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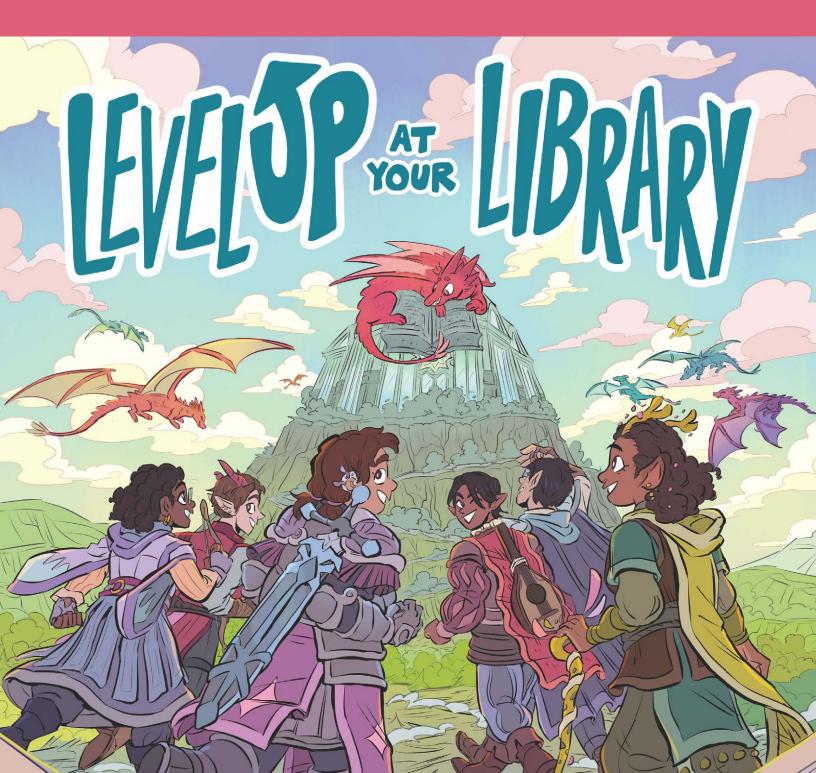
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PROGRAM CALENDAR

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oaklawnpl.librarycalendar.com



THE NEW FRIENDS BOOKSTORE TAKES CENTER STAGE

In the previous issue of the OLPL Newsletter, we teased the then upcoming relocation of the Friends Bookstore. It's now taken its place in the center of the first floor Lobby, complete with new furnishings, after decades in the northwest corner. The larger space makes it quicker and more convenient than ever to browse the wide array of items for sale. Patrons can find books and other items donated by the community, including vintage fiction and board games. The new and improved Friends Bookstore, open any time the Library is, provides the perfect place to pick up your next read or a unique find at a bargain price.

The Friends will be celebrating the renovation on **Saturday**, **June 14** with an event from noon to 3 p.m., including a ribbon cutting ceremony held at 1 p.m. Those who partake in the event will be able to choose a free gently-used book to take home. Three drawings for special prizes will be held during the event at 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

The Friends Bookstore is the most successful fundraiser run by the Friends. Their funding helps keep the Library a fun and welcoming environment for patrons. Turn to page 15 for information on their upcoming co-sponsored programs, including their *Book and Short Story Discussion Groups*.



AROUND THE LIBRARY: SUMMER READING Sign up at: olpl.beanstack.org



LEVEL UP ADULT AND TEEN SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Sunday, June 1-Friday, August 1

Hoard prizes like a dragon and aim for the leaderboard in this fun summer reading challenge. Log 30 days of reading any books that interest you on Beanstack. As you progress, you'll get to spin for prizes and receive a free book. Log additional days to earn digital raffle tickets for prizes from local businesses and the Friends of the Library. To sign up visit the Adult Services Desk, call 708-422-4990 ext. 500, or go to the URL above.

Wacka Wacka Wednesday Kickoff

Wednesday, June 11, drop in between 6:30-8 p.m.

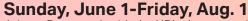
Stop by the second floor to kick off your summer reading. We'll have Pac-Man themed activities and "dot" cupcakes, a self-paced scavenger hunt, and a chance to pick up your sign-up prizes. Try our new Pac-Man arcade cabinet to get entered in a drawing!







