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A Newsletter of the Franklin Park Public Library

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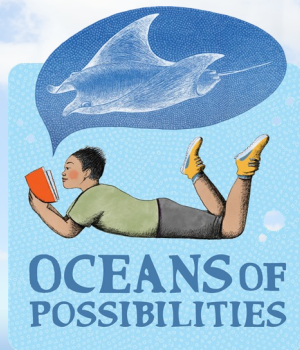
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Summer Reading Challenge Continues

Continue discovering “Oceans of Possibilities” with us!

Our annual Summer Reading Challenge continues through Saturday, July 23 and there is still time to participate. Sign up at the Info Desk or Kids Crossing Desk. Can't make it to the Library? Sign up and participate online at fppld.org/src. Read anything you want and you'll receive a completion prize, as well as an entry into our grand prize drawings.



For the first time since 2019, we

will conclude our Summer Reading Challenge with a huge **Summer Reading Celebration** party on **Saturday, July 30 from 1-3 PM**. We will have an ice cream truck, bouncy castle, balloon creations, giant bubbles, games & crafts, a prize wheel & plinko board, a lemonade stand, a special Friends of the Library book sale, and more! We will also announce the grand prize winners. Make sure to stop by for the fun!

Reminders About Donations to Library



When cleaning and decluttering, many people think of the Library as a place to donate old books, movies, and other items. While we are glad to have your donations, we want to remind you to please be thoughtful about what you drop off for donation. It requires librarians' time to sort through and evaluate all donated items.

The Library accepts:

- Hardcover and paperback books in good condition
- DVDs in their cases
- Audiobooks on CD in their cases or packaging
- CDs in their cases

The Library does not accept:

- Any materials that are musty-smelling, dusty, dirty, water-damaged, highlighted, stained, or in poor condition
- Encyclopedias
- Magazines
- Textbooks older than 3 years
- VHS tapes, cassettes, or record albums
- Computers, printers, or software
- Discarded materials from other libraries

Find more information about donations to the library on our website at fppld.org/about/donations.

Statement about Children's Access to the Library's Collection

In the spirit of public libraries everywhere, the Library's collection provides access to materials to serve the community's needs. Widely diverse points of view will be available in the collection.

Responsibility for children's (children are defined as ages 17 and under) access to both physical and digital library materials rests with their parents and/or legal guardians. Selection and display will not be inhibited by the possibility that materials may come into the possession of children.

The Library endorses the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights (<https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill>). The Library also endorses the American Library Association's Freedom to Read (<https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/freedomreadstatement>) and Freedom to View (<https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/freedomviewstatement>) statements.

ADULT PROGRAMS

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

Special Programs



Make Mine a Mocktail: Summer Edition

Wednesday, 7/13
@ 6:30-7:30 PM

Enjoy some delicious adult beverages without the drawbacks of alcohol! We will demonstrate how to make 3 tasty seasonal mocktails, then send you home with samples and recipes. For adults. Registration is required. Limit 25.



Great Picnic Cuisine

Wednesday, 7/27
@ 6:30-8 PM

Summer is upon us, which means picnic season is here. Gardens and local farmer's markets are bountiful with great vegetables and fruits waiting to inspire home chefs. Chef Susan Maddox is back to explore some old favorite recipes as well as

teach you some new ones. She will help you build your confidence so you can enjoy entertaining over these warm summer months. Samples of each dish will be provided for you to take home to try. Registration is required. Limit 25.



Prairie State Primer

Wednesday, 8/3
@ 5:30-7 PM

Join us for an evening of travel, history, and refreshments with world traveler, John Lynn. John has photographed all 2,400 Illinois cities, villages, and towns. He has also hiked, biked, and canoed enough historic and scenic trails, roads, and rivers in North America and Britain to circle the globe. On this occasion, John



Medicare 101

Wednesday, 9/21
@ 7-8 PM

David Wylly from Medicare Solutions Network presents a free educational seminar to get you up to speed on what Medicare covers, what it doesn't, and your potential out of pocket exposure. He'll discuss Supplements, Medicare Advantage Plans, Part D Prescription Plans, and cost saving strategies for the years ahead.

