



The Signal



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Curbside Service Available



Place a request using the SWAN app, our online catalog, call the Info or Kids Crossing Desk, or email ask@fppld.org.



Get a phone call when your items are ready to be picked up.



Come to the Library and park in the curbside line. Call 847-455-6016 ext. 230 to let them know you're here. Have your library card or photo ID ready.



Receive your items!

With curbside service, we bring your checkouts to your vehicle and place them in your trunk for your safety and convenience. Pickup hours are Monday – Friday, 10:00 AM – 6:30 PM.

All the items you normally request can be requested for pickup along with kits for adults, children, and teens. Requests for items from other libraries are still being fulfilled; however, there may be delays due to quarantining and library closures.

Place a request through one of these methods:

Winter Reading Challenge

Travel through a "Winter Reading Wonderland" with us during our Winter Reading Challenge! Winter Reading begins on Monday, December 14, 2020 and ends on Friday, January 29, 2021. All ages are welcome.

Request a sign-up kit to pick up or sign up and enter your reading progress on our website at *fppld.org/wrp*. You'll earn a prize for participating (limit one per person) when you complete your first reading log and you'll be entered into the Grand Prize drawing. Find reading logs for kids, teens, and adults on pages 5 & 6 of this newsletter.

 Place holds in the online catalog or through the SWAN app

- For adult and teen materials, call the Info Desk (847-455-6016 ext. 229)
- For children's materials, call the Kids Crossing Desk (847-455-6016 ext. 260)
- Email ask@fppld.org

Place requests at least 24 hours in advance for pick-up the next day (dependent on item availability). We will do our very best to fulfill your requests in one pick-up.

Library staff will call you when your

items are ready. When you arrive at the Library, park in the curbside near the library's north entrance. Call 847-455-6016 ext. 230 to notify staff. Stay in your vehicle, have your library card or photo ID ready and your trunk open. A staff member will verify your library card/ID through your window. retrieve your order, deposit the bag(s) in your trunk, and close your trunk. All items will be checked out for a 4 week loan period. Items eligible for autorenewal will renew up to two times, as long as there are no holds.

Apply for a Library Card Online

Did you know that you can register for a library card online? When you register, you gain access to our digital library, which contains ebook, audiobook, and media collections along with educational resources. The service is for residents of Franklin Park age 13 and older who do not already have a library card. Fill out the form on our website: fppld.org/get-a-digital-library-card

After registering, you will receive immediate confirmation, including your temporary barcode and how to reset your PIN. A confirmation email will be sent with further information. You will be granted



full access to our digital resources web page, *fppld.org/digital*.

A digital card is valid for 90 days and requires verification for further extension. This card cannot place holds on physical materials or checkout physical materials without being upgraded to a full access card. Questions? Contact the Circulation Desk at 847-455-6016 ext. 230.



We're continuing our quarterly feature to help introduce you to some of our staff. This quarter, we're shining the spotlight on **Jeff Serna** and **Mariela Salgado**, our new Public Services Assistant Librarians.

Jeff:

What is your job here at the library?

I am a Public Services Assistant Librarian.



How long have you worked at the library?

About 3 1/2 years. I started in the Circulation department and recently moved over to Public Services.

What's your favorite thing about working at the library?

So far, I enjoy making take-home craft kits.

When you're not working at the library, what do you like to do in your spare time?

I like to play video games, write music (mainly on guitar), and hang out with friends.

Have you read any good books lately? Or discovered any good movies or TV shows that you would recommend to others?

I recently watched the new *Sonic the Hedgehog* movie. It really does justice to the beloved video game character, and it was one of the best family movies I have seen in awhile.

What's one thing you wish more people knew about the library?

I wish people knew that it's not only books we have here, but movies, TV shows, magazines, crafts, events/ programs, etc.

Lightning-Round:

Favorite Book: Slash's autobiography Favorite Movie: *Spider-Man 2* (2004)

Favorite TV Show: Whose Line is it Anyway? (US

version)

Favorite Song: "Zero" by Alter Bridge

Favorite Album: Out of the Silent Planet by King's X

Favorite Season: Summer

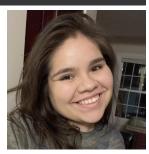
Favorite Holiday: St. Patrick's Day

Favorite Food: Pizza Favorite Color: Indigo

Mariela:

What is your job here at the library?