YOUTH SERVICES SUMMER READING PROGRAM: LEVEL UP AT YOUR LIBRARY!



Join on Beanstack with the URL above starting **Sunday, June 1** and stop by the Youth Services Desk to pick up a reading log in person starting Monday, June 2.

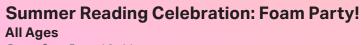
Koala Club: Ages 0-3

Read, Write, Sing, Talk and Play! Have a blast with your child while engaging in the five practices of early literacy!

Ages 4-14

Level up your reading game and your fun quotient with summer reading and activities!

Thank you to the Friends of the Library for their generous support.



Saturday, June 14, 11 a.m.-noon

Foam Party All-Stars will get our summer started with music and lots of foam! Wear clothes and shoes that can get wet. The program will be canceled if the weather is inclement. We'd like to thank the Friends of the Oak Lawn Library for sponsoring the Foam Party and the Oak Lawn Shake Shack for donating frozen treats for participants, while supplies last.



Find our adult and teen summer reading tie-in programs with this icon:





SENIOR PROGRAMMING







A Splash of Bingo (R)

Tuesdays, June 3, July 1 & Aug. 5 10-11 a.m., Meeting Room B

Calling all Bingo lovers! Winners in this summer series will receive a raffle basket sponsored by JenCare Senior Medical Center at 6101 W. 95th St., Oak Lawn, IL 60453. Light refreshments will be served. Funds for this program were provided by AgeOptions. For any questions, please contact Samantha Prado, customer services associate, at sprado@olpl.org or 708-422-4990 ext. 508.

Stop the Bleed/American College of Surgeons (R)

Tuesday, June 10, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Meeting Room C Learning to stop bleeding is a lifesaving skill. The number one cause of preventable death after injury is bleeding. With three quick actions,

you can be trained and empowered to save a life. Registration is strongly encouraged.



Understanding Alzheimer's & Dementia With the Alzheimer's Association

Thursday, June 12, 2-3 p.m., Meeting Room A Alzheimer's Association community educator Alice

O. Keane, Ph. D provides clear insights into these conditions, their differences and the latest advancements in the field. Explore the latest FDA-approved treatments, discuss risk factors and disease stages, and review

No registration is necessary.



EVERGREEN

Who's Got Game (R)

Ceramic Flower Vases: Tuesday, June 10, 10-11 a.m. Coastal Keepsakes: Tuesday, June 17, 10-11 a.m.

Historical Trivia: Tuesday, July 8, 10-11 a.m. Sunshine Art: Tuesday, July 15, 10-11 a.m.

Byte-Sized Bowling: Tuesday, Aug. 12, 10-11:30 a.m. Watermelon Mason Jars: Tuesday, Aug. 19, 10-11 a.m.

Meeting Room A

Get ready for games and crafts at this fun Senior social hour! Light refreshments will be served. Funds for this program were provided by AgeOptions. Only the Tuesdays, June 10, July 15 and Aug. 19 sessions are sponsored by and will receive a donated raffle basket from Evergreen Senior Living in Orland Park, IL. For any questions, please contact Samantha Prado, customer services associate, at sprado@olpl.org or 708-422-4990 ext. 508.



Yoga for Adults Ages 60 and Over

Wednesdays, June 11, July 16 & Aug. 20 Thursdays, June 26, July 24 & Aug. 28

1-2 p.m., Meeting Rooms A & B

Please join Gail Morales of Blissful Light for a fun and engaging beginner's yoga class. The class is designed for participants to sit on mats on the floor. Please bring your own mat, if possible. Registration is no longer required but classes will be limited to 25 participants. This program is funded by the AgeOptions Library CARES ARPA grant. Attendees participate at their own risk.



ongoing research efforts.

