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THE LEMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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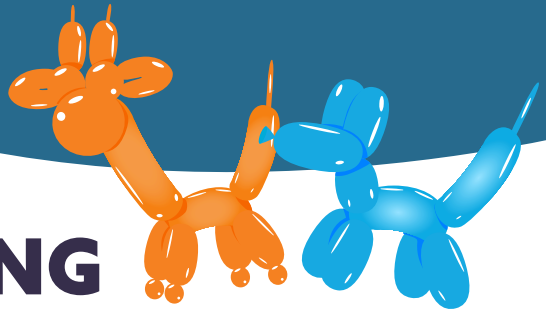
Winter READING CHALLENGE



January 1st - February 28th

Reading is snow much fun

with our all-ages reading program!
Receive a golden ticket to our Melting into Spring Carnival just for signing up via Beanstack or at any service desk. Earn a virtual ticket to your choice of our grand prize raffles for every 5 days of **reading** logged. You can also earn a virtual raffle ticket for every **activity** you complete.



MELTING INTO SPRING *Carnival*

Saturday, March 5th • 1-3pm

Celebrate the end of the Winter Reading Challenge with glitter tattoos and balloon twisting provided by Mel's Majestic World! Snack on a tasty treat too.

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Have spare copy
paper boxes?
Please drop off at
the Adult Services
desk of the library.



LITTLE FREE PANTRY & DONATION STATION DRIVES

Drop off these requested items during the month.



JANUARY
Paper Products



FEBRUARY
Souper Bowl



MARCH
Breakfast Bracket
of Champions



ONGOING
Ruby Whiskers Animal Shelter
Drop off pet-related items
(no liners please)

Cooking with The Friends of the Library COOKBOOK SALE

Saturday, January 30th • 1-4pm

Stop by to gather recipe books for cooking during the Winter months!



LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR



With the holiday season behind us, we all turn our thoughts to new beginnings, new routines, and new promises to ourselves – and although it will be some time yet before the daffodils start poking through the ground, there is certainly that promise...

As we continue our journey to return to normal library service, we take a deep breath to think about what that means. Libraries are largely locally funded, and we have a mandate to serve the communities that we represent. We continue to strive to provide service that is uniquely suited to our community in Lemont. We are working hard on serving in an equal and inclusive way at the library, and we look forward to sharing our new developments.

See you soon at the library!

Heather Shlah
LIBRARY DIRECTOR
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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday–Thursday: 9am–9pm

Friday and Saturday: 9am–5pm

Sunday: 1pm–5pm

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 is 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.



How Do You Hygge?
Sunday, February 13th • 2-4 pm

ADULT PROGRAMS

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

How Do You Hygge?

Sunday, February 13th • 2-4pm

The Danish have a word to survive their long cold winters, called hygge (pronounced hoo-gah). Come see how to get through winter in a cozy way. Dress comfortably. Refreshments will be served.

Virtual Trivia Night (z)

Friday, January 14th • 7pm - *Winter Sports*
Friday, February 11th • 7pm - *All that mushy stuff*
Friday, March 11th • 7pm - *Women's History Month*

Gather your friends or favorite trivia buffs and join us from the comfort of your own home for a night of virtual trivia! Prizes for the top 3 teams. Register to receive a Zoom link. A second mobile device is recommended in addition to the one used for Zoom to participate.



**To the the Moon & Back Again:
The Chicago Connection**
Friday, January 21st • 6:30pm

Join local pilot, author, and NASA Space Station Ambassador, Ed Rafacz, as he shares insights to the Chicago connection to the astronauts of Apollo 8 to Apollo 17 including artifacts of the Space Race. This afterhours program is for 21+ only; a special cosmic cocktail will be served. Please see the children's program offered the following day.

CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

sponsored by *The Friends of the Lemont Public Library District*

Join us all March long as the library features programs and events centered around women.



Women Business Owners Panel

Tuesday, March 8th • 7pm

Celebrate International Women's Day at the library. Join local women business owners including Sommer Steele of Three Stories Books and Mabel's Market, and Molly Hebda of Molly Hebda Photography as they talk about their successes and challenges while opening and sustaining businesses through difficult times.

Amelia Earhart - A First-Person Portrayal by Leslie Goddard

Saturday, March 19th • 3pm

In this lively living-history program, meet Amelia and learn about her experiences as the first woman to cross the Atlantic by airplane (1928) and the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic (1932).