My job at the library is helping patrons in whatever way I can with technology, finding items, and pointing them to other resources that may be of help. I also help put



together programs and posts on our website.

How long have you worked at the library? About 3 years.

What's your favorite thing about working at the library? I would say the people! That would include all the staff here, but also the patrons who can be absolute sweethearts.

When you're not working at the library, what do you like to do in your spare time?

I like cooking whenever I have the chance. Besides that, I love going hiking on the weekends, too.

Have you read any good books lately? Or discovered any good movies or TV shows that you would recommend to others?

I recently finished *Haunting of Bly Manor* on Netflix which was amazing. The movie *Miracle in Cell Number 7*, also on Netflix, was also really good.

What's one thing you wish more people knew about the library?

The amount of resources and entertainment it provides (a lot of them free!).

<u>Lightning-Round:</u>

Favorite Book: *The Martian* by Andy Weir Favorite Movie: *Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron* Favorite TV Show: *Haunting of Hill House* Favorite Song: "21 Guns" by Green Day

Favorite Album: Too Weird to Live, Too Rare to Die by

Panic! At the Disco Favorite Season: Autumn Favorite Holiday: My birthday

Favorite Food: Sushi

Favorite Color: Forest green

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Register for adult programs at the Info Desk, by calling 847-455-6016, ext. 229, or online at *fppld.org/adults/programs*.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Health & Wellness

Tai Chi

Tuesdays, 1/5, 1/19, 2/2, 2/16, 3/2, 3/16 @ 6-7 PM
Participate virtually through Zoom with Tom Wilkens of Dancing Cranes Yoga in Riverside.
Registration is required. We will email you a Zoom invitation the day before the program date.

Chair Yoga

Mondays, 1/11, 1/25, 2/8, 2/22, 3/8, 3/22 @ 3-4 PM
Participate virtually with Susan Wilkens of Dancing Cranes Yoga in Riverside through Zoom or by phone. Registration is required. We will email you the Zoom & phone information the day before the program date.

Franklin Park Stitchers

Thursdays, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 @ 4-5 PM
Are you a beginner at crochet? Did you just start knitting? Join us for a new weekly virtual meet-up where we talk about what we're working on and give tips & tricks to help you with your future projects. This group is open to all ages.
Registration is required. We will email you the Zoom information the day before the meeting date.

Take-Home Kits

Find out more information & register to reserve your kit at fppld.org/adults/programs.

Watercolor Painting Take-Home Kit

Monday, 1/4 - Friday, 1/8 Create your own artist-inspired watercolor design with our takehome kit! Limit 30. Registration is required.

Hot Cocoa Bombs Take-Home Kit

Monday, 1/11 - Friday, 1/15
Make your very own hot
chocolate bombs, filled with hot
cocoa mix and marshmallows. Just
add steaming hot milk of your
choice! Limit 30. Registration is
required.

Explosion of Hearts: Valentine Pop-up Card Take-Home Kit

Monday, 2/1 - Friday, 2/5 Hugging is so 2019, but the love still has to be shown. Send the people you care about something that will put a smile on their face...an explosion of hearts in their mailbox! Limit 30. Registration is required. Sign-up for this kit begins on Monday, January 4.

Valentine Wreath Take-Home Kit

Monday, 2/8 - Friday, 2/12 Create your own lovely holidaythemed wreath with our takehome kit! Limit 30. Registration is required. Sign-up for this kit begins on Monday, January 4.

Gnome Magnets Take-Home Kit

Monday, 3/8 - Friday, 3/12 Create your own set of adorable gnome magnets with our takehome kit! Limit 30. Registration is required. Sign-up for this kit begins on Monday, February 8.

Killer Reads Book Club

Join us each month on Zoom to delve into the deep, dark world of true crime.

Copies of the book can be picked up a month before the meeting date.

Registration is required. We will email you the Zoom information the day before the meeting date.



Tuesday, 2/23
@ 7-8 PM
Destiny of the Republic
by Candice Millard



Tuesday, 3/23 @ 7-8 PM The Grim Sleeper by Christine Pelisek

Special Programs

Hand Lettering

Monday, 1/25 @ 7-8 PM
Learn the basics of hand lettering with Jez Layman during this virtual program. Jez will show you how to create beautiful custom cards, signs, and gifts. Registration is required. We will email you the Zoom information the day before the meeting date.

