# Evergreen Park Public LIBRARY

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EVERGREEN PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

**Evergreen Park Public Library**
9400 S. Troy Ave.
Evergreen Park, IL 60805
708.422.8522
evergreenparklibrary.org

**HOURS:**
Monday-Friday 9 am to 9 pm
Friday-Saturday 9 am to 5 pm
Sunday-Noon to 4 pm
(Labor Day to Memorial Day)

**LIBRARY CLOSURES**
- Monday, Sep 5
- Monday, Oct 10
- Wednesday, Nov 23 at 3 pm
- Thursday, Nov 24
- Friday, Nov 25

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**TikTok**
@epplibrary and @epplteens
**YouTube**
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**EVENT LEGEND**
- (R) Register
- (Z) Zoom
- (H) Hybrid (Zoom and In-Library)
- (V) Video recording available

# LIBRARY AND FOUNDATION NEWS

## Community Survey

The Library is conducting a community survey to gain valuable information to guide the development of the Library's new strategic plan and ultimately its services and offerings over the next several years.

The survey should take no more than 7 minutes to complete. You can complete the survey included in this newsletter or use the QR code to complete the survey online. Return the paper survey by dropping it off or mailing it back to the Library. The deadline to complete the survey is Friday, October 7.

Survey participants can include their contact information at the end of the survey for a chance to win one of six $50 gift cards to the EP establishment of your choice. Your contact information will only be used if you win a gift card.

### Fine Forgiveness September

**For the month of September, bring in $1 and get your fines waived!**
(Evergreen Park Public Library items only; lost/replacement fees not included.)

### New Online Resources:

Access these new resources from the Resources tab on the website.

- **Online Homework Help with Brainfuse** – All ages get access to live, online homework help, writing labs, video lessons, and more.
- **Live Job Support with Brainfuse JobNow** – Job seekers and individuals changing careers can access live resume assistance, career coaching, interview preparation, and more.
- **Learn a new language with Mango Languages** – Access over 60 world languages and enjoy learning a new language using Mango's adaptive learning process and easy-to-use interface. English learners can develop their speaking skills through English courses created to accommodate over 20 source languages.

### Book a Librarian

Our new service allows you to book an appointment with a staff member for up to one hour of assistance. You can book a Librarian for a variety of topics, including specialized technology help, genealogy assistance, help with research topics, or even houseplant help! A link is available on our home page.

### Illinois License Plate Sticker Renewal Service

Illinois residents are now able to renew their license plate stickers at the Library and leave with their stickers the same day. Only credit and debit card payments will be accepted and, like local check-cashing businesses, there will be a $9.50 processing fee to cover licensing and credit card fees. See the Library's website for more information.

### Evergreen Park Library Foundation Quarterly Meeting Tuesday, Oct 4, 7 pm

Join the Evergreen Park Library Foundation at their quarterly meeting to share your ideas and play a part in making big plans for your Library's future!

# Evergreen Park Public Library
# COMMUNITY SURVEY 2022

**Survey deadline is Friday, October 7**

Evergreen Park Public Library needs your feedback to plan for the future. Tell us how you use the Library so that we can build upon the resources and programs we offer. Thank you for participating!

Cut on the dotted line and and drop off at the Library or use postal service to mail to us. Evergreen Park Public Library 9400 S. Troy Ave., Evergreen Park, IL 60805

## Section 1: Library Use/Experience

### Tell us about your experience using the Library.

**1. In the past 6 months, how often have you visited the Library in person?**

- ☐ Multiple times per week
- ☐ Once per week
- ☐ Once or twice per month
- ☐ Once every few months
- ☐ I have not used the Library (in-person) in the past six months.
- ☐ I have used the Library but only virtually via eBooks, databases, and virtual events.

**2. How do you use the Library? Select all that apply.**

- ☐ Checking out materials like books, DVDs, games, etc.
- ☐ Copier, scanner, printer
- ☐ Computers
- ☐ Study rooms
- ☐ Wifi
- ☐ Children's play area
- ☐ Databases
- ☐ Downloadables: ebooks, eaudiobooks, emagazines
- ☐ Adult programs
- ☐ Youth programs
- ☐ Teen programs
- ☐ Meeting rooms
- ☐ Quiet reading room with fireplace
- ☐ Friendly customer service.
- ☐ Just to sit and relax.

**3. How do you check out materials? Select all that apply.**

- ☐ Browse to see what new materials are available that interest you.
- ☐ Get in, grab what you need, and get out as quickly as possible.
- ☐ Place items on hold.

**4. Do you feel the need to use another library besides Evergreen Park? If so, why? Select all that apply.**

- ☐ No, I love EP Library!
- ☐ Larger collection
- ☐ Programming options
- ☐ Technology
- ☐ No fines
- ☐ Children's play area
- ☐ More helpful staff
- ☐ Hours
- ☐ Location
- ☐ I do not feel represented at the Library.
- ☐ I do not feel welcomed at the Library.