Friday Flicks

Stop by on Friday afternoons each month to watch a newly released movie.



Friday, 7/15 @ 1-3:10 PM
Death on the Nile (PG-13)



Friday, 8/19 @ 1-2:45 PM
Dog (PG-13)



Friday, 8/26 @ 1-3:05 PM
Cyrano (PG-13)



Friday, 9/16 @ 1-2:35 PM
The Lost City (PG-13)

Health & Wellness

Tai Chi

Tuesdays, 7/5, 7/19, 8/2, 8/16, 9/13, & 9/20 @ 6-7 PM

Tai chi is a type of low-impact, weight-bearing, and aerobic – yet relaxing – exercise. People of almost any age or condition can learn it. 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, 7/11, 7/25, 8/8, 8/22, 9/12, & 9/26 @ 3-4 PM

Chair Yoga classes are wonderful movement opportunities for any adult with limited mobility who wants to increase and maintain flexibility. 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.

Library Quilt & Sew Club

Wednesdays, 7/6, 8/3, & 9/7 @ 10 AM - 12 PM

Join us for casual discussion about quilting & sewing, and showing completed projects. We embrace all quilting and sewing skills.

Knit & Crochet Group

Saturdays, 7/9, 8/13, & 9/10 @ 1-3 PM

New members are always welcome! Join fellow crafters from every skill level. Learn tips and tricks and share projects you're creating.

Adult Craft Programs

DIY Summer Spa Products

Tuesday, 7/19 @ 3-4 PM or 7-8 PM

Celebrate summer by making some spa products from simple ingredients. You'll learn how to make 3 spa-inspired products that you can take home and use to pamper yourself. Limit 20 per session. Registration is required.

Crafter's Corner

Thursdays, 7/21, 8/18, & 9/29 @ 5-6:30 PM

Come and get crafty at Crafter's Corner! This program is crafting free time for all ages. Is there a craft that you've always wanted to

try? Or do you need some extra space for a craft that you've been working on? Drop in anytime and stay for however long you need or like.

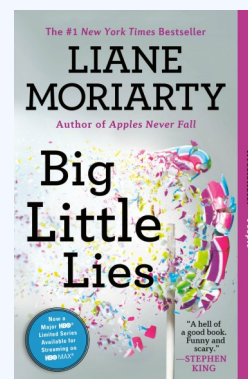
Adult Crafternoon

Wednesday, 9/28 @ 3-4 PM

Are you an adult looking to get creative? Channel your creativity into a fun arts and crafts project! We will meet once per quarter to work on an easy project. All supplies will be provided. Please dress to get messy. Limit 20. Registration is required.

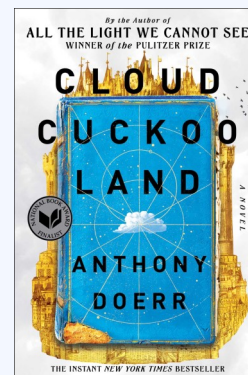
Popular Page Turners Book Club

Join us each month for an evening of engaging conversation discussing books in our favorite genres and areas of interest. Copies of the book can be checked out at the Circulation Desk a month before the meeting date. This is a hybrid program (in person and on Zoom). Registration is required.



Wednesday, 7/20 @ 7-8 PM
Big Little Lies by Liane Moriarty

Wednesday, 8/17 @ 7-8 PM
The Mystery of Mrs. Christie by Marie Benedict



Wednesday, 9/21 @ 7-8 PM
Cloud Cuckoo Land by Anthony Doerr

TEEN ZONE

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

Game ON!

Friday, 7/1; Tuesday, 7/26; & Friday, 8/5 @ 1:30-3:30 PM

Join our video game program to play new and classic games. We'll host different friendly tournaments like Super Smash Bros. and more. We'll have snacks and refreshments. Grades 9-12.

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Thursday, 7/14 @ 12-2 PM

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Snacks Around the World

Mondays, 7/18 & 8/8 @ 1:15-2:30 PM

Get ready to indulge in tasty treats. Try out new snacks from around the world. Eat popular treats and add new delicious favorite foods to your shopping list.