SENIOR PROGRAMMING

Alzheimer's & Dementia **Support Group**

Thursdays, June 12, July 10 & Aug. 14 6:30-7:30 p.m., Meeting Room A

An opportunity for family members, friends and caregivers to meet regularly and share feelings, thoughts and experiences in a safe environment with people who are going through similar things. Participants learn ways to better cope with and manage the challenges of Alzheimer's or other dementias. Facilitated by Mary Murphy, RN, BSN, CDP (Certified Dementia Practitioner) of Hibernian Home Care. No registration is necessary. Please drop in.



Wits Workout and More (R)

Tuesdays, June 24, July 22 & Aug. 26

10-11 a.m., Meeting Room A

Developed by the University of Illinois Extension for adults ages 60 and over, this program, back by popular demand, includes interactive puzzles and games. After the workout, there will be time to enjoy additional puzzles and socialize. Light refreshments will be provided. Funded in part by the AgeOptions Library CARES ARPA grant.

Sage Stories Culture Club

"Mrs. Quinn's Rise to Fame" by Olivia Ford: Thursday, June 19

"Elderhood" by Louise Aronson: Thursday, July 17

"The Lido" by Libby Page: Thursday, Aug. 21

10-11 a.m., Meeting Room A

Discuss books and media with characters and information relevant to the fastest growing age group in the United States. Enjoy light refreshments and share perspectives and insights with others.







Crafternoon Creations for Seniors: Sea Shell Wind Chime (R)

Thursday, July 10, 1-2:30 p.m., Meeting Room A Summer is here! Seniors, join us to make sea shell wind chimes. Supplies will be provided, light refreshments served. For any question, please contact Pola Bica, customer services associate, at pbica@olpl.org or 708-422-4990 ext. 616.



National Kidney and Diabetes Screening

Saturday, Aug. 30, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Meeting Rooms A, B & C

Pre-register for a KidneyMobile screening at:

mobilescreening.nkfi.org/preregistration

Upon arrival, inform registration staff that you have pre-registered to begin right away. Must be 18 years or older. Walk-ins welcome. Fasting not required. Urine sample will be required. For more information, contact the National Kidney Foundation of Illinois at 312-321-1500.



YOUTH SERVICES



NEW: SENSORY-FRIENDLY YOUTH PROGRAMS (SF)

This summer the Youth Services Department is piloting sensory-friendly versions of several of our programs. These programs have been designed to provide a welcoming, friendly environment for special sensory-seeking children and those with integration challenges.

Registration is required. Please register in person at the Youth Services Desk or by phone at 708-422-4990 ext. 400, starting 10 days before each sensory-friendly session.

SF Drop-In Craft: Tote Bag (R)

Recommended for ages 3 & up

Monday, June 16, 10-11 a.m. Get wild as you decorate a bag perfect for all your on-the-go summer activities! While supplies last.

SF SUMMER MOVIES

All ages

SF "Moana 2" (R) (2024, PG, 100 minutes) Tuesday, June 17, 10-11:45 a.m.

SF "Dog Man" (R) (2025, PG, 89 minutes) Wednesday, June 25, 10-11:30 a.m.

SF "Mufasa: The Lion King" (R) (2024, PG, 118 minutes) Monday, June 30, 10 a.m.-noon

SF "Inside Out 2" (R) (2024, PG, 96 minutes) Tuesday, July 1, 10-11:30 a.m.

SF "Encanto" (R) (2021, PG, 102 minutes) Wednesday, July 2, 10-11:45 a.m.

SF "Up" (R) (2009, PG, 96 minutes) Thursday, July 31, 10-11:30 a.m.

















SF Family Storytime (R)

For families with children of all ages

Wednesday, June 18, 6:30-7 p.m. Monday, July 14, 10-10:30 a.m. Join us for stories and songs!



Ages 3-5 with an adult

Thursday, June 19, 10-10:30 a.m. Kids will go up, down and all around as they play with colorful parachutes.

SF Not Your Usual Bingo (R)

All ages

Tuesday, July 8, 10-11 a.m. Are you tired of Bingo as usual? Come play Bingo with a twist!

SF Drop-In Craft: Tiny Woven Turtle (R)

Recommended for ages 3 & up

Wednesday, July 9, 10-11 a.m. Come make a turtally awesome tiny woven turtle! While supplies last.