Special thanks to *The Friends of the Lemont Public Library District*

All Throughout March:

- **Book clubs** will feature women authors
- **Trivia Night** will be Women's History Focused
- **Women's Health Issues** focus during our Wellness Wednesdays series
- Women artists inspired **Craft Night**



**Restoring Our Environment
One Plant at a Time (z)**
Thursday, February 10th · 7pm

The Sag Moraine Native Plant Community Volunteers discuss why native plants are so important to the health of our ecosystem including the role they play in preventing the further decline of pollinators and birds as well as improving the health of our environment. Includes an overview of native plants that do well in smaller suburban landscapes.

**Great Decisions 2022
Discussion Series**

Mondays · 7pm
March 7th - April 25th

The Foreign Policy Association's Great Decisions series. Read the materials provided and meet to discuss the most global issues in a non-partisan, open environment. Participants are encouraged to attend all 8 meetings and read the materials in advance.



Social Security Get What's Yours

Thursday, March 24 · 7pm
Workshop presented by Mark J Hughes,
Financial Advisor

TECH TUESDAYS

Join our staff as they provide in-person classes about our most requested help topics!

Where Do I Start? Gifted a new device for the holidays? Let us help you get it set up!

January 4th · 2pm
January 18th · 7pm

Facebook in February - Learn the basics of Facebook including security.

February 1st · 2pm
February 15th · 7pm

eBooks Ease - Interested, but unsure how eBooks work? Let's make it easy!

March 1st · 2pm
March 15th · 7pm



Check out The IPO

The Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra at the Ozinga Chapel of Trinity Christian College provides free passes to library patrons on a first-come, first-served basis. Stop by the Patron Services Desk to reserve tickets for the upcoming concerts beginning two weeks prior to the day of the concert. 1 pass per concert, 2x per season per patron limit.

Still, Bologna & Dvorak
Saturday, February 19th · 7:30pm

Stravinsky, Ravel & Abels
Saturday, March 12th · 3pm



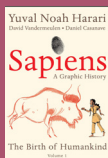
Blood Drive

Wednesday, March 30th · 12-6pm
Give the gift of life to your community. Sign up for the Versiti Blood Drive. (Held in Event Space). <https://bit.ly/320ldUg>

BOOK CLUBS

Brewed Alternatives

hosted at Pollyanna Brewing Company
1st Thursday of the month • 7pm



JANUARY 6TH

Sapiens: A Graphic History
by Yuval Noah Harari



FEBRUARY 3RD

Get Out (film)
by Jordan Peele



MARCH 3RD

The Hollow Places
by T. Kingfisher

Mid-Morning Mysteries (Z)

1st Friday of the month • 10:30am



JANUARY 7TH

Nightblind
by Ragnar Jonasson



FEBRUARY 4TH

As the Wicked Watch
by Tamron Hall



MARCH 4TH

Faithful Place
by Tana French

Genre Jumpers

3rd Monday of the month • 7pm



JANUARY 17TH

Stiff
by Mary Roach
(nonfiction/science)



FEBRUARY 21ST

Landline
by Rainbow Rowell
(romance)



MARCH 21ST

The Night Diary
by Veera Hiranandani
(children's literature)

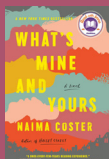
Novels at Night

4th Tuesday of the month • 7pm



JANUARY 25TH

The Cold Millions
by Jess Walter



FEBRUARY 22ND

What's Mine and Yours
by Naima Coster



MARCH 22ND

The Stars are Fire
by Anita Shreve

WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS

GOOD LIFE PHYSICAL THERAPY WORKSHOPS

Licensed Physical Therapists come to the library to provide information on important physical health issues.

Osteoarthritis and Osteoporosis

January 19th • 10am

Hip Pain February 16th • 10am

Headache & Migraine Pain

March 16th • 10am

ADVOCATE HEALTH (z)

Join physicians from Advocate hospitals as they inform us on the latest research regarding important health topics.

