGE ✓

Monday, April 22, 3 – 4 pm  
 Community Meeting Room

Bring your unused seeds and transferred plants to the library, swap with like-minded gardeners in your community, and learn about the Westmont Seed Library. All trades will be negotiated between attendees.

## COMPOSTING: BUILDING YOUR GARDEN FROM THE GROUND UP ✓

Monday, April 22, 7 – 8 pm  
 Community Meeting Room

Learn how to improve the health and vitality of your garden by using the organic matter generated in your home and yard.

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## MEDICARE BASICS ✓

Thursday, April 18, 1:30 – 3 pm  
 Community Meeting Room

A Senior Health Insurance Program Counselor will speak about the Medicare basics. Questions they will cover include: What is Part A, B, C and D? When should I apply for Medicare? What is the difference between an Advantage Plan and a Supplement?

In partnership with DuPage County Senior Services.

## OH THE HUMANITY! THE HINDENBURG DISASTER ✓

Wednesday, May 1, 7 – 8 pm  
 Kwasek Meeting Room

On May 6, 1937, WLS radio reporter Herb Morrison was sent to the Lakehurst Naval Air Station in New Jersey to cover the first anniversary of transatlantic passenger service. Hear as Morrison explains the historical significance of the dirigible Hindenburg, as well as the horrific details of what happened that day.

## WATERCOLOR PENCIL WORKSHOP ✓

Wednesday, May 8, 6 – 7:30 pm  
 Community Meeting Room

Join us for an evening of creativity! Mary Launi, certified Botanical Illustrator, will show you how to design a painting using watercolor pencils.

Co-sponsored by People's Resource Center.

## MEET THE ARTISTS: PRESENTED BY PEOPLE'S RESOURCE CENTER

Wednesday, May 8, 7:30 – 8:30 pm  
 Lobby

Art students will be present to discuss their artwork and answer questions. Light refreshments will be offered.

## THE BEATLES: THEIR HISTORY IN ONE HOUR ✓

Wednesday, May 15, 7 – 8 pm  
 Community Meeting Room

Although the Beatles broke up nearly 50 years ago, their story, personalities, and music continue to influence our culture and expectations of popular music. Explore the arc of the Beatles' career, from their development in Liverpool, through Beatlemania, to their final dissolution.

## INSIDE JAPANESE INTERNMENT CAMPS ✓

Wednesday, May 22, 7 – 8 pm  
 Kwasek Meeting Room

Following Pearl Harbor, Sarah Okner's family, along with more than 120,000 other people of Japanese heritage, were forcibly removed from their homes and relocated to remote camps where they would spend the rest of the war. This multimedia lecture brings together first-hand accounts with 15 years of research to illustrate the details of daily life in these camps.

## THE ANYWHERE ANYTIME GARDEN ✓

Tuesday, May 28, 7 – 8 pm  
 Community Meeting Room

Do you love gardening? Join Victor Zaderej as he shows you how to grow your own food indoors all year long!

Co-sponsored by the Westmont Environmental Improvement Committee.

## CLASSICAL EVI MUSIC WITH JACK KRAMER ✓

Wednesday, May 29, 7 – 8 pm  
 Kwasek Meeting Room

Join local musician Jack Kramer as he plays classical music on the EVI (Electronic Valve Instrument). The EVI has its own unique sound, blending a wind and a brass instrument into one, and Jack plays it with passion, skill, and immense talent.

## ONGOING GROUPS

### TEAM TRIVIA

Mondays, 7 – 9 pm  
 March 4 & 18, April 1 & 15, and May 6 & 20  
 Zazzo's Pizza & Bar  
 200 W Ogden Ave, Westmont

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

### 4TH MONDAY BOOK GROUP

Mondays, 7 – 9 pm  
 March 25, April 22, and May 20  
 Kwasek Meeting Room

Join this patron-led book discussion group as they explore the world—one book at a time! Visit [westmontlibrary.org/bookclubs](http://westmontlibrary.org/bookclubs) for more information.