SF Mario Party (R)

Recommended for ages 6 and up; Children under 6 must be with an adult

Friday, July 11, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Drop in to celebrate all things Mario with games, crafts, activities and live "Mario Kart." Activities will take about 20 minutes to complete, while supplies last.

SF Drop-In Craft: Tea Light Firefly (R) Recommended for ages 3 and up

Thursday, July 24, 10-11 a.m. Make a cute firefly craft that really lights up! While supplies last.

SF Drop-In Craft: Jiggly Jellyfish (R)

Recommended for ages 3 and up

Friday, Aug. 1, 10-11 a.m. Make a jellyfish that wiggles in the breeze! While supplies last.



YOUTH PROGRAMS

Toddler Ball Games (T)

Ages 18-36 months with an adult

Monday, June 9, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Beach balls, bouncy balls, balls galore! Join us for a playtime that encourages children to get active with a variety of ball-based activities.

Chess Club Ages 6 and up

Tuesday, June 10, 2-3 p.m. Thursday, June 26, 2-3 p.m. Monday, July 21, 2-3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 28, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

All skill levels are welcome to come and learn the game or get some practice!



Wednesday, June 11, 2-3 p.m. Make a delightful charm attachment to accessorize your water bottle.

Family Storytime

For families with children of all ages

Thursday, June 12, 10-10:30 a.m. Monday, June 23, 10-10:30 a.m. Monday, July 14, 6:30-7 p.m. (indoors) Wednesday, July 30, 10-10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 6, 10-10:30 a.m. (indoors) Storytimes outdoors unless noted above or in cases of inclement weather.

Drop-In Craft: Tote Bag Recommended for ages 3 and up

Monday, June 16, 2-4 p.m. Get wild as you decorate a bag perfect for all your on-the-go summer activities! While supplies last.



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All ages

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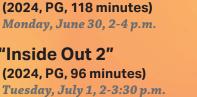
"Inside Out 2" (2024, PG, 96 minutes)

"Encanto" (2021, PG, 102 minutes) Wednesday, July 2, 2-3:45 p.m.

(2009, PG, 96 minutes)

"Up"

Thursday, July 31, 2-3:30 p.m.



Parachute Games (T) Ages 3-5

Thursday, June 19, 11-11:30 a.m. Kids will go up, down and all around as they play with colorful parachutes.

Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament (T) Ages 5-7

Friday, June 20, 2-2:45 p.m. Are you the ultimate Rock, Paper, Scissors player? We'll learn the history of the game and engage in some friendly competition.

Family Card Games (T)

For families with children age 5 and up

Tuesday, June 24, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Enjoy some family time while playing classic card games.

Drop-In Craft: Sock Caterpillar

Recommended for ages 3 and up

Friday, June 27, 2-4 p.m. Wiggle your way over to the Library and make an adorable caterpillar out of a sock! While supplies last.







YOUTH SERVICES



Register at *oaklawnpl.librarycalendar.com* 10 days before the date of the program.



Retro String Games for Kids (T) Ages 10-14

*Monday, July 7, 2-2:45 p.m.*Learn some "old school" string games, like Witch's Broom and Cat's Cradle, and then bring the materials home to continue the fun!

Not Your Usual Bingo (T) All ages





Drop-In Craft: Tiny Woven Turtle

Recommended for ages 3 and up

Wednesday, July 9, 2-4 p.m.Come make a turtally awesome tiny woven turtle! While supplies last.

Mario Party

Recommended for ages 6 and up; Children under 6 must be with an adult

Friday, July 11, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Drop in to celebrate all things Mario with games, crafts, activities and live "Mario Kart." Activities will take about 20 minutes to complete, while supplies last.



Drop-In Craft: Paper Bag KiteRecommended for ages 3 and up

Tuesday, July 15, 2-4 p.m.Create a paper bag kite with your own unique decorations! While supplies last.



COMING IN SEPTEMBER: A NEW READING PROGRAM IN YOUTH SERVICES

In the fall, Youth Services will be launching a new reading program for ages 5-14, called *Reading Dragons & Friends*. Participation is simple: For every four 20-minute sessions of reading, kids will receive a family of mythical creatures. A family includes four cards, showing the egg, baby, teen and adult of the creature they choose. Stop by the Youth Services Desk any time starting *Monday*, *Sept. 15* to join the program!

