

fall 2021 NEWSLETTER

THE LEMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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LITTLE FREE PANTRY

Take what you need, leave what you can at our new Little Free Pantry built by local Boy Scout Troop 149. For families experiencing food insecurity, the food pantry is always open for browsing right in front of the library.

This month, we are collecting school supplies! Please drop off any dry erase markers, crayons, colored pencils, poly 2 pocket folders, tissue, scissors, spiral notebooks, etc. Please leave items at the Patron Services desk, not in the Pantry.



LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR



Heather Shlah
LIBRARY DIRECTOR

For some reason, it's always a surprise to me when we move through seasons so quickly. It seems as if it was only yesterday when we were pining for summer, and already, the bounty of fall is upon us. Personally, I believe fall is the most agreeable time of the year, not just in a weather sense, but in anticipation of what's ahead. I always welcome the coziness and good spirits that come with that Harvest Moon. While I marvel at the generosity of our community and the support that the library receives, I am always thinking of ways that the library can give back to our community. As you thumb through this newsletter, you will see the many ways that the library is reaching out — whether it be to offer health and wellness, technology, and financial education, or just plain ol' enlightenment and fun.

I think it is always best when we move together with common interests, and the wellness and happiness of the Lemont community and Lemont Public Library District are one and the same. Please consider donations to the library's Little Free Pantry — whether that be non-perishable food items, school supplies, or whatever the pantry theme may be, and if you are in need...help yourself! Another great way that you can contribute is to join the Friends of the Library — that's a sure-fire way to make friends and reap the benefits of service.

Hope to see everyone soon!

Heather Shlah
LIBRARY DIRECTOR
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LIBRARY HOURS

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

BOOKTOBER FEST

OCTOBER 21 - 25TH

Author Visit:

John Everson
Thursday,

October 21 • 7pm

Come get spooky with us when Bram Stoker Award-winning horror author talks about his career as a horror novelist and how his vampire sisters Danika and Mila ended up last year in the Netflix series *V WARS*.



Friends/Volunteers of the Library Booksale

Saturday, October 23 - Sunday, October 24

Our semi-annual sale to stock your shelves for the coming cold weather seasons.

Junk in the Trunk

Sunday, October 24 • 8am–12pm

Rent a parking spot for \$20 to reserve a space, park your car and pop your trunk and sell your junk!

Contact Shannon Kazmierczak for more information. 331.246.1611
skazmierczak@lemontlibrary.org

Spooky Donuts and Coffee

Sunday, October 24

Make sure you save your cents so you can purchase a delicious donut from The Chicago Donut Company and warm cup of joe or cocoa as you shop!



Haunted Page Halloween Tricks & Tales

Monday, October 25 • 7pm

William Pack returns with a horror themed show of performance and storytelling. Classic horror authors jump off the page and provide spine-tingling magic and spell-binding stories. Patron participation encouraged.

Rock-tober (Family)

Look for our creepy, cool pumpkin rocks around town throughout October! If you find one with a gold-painted bottom, bring it back to the Youth Services desk for a special prize.

Goosebumps Party (Ages 5 & up)

Thursday, October 21 • 4pm

Join us for a ghoulish-ly good time with games and activities celebrating our favorite spooky series.

Pumpkin Tales (Family)

Sunday, October 24 • 1:30pm

Meet us on the library's patio to decorate a pumpkin inspired by your favorite book, character, or scene. Ribbons will be handed out to the best in show.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Meeting agendas are posted 48 hours in advance of the meeting date on the library website and the library notices board. The public are welcome to attend Library Board meetings.

Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month in the Library Learning Center, 50 E. Wend St., Lemont.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Versiti Blood Drive

Tuesday, September 14th • 12-6pm
Give the gift of life. Register to donate, walk-ins welcome.



The Essential Chicago Fire (z)

Sunday, September 26th • 2pm
2021 marks the 150th Anniversary of the fire. William Pack weaves together technical details of the fire with vivid firsthand accounts from those who lived through the conflagration of 1871, bringing alive all the excitement and terror of the fire.

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Movie Music & Romance (z)

Sunday, October 17th • 3pm
Experience dozens of the most memorable movie scenes, love songs, and dance tandems all in one sitting. Bring your Sweetie for Sweetest Day or enjoy on your own.

ADVOCATE HEALTH SERIES

Join health professionals for these important and informative talks.

Strategies to Talk About Mental Health and Wellness for Children and Adolescents

September 15th • 7pm

Identify and Prevent Stroke

October 14th • 10:30 am

How to Identify Strokes for Families

October 14th • 7pm

***At time of print, all programs are being offered in-person, some, with the option to join on Zoom will have a (z) next to description. Please make sure you register for all programs, space is limited.

WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS

YOGA Led by Sandy Bianco, CYT
1st Wednesday of the month • 7 pm
September 1st, October 6th

FAMILY YOGA Led by Sandy Bianco, CYT
2nd Wednesday of the month • 7pm
September 8th, October 13th

AGELESS GRACE (z) Led by Colette Gallian
2nd and 4th Wednesdays • 10:30am
September 8th & 22nd, October 13th & 27th

Crafternight with Holly

Join Holly Dean for an in-person craft program. Space is limited.

Bookish Sunflowers - September 9th • 7pm
Autumn Cloche Vignette - October 4th • 7pm

Bulletproofing Your Career with the 3P's: PURPOSE-PREPARE-PURSUE

Wednesday evening workshop series 6:30pm-7:30pm with **Christen Mazura-Morris**, Founder of Upward Calling Resume Writing & Career Coaching Services (recorded versions available 24 hours after session)



September 22nd **What's My PURPOSE? Finding My Career Direction**

October 20th **PREPARE to Move Mountains to Move Ahead Creating a Personal Career Marketing Plan**

November 10th **PURSUE My Passion-Designing My Career Campaign**

Financing Your Future with Mark Hughes, Financial Advisor

Medicare and You - September 23 • 7pm
Social Security and You - October 19th • 7pm

LIBRARIANS WITH LIBATIONS

Tacos and Tequila

Thursday, September 30th • 7pm

Join Karla, Latina Librarian, who will show us a great tequila cocktail (mocktail version too), and easy and tasty tacos to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month! (Over 21 only)

Beer 101!

Wednesday September 29th • 7pm

Our own Chris Schoenherr will give a brief introduction to tasting, the brewing process, and the history of the world's most popular beverage as we kick off Oktoberfest. (Over 21 only)

TECH TUESDAYS

Safe Internet Use

September 7th, 2pm & September 21st • 7pm
Avoid scams and malware, learn how to search the internet safely and securely.

Cutting the Cable Cord

October 5th, 2pm & October 19th • 7pm

Thinking about ditching your cable provider? Know what your options are and find out if streaming is for you.

Final Friday Features

Join us on the last Friday of the month for a film in the Event Space.

September 24th • 1pm - *Selena* (1997)
October 29th • 1pm - *The Birds* (1963)

Inclusive Program Statement

Patrons of all abilities are welcome at our programs. Please contact the Library regarding accommodations.

For more details and explanations please visit our Event Sign up on our website!

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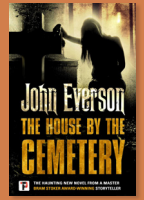
BOOK CLUBS (Z)

Brewed Alternatives

1st Thursday of the Month • 7pm



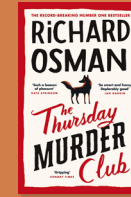
SEPTEMBER 2ND
Watchmen
by Alan Moore



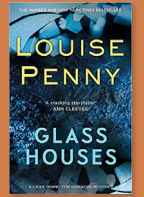
OCTOBER 7TH
House by the Cemetery
by John Everson

Mid-Morning Mysteries

1st Friday of the month • 10:30am



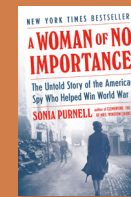
SEPTEMBER 3RD
The Thursday Murder Club
by Richard Osman



OCTOBER 1ST
Glass Houses
by Louise Penny

Genre Jumpers

3rd Monday of the Month • 7pm



SEPTEMBER 20TH
A Woman of No Importance
by Sonia Purnell
(history/biography)



OCTOBER 18TH
Migrations
by Charlotte McConaghy
(scifi/environmental fiction)

Novels at Night

4th Tuesday of the Month • 7pm



SEPTEMBER 28TH
A Tale for the Time Being
by Ruth Ozeki



OCTOBER 26TH
The Bear and the Nightingale
by Katherine Arden

TWEEN & TEEN PROGRAMS

AGES 11-17

Anime & Manga Club

Fridays • 4pm

September 3 & 17, October 8 & 29

Join us to watch anime, discuss your favorite manga, and socialize!

TAG Meetings

Tuesdays • 4pm

September 14, October 19

Earn service hours while sharing your opinions about books, programs, and more.

TAG

Chapter Chat Book Club

Mondays • 4pm

September 13, October 25

Discuss the books you are currently reading and discover new titles from other teens.