Women and Heart Disease

February 2nd • 10am

Let's Talk About Sex and Your Health

March 23rd • 7pm

AGELESS GRACE (z) Led by Colette Gallian

2nd and 4th Wednesdays • 10:30am

January 12th & 26th, February 9th & 23rd

March 9th & 23rd

YOGA Led by Sandy Bianco, CYT

1st Wednesday of the month • 7pm

January 5th, February 2nd, & March 2nd

QI GONG Led by Sandy Bianco, CYT

3rd Wednesday of the month • 7pm

January 19th, February 16th, & March 16th



MahJong

Mondays • 1 pm

Did you know a local MahJong group meets weekly? Tiles provided. The more, the merrier! Played with the National MahJong League card.

GET CRAFTY

Yak n' Yarn

2nd & 4th

Mondays • 7pm

January 10th & 24th

February 14th & 28th, March 14th & 28th

Join other patrons as you needle your way through conversations and your own needle craft. Drop-in program, no registration required.



CRAFTERNIGHT WITH HOLLY

Join Holly Dean for an in-person craft program. (No take home crafts offered).

Winter Watercolor

Thursday, January 13th • 7pm

Cozy Hanging Heart

Monday, February 7th • 7pm

Women in Art

Wednesday, March 9th • 7pm

Final Friday Features • 1:30 pm

Join us in the Event Space for a large screen version of a feature film, popcorn served.

January 28th - **Fargo**

1996 (R) 1 hr 38 min

February 25th - **Hidden Figures**

2016 (PG) 2 hr 7min

March 25th - **Little Women**

2019 (PG) 2 hr 15min

Get Spicy

Each month we will feature a new spice accompanied with various recipes. Stop by the Adult Services desk the second week of each month. We encourage you to try out the recipes and come back to us with videos or photos! *We also love mentions on social media (@lemontlibrary)!*

Grown Up Show & Tell

Do you have a curious collection you want to show off? Something quirky you curate? Bring items to show off in our display and we will interview you to find out more. You will have a feature on our social media and in our lobby for all to see. Contact Outreach@lemontlibrary.org to sign up!

TWEEN & TEEN PROGRAMS

AGES 11-17

At time of print, all programs are being offered in person. Please make sure you register for programs as space is limited.

100 Books Before Graduation (Grades 6-12)

Ongoing

Read books for school or for fun. Log with Beanstack to earn prizes on your way to 100!



Chapter Chat Book Club

Mondays • 4pm

January 10th, February 14th, & March 21st

This winter we'll continue discussing the *Amulet* graphic novels by Kazu Kibuishi.

Anime & Manga Club

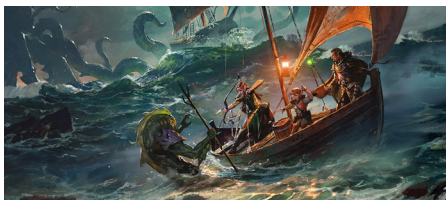
Tuesdays • 4pm

January 11th & 25th: Cells at Work

February 8th & 22nd: Fruits Basket

March 8th & 22nd: The Promised Neverland

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



Adventurers Unite

Thursdays • 6-8pm

January 13th, February 17th, & March 17th

Sundays • 2-4pm

January 16th, February 20th, & March 20th

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 contribute their own character to join in the fun.

Artful Afternoons

Saturdays • 3:30 pm

January 8th: Alcohol Ink Art

February 19th: Customized Altoid Tin

March 26th: EZ Tree of Life Wall Hanging

Join Holly Dean to learn new techniques and create something beautiful.



Board Game & Chess Club

Wednesdays • 4-5pm

January 12th, February 16th, & March 9th

Play your favorite board games with friends or try something new from our growing collection. Learn to play chess or improve your strategy.

Teen Volunteer Squad Meetings

Fridays • 4pm

January 14th, February 18th, & March 18th

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

Furry Friendship: DIY Cat & Dog Treats (Volunteer Opportunity)

Tuesdays • 4pm

February 1st & 15th

Make some tails wag by helping make tasty homemade dog and cat treats. These treats will be donated to the local Ruby Whiskers Animal Rescue.

Ongoing Volunteer Opportunities

Character Pen Pals • ARC & other book reviews. See the *Teen* page of the library's website for more details.

Lego Mystery Afternoons

(Ages 5 & up)

No School Days • 4 pm

KIDS PROGRAMS

Lego Mystery Afternoons

(Ages 5 & up)

No School Days • 4pm

January 3rd, February 21st, & March 28th

Join us to build something using only the bricks in your mystery bag. We'll set a new challenge each session.