Madam President

Thursday, 2/11 @ 7-8 PM
Join William Hazelgrove for a
virtual presentation of First Lady
Edith Wilson, the woman who
became the acting President of
the United States in 1919.
Registration is required. We will
email you the Zoom information
the day before the meeting date.

Brunch Cuisine Ideas

Wednesday, 3/3 @ 7-8 PM
Join Chef Maddox for a virtual cooking demo where you'll learn how to make two delicious options for brunch. Registration is required. We will email you the Zoom information the day before the meeting date.

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TEEN SQUARE

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are open to teens in grades 6-12. Register for programs at the Info Desk, by calling 847-455-6016 ext. 229, or online at *fppld.org/teens/programs*.

Virtual Programs

Find out more details about our virtual programs for teens and sign up for programs on our website at *fppld.org/teens/programs*.

Among Us (FPPLDGamers)

Friday, 1/8 @ 4-5 PM
Join our video game club and play
Among Us with other gaming
fans! Fine tune your detective
skills and your deception skills.

Dungeons & Dragons (Beginners)

Fridays, 1/15, 2/19, 3/19 @ 4-5 PM

Try out *D&D* with us online! We'll be using Roll20 and our Discord server to communicate and play together. Beginners are welcome.

Anime Club

Friday, 1/22 @ 4-5 PM
Anime Club is back virtually! Sign
up on our webpage to get updates

on new club ideas, collaborations, and crafts at home.

Tabletop Gaming Club

Fridays, 1/29, 2/26, 3/26 @ 4-5 PM If you enjoy playing new or classic board games, then this is the club for you! Join in on the fun online from home.

FPPLDGamers

Fridays, 2/12 & 3/12 @ 4-5 PM
We play and stream different
video games every session. Join
our Discord server to keep in touch
with all of our gaming sessions.
Connect with other players and
give us feedback on what games to
play for each session.

Take-Home Kits

Valentine's Day Take-Home Kit

Monday, 2/8 - Friday, 2/12
Create your own appreciation gift for loved ones with our holiday-themed craft kit. Limit 15.
Registration is required. Find more information and sign-up to register for your kit at fppld.org/teens/programs.

"Trick and Treat" Take-Home Kit

Monday, 3/22 - Friday, 3/26 Get ready for April Fools' Day with this tricky kit...that also features a treat! Registration is required. Find more information and sign-up to register for your kit at fppld.org/ teens/programs.

Registration is required for all programs. You can sign up in advance at the Kids Crossing Desk, by calling 847-455-6016 ext. 260, or online at *fppld.org/kids/programs*.

Babies, Toddlers, and Preschool

Storytime & Craft @ Home

Fridays, 1/8-3/26 @ 10-10:30 AM
Zoom in for stories, songs, a craft, and fun each week!
The craft can be picked up through the week. Register and we will email you a Zoom link prior to the storytime. Ages 0-5 w/ caregiver.

Take-Home Craft & Activity Kits

Take some time away from your screens and complete a fun activity or craft! We will have **Grab-N-Go** kits for children in **grades K-5** and **Tween Take-N-Make** kits for kids in **grades 4-6**. Find more information and register for your kit at **fppld.org/kids/programs**.

Kids of All Ages

Gold Coin Guessing Game

Monday, 3/15 - Friday, 3/19

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day by going to *fppld.org/kids/programming* this week and making your best guess of how many chocolate gold coins are in the mason jar. Whoever guesses correctly will win the whole jar!

KIDS CROSSING

Andertoons: Boom! Pow! Smash!

Monday, 1/18 @ 2-3 PM

Join Mark Anderson from Andertoons to "learn how to draw awesome superheroes and terrible villains and decide what happens next!" Grades K-8.

School Age

Percy Jackson Book Kit

Monday, 2/8 - Friday, 2/12

Celebrate Rick Riordan's wonderful *Percy Jackson* book series with us. Pick up a Percy Jackson: Book Kit which will include written notes from each of the characters alongside a craft. All will be packaged in an envelope addressed to your child! Registration is required. Grades 3-5.