FPPLDGamers

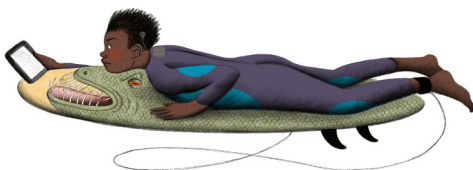
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space for a craft that you've been working on? Drop in anytime and stay for however long you need or like.

Anime Club

Friday, 7/22 & Tuesday, 8/9 @ 2:15-3:30 PM
Friday, 9/9 @ 4:45-6 PM

Talk about all things anime and manga with us. Sign-ups can receive a free copy of our club's current manga. We'll have anime themed activities and a manga book discussion every meet-up.

Miniatures Monday

Monday, 7/25 @ 1:30-3:30 PM

Are you interested in playing miniature games like Dungeons and Dragons? Visit the Library to paint miniatures, or learn how to play different games with others! We'll provide basic paint and art tools for you. Feel free to bring your own figures to paint.

Perler Bead It!

Thursday, 7/28 @ 12:30-2 PM

Create different perler bead designs. We'll provide different perler bead colors and tools to help you get started. Grades 3-12.

Pokemon Fan Club

Fridays, 7/29 & 8/12 @ 1:30-2:45 PM

Calling all Pokemon fans! Play all things



Pokemon with us including Pokemon cards, *Pokemon Go*, Pokemon video games, and Pokemon trivia contests. Grades 3-12.

Fandom Movie

Wednesday, 8/3 @ 1:30-4 PM
Friday, 9/30 @ 3-5:30 PM

Watch new and old fan favorite movies of all time! We'll have light snacks and refreshments

ready to eat while you watch your favorite films. Answer questions after the movie for a chance to win prizes.

Frappuccino Hour

Friday, 9/23 @ 4:45-6 PM

Hangout and drink Frappuccino at your Library. Talk and play games with others. We'll have different snacks and activities ready for you.

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Saturday, 7/30 @ 1-3 PM

Ice Cream Truck * Bounce Castle * Balloon Creations * Giant Bubbles * Games & Crafts * Prize Wheel & Plinko * Lemonade Stand * Special Friends of the Library Book Sale * And More!

Babies, Toddlers, and Preschool

Lil' Dinos Storytime

Fridays, 7/1-7/29 & 9/2-9/30 @ 10:30-11 AM

Start your Friday morning off with a fun storytime full of stories and songs! Some bilingual Spanish may be included. Ages 0-5 with caregiver.

PJ Storytime

Tuesdays, 7/26, 8/30, & 9/27 @ 6-6:30 PM

Put on your pajamas and come down to the Library for an evening storytime. (PJs are encouraged but not required.) Ages 0-5 with caregiver.



School Age



Knights of the Square Table Chess Club

Mondays, 7/11, 7/25, 8/15, & 9/12 @ 5-6:30 PM

Join us for some lighthearted chess competition and instruction, if needed. Guaranteed to not be a stale (mate) evening! Grades 1 & up.

Book Buddies

Thursdays, 7/14, 7/28, & 8/11 @ 3-4 PM

Pair up with an older child and take turns reading to each other. Log your reading minutes for the Summer Reading Challenge and follow up with book discussion, drawing, a snack, and games! Grades Preschool-8.

Mighty Monarchs Book Club

Monday 7/18 @ 4-5 PM

Wednesdays, 8/17 & 9/21 @ 5-6 PM

Stop by the Library for some fun activities and discussions on the Monarch Book Award Nominees! The Monarchs is an Illinois book award with the winner chosen by kids just like YOU. Grades K-2.

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Bon Appetit

Thursday, 7/28 @ 4-5 PM

Wednesday, 8/10 & Tuesday, 9/6 @ 5-6 PM

Sign up to be a Franklin Park Library chef! Have fun making your dish then devour it (You don't even have to share if you don't want to). Who knew cooking could be so fun? Grades 3-6.

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Calling all Pokemon fans! Play all things Pokemon with us including Pokemon cards, *Pokemon Go*, Pokemon video games, and Pokemon trivia contests. Grades 3-12.

