



## Be Drawn to the Library!

### Winter Reading Challenge

February 1 - 28, 2025

#### Youth & Teens:

Read to Succeed with the Chicago Wolves!

- ✓ Pick up a reading log from the Youth Desk
- ✓ Read (or listen!) 30 minutes a day for 10 days and record them on your reading log
- ✓ Turn in your reading log by February 28 and receive Chicago Wolves tickets (*while supplies last*)

#### Adults & Seniors

We challenge you to read 20 days this month!

- ✓ Pick up a reading log from the Adult Desk
- ✓ Mark every day that you read (or listen!) to a book on your reading log
- ✓ The goal is to read for at least 20 days this month
- ✓ Turn in your reading log by March 5 and be entered into a giveaway for a \$25 Amazon gift card.



#### YOUR FAVORITE AUTHORS, VIRTUALLY:

Illinois Libraries Presents continues with 9 great virtual events.  
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### Colorful Dreams: Community Mini Art Show



Celebrate National Art Month by participating in our mini art show. Pick up a 4"x4" canvas starting Feb 18 and return by Mar 21.

Join us for our reception on Thursday, March 27 at 6:30pm to celebrate our community of artists.

### National Library Week is April 6-12!



Celebrate libraries with us this week! Let us know what draws you to the library and pick up a cool bookmark!

Check out our Library Week "Love Your Library" Book Sale.  
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### Featured Highlights

#### Shop Local This Spring!

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#### Give Your Items a Second Chance at our Spring Swaps

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#### Get Your End-Of-Life Paperwork in Order

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# Library Happenings



## New & Display Giveaway

Our New & Display giveaway has returned! Check out a new book or a book on display and be entered into a monthly drawing for a small prize!

## Love Your Library Books-by-the-Bag Sale

**April 7 & 8:** Celebrate National Library Week and Support the Library at our Love Your Library Book Sale! Buy a reusable bag for \$10 and fill your bag!



**Need A Proctor?** We have proctoring services available by Appointment Only. *Call or visit our website for details.*

## Thank you to all of our 2024 Library Partners!

Access Brokers Inc, AgeOptions, Birth to 5 Illinois, CAAN Academy, Cook County Health Department, Elementary SD 159, Family Youth Initiative (FYI), First Step Daycare, Friends of the Richton Park Public Library, Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana, Governors State University, Illinois State Library, Illinois Tollway, Matteson SD 162, Midwest Express Clinic, OAI Inc, Park Forest Richton Park Neighborhood Network (PRNN), Prairie State College, Rich Township District 227, Richton Park HOAs, Richton Park Parks and Rec, South Suburban Special Recreation Association (SSSRA), Southland College Prep, Village of Richton Park, Vitalant, & YWCA Metropolitan Chicago.



## Mark Your Calendars! Today is a Day to Celebrate!



Join us as we celebrate National Days with a small giveaway at checkout!

### January

10th - Save the Eagles Day  
23rd - Pie Day  
27th - Chocolate Cake Day

### February

13th - Giving Hearts Day  
20th - Cherry Pie Day  
27th - Strawberry Day

### March

3rd - Read Across America Day  
12th - Girl Scout Day

### April

1st - April Fools Day  
8th - Zoo Lovers Day  
14th - Gardening Day

### May

1st - Mother Goose Day  
5th - Astronaut Day  
15th - Chocolate Chip Day



## We Want Your Display

Do you have a cool collection you'd like to share with the community? We are seeking displays! Download the application online (Services-Additional Services) or email us for more information.

## Check Out A Hotspot!

Did you know? The library has hotspots that can be checked out at the Adult Services Desk. You can borrow one for 3-weeks. *Available to Richton Park Library Cardholders only.*



## We Love Local Businesses



Part of our current strategic plan includes strengthening outreach and collaboration. Introducing our **"Grow Your Business with Your Library"** Program.

Learn about:

- Sharing your information for our Library Local Business section
  - Library services and programs available
  - Outreach opportunities
- ...and more!

For more information on small business offerings, please see website, and complete our Business Interest Form.



More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: [www.richtonparklibrary.org](http://www.richtonparklibrary.org)

# Friends of the Richton Park Library

**Let's Be Friends!** We meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm to help promote, support, and enhance the use of the Library by sponsoring programs, providing necessary materials & services, and furnishing community cultural enrichment.