Cardboard Arcade (T)

For families with children ages 6 and up.

Thursday, July 17, 6:30-7:30 p.m.Level up your creativity and invent your very own cardboard arcade game.

Mystery Dish (T)

For families with children of all ages

Wednesday, July 23, 6:30-7:15 p.m.

Do you have an adventurous palate? Tickle your taste buds with some unique produce from around the world!

Drop-In Craft: Tea Light FireflyRecommended for ages 3 and up

Thursday, July 24, 2-4 p.m.Make a cute firefly craft that really lights up! While supplies last.

Drop-In Craft: Creative Wood Painting

Recommended for ages 3 and up

Monday, July 28, 2-4 p.m.
Create your own scenic painting that doubles as a wall hanging! While supplies last.

Lego Maze-Building Challenge (T)

Ages 8-10

Tuesday, July 29, 2-3 p.m.

Are you ready for a challenge? Work together with other participants to build a Lego maze.

Drop-In Craft: Jiggly Jellyfish

Recommended for ages 3 and up

Friday, Aug. 1, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Make a jellyfish that wiggles in the breeze! While supplies last.

Parachute Play (T)

Ages 1-3 with an adult

Tuesday, Aug. 26, 9:30-10 a.m.

Join us for toddler music and movement time!



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES (R)

Need community service hours? Volunteer to help with the following programs if you enjoy spending time with young children and are good at working independently. We will meet at the Youth Services Desk.

Register online at oaklawnpl.librarycalendar.com 10 days before the date of the volunteer opportunity.

JUNE

Summer Reading Celebration: Foam Party! (R)

Grades 9-12

Saturday, June 14, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Drop-In Craft: Tote Bag (R)

Ages 11-14

Monday, June 16, 1:45-4:15 p.m.

Parachute Games (R)

Ages 11-14

Thursday, June 19, 10:45-11:45 a.m.

Family Card Games (R)

Ages 11-14

Tuesday, June 24, 6:15-7:45 p.m.

Drop-In Craft: Sock Caterpillar (R)

Ages 11-14

Friday, June 27, 1:45-4:15 p.m.

JULY

Not Your Usual Bingo (R)

Ages 11-14

Tuesday, July 8, 1:45-3:15 p.m.

Drop-In Craft: Tiny Woven Turtle (R)

Ages 11-14

Wednesday, July 9, 1:45-4:15 p.m.

Mario Party (R)

Ages 11-14, Grades 9-12

Friday, July 11, 10:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

Drop-In Craft: Paper Bag Kite (R)

Ages 11-14

Tuesday, July 15, 1:45-4:15 p.m.

Cardboard Arcade (R)

Grades 9-12

Thursday, July 17, 6:15-7:45 p.m.

Drop-In Craft: Tea Light Firefly (R)

Ages 11-14

Thursday, July 24, 1:45-4:15 p.m.

Drop-In Craft: Creative Wood Painting (R)

Ages 11-14

Monday, July 28, 1:45-4:15 p.m.

Lego Maze-Building Challenge (R)

Ages 11-14

Tuesday, July 29, 1:45-3:15 p.m.

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Ages 11-14

Friday, Aug. 1, 11:15 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

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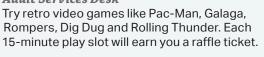


Register at: oaklawnpl.librarycalendar.com

Pac-Man and Retro Video Games

Monday, June 2-Friday, Aug. 1 **Adult Services Desk**

Try retro video games like Pac-Man, Galaga,





Community Book Swap

Saturday, June 7, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. off-site at Swallow Cliff Woods - North

OLPL and the Friends of the Library visit the forest preserves with plenty of books for this fun free outdoor event. Learn about community organizations and enjoy the beautiful setting. In the event of inclement weather, check our online calendar for details.

eAudiobook Know-How

Monday, June 16, 7-8 p.m.

Don't spend money on audiobooks you can check out for free! Use the apps Hoopla and Libby to access thousands of eAudiobooks. Bring your Oak Lawn Public Library card and a device.