**5. If you do not use the Library, please tell us why. Select all that apply.**

- ☐ I buy my books online.
- ☐ I only go online for my information.
- ☐ I didn't know the Library offered more than just books.
- ☐ I utilize other public meeting spaces.

**6. When visiting the Library and asking for help, how was your experience? (1 = needs help; 5 = the best)**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Helpfulness | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Availability | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Welcoming | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Knowledgeable | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

**Additional Comments**

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## Section 2: Events & Programs

### Help the Library continue to offer a wide array of educational and entertaining event options for all ages. Use Question 18 to suggest a topic.

**7. How important is it to you that the Library offer a variety of programs/crafts/social groups for you or someone in your household to attend?**

- ☐ Very important – I love going to programs
- ☐ Somewhat important – I go when I can/if the topic interests me
- ☐ Nice to have, but not something I care about/make time for in my life
- ☐ Sorry, I do not attend programs

**8. When attending programs, how do you like to attend?**

- ☐ In-person
- ☐ Online/virtually
- ☐ Both

**9. If you attend programs, what age group(s) are the members of your household that attend or would like to attend programs? Select all that apply.**

- ☐ Ages 0-5
- ☐ Grades K-2
- ☐ Grades 3-5
- ☐ Grades 6-8
- ☐ High school
- ☐ Adult (18-64)
- ☐ Senior (65+)
- ☐ Sorry, I do not attend programs

**10. If you prefer to attend programs virtually, which do you prefer them to be?**

- ☐ On-demand (pre-recorded for you to view at your convenience)
- ☐ Live at a scheduled time
- ☐ Both

## Section 3: Library Space and Services

### Library services are changing to meet new community needs. Tell us how we can best utilize our space.

**11. Which library spaces would you like to see included at the Library? Select all that apply.**

- ☐ More study rooms
- ☐ Larger interactive area for children
- ☐ Makerspace/digital media lab
- ☐ Coffee bar
- ☐ Job/Career Center
- ☐ ESL/New Citizen Corner
- ☐ Other

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**13. Which of the following electronic resources would you most likely use? Select all that apply.**

- ☐ Video streaming platform (Kanopy, Hoopla, Hulu, Apple TV)
- ☐ Continuing education/professional development (i.e. Lynda.com/LinkedIn Learning)
- ☐ Homework help
- ☐ Language learning
- ☐ Music streaming
- ☐ Career prep (i.e. resume, cover letter, interview assistance)
- ☐ Early literacy skills

**12. If the Library were to provide access to the following technology/equipment, how likely would you be to use it? (1 = least likely; 5 = most likely)**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3D Printer | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Vinyl Cutter (ex. Cricut) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Laser Cutter | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Large Format Poster Printer | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| VHS-to-DVD converter | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Demo Kitchen | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Sewing Machines | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Virtual Reality | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

## Section 4: Reach/Publicity

### Tell us how you interact with the Library.

**14. How do you most often receive information about the Library? Select all that apply.**

- ☐ Email/e-newsletter
- ☐ Printed newsletter
- ☐ Library website
- ☐ Information posted in the Library
- ☐ Social media: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, TikTok
- ☐ Word of mouth
- ☐ I do not receive info on the Library (use Question 18 to tell us how we can reach you)

**15. How do you use the Library website? Select all that apply.**

- ☐ Searching the library catalog
- ☐ Putting materials on hold
- ☐ Finding/registering for events or programs
- ☐ Accessing downloadables, like ebooks
- ☐ Using research databases
- ☐ Reserving a meeting room or study room
- ☐ Sending a wireless print job

## Section 5: Participant Info

### Tell us a little bit about yourself.

**16. Do you live in Evergreen Park and if so, which quadrant?**

- ☐ Yes, Northwest
- ☐ Yes, Northeast
- ☐ Yes, Southwest
- ☐ Yes, Southeast
- ☐ No, I do not live in Evergreen Park

**17. Which best describes you?**

- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- ☐ White
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Prefer not to say

**18. Tell us what you would like from the EP Library in the next few years (e.g. programs, materials, resources, collections, policies – anything) or any other comments, questions, or concerns.**

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**19. As part of our strategic planning process, the Library will be hosting community listening sessions. Include your contact information below if you are interested in anticipating in a listening session.**

Name _____

Phone number _____

Email address _____

**20. Would you like to get involved? There are many volunteering opportunities at the Library. Check which ones you would be interested in. Provide your name and contact info.**

