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Library Hours

M–Th. 9 a.m.– 9 p.m.
 F–Sat. 9 a.m.– 5 p.m.
 Sun. 1–5 p.m.

Library Closed

Thursday, January 1, 2026
 Monday, January 19, 2026
 Sunday, April 5, 2026
 Sunday, May 24, 2026
 Monday, May 25, 2026

Library Board

- Toni Glowinski
- Elizabeth Biddle
- Kurt Aldinger
- Aracely Gutierrez
- Laura Cassidy-Hatchet
- Katie Elliot
- Danielle Niemi

Board meetings are the
 third Thursday of every
 month at 6:30 p.m.
 Public is welcome.

◆ **TEENS** ◆ *Ages 13-18*

Take-Home Kits
 Available at the second
 floor desk. One per present
 teen. While supplies last.
1st Monday of the month

Open Gaming
 Play console games and
 enjoy some snacks during
 open gaming.
**Thursdays, Feb. 5, Mar. 12,
 & May 7, 6–8 p.m.**
Thursday, Apr. 2, 3–5 p.m.

**Diamond Painting
 Coasters**
 Make a patterned coaster
 out of acrylic diamonds.
**Thursday, Feb. 19
 6–7 p.m.**

Candy Sushi
 Roll your own sweet sushi
 using a variety of candies
 and treats.
**Thursday, Mar. 19
 6–7 p.m.**

**Teen Throwback Movie
 Night: Shrek (2001)**
 Hang out with friends
 and eat pizza & snacks.
**Thursday, Mar. 26
 6–8 p.m.**

Prize Punch Card
 Starting Friday, Mar. 27, pick
 up a Spring Break punch
 card, complete activities,
 and return it by Monday,
 Apr. 6 to receive a prize!

**Mario Kart World
 Tournament**
 Race against your friends
 on the Nintendo Switch 2.
 The winner gets a prize!
**Thursday, Apr. 16
 6–7 p.m.**

DIY Croc Charms
 Design your own charms
 with shrinky-dink to
 customize your Crocs!
**Thursday, Apr. 23
 6–7 p.m.**

Mini Pizzas
 Create your own delish
 miniature-sized pizzas
 with a variety of sauces,
 cheeses, and toppings!
**Thursday, May 14
 6–7 p.m.**



Northlake
 NPLD Public Library District

January–May 2026

*Get Yeti
 to Read!*

Winter Reading:
 ● Jan. 1–Feb. 28

Youth: Pick up a winter reading log in the Youth
 Department to start your challenge!

Teen & Adult: Every item logged through our
 website enters you to win various prizes!

All Ages

Game Day Snacks
Tuesday, Feb. 3, 7–8 p.m.

Prepare a variety of tasty, easy-to-make
 snacks perfect for game day gatherings.

Spring Seed Exchange
Sunday, Feb. 22, 2–3:30 p.m.

Bring in your own seeds to share or pick some
 up for your spring garden. While supplies last.

National Library Week
Monday, Apr. 19

To thank our amazing community and
 spread a little joy, we are kicking off National
 Library Week with a delicious treat. Drop by
 the library and enjoy a free donut. All day,
 while supplies last.



Kids

Wristbands are required for programs marked with an asterisk* on a first come, first served basis. Wristbands will only be given out 30 minutes prior to the program start time.

Adults

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise stated.

BIRTH-5

Storytime Fun

Stories, songs, and fun.
Tuesdays, Jan. 20–Apr. 14
10:30–11 a.m. Limit 25.

Craft Time

Ages 3–5. Enjoy fun art projects and crafts.
Wednesdays, Jan. 21–Apr. 15
10:30–11 a.m. Limit 12.
*No program Feb. 11



Toddler Open Play

Jump, bounce, and flip at our open toddler play!
Thursdays, Jan. 22–Apr. 16
10:30–11:30 a.m. Limit 20.
*No program Mar. 12 & 19.

Baby Play

For babies & caregivers. Music, rhymes, board books, and toys for the little ones to play.
Mondays, Jan. 26–Apr. 13
10:30–11 a.m. Limit 25.

Little Craft Bag

Pick up a bag at the YS Desk to make a small craft at home. 1 per present child. While supplies last.
Mondays, Feb. 2–Apr. 20

JUST KIDS!

For ages 6–13, unless stated otherwise in description.