Baby Playtime (Ages 0-3)

Tuesdays • 10:45am

January 4th, February 8th, & March 29th

Toys, music, and bubbles, what could be better? Meeting other babies and parents, that's what!

Spark's First Snow Day Virtual Show (Recommended for Ages 3-6)

Thursday, January 6th • 10am

Out of town? Stay-cationing? Wherever you are, join us over Zoom as Firefly Family Theatre presents the story of Spark the firefly and her first snow day with friends. Sing, dance, and play along!



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

Sundays • 1:30pm

January 9th & 23rd, February 13th & 27th, March 13th & 27th

Join Lemont local Stefan Schmagar as you listen to a story, then learn to play themed board games. Game play will be cooperative, non-confrontational, or dexterous.

Tinker Tots (Ages 0-3 with caregiver)

Thursdays • 11am

February 10th & March 31st

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

Pop Up For Popcorn

(Family Friendly!)

Wednesday, January 19th • 10am

Join us for popcorn-themed stories, games, and of course POPCORN!



How Rockets Fly! (Ages 7-10)

Saturday, January 22nd • 11am

We'll explore the science behind rockets with a hands-on activity led by local pilot, author, and NASA Space Station Ambassador Ed Rafacz!

Art with Ms. Carolyn (Ages 5-12)

Wednesday • 6pm

January 26th, February 23rd, & March 23rd

Join Ms. Carolyn to learn new techniques and create a masterpiece!

Souper Bowl (Family Friendly!)

Saturday, January 29th • 2pm

Join us for themed stories and a craft, then we'll scoop soup ingredients to take home.

Hoo Loves You (Family Friendly!)

Wednesday, February 9th • 10am

Enjoy stories about love and family and make an owl craft perfect for gifting to your valentine.

Crafternoon

Wednesdays, January 12th - March 23rd

(No crafts the week of February 9th)

Pick up a different craft pack each week, starting on Wednesday morning until we run out. No need to register.

Feed the Birds (Family Friendly!)

Wednesday, February 16th • 10am

We'll use peanut butter and pinecones to craft a treat fit for our favorite feathered friends.

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Character Pen Pals

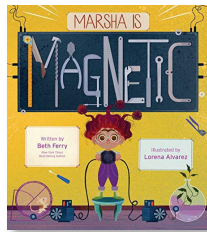
Sign up by Friday, February 18th

Sign up with your mailing address and other information to receive a special letter from Winnie-the-Pooh, Snoopy, or Moana! Letters will begin mailing the week of February 28th.

StoryWalk®

Begins Tuesday,
March 15th

Visit Mayfair Park to learn all about the sweet science of making friends as you read *Marsha is Magnetic* by Beth Ferry. Make sure to scan the QR code on the last stand to enter to win a STEAM-themed book pack!



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

Stuffie Sleepover Shenanigans (All Ages)

Tuesday, March 29th • 6pm

Wear your PJs and bring your stuffed animal to storytime, then leave them overnight to see what sorts of trouble they get into!



She Rocks! (Ages 7-10)

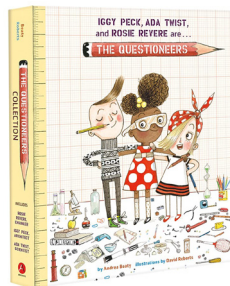
Wednesday, March 30th • 10am

Celebrate Women's History Month by learning about our favorite female pioneers and doing a STEAM-themed activity!

Questioners Book Club (Ages 5 & up)

Thursday, March 31st
4pm

We'll talk about the *Questioners* series by Andrea Beatty and do fun experiments that would make Ada, Iggy, and Rosie proud!



WEEKLY STORYTIMES

January 10th - March 26th

No classes the week of February 7th-12th

Family Storytime

(Ages 3-8 with caregiver)

Mondays • 1pm

Pajama Storytime

(Ages 3-8 with caregiver)

Mondays • 6pm

Baby & Toddler Storytime

(Ages 0-3 with caregiver)

Tuesdays (lapsit) • 11am

Thursdays (walkers) • 11am

Move n' Groove

(Ages 0-5 with caregiver)

Fridays • 10am

Sensory Storytime

(Sensory friendly, open to all)

Saturdays • 10am

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 Signup on our website!

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