Investment Pro Tips

Wednesday, June 18, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Max Dunne, financial advisor with Edward Jones, presents some expert tips for investing.



Monarch Butterflies in the Garden

Thursday, June 19, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Learn about the Illinois state insect's life stages, habitats, journeys and the challenges facing their populations with Master Gardener Donna Hirsh of the University of Illinois Extension.

Juneteenth Concert

Friday, June 20, 4-5:15 p.m.

The Shea Butta Band plays a high-energy set to get you up and dancing! Enjoy funk, neo-soul, and R&B, as well as light refreshments (while supplies last) to celebrate Juneteenth.

Crunchyroll Night-Anime for Adults

Wednesdays, June 25, July 30 & Aug. 27, 7-8 p.m. Watch anime on Crunchyroll with other fans and newbies.

Tic Tac Trivia!



Wednesday, June 25, 7-8:30 p.m.

You may know the answers, but can you get the ones you need to win? Join us for a twist on trivia that will test your knowledge and strategy!



Jewelry Making for Beginners (R)

Friday, June 27, 4-5 p.m.

String glass, wood and ceramic beads together to make colorful bracelets and necklaces. Set your imagination free with Sherri Ewing of Precious One Designs. Registration requires a \$5 deposit.

Puzzle-a-Thon Competition (R)



Wednesday, July 2, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Register your team of two-four players and compete against other teams. Solve two puzzles first or join the most pieces together in a set time for a chance to win prizes! Quiet spectators welcome to watch the competition on the second floor. Space is limited.

Content Creation 101 (R)

Wednesday, July 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Bring a digital device and let multimedia journalist Leona Towner guide you through content creation for social media. She will



cover concepts, photography, video and storytelling.

Small Business Legal Startup

Wednesday, July 16, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Lawyer Caroline Smith from Latimer LeVay Fyock, LLC explains legal considerations and different types of entities, such as LLCs and sole proprietorships, to help you form your new business.

Amazing Mazes Craft Class (R)



Thursday, July 17, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Art teacher Renee McWilliams takes you on a journey to design your own maze. Sharpen your problem solving skills and your pencils as we level up with mazes! Open to adults and teens.

Virtual Reality (R)



Friday, July 18, 3:30-5:30 p.m. Try virtual reality in a one-on-one guided experience playing Fruit Ninja. Register to receive confirmation with a 15-minute time slot. Virtual reality may trigger motion sickness.



Free Streaming Media With Kanopy

Monday, July 21, 7-8 p.m.

Learn how to use the Kanopy app to stream over 30,000 movies available for free and create an account. Bring your Oak Lawn Public Library card and a device.

Beginning Line Dancing

Wednesday, July 23, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Tina aka T Phi B from Dawn's Dancin Deevas gets us moving together in a line dancing class that combines exercise and dance into one. Line dance is great exercise, and no partner is necessary. Dance is a vigorous physical activity and patrons participate at their own risk.

Blood Drive (R)

Saturday, Aug. 9, 10 a.m.-2:15 p.m. Help the community by donating blood. The Versiti team has plenty of appointments available at OLPL. Please sign up by calling 1-800-7TO-GIVE or through the link in our online event calendar.



Find all programs at: oaklawnpl.librarycalendar.com



UNSEALED: THE TYLENOL MURDERS

Wednesday, Aug. 20, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Former Oak Lawn resident Christy Gutowski and Stacy St. Clair, the Chicago Tribune reporters behind the gripping 2022 article series recount the Tylenol murders, their investigation and their podcast. The original unsolved 1982 crime saw seven Chicagoland residents die from taking Tylenol laced with cyanide.



TRUE CRIME SUMMER

Public Enemy-Dillinger in Chicago

Friday, Aug. 8, 4-5 p.m.

Historian Clarence Goodman presents the exciting story of John Dillinger, the colorful gangster notorious for robbing police stations, getting into gunfights and going on the run through four different states.



Podcasts Unsealed

Friday, Aug. 15, 11 a.m.-noon
Are you new to podcasts? Let a librarian get you started with Unsealed, a podcast about the Tylenol Murders. Bring a digital device and headphones.