Tape Resistant Art*

Ages 8–13. Use tape to create patterns before painting a winter snow storm.
Saturday, Jan. 24
2–3 p.m. Limit 15.

Labubu Bingo*

Ages 8–13. Bingo but Labubu style with a chance of winning an outfit.
Monday, Jan. 26
6–7 p.m. Limit 20.

Snowman Slime*

Saturday, Jan. 31
2–3 p.m. Limit 15.

DIY Valentines*

Make a special gift for a loved one.
Wednesday, Feb. 11
6–7 p.m. Limit 20.

Pokémon Club*

Ages 8–13. Calling Pokémon Trainers! Catch, trade, and battle with new friends!
Saturdays, Feb. 21, Mar. 28
Apr. 11, 2–3 p.m. Limit 15.

Dress to Impress*

Ages 8–13. Bring your own device to play Roblox's Dress to Impress.
Monday, Feb. 23
6–7 p.m. Limit 12.



DIY Dreamcatchers*

Saturday, Feb. 14
2–3 p.m. Limit 15.

Indoor Seed Starters*

Help us start seeds to put under our grow lights in the Youth Department.
Tuesday, Mar. 3
6–7 p.m. Limit 15.



Super Mario Movie*

Snacks will be provided.
Wednesday, Mar. 4
5–6:30 p.m. Limit 50.

Lotería for Niños*

Win prizes playing Lotería!
Saturday, Mar. 14
2–3 p.m. Limit 25.

DIY Yarn Basket Weaving*

Ages 9–13.
Monday, Mar. 16
6–7 p.m. Limit 10.

Chicken Hatch*

We are hatching chickens! Learn about chick development & hatching.
Wednesday, Apr. 8
6–7 p.m. Limit 20.

Puffy Paint Art*

Create puffy paint & spring window clings!
Saturday, Apr. 18
2–3 p.m. Limit 15.

Clay Wars*

Ages 9–13. May the best clay sculptor win!
Monday, Apr. 20
6–7 p.m. Limit 10.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

For families with children ages 0–13.

Family Zumba*

A fun & energizing workout for you and your family.
Tuesdays, Jan. 27, Feb. 10 & 24, Mar. 10, Apr. 7 & 21
6–7 p.m. Limit 25.

Leprechaun Traps*

Read "How to Catch a Leprechaun," then build a crafty trap of your own!
Thursday, Mar. 12
6–7 p.m. Limit 20.

Easter Bunny Photos

Call the Youth Services Department to reserve a time slot to take photos with the Easter Bunny.
708-562-2301 x6
Saturday, Mar. 28
1–3 p.m.



Día de los Niños

Celebrate Children's Book Day in the YS Department. Enjoy treats, books, a special guest, and more!
Saturday, Apr. 25
1–3 p.m.

Planting Day

Help us get our library garden started for the summer.
Monday, May 11
10 a.m. Limit 15.

ADULTS

Color by Numbers

Enjoy snacks and drinks.
Tuesday, Jan. 13
2–3 p.m.

Decorate a Hairbrush

Personalize your own wooden hairbrush!
Wednesday, Jan. 14
7–8 p.m.

Oven Baked Crispy Wings

Your Super Bowl party will be a hit with these wings.
Wednesday, Jan. 21
7–8:30 p.m.

Cricut Design Space

Thursdays, 7–8:30 p.m.
Feb. 5 – Stickers
Mar. 5 – Plate
Apr. 9 – Cork Coasters
May 7 – Clipboard

Alternative Streaming Services

Explore low-cost and free streaming options.
Wednesday, Feb. 11
7–8:30 p.m.

Candle Painting

Paint a tea light candle.
Wednesday, Feb. 18
7–8 p.m.

Cookbook Club

Select a recipe from a handpicked cookbook, cook it, and bring it to share!
Thursdays, Feb. 19, Mar. 19, Apr. 23, and May 21
7–8 p.m.

Wine 101

Learn the basics! 21+ only.
Wednesday, Feb. 25
7–8:30 p.m.

Hummus Taste Test

Taste and rank different flavors of hummus!
Tuesday, Mar. 10
2–3 p.m.

Astronomy for Beginners

Interested in astronomy? We can help!
Wednesday, Mar. 11
7–8:30 p.m.

Bedazzled Mini Lip Balm

Take your lip balm from dull to shiny!
Wednesday, Mar. 18
7–8 p.m.

Sewing Circle

Bring your project and join others in conversation!
Tuesdays, Mar. 24, Apr. 21, and May 19
7–8 p.m.