Graphic Novel Book Club

Monday, 2/15 @ 4-5 PM

Looking for your next favorite book? Want to meet some new friends and talk about books? Join us live on Zoom where we will be reading Jerry Craft's New Kid. A copy of the book will be provided for you to keep. Registration is required. Grades 3-6.

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Winter Reading Challenge

Grades K-6

Color in a circle for every 30 minutes you read.

Return your completed log before **5 PM on January 29th**. to receive a free book and an entry into the drawing! When you're finished, don't forget to take another one for more chances to **win!**

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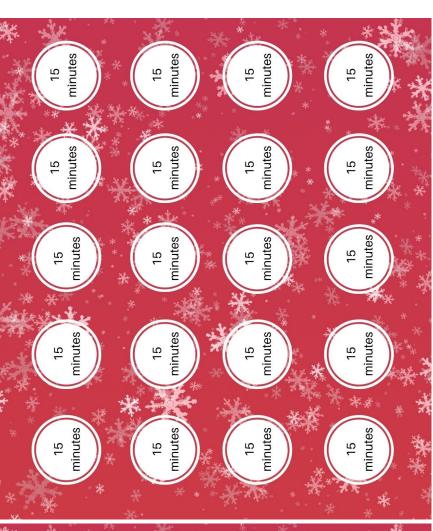
Winter Reading Challenge

Birth - PreSchool

Color in a circle for every **15 minutes** you read.

Return your completed log before **5 PM on January 29th**.

to receive a free book and an entry into the drawing! When you're finished, don't forget to take another one for more chances to **win!**



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Winter Reading Challenge

Teen (Grades 6-12)

Adult

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Library News

Discover New Books From Home

Your library offers a number of options for learning about new books, and here are three of our favorites.

The first way is to sign up for our book enewsletters. The enewsletters feature recent titles for readers of all ages. Adults will

find new best-selling fiction and nonfiction along with picks for mysteries, romance, fantasy, science fiction, memoirs and more. If you are a parent or grandparent, you'll see enewsletters highlighting picture

books, beginning reader books, and tween reads for kids.

Newsletters may arrive weekly or once a month, and each will include links to our online catalog so you can check availability and place a hold. Visit *fppld.org/learn-about-new-books*.

The second way is to explore our staff-curated booklists on our website at *fppld.org/booklists*. There are booklists for readers of all ages. Just choose your category and go.

The third way is to try out our Book Match service. Go to fppld.org/book-match to fill out the Book Match form. In a few days, a librarian will email you a list of books relating to your

interests. You can then place holds or call in for curbside pick-up. Readers of all ages can take advantage of our Book Match service, and you can fill out the form again when you are ready to get new books.



Access Newspapers, Magazines, and More With Newsbank

Explore newsworthy topics and stay informed on local, national and international news with NewsBank, the newest resource made available to you with your Franklin Park Public Library card.

You'll find a wide variety of credible, vetted news sources from around the world to around the corner, including: *Chicago Sun-Times, Franklin Park Herald-Journal, The Daily Herald,* and many more newspapers and magazines.

Read full articles from daily issues,



search for specific topics, or use Newsbank's categories to locate what appeals to you. Need help? NewsBank provides video tutorials to guide you along!

NewsBank is available in the library and remotely 24/7 on any device. All you need to provide is your library card number. To access NewsBank, visit *fppld.org/digital* and select "Newsbank" under the Digital Collections section.

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HOURS OF SERVICE

Monday - Friday Saturday & Sunday 10 AM - 7 PM CLOSED

UPCOMING CLOSINGS

Friday, January 1, 2021 - New Year's Day

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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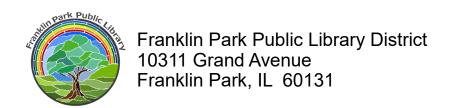
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PLEASE NOTE:

The Library is not currently accepting donations. If you have books you wish to donate, you may still deposit them in the green Better World Books bin in the parking lot behind the building. We are not accepting donations of any other materials at this time. Thank you for your cooperation.

Friends of the Library



The Friends support the Franklin Park Library by providing volunteer services, sponsoring events, and funding programs. We are always on the lookout for new members!

The Friends generally meet on Saturday mornings at 9:30 AM once a month. Due to COVID-19 and restrictions regarding large group gatherings, the Friends will not be meeting until further notice. Any announcements about upcoming meetings and Friends events can be found on our website at fppld.org/friends-of-the-library.