Ancient Art: Beginner Chainmail Weaves

October 4 • 4-5pm

Join Jason Magafas as he teaches you different beginner chainmail weaves to create a one-of-a-kind bracelet. Materials will be provided.



KIDS PROGRAMS



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Thursdays • 6-8pm
September 9 & October 7
Sundays • 2-4pm
September 19 & October 17



Join us as we play through the Dungeons & Dragons Ghosts of Saltmarsh campaign. Participants will be sent a link to choose a premade character or may contribute their own character to join in the fun.

Board Game & Chess Club

Wednesdays • 4-5pm

September 22, October 27

Play your favorite board games with friends or try something new from our growing collection. You can also learn to play chess or practice your skills.

100 Books Before Graduation (Grades 9-12)

Ongoing

Start the school year off right! Read books and log with Beanstack to earn prizes on your way to 100.

Rock-tober: Volunteer Opportunity

Tuesdays, September 21 & 28 • 4pm

Flex your creative muscles while decorating rocks to look like cool or creepy pumpkins. These pumpkin rocks will be hidden around town during the month of October.

Ongoing Volunteer Opportunities

Character Pen Pals • ARC & other book reviews

See the Teen page of the library's website for more details.

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Board Games & Stories (Ages 4-6 with caregiver)

Sundays • 1:30pm, Sep 12 & 26, Oct 10 & 24

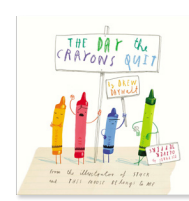
Join Lemont local Stefan Schmager as you listen to a story, then learn to play board games that immerse families in a different theme at each session. Game play will be cooperative, non-confrontational, or dexterous.

Tinker Tots (Ages 0-3 with caregiver)

Thursdays • 11am

September 9 & October 7

Join us for a story and STEAM activity for the youngest minds!



Favorite Author Storytime (Ages 3-8 with caregiver)

Tuesdays • 6pm

September 14: Drew Daywalt

October 12: Kelly DiPucchio

Celebrate our favorite picture book authors with stories, songs, and crafts!

Autumn Art with Ms. Carolyn (Ages 5-12)

Saturdays • 2pm

September 18 & October 16

Join Ms. Carolyn to learn new techniques and create a fall-themed masterpiece.

Lego Mystery Afternoons (Ages 5 & up)

Thursdays • 4pm

September 23 & October 7

Challenge yourself! Join us after school to build something using only the bricks in your mystery bag.

Stick Cat & Dog Party (Ages 5 & up)

Tuesday, September 7 • 4pm

We'll learn to draw our favorite characters, make buttons, and play games to celebrate the *Stick Dog* and *Stick Cat* series by Tom Watson.

Outdoor World of Animals (Family)

Saturday, September 4 • 2pm

Join us on the library's lawn for a live animal show with Incrediblebats and The Natural Naturalist. Meet animals from all across the globe as you learn about their habitats and behaviors.

Crafternoon (Ages 2-10)

Wednesdays, September 8-October 27

Pick up a different craft pack each week, starting on Wednesday morning until we run out. No need to register, these will be given out on a first come-first serve basis of one per child at the Youth Services desk.

WEEKLY STORYTIMES

September 7-October 23

Family Storytime

(Ages 3-8 with caregiver)

Mondays • 1pm

Wednesdays & Saturdays 10am

Pajama Storytime

(Ages 3-8 with caregiver)

Mondays • 6pm

Lapsit Storytime

(Ages 0-3 with caregiver) Tuesdays • 11am



Move n' Groove

(Ages 3-8 with caregiver)

Fridays • 10am (no class October 22)

Book Bike Bingo (Family)

Fridays • 6pm

September 10 & October 8

Ride on over and see the Reading Rover! Register as a family to reserve a spot for our parking lot bingo night. Prizes will be handed out as we play.

Character Pen Pals

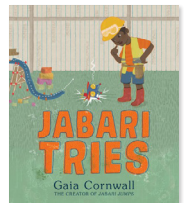
Sign up by October 25

Would your child like to receive mail from a favorite character? Sign up with your mailing address and other information to receive a letter from Daniel Tiger, Doc McStuffins, or Mickey & Minnie Mouse! Letters will begin mailing the week of October 17.

StoryWalk®

Begins September 1

Enjoy a self-guided tour of Mayfair Park while you read *Jabari Tries* by Gaia Cornwall, a story about the power of persistence and siblings working together. After you finish reading, scan the QR code on the last stand to enter to win this season's StoryWalk® book!



*The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.



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