Craft Class-Cyanotype Evidence (R)

Friday, Aug. 22, 4-5 p.m.

Use cyanotype paper and sun exposure to create a print of crime scene evidence to display. A \$5 deposit is required to confirm registration.



Handwriting Analysis

Thursday, Aug. 28, 6:30-7:30 p.m.See first hand what small details like letter and word spacing reveal as Lorrisa Julianus analyzes celebrity handwriting samples.



MYSTERY AND CRIME MOVIE MATINEES

"The Secret of Roan Inish" (1994, PG, 102 minutes)

Friday, June 13, 2 p.m.

"Hunt for the Wilderpeople" (2016, PG-13, 101 minutes) Friday, July 11, 2 p.m.

"Catch Me if You Can" (2002, PG-13, 141 minutes)

Friday, July 25, 2 p.m.

"Erin Brockovich" (2000, R, 131 minutes) Friday, Aug. 1, 2 p.m.

"Dial M for Murder" (1954, PG, 105 minutes) Friday, Aug. 15, 2 p.m.

"The Sting"
(1973, PG, 129 minutes)
Friday, Aug. 29, 2 p.m.

ADULT CLUBS

Knit & Stitch

Mondays, June 2, 16 & 30, July 7 & 21 & Aug. 4 & 18 6:30-7:30 p.m.

BYO needlework projects and enjoy conversation and crafting with Jennifer Rodriguez and friends. Crocheters, knitters, cross-stitchers and embroiderers welcome.

The Yarnery Club

Tuesdays, June 10 & 24, July 8 & 22, Aug. 12 & 26 2-3 p.m.

Bring your handicraft projects of any kind and spend an hour enjoying conversation with crafty crocheter Brittany and friends.

Saturday Afternoon Games



Saturdays, June 7, July 12 & Aug. 2

Drop in from noon-4 p.m.

Adults and teens invited to drop in for family-friendly tabletop games. *Saturday Afternoon Games Celebration* on **Saturday, July 12** will feature light refreshments.

Magic the Gathering-Casual Commander Club



Mondays, June 9 & 23, July 14 & Aug. 11, 6-8:30 p.m.

OLCHS teacher Eric Kallenborn leads all levels, adults and teens, in casual play of Commander. Bring a competitive deck or use ours. Try the game in Magic: the Gathering Learn to Play and Draft Night on Monday, June 23!

Debt Club

Tuesdays, June 10, July 8 & Aug. 12, 7-8 p.m.
Learn how you can pay off debt, save more money and build wealth with Raymond Schwarzkopf, certified by the Dave Ramsey Financial Coaching Team. Taming the Debt Collectors on Tuesday, June 10 will teach you your rights and provide an opportunity to practice talking to bill collectors with confidence and integrity.

Oak Lawn Writers' Group

Saturdays, June 14 & 28, July 12 & 26, Aug. 9 & 16 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Calling all writers! Come read your written works in any genre and get feedback from the group.

English Together (ESL)

Mondays, June 16-July 28, 10-11 a.m. Let's learn English together at this free ESL conversation class for any level. Begin anytime. Contact kdonley@olpl.org to learn more.

Southside FilmMakers

Wednesdays, June 18, July 16 & Aug. 13, 6-7:30 p.m. Make films and learn what goes on behind the camera! All levels welcome!

TEEN SERVICES

Programs take place in the Teen Room, open Mon.-Thurs. (3-9 p.m.), Fri. (3-6 p.m.), Sat. (1-5 p.m.)



Register at: oaklawnpl.librarycalendar.com

RECURRING WEEKLY

Quiet Reading Hour

Mondays, 4-6 p.m.

Anime Club

Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m.

Teen Movie Night

Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m.

Teen D&D

First and third Thursdays of the month, 5-8 p.m.

Wargaming Club

Second and fourth Thursdays of the month, 2-6 p.m.

Friday Game Day

Fridays, 4-5:30 p.m.





RECURRING MONTHLY

Future's Club (R)

First Wednesday of the month, 1-3 p.m. New or upcoming high school graduate? Feel like you don't know what to do and your friends are leaving town? Join this social gathering for 17 to 20-year-olds to meet new people, pick up new hobbies and talk about what to do next.