Steak Methods

Learn to cook a restaurant quality steak.
Wednesday, Mar. 25
7–8:30 p.m.

Local Travel Ideas

These options are all within a few hours of Chicago.
Wednesday, Apr. 8
7–8:30 p.m.

Bingo

Win a game, pick a prize, and enjoy some snacks!
Monday, Apr. 13
2–3 p.m.

Dirty Sodas

Enjoy various soda combos with cream and syrups!
Tuesday, Apr. 14
3–4 p.m.

Air Dry Clay Mini Photo Stand

Make one for you or a friend!
Wednesday, Apr. 15
7–8 p.m.

The Aperitif

A drink that stimulates the appetite. 21+ only.
Wednesday, Apr. 22
7–8:30 p.m.

The Digestif

A drink consumed after a meal. 21+ only.
Wednesday, May 6
7–8:30 p.m.

Adult Coloring

Relax with coloring and treats!
Wednesday, May 13
7–8 p.m.

SENIORS

Senior Meetup

Let's get together for a fun afternoon of food, drink, and socialization!
Tuesdays, Jan. 6 & Apr. 7
2–3:30 p.m.

Instant Pot Hot Chocolate

Enjoy hot chocolate with endless toppings in a take-home mug!
Tuesday, Jan. 27
2–3:30 p.m.

Bingo with AgeOptions

Get tips on avoiding Medicare scams, followed by bingo. Presented with AgeOptions Senior Medicare Patrol.
Wednesday, Jan. 28
1–2 p.m.

Stained Glass Effect Luminaries

Create relaxing décor and a warm glow in your home.
Tuesday, Feb. 10
2–3:30 p.m.

Vintage Bookmarks

Make antique-style bookmarks!
Tuesday, Feb. 24
2–3:30 p.m.



DIY Swirl Vases & Paper Flowers

Design vases using a paint swirling technique and make colorful flowers!
Tuesday, Mar. 24
2–3:30 p.m.

Mini Mason Jar Recipes

Make a recipe of your own using a mason jar. Recipes and ingredients provided.
Tuesday, Apr. 28
2–3:30 p.m.

Essential Oil Diffuser Blends

Learn how to make essential oil blends. Oils and diffuser provided.
Tuesday, May 19
2–3:30 p.m.



ESPAÑOL

Clases de Conversación

Practica tu inglés en un ambiente confortable.
Los Martes, Ene.–May.
7–8 p.m.

Inglés para Hispanohablantes

Nuestras clases son diseñadas para los que están comenzando su viaje con el inglés.
Los Lunes, Ene.–Abr.
6:30–8 p.m.

Pintura de Invierno

Disfruta de una tarde relajante dedicada a la pintura. Se ofrecerán refrigerios.
Jueves, 8 de Ene.
2–3 p.m.

Noche de Spa

Relájate creando mascarillas y labiales caseras.
Lunes, 9 de Feb.
7–8 p.m.

Cócteles de Primavera

Aprende a preparar cócteles. Solo para 21+.
Lunes, 16 de Mar.
7–8 p.m.

Tazas de Purpurina

¡Haz una taza con purpurina!
Lunes, 6 de Abr.
7–8 p.m.

Cinco de Mayo Mocktails

¡Prepara y disfruta recetas de cócteles sin alcohol!
Tuesday, May 5
3–4 p.m.

SPRING BREAK WEEK: MARCH 30-APRIL 3

Monday

2–4 p.m.
Raising Cane's & Minecraft Movie*
All ages. Limit 40.

6–7 p.m.
Easter Pot Painting*
Ages 8–13. Limit 30.

Tuesday

2–3 p.m.
Outdoor Seed Starters*
All ages. Limit 30.

6–7 p.m.
Art Crafts*
Ages 6–13. Limit 30.

Wednesday

2–3 p.m.
Cardboard Challenge*
Ages 6–13. Creativity & cardboard. Limit 30.

6–7 p.m.
Glow in the Dark Sip & Paint*
Ages 6–13. Limit 30.

Thursday

2–4 p.m.
Pizza & Zootopia 2*
All ages. Limit 40.

6–7 p.m.
Bottled Senses*
Ages 8–13. DIY sensory bottles. Limit 30.

Friday

1–3 p.m.
Spring Putt-Putt Golf
All ages. Play a mini putt-putt golf game around the youth department.