March 25 *The Girl with Seven Names* by Hyeonseo Lee  
 April 22 *Heartland* by Sarah Smarsh  
 May 20 *Educated: A Memoir* by Tara Westover

### KNIT CLIQUE

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:30 pm  
 March 5, April 2, and May 7  
 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  
 March 5, April 2, and May 7  
 Grill 89, 800 E Ogden Ave, Westmont

Discuss books and films set in imaginative times and places. For more information, visit [westmontlibrary.org/bookclubs](http://westmontlibrary.org/bookclubs).

March 5 *Into the Forest* by Jean Hegland and *Into the Forest* (2015 film)  
 April 2 *Paprika* by Yasutaka Tsutsui and *Paprika* (2006 film)  
 May 7 *Amberlough* by Lara Elena Donnelly (no film this month)

### WRITERS GROUP

Thursdays, 7 – 9 pm  
 March 14 & 28, April 11 & 25, and May 9 & 24  
 Community Meeting Room

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

### ENGLISH CONVERSATION GROUP

Saturdays, 10 am – noon  
 March 9 & 23, April 13 & 27, and May 11 & 25  
 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.

## TECH TUESDAYS

Community Meeting Room

Join our digital services librarian on Tuesday afternoons for a brief overview of software and technology resources.

 **EMAIL** – March 12

Basics: 3 – 4 pm ✓  
 Intermediate: 4:15 – 5:15 pm ✓

 **WORD** – April 23 and May 21

Basics: 3 – 4 pm ✓  
 Intermediate: 4:15 – 5:15 pm ✓

 **EXCEL** – March 19

Basics: 3 – 4 pm ✓  
 Intermediate: 4:15 – 5:15 pm ✓

 **GOOGLE SUITE** – April 30 and May 28

Basics: 3 – 4 pm ✓  
 Intermediate: 4:15 – 5:15 pm ✓

 **WINDOWS 10** – April 9 and May 14

Basics: 3 – 4 pm ✓  
 Intermediate: 4:15 – 5:15 pm ✓



## Book Recs

### 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.



### Mystery

**The Death of Mrs. Westaway** by Ruth Ware

*The Death of Mrs. Westaway* should be on every mystery novel lovers list.



### Fantasy/Humor

**Kill the Farm Boy** by Delilah S. Dawson and Kevin Hearne

This book has it all: diversity, a good story,

awesome characterization and world building, and, most importantly, humor!



### Science Fiction

**Ancillary Justice** by Ann Leckie

*Ancillary Justice* delights on many levels, exploring themes of

identity, loyalty, and status in the midst of interstellar intrigue.



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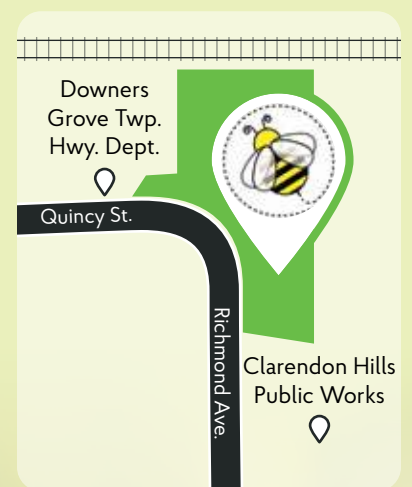
# Richmond EDUCATION GARDENS & APIARY

An outdoor classroom and green space developed by the communities of Clarendon Hills and Westmont.

**The Gardens will include a hobbyist apiary, and an array of native gardens** including butterfly, vegetable, wildflowers, wall, and rain. Once complete, the Gardens will provide a new space in our communities to provide educational programs about natural and organic gardening methods and our environment.

In 2018, a rough grade of the site was completed, brush was cleared by ComEd, a cistern donated by DuPage Water Commission was installed by Clarendon Hills (the cistern will hold storm water, which will then be used to irrigate the property), and the Village of Westmont held a fundraiser to raffle off a painted water barrel.

For 2019, plans include the installation of previous concrete by the Village of Westmont, installation of bricks and memorial bricks, and the installation of a rain garden, which will be part of an Eagle Scout project.



To learn more about the Richmond Education Gardens & Apiary, or to find out how you can help, visit [richmondgardens.org](http://richmondgardens.org).