**Upcoming Meetings:** March 11, April 8, & May 13 @ 7pm

**Friends Officers:** D. Wilkerson, President; D. Washington, Vice President; C. Butler, Treasurer; & L. Johnson, Secretary



## Friends of the Library Scholarship

The Friends of the Library offer a scholarship to graduating High School Seniors in Richton Park. Details and application will be available early Spring.



## Spring Craft & Vendor Show

Join us for a Spring Craft & Vendor show on **Saturday, May 3rd** from 11am—1pm.

*Interested in being a vendor?* Email [friends@richtonparklibrary.org](mailto:friends@richtonparklibrary.org) for an application beginning April 1st.



Scan the QR Code to learn more about the Friends and to download the membership form today!

## Second Chance Community Swaps

Give your old or unneeded items a second chance in the community and/or come and pick up something new-to-you! You can donate or pick up as much as you need. *No donations required to participate in the swap—items are free to good homes!* Questions? [library@rppld.org](mailto:library@rppld.org)

### Puzzle & Board Game Swap

This swap is all about puzzles & board games! Come and find a new game for you & your family.  
**Saturday, January 18**  
11am-1pm



#### Accepting Donations Jan 6-17:

Gently used puzzles, board games, & card games. If pieces are missing, it should be clearly marked on the box.

### Craft Supply Swap

This swap is all about craft supplies! Come and find the supplies you need for your hobby or next project!  
**Saturday, March 22**  
11am-1pm



#### Accepting Donations Mar 10-21:

All gently used craft & art supplies.

### Plant Swap

This swap is all about plants! Come and adopt a new to you plant or pick up some gently used gardening supplies.  
**Saturday, May 10**  
11am-1pm



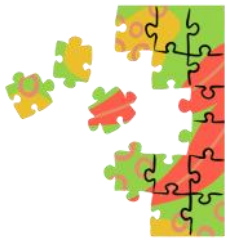
#### Accepting Donations May 5-10:

Seedlings, pots, bulbs/seeds, houseplants, propagations, & gently-used tools. Live items should be healthy.

**Don't forget the Fall Swaps!** The Second Chance Community Swaps will continue this fall with a Plant & Bulb Swap and a Holiday Decoration Swap! Set aside gently used / working items for donation instead of throwing away!

\* Programs with an asterisk \* require registration. Register online, in-person, or over the phone.

# Special Events



## Puzzlepalooza

**Everyone:** Join us for a day of puzzles! We'll have timed puzzle races, a giant puzzle for everyone to work on, and more!

*Saturday, January 18  
11am-1pm*

## Been Country

### A History of Black People and Country Music



**Adults:** Join local director Cordaro Johnson as he shares a short history of black people in music, highlighting key contributions to the country genre. Other local talents will join and share musical renditions from various decades. "This ain't Texas", but we still have a deep-rooted history in country music!

*Thursday, February 20  
7:00pm*

*Please note: program may run afterhours, library services will not be available after 8pm.*

## Double Feature: "Black Panther" & "Wakanda Forever"

**Everyone:** Bring snacks and join us for a double feature! "Black Panther" starts at 1pm, "Wakanda Forever" starts at 3:30pm!

*Friday, February 7  
1-6pm*



## Shredding Day

### With Beaver Shredding

**Adults:** Do you have documents that need to be shredded? Bring them to the library and Beaver Shredding will shred them on the spot! Limit 5 banker boxes of paper.

*Saturday, May 17  
11am-12:45pm*



## Save the Date! We're kicking off our Summer Reading Program on Saturday, May 31!

*More details available closer to May!*



## Chemistry Expo With BTHS Chemistry Club

**Everyone:** Join us for an hour of chemistry fun with the Bloom Trail High School Chemistry Club! Watch live demos!

*Wednesday, March 12  
4:30-5:30pm*

## Family Bingo

**Everyone:** Bring snacks & play bingo for prizes!

*Fridays: Jan 17, Feb 21, Mar 21, & Apr 11  
6-7pm*



## Iron-on T-Shirt Decorating

**Everyone:** Celebrate the month or holiday with an iron-on design at the library! Bring a T-shirt (or tote) and you can customize it with one of our iron-ons (*while supplies last!*)

Feb 6, 20, 27: Black History Month

Feb 13: Valentines Day

Mar 6, 20, 27: Women's History Month

Mar 13: St. Patrick's Day

*Thursdays: Feb 6 through Mar 27  
11am-7pm*



## Family Movie Nights

**Everyone:** Bring snacks & join us for a movie on our big screen!

*Feb 14: The Princess and the Frog*

*May 16: Wicked*

*Movies start at 6pm*



## \* Bluey Bingo

**Family:** Bluey is visiting the library and wants to play Bingo with everyone! Play Bingo, win prizes, and take a picture with Bluey!

