



WESTMONT
PUBLIC LIBRARY

THE EXPLORER

March, April, May 2020

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Let it grow!

Seed Starter Kits

PATRON *Appreciation WEEK*

Monday, March 2 – Sunday, March 8

It's spring, and we're sowing seeds of gratitude for our patrons. Visit the Patron Appreciation table in the lobby for a seed starter kit and your choice of seeds!

COMMUNITY CORNER

Visit westmontparks.org or call 630 963 5252 for more information about these Park District events.

SPRING PALETTE ART SHOW

(All ages)

Sunday, March 15, 11 am – 4 pm
Gregg House Museum

The Gregg House Museum is transforming into an art gallery filled with color, texture, imagination and inspiration! Mary Launi, local botanical artist, will be displaying her paintings along with many other very talented local artists. Mary will also help you create your own tea bag art project!

CHALK IT UP! SIDEWALK ART CONTEST

Saturday, May 16, 11 am – 1 pm
Gregg House Museum

Color the sidewalk in front of the Gregg House Museum in a dazzling mosaic of design. They provide the chalk, you bring your ideas! Come to view the art or draw. Drawings will be judged at 1 pm and prizes will be awarded immediately following. Rain date: Sunday, May 17.

May Gardening Day SATURDAY, MAY 16

FAMILY

GARDENING at the Library • 10 – 11:30 am

Help us plant our straw bale garden. Use library tools to plant flowers and vegetables, then stop in through the summer to see our garden grow.

Fairy GARDENS • 11 am – noon

Drop in to create your own fairy garden. Add plants and embellishments for your fairy, while supplies last.

TEENS

PLANT A Cactus • 2 – 3 pm

Teens, get ready to garden! Decorate a pot and plant a cactus to take home, while supplies last.

ADULTS

Mason Bees • 2 – 3 pm

Community Meeting Room

Learn how to be a beekeeper—without the worry of being stung! Jon Yeater, Village Forester, presents the life cycle and management of mason bees, an easy-to-keep pollinator native to northern Illinois. Registration required.

In partnership with Westmont Environmental Improvement Committee.

TEENS & ADULTS

Makery GARDEN PROJECTS 3 – 4:30 pm

Join us for our open Makery hours to make garden-themed projects.

Frogs AT THE LIBRARY

Visit Youth Services this spring to watch our frogs grow! The tadpoles will arrive in late April and slowly develop into adult Leopard Frogs. Help us choose names before they hop away to their forever home.

Amazing Amphibians

FROG LIFE CYCLE

Thursday, April 16, 6:30 – 7:45 pm

Join staff from Lyman Woods to learn about a frog's life cycle, then create a frog life cycle craft to take home with you.

WORKING TOWARD A DEMENTIA FRIENDLY WESTMONT

People with dementia experience stigma and social isolation, and family caregivers often find it difficult to balance work, life, and caregiving responsibilities.

It is our goal at the Westmont Public Library to provide access to ongoing support and quality of life services to improve the journey for people with dementia and their caregivers.

See page 10 for programs and resources we offer for our patrons affected by dementia.

CENSUS 2020: WESTMONT COUNTS

Not sure where or how to complete the 2020 Census? We've got you covered!

Starting mid-March, the library will have a private workspace dedicated to completing the census online, in addition to our public workstations and free internet/wifi, which are always available. We'll also have plenty of information on hand to help you out.

In the meantime, you can find answers at 2020census.gov.

IN THE ART GALLERY

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



MARCH & APRIL

Jean Heasley
Oil Paintings



MAY

People's Resource
Center Art Students
Mixed media

Interested in displaying your artwork?

For more information, visit westmontlibrary.org/exhibits-and-displays.

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 video-recorded for library promotional purposes. Please notify library staff if you prefer not to be photographed.

PREREADERS
(Ages 0 – 6)

Registration is required for programs with a checkmark. ✓
Registration begins Saturday, February 15 at 9:30 am.
Register online at westmontlibrary.org/events, by phone at 630 869 6150, or in person.

If you are not able to attend a program for which you are registered, please let us know at least 24 hours in advance, so that we can make your spot available for someone else. Thank you!