- ☐ Book sales
- ☐ Fundraising
- ☐ Marketing
- ☐ Seed library
- ☐ Monarch garden assistant
- ☐ Special events
- ☐ Technology
- ☐ Foundation member

Name _____

Phone number _____

Email address _____

**21. Enter your contact information for a chance to win one of SIX GIFT CARDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $50 to the local EP establishment of your choice. For this entry, your contact information will only be used if you win a gift card.**

Name _____

Phone number _____

Email address _____

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Please Note: Registration is noted after the date and time of the program with an Ⓡ

## STORY TIME!

### Boo!k Club
**October 1 to 30**
**Grades 5 and under**
Read (or be read to) for four hours during the month of October to earn a trick-or-treat bag and some goodies. Register starting Saturday, September 24, and log your time spent reading using a paper log, the Beanstack app, or at evergreenparklibrary.beanstack.org.

### Preschool Storytime
**Preschool Storytime**
**Fridays, Sep 16 to Dec 16**
**9:30 am**
**No class on Oct 28 and Nov 25**
**Ages 3 to 5 (siblings welcome)**

### Toddler Time
**Tuesdays, Sep 13 to Dec 13 OR**
**Wednesdays, Sep 14 to Dec 14**
**9:30 am**
**No class on Nov 22 and 23**
**Ages 18 to 35 months with adult caregivers**

### Baby Bookworms
**Mondays, Sep 12 to Dec 12**
**9:30 am**
**No class on Oct 10 and Nov 21**
**Ages birth to 17 months**

### Cuentos en Español-Storytime in Spanish
**Saturdays, Sep 17, Oct 22, and Nov 12, 10:30 am**
**Ages birth to 8**
Hora de cuentos para niños y niñas desde bebitos hasta edad escolar y para sus padres. Libros, canciones y rimas se presentarán totalmente en español.
This storytime features books, rhymes, and songs in Spanish for children and families.

**Ⓡ Please register for all storytime programs.**

### DIY School Supplies
**Tuesday, Sep 6, 6:30 pm**
**Grades K to 5**
Start the school year in style with your own fun, customized supplies! Join us to receive and decorate a variety of school supplies. You will leave ready to show off your new gear to all of your friends! Ⓡ

### Don't Let the Pigeon Run the Party!
**Sunday, Sep 11, 2 pm**
**Grade 3 and under**
Are you a fan of Mo Willems' books? Join us for a party to celebrate his many unforgettable characters, and meet Zoom Squirrel from Unlimited Squirrels! Hear his latest book *The Pigeon Will Ride the Roller Coaster*. The Pigeon probably wants to run this party, but we can't let that happen! Ⓡ

### Back-to-School Bingo!
**Tuesday, Sep 13, 6:30 pm**
**Grades 5 and under**
Play picture bingo with a back-to-school theme and win fabulous prizes!

### Caramel Apple Wars
**Thursday, Sep 15, 3:45 pm**
**Grades K to 5**
Compete against others to create the best-looking caramel apple. Bragging rights will be awarded to the winners in multiple categories. Ⓡ

### Young Fashion Designers
**Tuesday, Sep 20, 3:45 pm**
**Grades K to 5**
Bring a Barbie doll and your imagination to create a no-sew outfit for your doll using paper, washi tape, and fabric scraps. We'll display your dolls in the library's display case.

### Pokémon Club
**Saturdays, Sep 24, Oct 15, and Nov 26, 2:30 pm**
**Grades 1 to 5**
Bring your video games, card deck, or just your Pokémon enthusiasm and meet other Pokémon fans. Ⓡ

### Scarecrow Creations
**Monday, Sep 26, 3:45 pm**
Do you want to build a scarecrow? C'mon! We'll be building scarecrows in the back parking lot. Ⓡ

### Build it: Lego Club
**Wednesdays, Sep 28, Oct 26, and Nov 16, 6:30 pm**
In this free-play program, children are provided an open-ended prompt to encourage imaginative building and playing with Legos. All creations are displayed in the library's display case.

### Sewing Softies: Club Monsters Edition
**Tuesdays, Oct 4, 11, 18, and 25, 3:45 pm**
**Grades 3 to 5**
Learn to design and hand sew a monster.
We will meet for four weeks. Ⓡ

### Halloween Cereal Buffet and Movie
**Friday, Oct 7, 10 am**
School's out! Have breakfast with us! Enjoy our spooky breakfast cereal bar while watching *The Addams Family* (2019, PG).

### Science Saturday: Explore the Seasons
**Saturday, Oct 8, 2:30 pm**
**Grades K to 3**
Join us as we explore why the seasons change through myths from around the world and science. Ⓡ

# Children

## Tot Art
**Thursdays, Oct 13 to Nov 17, 10 am**
**Ages 2 to 5**
Bring a smock and get ready for some messy fun! Little fingers will experiment with painting, gluing, sticking, printing, and creating while developing fine motor, language, and self-help skills. Ⓡ

## Halloween Shrinky Dinks
**Thursday, Oct 20, 4 pm**
**Grades 5 and under**
Create your own frightful Halloween Shrinky Dinks and watch them shrink like magic right before your eyes.