*Saturday, May 24  
11am-12pm*

More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: [www.richtonparklibrary.org](http://www.richtonparklibrary.org)

## Early Literacy & PreK Programs

### Little Learners

**PreK & Caregiver:** Drop-in for self-led play with concept-based educational toys each week!

*Mondays: Jan 6 through May 19  
10:30-11:30am*



### PreK Storytime

**PreK & Caregiver:** Join us for stories & songs that focus on colors, letters, shapes, & numbers. Stick around to play in our Toddler Corner afterwards!

*Wednesdays: Jan 8 through Apr 30  
10:30-11am*

### PreK Craft

**PreK & Caregiver:** Drop-in to make a cute, simple craft each week!

*Fridays: Jan 10 through Apr 25  
No Meeting Feb 14  
10:30-11:15am*



### Play Doh Playtime

**PreK - Gr 2 & Caregiver:** Drop-in and play with play doh & accessories!

*Saturdays: Jan 4 through Apr 26  
No Meeting Feb 1  
11am-1:30pm*

### Early Literacy Baby Bags

**Parents:** New Parents can come to the library and pick up a FREE Early Literacy Baby Bag at the Youth Services Desk. Available while supplies last. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library



### 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Birth - PreK:

Pick up a reading log in Youth Services and challenge yourself to read 1,000 books to your child before Kindergarten.

**Please observe age ranges for programs. Programs will be cancelled if there are no participants after 15 minutes.**

## \* Family Photos with the Easter Bunny

### PreK - Gr 2 & Family:

The Easter Bunny is visiting the library! Hop on by and take a photo with the Easter Bunny and make a cute Easter craft!

*Saturday, April 5  
10:30am-12pm*



### \* Pet Photos

*Saturday, April 5  
12:30-1:30pm*

## Storytimes

### Pajama Storytime

**K - Gr 2 & Family:** Wear your PJs and join us for stories, songs, & a short yoga session to get ready for bedtime!

*Tuesdays: Jan 7 through Apr 22  
No Meeting Jan 21  
7-7:30pm*



### Black History Month Storytime

**K - Gr 2 & Family:** Join us for a special Black History Month themed PJ Storytime

*Tuesday, February 11  
7-7:30pm*

### Valentine's Day Storytime

**PreK - Gr 2 & Caregiver:** Dress in pink and join us for a special Valentine's Day themed storytime!

*Friday, February 14  
10:30-11:15am*



### \* Storytime with the Fire Marshall

**PreK - Gr 3 & Family:** Join us as Nancy Mulvihill, Richton Park Fire Marshall, reads a story and teaches us about Fire Safety!

*Tuesday, March 4  
4-5pm*



## \* T-Rex Tea Party

### PreK - Gr 2 & Caregiver:

It's a prehistorically delightful tea time with our special guest T-Rex! Join us for tea & snacks, then play a game with the T-Rex and snap a photo!

*Saturday, March 29  
11am-12pm*

\* Programs with an asterisk \* require registration. Register online, in-person, or over the phone.

# Youth Services

## Youth Programs (K-Gr. 8)

### Supersized Sorry

**Gr. 3-12:** Join us at the library during your winter break for a supersized version of Sorry in our meeting room!

Friday, January 3  
11am-4pm



### Drop-in Make Your Own Valentine's

**Kids & Teens:** Come and make some Valentine's with us!

Friday, February 14  
4-6pm

### \* Peep Houses

**Gr. 3-8:** Make a cute spring graham cracker house for a peep!

Wednesday, April 9  
4-5pm



### \* Art and Adventures with Author/ Illustrator Dan Santat

with Illinois Libraries Present (Page 10)

**General:** Join Author & Illustrator Dan Santat for a virtual author visit!

Saturday, May 3  
2-3pm (No Watch Party)



### Drop-in Mother's Day Craft

**Kids & Teens:** Make something special for your mom with our Drop-in Mother's Day Craft!

Saturday, May 10  
11am-1pm



## Kids Spring Craft & Vendor Show

**16 & younger:** Calling all young entrepreneurs! You're invited to sell your products at our upcoming Craft & Vendor Show! Application is available on our website.