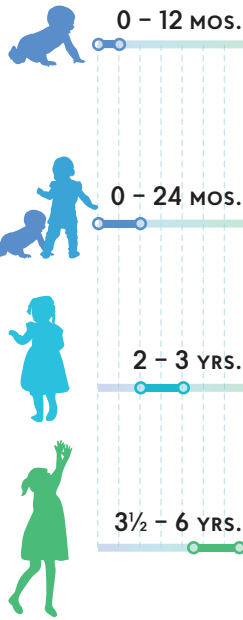
FAMILY
(All Ages)

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 are offered weekly in the spring from **March 16 through May 1**, unless otherwise noted. 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)



STORYTIME!
Tuesdays, 9:45 – 10:15 am

LANGUAGE STORYTIME
Mondays, 9:45 – 10:15 am

Spanish: March 16 & 30 and April 13 & 27
French: March 23 and April 6 & 20

WENDY AND DB
Tuesday, May 5, 10 – 11 am

Start the morning with music and dancing! Join musical duo Wendy and DB for a fun-filled concert.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Westmont Public Library.

PROCESS ART PARTY
(Ages 18 months – 5 years)
Tuesday, March 3, 10 – 11:30 am

Celebrate the process of freely exploring and creating art. Drop in with your child so they can experience open-ended art activities while exercising their imagination! Process art can be messy, so please dress appropriately!

TRY IT: IRISH DANCING ✓
(Ages 3 – 4 years)
Wednesday, March 4, 10 – 10:30 am

Join Alyssa Harling from Harling School of Irish Dance for an animal party. Learn about Irish music and the basics of Irish dancing while pretending to be animals. This program is designed for children and caregivers to participate together.

SATURDAY DANCE PARTY
Saturdays, 3 – 3:30 pm
March 7 and April 4

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 24 and April 7 & 21

We'll have different sensory, art, and educational play stations 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!

EL DÍA DE LOS NIÑOS
Friday, April 24, 11 – 11:45 am

Celebrate a day all about children and books. Learn about this wonderful holiday, do a craft, and practice some Spanish, too!

PAJAMA STORYTIME
Monday, May 11, 6:30 – 7 pm

Come in your PJs for this special evening storytime filled with stories and songs!

TINKER TALES (Ages 3 – 8 years)
Saturdays, 3 – 4 pm
March 21, April 25, May 30

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.

LIBRARY SCAVENGER HUNT
Monday, March 30 - Friday, April 3

Learn about the library with a scavenger hunt for all ages. Completion of the hunt earns you a ticket for the prize drawing at the end of the week!

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: FINDING NEMO
Tuesday, March 31, 6 – 8:30 pm

Create your own set of interactive props to use while watching the movie. Enjoy light snacks, while they last.

SPRING STORYWALK
Friday, April 17 – Monday, April 20
Robert Bernas Park, 5716 S Wilmette St.

Enjoy the book *Bear Wants More* by Karma Wilson 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.

On Saturday, April 18, 2:30 – 4 pm, drop in for a craft activity in the park after enjoying the StoryWalk.



Amazing Amphibians

Learn about the frog life cycle with experts from Lyman Woods on **April 16**, then witness the incredible transformation of tiny tadpoles to frogs this spring at the library!

May Gardening Day

Bring the whole family to garden together at the library on **Saturday, May 16**.

See page 2 for more information.

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY CRAFT
Saturday, May 2, 9:30 am – noon

Drop in for a superhero craft to celebrate Free Comic Book Day. Don't forget to pick up your free comic books while supplies last!

TIPS AND TOOLS FOR SHARING
Tuesday, March 10, 10 – 11 am

Join Licensed Clinical Social Worker Kari Gough and library staff for an informational discussion on sharing. We will share a story together. Then little ones will join librarians in the back of the room for some creative play, while caregivers work with Kari on tips and tools to help your little ones navigate this social skill. Bring questions and concerns.

PARENTING

GRADES
K – 2

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TRY IT: IRISH DANCING ✓

Wednesday, March 4, 2:30 – 3:15 pm

Join Alyssa Harling from Harling School of Irish Dance to learn about Irish music and dancing. Practice basic drills and the first step of the jig. Pre-K children welcome.

BUILD IT: DIORAMA ✓

Thursday, March 19, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Create your own world or re-create a place on Earth using paper, paint and more!