## Pumpkin Painting
**Friday, Oct 21, 3:45 pm**
**Grades 5 and under**
We'll supply the pumpkins and paint; you supply the creativity! The paint can stain so please wear old clothes or bring a smock. Ⓡ

## Costume Storywalk
**Saturday, Oct 22, 11:30 am**
**Yukich Fields (89th and Kedzie)**
Put on your costume and join us for a storywalk! We'll parade around Yukich Fields while reading a Halloween story and collecting candy! Rain or shine. If it rains, bring an umbrella. Ⓡ

## Monster Drawing Workshop
**Friday, Oct 28, 3:45 pm**
**Grades K to 8**
Mark Anderson, from Andertoons, teaches kids to draw weird monsters from around the world in this hands-on workshop! Ⓡ

## Dave Herzog's Marionettes presents The Pumpkin Patch Review
**Saturday, Oct 29, 11 am**
**Grades PK to 5**
Join us for a delightful marionette show featuring the fantastic residents of the pumpkin patch including Juggling Jack, the square-dancing scarecrows, Morris the Mummy, and more. Ⓡ

## Foliage Collages
**Tuesday, Nov 8, 6:30 pm**
**Grades 5 and under**
Bring your entourage to make a foliage collage! We'll make beautiful collages in the colors of autumn.

## Mini Field Trip!
## The Three Little Pigs at Beverly Arts Center
**Saturday, Nov 12**
**Bus leaves Library at 12:15 pm**
**Bus leaves Beverly Arts Center for Library at 2 pm**
**$8 per person**
Hop on the bus and take a mini field trip to the Beverly Arts Center to see a performance by the Chicago Kids Company of *The Three Little Pigs.* Ⓡ

## Jim Gill's Sing-A-Thon of Celebrated Songs!
**Tuesday, Nov 15, 6:30 pm**
Enjoy a joyful, energetic concert with award-winning Chicagoland children's musician Jim Gill! Clap, jump, dance, and sing-along with Jim and his banjo. Ⓡ

## Pumpkin Pie Soap
**Saturday, Nov 13, 2 pm**
**Grades 3 to 5**
Make pumpkin pie scented soap just in time for Thanksgiving! Ⓡ

## Charlie Brown Thanksgiving
**Tuesday, Nov 22, 6 pm**
**Grades 5 and under**
Make a Thanksgiving craft, snack on popcorn and jellybeans, and watch A *Charlie Brown Thanksgiving.* Ⓡ

## Letters to Santa
**Nov 21 to Dec 9**
Drop in anytime to write your letter to Santa and send it off!

## Book Swap for Children and Teens
**Wednesday, Nov 30, 9 am to 8:45 pm**
Get some new-to-you books at our book swap! Bring in your gently used YA or children's books (in good condition) and trade them for the same number of books. Lots to choose from! All books should have covers, all pages intact, and minimal markings.

# Families

## Community Coloring Party!

**Saturday, Sep 10, 9:30 am to 4:30 pm, Drop in**
Everyone is invited to celebrate National Coloring Day with refreshments (while supplies last) and coloring in the library. Relax, de-stress, and create.

## STEAM Saturday

**Saturday, Sep 17, 10 am to noon**
Come and learn about (STEAM) science, technology, engineering, art, and math through fun experiments, games, activities, and demonstrations. We'll have a variety of activities and information. Representatives from U of I Extension, Snapology, U of Chicago's Department of Astronomy, and Bob Erlich will have some butterflies!

## Cards for Hospitalized Kids

**Tuesdays, Oct 4 and Nov 1**
**5:30 to 7 pm, Drop in**
Drop in to make holiday cards for kids who are hospitalized. We'll send the cards to the Chicago organization Cards for Hospitalized Kids. Kids and teens who are in need of service hours can earn up to 2 hours per month!

## Nonperishable Food Drive

**Oct 14 to Nov 16**
We'll be collecting nonperishable food at the Children's Services Desk. All food collected will be donated to the Village Pantry.