**Everyone:** Support our Young Entrepreneurs and join us at our Spring Craft & Vendor Show.

Saturday, May 3  
11am-2pm

## \* Library 101



**Gr. 5 - 12:** Learn how to use the library! We'll go over using the catalog to find books, accessing ebooks & databases, and other fun things you can check out at the library that you may not know about!  
Tuesday, February 11  
4-5pm

## Weekly Programs (K-Gr. 8)

### Kid Concoctions

**K-Gr. 8:** Drop-in on Tuesdays and make something fun with us!

Tuesdays: Jan 7 through May 20  
2-4pm

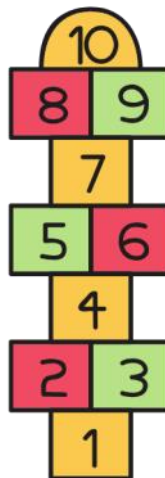


### \* Fun Club

**K-Gr. 8:** Come join us as we do a different craft or activity every week!

Jan 9: Jenga Tournament  
Jan 16: LEGO Building  
Jan 23: Pie Day Activities  
Jan 30: Come & Play Day  
Feb 6: Black History Month Bingo  
Feb 13: Valentine's Day Craft  
Feb 20: Jenga Tournament  
Feb 27: Pokémon Tournament  
Mar 6: Uno Tournament  
Mar 13: St. Patrick's Day Crafts  
Mar 20: Jenga Tournament  
Mar 27: Operation Game  
Apr 3: Making Magnets  
Apr 10: Flower Pots  
Apr 17: Easter Crafts  
Apr 24: Drop-in Games  
May 1: Kahoots Trivia

Thursdays: Jan 9 through May 1  
4-5pm



## Don't Miss Out on Pop-Up Programs:

Visit our website or follow us on social media to stay informed about any new pop-up programs!

Please observe age ranges for programs. Programs will be cancelled if there are no participants after 15 minutes.

## 100 Books Before High School



**Gr. 4 - 8:** Pick up a reading log in Youth Services and challenge yourself to read 100 books before High School!

## Drop-In Fun

### Scavenger Hunt

Can you find all 10 numbered shapes in Youth Services? If you find them all, you can get a small prize!  
*New Challenge Monthly*



### Guess How Many

Can you guess how many items are in the jar? Give us your best guess and you could win the jar!  
*New Challenge Monthly*



### Kids Take & Make

Pick up a craft to make at home!  
*New Crafts Every Two Weeks*

## Project Next Generation

### \* Lego Robotics Club

*A Project Next Generation Program*

**Gr. 5-9:** Learn basic programming and engineering with Lego Spike Prime!

*Mondays: Feb 3 through Mar 17  
12:30-1:30pm*



### \* Digital Comics Basics

*A Project Next Generation Program*

**Gr. 5-12:** Learn how to make comics using Clip Studio Paint through this 6-week program.

#### Session 1:

*Mondays: Feb 3 through Mar 17  
3:30-5:30pm*

#### Session 2:

*Thursdays: Mar 27 through May 1  
1:30-3:30pm*



### \* Photography Club

*A Project Next Generation Program*

**Gr. 5-9:** Learn the basics of digital photography with local photographer Alan Kirkwood. Cameras will be provided.

*Mondays: Mar 31 through May 5  
4:30-6pm*



**A Note about Project Next Generation Programs:** Funding for Project Next Generation is provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services to the Secretary of State/Illinois State Library under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

## Spring Break at the Library



### Video Game Day

**Gr. 3-8:** Join us as we play some video games at the library!  
*Monday, April 21  
10:30am-1pm*



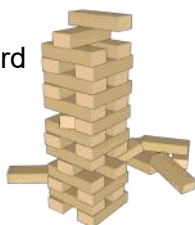
### Uno Day

**K-Gr. 12:** Play Uno at the library! We have several different versions you can choose from!  
*Tuesday, April 22  
All Day*



### Big Board Games!

**K-Gr. 12:** Play giant board games at the library with your friends!  
*Wednesday, April 23  
All Day*



### Movie Matinee

**Kids & Teens:** Come and watch "Inside Out 2" on our big screen!  
*Thursday, April 24  
11am-1pm*



### \* Read-a-thon

**Gr. 3-8:** Bring a book, blankets, pillows and hunker down for some silent reading all day! No devices!  
*Friday, April 25  
11am-4pm*

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# Youth Services

Please observe age ranges for programs. Programs will be cancelled if there are no participants after 15 minutes.