READ WITH HINSDALE
HUMANE SOCIETY ✓

Mondays, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
March 23 and April 27

Meet with a trained therapy dog and its handler for 15-minute reading sessions.

Sponsored by Hinsdale Humane Society.

GRADES
3 – 5

BALLOON BADMINTON ✓

Monday, March 9, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Got cabin fever? Burn off that energy with balloon badminton! Decorate a paddle and play in a mini tournament with friends.

PERLER BEAD PICTURE FRAMES ✓

Tuesday, March 24, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Build a one of a kind picture frame around your favorite photo! Bring a photo from home or cut a picture from a magazine.

MINI NONSENSE DOCUMENTARIES ✓

Monday, April 6, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Take silly photos, add pan and zoom effects, and record a weird voiceover to create a short nonsense documentary!

BEYOND THE BOOK: FORT
BUILDING TIME ✓

Thursday, April 9, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Listen to the story, then take it beyond the pages with fun and creative projects!

WIND SCIENCE ✓

Wednesday, April 22, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Explore concepts in wind science with simple experiments. Build a wind vane out of paper and tape to continue the fun at home.



Grow with Us

Garden together at the library and witness the transformation of tadpoles into frogs in Youth Services! **See page 2 for more information.**

MINI MODEL KEYCHAINS ✓

Tuesday, April 14, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

It's time to think small! Make your own miniature clay keychains to style any book bag, purse, or set of keys.

OZOBOT OBSTACLE COURSE ✓

Thursday, April 30, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Learn the basics of coding by leading your Ozobot through an obstacle course. Work in teams and challenge each other to get the fastest time!

TRAVEL ACTIVITY BAG ✓

Thursday, May 7, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Get ready for summer vacation with your very own activity bag. Create a travel game, book list, and more!

STUFFED ANIMAL PICNIC ✓

Tuesday, May 19, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Bring a stuffed animal friend for an indoor picnic. Together we will play games and create a miniature scrapbook to remember the fun! Scrapbook materials will be provided.

SHARPIE TIE DYE ✓

Tuesday, May 12, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Draw out designs on fabric with sharpie markers then watch how the colors blend together into personalized colorful creations. All materials will be provided.

MINUTE TO WIN IT GAMES ✓

Thursday, May 21, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Compete in a variety of silly, minute-long challenges with your friends!

If you are not able to attend a program for which you are registered, please let us know at least 24 hours in advance, so that we can make your spot available for someone else. Thank you!

TEENS
(Grades 6 – 12)

SLIME PARTY

Thursday, March 5, 4 – 5 pm

Create slime with a variety of colors and materials, all provided by the library!

WESTMONT MAKER CLUB

Wednesdays, 3:15 – 5:15 pm
March 11, April 8, and May 13
Community Meeting Room

Do you want to make cosplay props, decals to personalize your stuff, or decorations that are 100% you? Use our Makery tools, like the 3D printer or vinyl cutter, to express your creativity during these teen-only hours.

TEEN TRIVIA

Wednesday, March 18, 6 – 7 pm

Go up against other teens and test your knowledge on a variety of topics for a chance to win prizes and bragging rights.

ZINE MAKING ✓

Thursday, April 2, 4 – 5 pm

Using a combination of text and images, collage together an original, self-published booklet on a topic of your choice.

DIY TERRARIUM ✓

Thursday, April 23, 4 – 5 pm

Design and build your own terrarium using materials provided by the library.



FOLLOW OUR TEEN-ONLY

SOCIAL MEDIA

ACCOUNTS FOR PRIZES

March 1 – May 30

It's social media just for teens!

Instagram @westmontlibrary_teens
Twitter @WPL_Teen

Show that you've started following us and pick up a prize from the Youth Services desk.
One prize for each platform.

VINYL CUTTER STICKERS ✓

Wednesday April 29, 6 – 7 pm

Use the library's vinyl cutter to design and cut out stickers. Arrange them together on a surface of your choice or take them home!

SPRING PROJECT HANGOUT

Thursday, May 14, 3:30 – 5:30 pm and
Wednesday, May 20, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Got a project due? Do you need a place to hang out and get it done? Come to the library for open project hours. Our meeting room will be open for teens to use to work on projects. We will be stocked with snacks and supplies!

PLANT A CACTUS

Saturday, May 16, 2 – 3 pm

Get ready to garden! Decorate a pot and plant a cactus to take home, while supplies last.