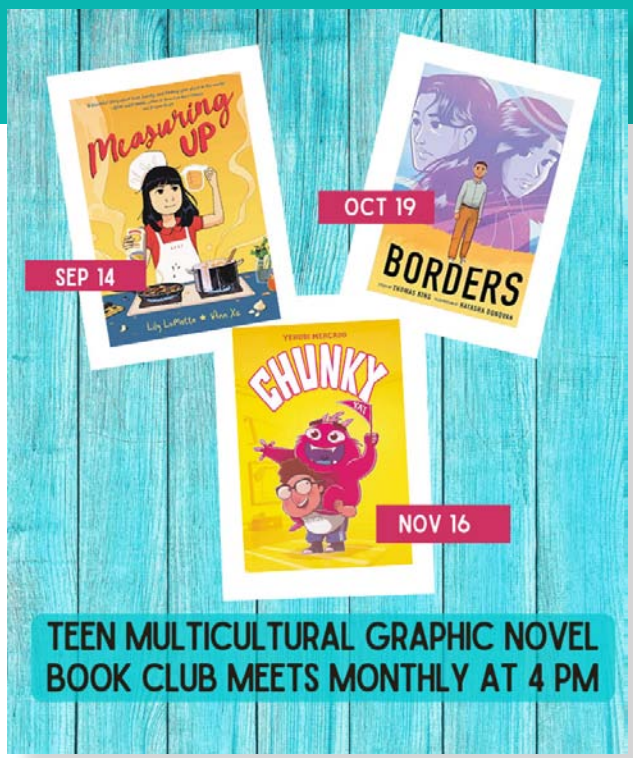
## Guess the Weight and Win

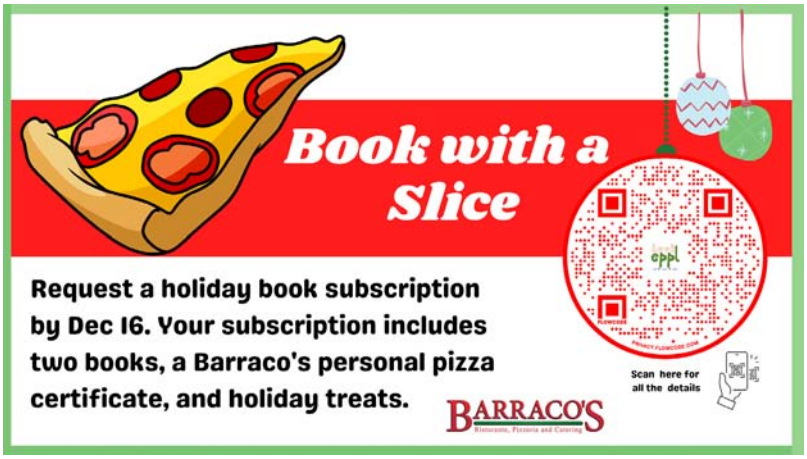
**Oct 22 to 28**
Guess the weight of the pumpkin in the Children's Services Department (without lifting the pumpkin). Those who guess correctly will be entered into a drawing to win the pumpkin!

## Stranger Things Escape Room

**Saturday, Nov 19, 20-minute time slots throughout the day**
Sign up from the events calendar for a 20-minute slot for the Stranger Things Escape Room. Groups of up to five per time slot work together to solve puzzles to escape.

# Teens



# Teens

## First Friday Nintendo Switch Party

**Fridays, Sep 2, Oct 7, and Nov 4**
**3:30 pm**
**Ages 12 to 18**
Meet your friends after school for a Nintendo Switch party. Ⓡ

## Teen Anime Club

**Thursdays, Sep 8, 22, Oct 6, 20, Nov 3, and 17**
**3:30 pm**
Meet in the Teen Activity Room to enjoy Anime with other Anime fans. Ⓡ

**Sep 8** Movie: *Belle*
**Sep 22** *Fullmetal Alchemist* discussion
**Oct 6** Candy Sushi
**Oct 20** Cosplay Clothing Swap
**Nov 3** Learn to Draw Manga
**Nov 17** Movie: Mirai

## Snack & STEM

**Tuesdays, Sep 13, 27, Oct 11, 25, Nov 8, and 22**
**3:30 pm**
Join us on Tuesdays to do some fun STEM projects. Ⓡ

**Sep 13** Foil Project Runway Design Challenge
**Sep 27** Cell Phone Stand
**Oct 11** Cotton Ball Launcher
**Oct 25** Yayoi Pumpkin Art Project
**Nov 8** Back Scratcher
**Nov 22** Pumpkin Slime

## Teen Multicultural Graphic Novel Book Club

**Wednesdays, Sep 14, Oct 19, and Nov 16, 4 pm**
Copies are available in the Teen Activity Room. Ⓡ

**Sep 14** *Measuring Up* by Lily Lamotte
**Oct 19** *Borders* by Thomas King
**Nov 16** *Chunky* by Yehundi Mercado

## Stacks Social Club: Serving Teens & Young Adults with Disabilities

**Sundays, Sep 18, Oct 16, and Nov 20, 11 am**
Welcome back to our Stacks Social Club. Ⓡ

**Sep 18** STEAM Tinker Lab
**Oct 16** Barn Tour at 50-Acre Park (91st and Rockwell)
**Nov 20** Stranger Things Escape Room

## Banned Books Week: Books Unite Us, Censorship Divides Us

**Sep 18 to Sep 24**
Join the Banned Books Week movement by posting a video of yourself reading from a banned book or discussing censorship. See guidelines on the library events calendar.