## \* Calming Jars & Relaxation Tips

**Gr. 6 - 12:** Make a calming jar and learn some relaxation tips from UIUC Extension.  
*Tuesday, April 1*  
4-5pm



## Tween & Teen Programs (Gr. 7-12)



### Dungeons & Dragons

**Gr. 7-12:** Join our Homeschool D&D Campaign! Beginners welcome!  
*Tuesdays: Jan 7 through May 20*  
1:15-3:15pm

### Anime Club Movie Night

**Gr. 7-12:** Calling all anime fans! Join us as we watch a movie adaptation of your favorite anime & manga series! We'll have popcorn & pocky!

*Fridays: Jan 31, Feb 28, Mar 28, & Apr 25*

4-6pm



## Teen Volunteer Fair at the Matteson Public Library



**Ages 13-18:** Come out and learn about volunteer opportunities from local non-profit organizations.

*Saturday, March 15*  
2-4pm

## Teen Programs (Gr. 9-12)

### Teen Digital Art Studio

**Gr. 9 - 12:** Join us for an hour of digital art practice twice a week!  
*Mondays in January*  
4-5pm  
*Wednesdays in January*  
3:30-4:30pm



### Teen Craft

**Gr. 9 - 12:** Wind down after school and make a craft with us on Mondays!  
*Mondays: Feb 3 through Mar 31*  
4-5pm

### \* Teen Chopped

**Gr. 9 - 12:** Make a delicious dish out of mystery ingredients. Dishes will be tasted and scored!

*Wednesdays: Jan 8, Feb 5, Mar 5, & Apr 2*  
5-6pm



### Teen Game Night

**Gr. 9 - 12:** Relax and play some cards or board games with your friends  
*Wednesdays: Jan 15, Feb 12, Mar 12, & Apr 9*

5-6pm

### Teen Painting

**Gr. 9 - 12:** Join us for a guided painting tutorial each month!

*Wednesdays: Jan 22, Feb 19, Mar 19, & Apr 16*

5-6pm



### Midweek Movie Night

**Gr. 9 - 12:** Watch a movie with us on the big screen! We'll have popcorn!

*Wednesdays: Jan 29, Feb 26, Mar 26, & Apr 30*

5-7pm



### \* Pi Day Pies

**Gr. 9 - 12:** Celebrate Pi Day by making mini pudding pies!

*Friday, March 14*  
4-5pm



More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: [www.richtonparklibrary.org](http://www.richtonparklibrary.org)



## Health & Wellness

### Seated Yoga

*Sponsored by AgeOptions*

**Seniors:** Join us for a weekly light exercise with chair yoga. Wear comfortable clothing. Exercise Waiver signed at first attendance.

*Mondays & Wednesdays:*  
Jan 6 through May 28  
2-3pm



### Bingocize

*Sponsored by AgeOptions*

**Seniors:** Come play Bingo while you get some exercise! Wear comfortable clothing. Exercise Waiver signed at first attendance.

*Tuesdays & Thursdays:*  
Feb 4 through Apr 10  
12-1pm

### \* Preventing Medicare Fraud

*Sponsored by AgeOptions*

**Adults & Seniors:** Join Jesus Enriquez of the Senior Medicare Patrol and learn how to protect yourself and your loved ones from Medicare fraud.

*Thursday, April 10*  
1:30-2:30pm



### \* Getting Started with Trualta

*Sponsored by AgeOptions*

**Adults & Seniors:** Caring for a loved one with dementia but don't know where to start? Cristina Diaz from AgeOptions will explain the benefits and how to use the Trualta website.