STOP MOTION COLLAGE ✓

Monday, May 18, 4 – 5 pm

Make a collage that moves, using all the usual collage elements and Stop Motion Studio!



Looking for your next great read?

Try our staff review blog, Book Recs, at westmontlibrary.org/bookrecs.
With titles tagged by age and genre, it's easy to find the perfect match.

Board Book



Peek-a-Bruce

by Ryan T. Higgins

Reluctant new parent Bruce returns with his gaggle of goslings. Black Bear Bruce is looking for a place to spend a quiet moment away from the goslings, but his search turns into a rambunctious game of hide and seek. Kids and caregivers alike will enjoy joining in!

Beginning Chapter



March of the

Mini Beasts

by Ada Hopper

The DATA Set, a group of three Latino second graders known for their interest in science and engineering, Adventure in this accessible, illustrated story. The friends must rely on their creativity and problem solving, and humor abounds.

YA



We Set the

Dark on Fire

by Tehlor Kay Mejia

This dystopian novel with parallels to today's social issues will appeal to readers who enjoy realism as well as fans of sci-fi/fantasy. Although a plot-driven narrative, the exploration of multifaceted Latinx characters and queer relationships is well developed.

ADULTS

VIRTUAL REALITY DEMOS

Thursday, March 5, 7 – 8 pm
Registration begins February 27 at 9:30 am.
Community Meeting Room

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

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE: FOLLOWING THE CALL TO SERVE

Wednesday, March 4, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Kwasek Meeting Room

Megan Wells brings to life the famous Florence Nightingale, who, against all odds in a culture that used “nurse” like a swear word, fought for the right to serve.

LADIES OF LAUGHTER: GREAT COMEDIENNES

Wednesday, March 11, 7 – 8 pm
Kwasek Meeting Room

Film historian Dr. Annette Bochenek presents the funny women of radio, film, and television, including Gracie Allen, Lucille Ball, Eve Arden, and more!

MADAM PRESIDENT: THE SECRET PRESIDENCY OF EDITH WILSON

Wednesday, March 18, 7 – 8 pm
Kwasek Meeting Room

Local author William Hazelgrove will share the story of this amazing woman who took on presidential responsibilities before women even had the right to vote.

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AUTHOR TALK: GETTING RID OF MABEL

Wednesday, March 25, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Kwasek Meeting Room

Keziah Frost, local author and a semi-finalist in the 2019 Soon To Be Famous Illinois Author Project, will discuss and read excerpts from her latest book, *Getting Rid of Mabel*, which is a follow up to her first novel, *The Reluctant Fortune-Teller*.

CANNABIS IN ILLINOIS

Wednesday, April 8, 7 – 8 pm

Kwasek Meeting Room

Kirsten Velasco, with Illinois Women in Cannabis, will discuss what legalized marijuana means for you and your community. Get the most recent information regarding both the Medical Cannabis Program and Adult Access (aka Recreational). Ask questions, share your concerns, and receive guidance.

If you are not able to attend a program for which you are registered, please let us know at least 24 hours in advance, so that we can make your spot available for someone else. Thank you!

ADULTS

TAKING CONTROL OF YOUR CASH FLOW AND ELIMINATING DEBT

Thursday, April 9, 1:30 – 2:30 pm
Community Meeting Room

The Society for Financial Awareness will share tips on how to stop living paycheck to paycheck, offer information about your financial future and eliminating debt, and provide answers on developing a budget.

INTRODUCTION TO TINKERCAD

Tuesday, April 9, 7 – 8 pm
Registration begins April 2 at 9:30 am.
Community Meeting Room

Learn how to use Tinkercad to design models for 3D printing and how to submit projects to be printed at the library.

PRAIRIE POETRY: FOUR ESSENTIAL ILLINOIS POETS

Wednesday, April 15, 7 – 8 pm
Kwasek Meeting Room

Celebrate four notable Illinois poets—Vachel Lindsay, Edgar Lee Masters, Carl Sandburg, and Gwendolyn Brooks—with local author William Pack. Hear the stories of their lives, select poetry readings, and recordings of the poets themselves.