Graphic Novel Book Club

Tuesday, 8/2 @ 3-4 PM

Tuesday, 9/13 @ 4-5 PM

Looking for your next favorite book? Want to meet some new friends and talk about

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School Age, cont.



books? Join us to read and talk about a different graphic novel each session. A copy of the book will be provided. Grades 3-6.

Tail Waggin' Tutors

Thursday, 8/4 @ 4-5:30 PM

Thursday, 9/8 @ 5:30-6:30 PM

Come and practice your reading skills with Bailey, the

Certified Therapy Dog. Be prepared for a kiss and cuddle from the 2 year-old Newfoundland! Registration is required. Grades Preschool-5.

Slime Squad

Tuesday, 8/16 @ 5-6 PM

Join the squad for an ooey-gooey fun time. You can't go wrong with a bit of slime! Grades 3-6.

Kids of All Ages

Family Paint-n-Sip

Tuesday, 7/5 @ 4-5:30 PM

Bring the whole crew for a night of painting and socializing and leave with your very own masterpiece.

Family Flicks

Tuesday, 7/12 @ 2-4 PM

Join us for a family-friendly movie that shares our Summer Reading theme. This month's movie is *Moana* (Rated PG).

Maker Mania

Wednesday, 7/20 @ 4-5:30 PM

Wednesday, 8/24 @ 5-6:30 PM

Hop on over to the Library to get those creative minds cranking with a craft. For families of all ages.

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Monday Nite Movies

Mondays, 8/29 & 9/26 @ 5-6:30 PM

See popular animated features on the big screen and

enjoy freshly-popped popcorn, just like at the movies!



¡Hispano Fiesta!

Friday, 9/16 @ 4:30-6:30 PM

Kick off Hispanic Heritage month with a fiesta! Play Lotería, break a piñata, and taste a variety of salsas. Para familias con niños de todas las edades.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Now Available: Sony PlayStation VR Kit!

Sony PlayStation VR kit is joining our library of things lineup. Ever wanted to give virtual reality a try? This may be the perfect way to do it. The kit includes everything you need to get started with your PS4/PS5 console (not included), including a motion-tracking camera, two Move controllers, and the VR headset itself. It is available for a 1-week checkout to Franklin Park Public Library patrons ages 18 and older.

Please note that, while the kit itself does not come bundled with any VR software, our video game



collection has multiple compatible options available for checkout. Contact the Information Desk for details!

Explore with Your Library



There's still time to travel locally this summer. Your library offers two options to

make it more affordable for Franklin Park Library card holders: Museum Adventure Pass and Explore More Illinois. Both have offers for free or discounted

admission to local and statewide attractions and entertainment. For details, stop by the Information Desk, the Kids Crossing Desk, or visit fppld.org.



REACHING ACROSS ILLINOIS LIBRARY SYSTEM

Weekly Home Delivery from Your Library

Unable to get to the Library due to illness or disability? Consider our Homebound Service, where a librarian brings items weekly to your home. For eligibility and more info, contact Marcin Wrobel at 847-455-6016, ext. 234 or email mwrobel@fppld.org.



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HOURS OF SERVICE

Monday-Wednesday 10 AM - 9 PM

Thursday-Friday 10 AM - 7 PM

Saturday 10 AM - 4 PM

Sunday CLOSED

UPCOMING CLOSINGS

Independence Day – Monday, July 4

Labor Day – Monday, September 5

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PHOTO/VIDEO POLICY:

Photographs and/or videos may be taken at programs and in the Library for possible use in Library promotions, including (but not limited to) the newsletter, website, and social media. If you do not wish to be photographed/filmed, please notify staff.



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Due to fluctuating COVID -19 numbers and changing guidance from state and local authorities, all information in this newsletter is subject to change with little to no notice. For up-to-date information, visit our website at fppld.org or call us at 847-455-6016.

Friends of the Library

The Friends support the Franklin Park Library by providing volunteer services, sponsoring events, and funding programs.

The next meetings of the Friends of the Franklin Park Library are: **Saturdays, 7/23, 8/27, and 9/24**



at 10:30 AM. New members are always welcome.

Visit our page on the Library's website for announcements about upcoming meetings and events at fppld.org/about/friends-of-the-library.