*Tuesday, April 15*  
2-3:30pm



### \* Growing Lettuce & Herbs in a Bag with the Master Gardner Speaker's Bureau



**Adults:** Learn about seed starting and how to grow lettuce and herbs in a bag as you get ready for the Spring!

*Saturday, March 8*  
11am-12pm

### \* Visionary You! Seeking and Following Your Purpose



**Adults & Teens:** Life Coach & Mentor Cynthia Hutson delves into creating a vision for life, discovering life purpose, and creating a vision board to guide you into the next year.

*Saturday, February 8*  
11am-1pm

## Crafts & Hobbies

### Coffee & Crochet

**Adults:** Grab your hooks and come work on your latest project at the library with the Library Director! Coffee & tea will be available.

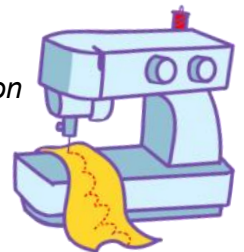
(Knitters & Fiber Artists welcome too!).  
*Mondays: Jan 6, Feb 3, Mar 3, Apr 7, & May 5*  
10:30am-12pm



### \* Maker Mondays

**Adults:** Join us as we make a cute project with the sewing machine and customize it with our Cricut! Beginners welcome! *Projects listed on our website.*

*Mondays: Jan 27, Feb 24, Mar 24, & Apr 28*  
6-7:30pm



### \* Brews & Brushstrokes

**Adults:** Awaken your senses with a warm beverage and join us as we paint a delightful hot air balloon scene. All materials provided.

*Saturday, May 10*  
10:30am-1pm



### Sleepytime Crochet

**Adults:** Join us for evening tea, crochet, & conversation. Coffee & tea will be available. (Knitters & Fiber Artists welcome too!).

*Thursdays: Jan 16, Feb 27, Mar 20, Apr 17, & May 22*  
6-7:30pm



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# Adult Services

Please observe age ranges for programs. Programs will be cancelled if there are no participants after 15 minutes.

## \* Experience "9to5: The Story of a Movement" at Home!



with Illinois Libraries Presents

**Adults:** Watch the award-winning documentary from the comfort of your home! The documentary highlights the creation of the 9to5 movement, established to fight for workplace equity and against wage discrepancy.

Available On Demand: Mar 21-23

Watch with us Fri. March 21 at 4pm

## Legal & Finance

### \* Trusts, Wills, & Power of Attorney with W. T. Godbolt, Esq.

**Adults & Seniors:** Learn the difference between wills and trusts, how to establish a Power of Attorney, and how to set your end-of-life affairs in order well in advance to ensure your family's safety and comfort when the time comes.

Thurs, Feb 13 & Mon, Mar 10

6-7:30pm

Saturday, April 12

11am-12:30pm



### \* Real Estate Buying

**Adults:** Join Kim McCloud of Chase Bank as she takes you through the ins and outs of Real Estate Buying.

Saturday, January 25

11am-1pm



### \* Learn About Life Insurance

**Adults:** An agent from Bankers' Life will talk about the ins and outs of Life Insurance

Wednesday, February 12

10:30am-12:30pm



## Reading & Writing

### Evening Book Club

**Adults:** Join us each month as we discuss what we're reading and talk about books we've read. Ask for this month's title at the Adult Services Desk!

Thursdays: Jan 2, Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3, & May 1

6:30-7:30pm



### \* Virtual Author Visits & Watch Parties

with Illinois Libraries Present

**General:** Join your favorite authors for a virtual visit! Watch online or join us at the library to watch on the big screen!



#### Chicago Pizza—Past, Present & Future with Steve Dolinsky

Thursday, January 9

7-8pm



#### Love and Laughs with Michelle Buteau

Thursday, January 23

7-8pm



#### An Evening with James McBride

Tuesday, February 4

7-8pm



#### Slowing Down with Amy Tan

Wednesday, February 19

7-8pm



#### Exploring Space with Coralie Adam

Tuesday, March 4

7-8pm



#### The Art of Foraging with Alexis Nikole Nelson

Wednesday, April 10

7-8pm



#### Poverty: A Discussion with Matthew Desmond

Thursday, May 13

7-8pm

**A Note about Illinois Libraries Present Programs:** This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. ILP is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA). ILP is committed to inclusion and accessibility. To request accommodations, please email [illinoislibrariespresent@gmail.com](mailto:illinoislibrariespresent@gmail.com).