TECH TUESDAYS

Community Meeting Room

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

IPHONE/IPAD BASICS
March 3, 3 – 4:30 pm

ANDROID BASICS
March 31, 3 – 4:30 pm

EXCEL BASICS
April 14, 3 – 4 pm

EXCEL INTERMEDIATE
April 14, 4:15 – 5:15 pm

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Tuesdays, 10 – 11 am
March 10 and May 12
Community Meeting Room

Are you interested in supporting your library? Get involved with fundraising, advocacy and volunteer opportunities.

Join us and become a member! All are welcome!



MODGE PODGE SPRING PLATES

Thursday, April 23, 6:30 – 8 pm
Community Meeting Room

Local artist Mary Launi will show you how to decoupage a glass plate with a lovely spring fabric. You will go home with a beautifully decorated plate for displaying or serving an appetizer or cookies on!

INSTAGRAM FOR SENIORS

Thursday, April 23, 1:30 – 3 pm
Westmont Senior Center
55 E Richmond St.

Create an Instagram account, find followers, and share and comment on photos! Library staff will also review Instagram privacy settings. A limited number of iPads will be available for use during class, so participants are encouraged to bring their own smartphone or tablet if they have one.

AUTHOR TALK: THE ART OF INVENTING HOPE

Tuesday, April 28, 6:30 – 8 pm
Kwasek Meeting Room

Award-winning journalist and *Chicago Tribune* writer Howard Reich will speak about his new book, *The Art of Inventing Hope: Conversations with Elie Wiesel*. Hear some of the conversations Mr. Reich and Elie Wiesel, a Holocaust survivor, had during the last four years of Mr. Wiesel's life.

We will raffle off 20 copies of the book at the end of the program. Sponsored by the Friends of the Westmont Public Library.



Take home a free seed starter kit during Patron Appreciation Week, March 2 – 8. And don't miss out on May Gardening Day, May 16! Bring the whole family to help us plant this year's straw bale garden, then learn about creating a home for mason bees.

See page 2 for details.

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SPRING BIRDWATCHING AND NATURE WALK ✓

Saturday, May 2, 8 – 10 am
Fullersburg Woods
3609 Spring Rd, Oak Brook

Take a morning walk at Fullersburg Woods with the DuPage Birding Club and learn to spot birds that nest and breed in our region. Binoculars will be provided. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and dress for the weather. You may want to bring sun and bug protection, water, and snacks.

FRAMED FLOWERS ✓

Wednesday, May 6, 2 – 3:30 pm
Community Meeting Room

Create your own indoor Spring! We will be using a variety of pressed flowers to set in a frame. Materials will be provided.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY PROGRAMMING

To register for these programs, email mferguson@aspiredlivingwestmont.com or call 630 960 4400. Sponsored by Aspired Living of Westmont.

SAFEGUARDING LOVED ONES WITH DEMENTIA ✓

Tuesday, March 24, 1 – 2 pm
Community Meeting Room

Captain Lynn Dralle from the Westmont Fire Department will discuss the Illinois Premise Alert Program, a safety program that supports individuals living with disabilities or dementia while aiding emergency personnel to better respond to their needs. Assistance completing the alert program form will be available. Please bring a current photo.

CUSTOM WOOD KEYCHAINS ✓

Thursday, May 7, 6:30 – 8 pm
Registration begins April 30 at 9:30 am.
Community Meeting Room

Design your own wood keychain and learn about the Carvey, the library's computer-controlled carving machine!

BEATLEMANIA! ✓

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

Using rare audio and photographs, Beatles expert Professor Moptop will discuss 1963–64 and how the Beatles slowly conquered the world. This program offers something for both knowledgeable fans and beginners!

BEGINNING SCRAPBOOKING ✓

Thursday, May 14, 1:30 – 3 pm
Community Meeting Room

Crafter Mary Wheeler will introduce you to basic scrapbooking materials and methods. Please bring ten 4"x6" pictures with a common theme to use in creating two pages of your own (pages will be provided).

CREATING A SAFE HOME FOR THOSE WITH DEMENTIA ✓

Tuesday, April 28, 6 – 7:30 pm
Community Meeting Room

Join us for this discussion focusing on tips to help improve the safety of your home, and special considerations to take into account for persons with memory loss.