## Chess Rookies and Masters Meetup Instruction and Play

**Mondays, Sep 19, Oct 17, and Nov 21, 6 pm**
**All levels of play welcome**
Chess rookies and masters meet at the Library to learn and play chess. EPCHS Chess Team players will teach the fundamentals of the game. All levels of play are welcome. Snacks will be served! Ⓡ

## How'd-You-Get-There? Career Panel

**Monday, Oct 24, 6:30 pm**
Teens, here is your opportunity to learn more about a variety of careers. Ⓡ

***Our panelists include:***

### Alillia Clements
*Financial Analyst*

### Grace Spee
*Clinical Assistant Professor of Digital Media Design*

### Samer Zayed
*Flight Attendant*

### Z Jeffries
*Author*

### Julia Allpow
Individual and Corporate Support Specialist

**Please Note: Registration is noted after the date and time of the program with an Ⓡ**

# CRAFTING

## Yak & Yarn Hangout

**Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, and Thursdays, 10:30 am**
Grab your crochet hook, knitting needles, or sewing kit and join other crafters for some social stitching! Show off your WIP (work in progress), get some crochet or knitting tips, or just drop in to chat.

## DIY Crafts

**Mondays, Sep 12, Oct 17, and Nov 14, 6:30 pm**
**Limited to 10**
**$3 fee**
Donna Carroll will demonstrate how to make these fun crafts in a hands-on workshop. All supplies included. Ⓡ

**Sep 12** Fabric Pumpkin
**Oct 17** Fall Décor Sign
**Nov 14** Book Page Dahlia

## Christmas Tree Ornament Club

**Wednesdays, Sep 7, Oct 5, and Nov 2, 6:30 pm**
Make a new ornament each month, so you'll have new ornaments at Christmas. Ⓡ

**Sep 7** Fabric Tree
**Oct 5** Glitter Ornament
**Nov 2** Joy Snowball

## Stampin' Up

**Tuesdays, Sep 13, Oct 11, and Nov 8, 6:30 pm**
**$6 for 3 cards. Pay instructor directly.**
Esther Thoele will teach you how to use decorative stamps and accessories to make personal greeting cards. Bring scissors and adhesive. Register for each class separately. Ⓡ

## Take & Make: Stress Ball

**Wednesday, Sep 21**
Need to relieve some stress? Make this easy balloon stress ball. Supplies will be ready one week prior to the date. Ⓡ

# Your Health

## Medicare and ACA Enrollment Assistance

**Tuesday, Sep 13**
**Wednesdays, Oct 12 and Nov 2**
**10 am to 1 pm, Drop in**
**Scheduled sessions from 4 to 7 pm.**
EP resident Joyce Bonner is available to help you make an informed insurance decision. Drop in the lobby from 10 am to 1 pm on the above dates or call the Reference Desk at 708.422.8522, ext. 132 to schedule a one-on-one appointment from 4 to 7 pm.

## Chair Yoga with Joan Z

**Session I**
**Wednesdays, Sep 14 to Oct 19, noon**
**Session 2**
**Wednesdays, Nov 2 to Dec 14, noon**
**No class Nov 23**
**Limit 20**
Joan Zigulich of Yoga Pathway, LLC, will lead a chair yoga practice consisting of simple movements to strengthen and stretch the whole body all while seated in a chair. Registration for both sessions opens on September 1. Release form required upon registration. Ⓡ Ⓗ

## WITS Workout

**Fridays, Sep 16, Oct 21, and Nov 18, 10 am**
Give your brain the workout it needs to stay sharp. Participate in interactive brain-teasers, games, and puzzles that get you thinking because coming together and learning new things is good for your noggin! Recommended for older adults. Register if attending virtually. Ⓡ Ⓗ

## Preventing a Health Catastrophe

**Fridays, Sep 16, Oct 21, and Nov 18, 11:15 am**
Mary Murphy, RN, of Hibernian Home Care will talk about these important topics for seniors. Ⓗ

**Sep 16** Medication Safety & Management
**Oct 21** Osteoarthritis & Gout
**Nov 18** High Blood Pressure & Stroke

## Detox Your Mind through Meditation

**Monday, Sep 19, 7 pm**
**Zoom**
Join Dr. Frank Pawlowski, long-time meditator, to learn how to implement a simple, yet very powerful, meditation technique that can be life-changing. Ⓡ