More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: [www.richtonparklibrary.org](http://www.richtonparklibrary.org)

## Fun & Games



### Classic Movie Matinee

*Sponsored by AgeOptions*

**Seniors:** Join us as we watch a classic movie together. Feel free to bring your own lunch. Water, coffee, or tea will be provided.

*Thursdays: Jan 9, Feb 13, Mar 13, & May 15 (No April)*

1:30-3:30pm

### Friday Fun Day

*Sponsored by AgeOptions*

**Seniors:** Let's play cards or try new board games! Hang out with us and enjoy spending time together!

*Fridays: Jan 10 through May 23  
No Class Apr 18  
2-3pm*



### Game Night

**Adults & Teens:** Join us for a Game Night at the Library! Each month we'll feature a new game to play together!

Feb 7: Phase10

Mar 7: Uno

Apr 4: Superfight

May 9: Scrabble

*Select Fridays  
5:30-7pm*



## \* Qigong & Beautiful Sounds

*Earth Day Edition with Gail Morales*

**Adults & Teens:** Join us for a relaxing workshop with a combination of Qigong and beautiful sounds. This relaxing combination of qigong and sound will help reduce stress by calming the mind and body and improve sleep.

*Saturday, April 19  
11am-12pm*



Learn more about AgeOptions and the services they provide by visiting them online at [www.ageoptions.org](http://www.ageoptions.org)

## Check Out the Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra



Get **FREE** tickets to upcoming Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra performances at the library. *Limited passes available per show, visit the Adult Services Desk to check for availability.*

## Computers & Technology

### Drop-In Device Help

**Adults:** Have a quick question about your device and need a little help? Drop on by and we will see if we can assist.

*Wednesdays: Jan 22, Feb 26, Mar 26, Apr 23, & May 28*

3:15-4pm



### Technology Learning Lab

**Adults:** Get started with self-guided tutorials on GCFlearnfree.org

*Wednesdays: Jan 22, Feb 26, Mar 26, Apr 23, & May 28*

6-7:30pm



### Check Out Illinois!

**Adults:** Learn how your library card can save you money at Museums & Cultural Destinations throughout Illinois! We will be looking at the Museum Adventure Pass & Explore More Illinois Pass Programs.

*Monday, March 17  
6-7pm*



### Read on the Go!

**Adults & Teens:** Learn how to access our digital collections on your mobile device! We'll look at getting started with Libby, Inkie.org, & ComicsPlus.

*Monday, February 10 & April 14  
Afternoon Session: 3-4pm  
Evening Session: 6-7pm*



**We have eBooks:** Check out all the different eBook Collections your library card gives you access to under Books & More—eBooks & more on our website!

\* Programs with an asterisk \* require registration. Register online, in-person, or over the phone.

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**Friendly Reminder:** All information in this newsletter is available on our website including: Program times, registration information, new releases, book reviews & much more. Check it out today: [www.richtonparklibrary.org](http://www.richtonparklibrary.org)

### LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Board meetings are held in the  
Library at 7:30pm on the  
3rd Wednesday of each month.

### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Friday 10:00am - 8:00pm  
Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm  
Closed on Sunday

### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

New Years Day (1/1)  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day (1/20)  
President's Day (2/17)  
Good Friday (4/18)  
Memorial Day (5/26)

### FOLLOW US ONLINE



The Richton Park Public Library District is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Any individual who plans to attend any program at the library and who requires special accommodations, or anyone who has questions regarding accessibility to the library is requested to phone the library at 708-481-5333 at least five working days prior to the scheduled event.



### Blood Drive with Vitalent Saturday, February 1 10am-2pm

Schedule an appointment to give blood at our Blood Drive! You can register online at [Vitalant.org](http://Vitalant.org) (Group Code ORD0063F) or call them at (877) 258-4825.

Appointments necessary. To prepare: eat well, hydrate, and bring your ID.



### Get all the latest Library E-News!

Subscribe to the library's monthly e-newsletter and receive an email at the beginning of the month with program highlights, library news, and more: [www.richtonparklibrary.org](http://www.richtonparklibrary.org)



### Library Card Reminders

*Don't forget to stop in and upgrade if you haven't already.*

- ✓ Update to a digital signature and we'll upgrade your card so that it never expires! (Account may still be removed if inactive for several years)
- ✓ If you've recently turned 18, make sure you upgrade to an adult card!

*(Youth cards will expire automatically 3 months after the birthday month)*