IF IT'S NOT ALZHEIMER'S WHAT COULD IT BE? ✓

Tuesday, May 26, 6 – 7 pm
Community Meeting Room

Join us as we discuss various dementias beyond Alzheimer's, including symptoms and possible treatments.

100 THINGS TO DO IN CHICAGO IN THE SUMMER ✓

Tuesday, May 26, 7 – 8 pm
Kwasek Meeting Room

Molly Page, local author of *100 Things To Do in Chicago before You Die*, is here to show you everything Chicago has to offer. Discover ideas for a staycation or a date night, and learn about hidden gems in the city.

MAKERY OPEN LAB

Mondays 10 am – 2 pm
Wednesdays 5:30 – 8:30 pm
1st & 3rd Saturdays 2 – 4:30 pm

Drop in to learn about and use the 3D printer, vinyl cutter, Carvey, sewing machines, or other tools.

Visit westmontlibrary.org/makery for more information. Please see our online calendar for up-to-date open lab hours.

MEMORY CAFE ✓

Wednesdays, 10:30 – 11:30 am
March 18, April 15, May 20
Community Meeting Room

Memory Cafe is a place where individuals with memory loss and their family members and caregivers can get together in a safe and supportive environment. Join us for an engaging, activity-based gathering that encourages friendship and acceptance. Activities may include music, craft, movement and more!

To register, email jjohnson@aspiredlivingwestmont.com or call 630 960 4400. Sponsored by Aspired Living of Westmont and Comfort Keepers.

If you are not able to attend a program for which you are registered, please let us know at least 24 hours in advance, so that we can make your spot available for someone else. Thank you!

ONGOING GROUPS

TEAM TRIVIA

Mondays, 7 – 9 pm
March 2 & 16, April 6 & 20, May 4 & 18
Zazzo's Pizza & Bar
200 W Ogden Ave.

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

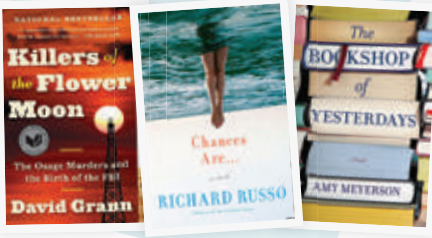
4TH MONDAY BOOK GROUP

Mondays, 7 – 9 pm
March 23, April 25, May 18*
Kwasek Meeting Room

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

Mar. 23 *Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann
Apr. 27 *Chances Are* by Richard Russo
May 18 *The Bookshop of Yesterdays* by Amy Meyerson

*Note: Meeting will be held on May 18 due to the Memorial Day holiday.



KNIT CLIQUE

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
March 3, April 7, May 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
March 3, April 7, May 5
Mai Thai, 697 N Cass Ave.

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

Mar. 3 *Too Like the Lightning* by Ada Palmer
Apr. 7 *A Memory Called Empire* by Arkady Martine
May 5 *The Bone Mother* by David Demchuk



PLAY IT

Thursdays, 7 – 9 pm
March 19, April 16, May 21
Community 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.

Mar. 19 Betrayal at Baldur's Gate
Apr. 16 Settlers of Catan
May 21 Ticket to Ride



WRITERS GROUP

Thursdays, 7 – 9 pm
March 12 & 26, April 9 & 23, May 14 & 28
Community Meeting Room

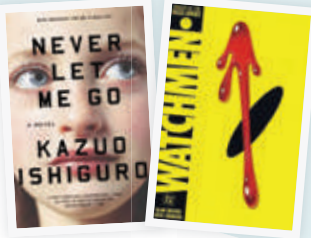
This interactive, patron-led group is for adults interested in getting feedback from their peers on original writing.

HOPPY READS BOOK CLUB ✓

Thursdays, 7 – 9 pm
March 26, April 30, May 28
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.

Mar. 26 *Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro
Apr. 30 *Watchmen* by Alan Moore
May 28 Choose a book to tell us about, and listen to others talk about their favorites!



ENGLISH CONVERSATION GROUP

Saturdays, 10 am – noon
March 14 & 28, April 11 & 25, May 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.



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Library Hours

Monday – Thursday	9:30 am – 9 pm
Friday & Saturday	9:30 am – 5 pm
Sunday	1 pm – 5 pm

Library Closings

Sunday, April 12
Sunday, May 24
Monday, May 25

Library Board of Trustees

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