## Hospice vs Palliative Care

**Tuesday, Sep 20, 6:30 pm**
Hospice and palliative care both honor the values and wishes of the individual and preserve human dignity. The ProMedica caregiving team will be available to discuss which is appropriate for your loved one. Ⓡ

## Yoga for Stability

**Thursday, Oct 20, noon**
Joan Zigulich of Yoga Pathway, LLC, will lead this balance class focusing on strength, posture, breath, and more to help prevent falls. We will use a chair and practice at our comfort level, no yoga experience is necessary. Offered in-library only, no virtual option available. Ⓡ

## Beautiful Sounds with Gail Morales

**Thursday, Nov 3, 6:30 pm**
This full-body listening experience will take you on a sonically-guided meditative journey, as vibrations gently wash away stress and tension, opening up space for clarity, and expansive energy towards your goals. Crystal singing bowls, Tibetan bowls, chimes, and gongs will be featured. Ⓡ

# Adults

## Technology

### Computer Basics
**Mondays and Fridays, Sep 19, 23, 26, and 30, 10 am**
Adults with limited knowledge of computers can learn the main components, mouse, keyboard and common terminology. This is a hands-on class. Ⓡ

### Email and Internet Basics
**Mondays and Fridays, Oct 17, 21, 24, and 28, 10 am**
Learn to navigate the Internet using search engines, Internet browsers, and more. Computer Basics is recommended, but not required. Ⓡ

## Foreign Languages

### English Conversation Group
**Wednesdays, Oct 12 and Nov 9, 10 am**
Drop in to practice your English conversation skills. For English language learners. Great opportunity to speak in small groups. Ⓡ

Ven a practicar tus habilidades de conversación en inglés. Para estudiantes de inglés. Una buena oportunidad para hablar en grupos pequeños.

### Cuentos en Español-Storytime in Spanish
**Saturdays, Sep 17, Oct 22, and Nov 12, 10:30 am**
**Ages birth to 8**
Hora de cuentos para niños y niñas desde bebitos hasta edad escolar y para sus padres. Libros, canciones y rimas se presentarán totalmente en español.
This storytime features books, rhymes, and songs in Spanish for children and families.

### Learn a New Language with Mango Languages
You'll have access to over 60 world languages and enjoy learning a new language using Mango's adaptive learning process and easy-to-use interface. English learners can develop their speaking skills through English courses created to accommodate over 20 source languages.

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## SPORTS & ADVENTURE

### EPPL Fantasy Football League
**Wednesday, Sep 7, 6:30 pm**
Draft your team on draft day and then manage your roster throughout the NFL season to compete in weekly matchups and prizes. Fun for seasoned fantasy vets or rookies. *Include an email address when registering to receive instructions on how to join the Library's Yahoo Fantasy Football League.* Participants will need to complete the instructions 30 minutes prior to the draft. Ⓡ

### *Zhimon,* A Solitary Adventure with Michael P. Walsh
**Monday, Sep 12, 6:30 pm**
Learn about Beverly resident Michael P. Walsh's 1987 solo canoe trip through the Canadian inland water route used by the French-Canadian Voyageurs. Ⓡ

### When Football Was Football with Joe Ziemba
**Wednesday, Oct 5, 6:30 pm**
Recognized as one of the leading authorities on the history of professional football in the country, Joe Ziemba will talk about his latest book Bears vs. Cardinals: The NFL's Oldest Rivalry. Ⓡ

## NATURE

### An Hour of Delight with Nature
**Saturday, Sep 24, 10 am**
Do you wish you had time to spend with the natural world? Now is your chance! We'll open the door into the world of nature - from the tiniest details to the most expansive magnificence! Be ready for fun and discovery!

### Make a Moss Pole
**Saturday, Oct 8, 11 am**
**Price is $10**
Diana from Premier Succulents will demonstrate how to make a moss pole to use for your trailing plants. (e.g. pothos and philodendron) You can bring your own plant and we'll help you get it settled on the new pole. A variety of trailing plants will also be available for sale.

**GRAB AND GROW WILL RESUME IN THE SPRING!**

# CREATIVE WRITING

## NaNoWriMo

NaNoWriMo (National Novel Writing Month) is an annual writing challenge. Participants have the entire month of November to write a novel. What does that translate to? Averaging about 1,667 words per day, 50,000 words in 30 days. If maintained, this will produce a 200-page novel.

## NaNoWriMo Kickoff Pep Rally

**Sunday, Oct 23, 1 pm**

Local Author Z Jeffries will talk about the program and will show you how to register and track your progress! Come learn about this community of new writers! Ⓡ

NaNoWriMo

## Intro to Inkie.org (Self-publishing tool)

**Thursday, Oct 27, 6:30 pm**

Inkie.org is a website specifically designed for writers. The demo will include some of the tools available on the site, including Pressbooks and the Indie Author Project submission portal and much more. Ⓡ

## Come Write-In

**Wednesdays, Nov 2, 16, and 30, 6:30 pm**
**Sundays, Nov 6 and 20, 1 pm**

Need a quiet place to pound out another thousand words? Gather with other NaNoWriMo writers at the Library's Reading Room and be inspired by the literary atmosphere. Ⓡ

# Library Foundation

## Micro Marathon Fundraiser

Because we're readers... not runners.
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Evergreen Park Public Library Micro-Marathon 2022

**Saturday, Oct 1, 5:30 to 9 pm**
**Advance Tickets - $35**
**Tickets at the door - $40**
**Over 21 event**

Are you a reader, not a runner? Join the Evergreen Park Library Foundation for their first-ever Micro Marathon Fundraiser! Participate in a 0.262 mile fun run and get rewarded with local microbrews. The ticket price includes the fun run, samples of local beer and cider, food from Joey's Red Hots, and live music from local band Friendly Fire. Stay tuned for more details!

*Proceeds to benefit the EP Library Foundation*

## Holiday Portraits Fundraiser

**Saturday, Nov 19, 9 am to 3 pm**
**Sunday, Nov 20, 9 am to 3 pm**
**$25 sitting fee**

Bring your own flash drive. Schedule a 20-minute sitting for your family in front of the fireplace in the Library's festively-decorated Reading Room and receive up to 15 professional digital images saved to your flash drive. Sittings will be scheduled on a first-come basis starting November 1. Pets are allowed from 9 am to noon on Sunday only. Photography by Jenna Harte-Wisniewski. Call 708.422.8522, ext. 110, to schedule an appointment.

MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival

**Grand Opening: Thursday, Sep 22, 6 pm**
**Saturday, Sep 24, 1 pm**
**Monday, Sep 26, Running all day, approximate start times: 9:15 am, Noon, 3 pm, and 6 pm**

MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival returns! View 10 outstanding short films chosen as finalists in the 25th annual MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival. Not only do MANHATTAN SHORT filmgoers get the chance to watch the cream of the year's international short films, every audience member also plays an integral part in deciding the winner. By casting their vote for their favorite film and actor, it is the audience that determines the ultimate victor. Check our website for the latest information.

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# Book Clubs and Discussions

**Please register for all book clubs and discussions.**

## Stranger Than Fiction Book Club

**Wednesdays, Sep 21, Oct 19, and Nov 16, 6:30 pm**
Sometimes life can be stranger than fiction. Join us for our monthly non-fiction book discussions. Copies are available at the front Public Services Desk.

**Sep 21** *Dress Codes: How the Laws of Fashion Made History* by Richard T. Ford
**Oct 19** *Biased: Uncovering the Hidden Prejudice That Shapes What We See, Think, and Do* by Jennifer L. Eberhardt
**Nov 16** *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants* by Robin Wall Kimmerer

## Kindred Spirits Book Club

**Wednesdays, Sep 28 and Oct 26, 6:30 pm**
Join us for our lively book discussions. Copies are available at the front Public Services Desk.

**Sep 28** *I'll Scream Later* by Marlee Matlin
**Oct 26** *Lincoln Highway* by Armor Towle

## The Grim Readers True Crime Club

**Wednesday, Oct 5, 6:30 pm**
Calling all true crime junkies! Let's get together and talk about our favorite true crime podcasts, books, shows, and lore. This month's meeting will feature Author and Nurse Ellen Kane who will share her stories about working as a nurse in a Maximum-Security prison for 10 years. Check her book *Prison Nurse: Mayhem, Murder and Medicine.*

## Cookbook Book Club

**Monday, Oct 17, 6:30 pm**
Bring a dish to share from *Half Baked Harvest Every Day: Recipes for Balanced, Flexible, Feel-Good Meals* by Tieghan Gerard. Plates and utensils are provided. Copies of the book will be available at the front Public Services Desk.

# Authors

## Illinois Libraries Present: An Evening with Marlee Matlin

**Wednesday, Sep 14, 7 pm**
Academy Award-winning actress Marlee Matlin joins Illinois Libraries Present to share the highs and lows of her Hollywood career and journeys as an activist. A longtime advocate for deaf awareness, Matlin's 2021 film CODA ecame the first movie with a predominantly Deaf cast to win Best Picture.

## After Hours with Sheila Lamb-Gabler and Rose Gabler

**Friday, Oct 7, 6:30 pm**
Enjoy some wine and cheese and listen to local authors Sheila Lamb Gabler and Rose Gabler from Blake-Lamb Funeral Home as they talk about their book *Laid to Rest: The Hopes, Haunts, and Humor from My Life Above a Funeral Home.*