Animation Inspiration

Second Tuesday of the month, 1-3 p.m. Watch a classic animated feature and recreate a character in your art style. All skill levels welcome.

JUNE

Taste & Rate: Chips

Thursday, June 12, 6-7 p.m. Try a variety of chips and crisps from classic to exotic and vote on the best one!

Retro Games Challenge

Thursday, June 26, 6-8 p.m. Can you claim the high score in all our throwback games? Compete for our 8-bit trophy!



JULY

Oregon Trail Challenge

Thursday, July 10, 6-7:30 p.m. A twist on the classic game where your decisions are tied to winning mini games.



Smash Bros. Tournament (R)

Saturday, July 19, 1-4 p.m. A Smash tournament with a final boss. Our top three will test their skill against a nationally ranked player!



D&D Day (R)

Wednesday, July 23, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Join us for a grander adventure in Dungeons & Dragons! May the dice favor you.



Cooking Club

Thursday, July 24, 6-7 p.m. Start learning your way around the kitchen with some basic recipes and cooking tips.





AUGUST

Presentation Party (R)

Wednesday, Aug. 6, 4-5 p.m.

Share a five-minute presentation on a topic you are deeply interested in and listen to others share their hyperfixation. Please send your presentation to nvidmar@olpl.org at least three days before.



Thursday, Aug. 14, 6-7 p.m. Curious about the difference between credit and debit? This presentation by CARE Chicago will help explain how to best use these financial tools.



Fandom Guess Who

Tuesday, Aug. 19, 6-6:30 p.m. Can you figure out your fandom favorites first?



COMPUTER CENTER

All programs take place in the Computer Center Classroom on the Library's second floor.



TECH HELP

Mondays, 2-4 p.m.

Drop in for assistance with your computer, smartphone or other device at this weekly help session.



Internet Safety

Wednesday, June 11 & Tuesday, Aug. 5 2-3 p.m.

Identify common scams and learn best practices for staying safe online.



Artificial Intelligence

Tuesdays, June 17 & Aug. 19 2-3 p.m.

Get introduced to artificial intelligence and learn how you can use it.



Computer Basics

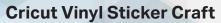
Wednesdays, June 18 & Aug. 13, Tuesday, July 15, 2-3 p.m. Get a basic introduction to computers, including how to use a mouse and keyboard.

Internet Basics

Thursdays, June 19 & July 17, Wednesday, Aug. 27, 2-3 p.m. Become comfortable with navigating, browsing and searching on the internet.

Newspaper Databases

Fridays, June 20, July 18 & Aug. 29, 2-3 p.m. From daily news to genealogy research, learn how you can access newspapers from home using the Library's online resources.



Mondays, June 23, July 21 & Aug. 25, 6-7 p.m. Learn how to layer vinyl to create a sticker. Drop-in event, no registration required.



Smartphone Basics

Wednesdays, June 25, July 9 & Aug. 6, 2-3 p.m. Bring in your device and learn how to call, text, download apps, and take and share pictures.



Cut the Cable Cord

Wednesday, July 23, 2-3 p.m.
Discover how you can "cut the cable cord" as we compare streaming subscriptions like Netflix and Hulu.



Video Conferencing Basics

Tuesday, July 29, 2-3 p.m.Learn how to set up and participate in a video conference using Zoom.



MICROSOFT PROGRAMS

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Word Basics

Tuesdays, June 10, July 8 & Aug. 12, 2-3 p.m. Learn to create, save, open, print and make changes to documents in Microsoft Word.

Word Advanced

Thursdays, June 12, July 10 & Aug. 14, 6-7 p.m. Get creative with advanced design features in Microsoft Word. Requires basic computer skills.



Excel Basics

Tuesdays, June 24, July 22 & Aug. 26, 2-3 p.m. Track and analyze data using spreadsheets in Microsoft Excel.

Excel Advanced

Thursdays, June 26, July 24 & Aug. 28, 6-7 p.m. Learn formatting techniques, workbook printing options, and tools for formulas and equations. Requires basic computer skills.



PowerPoint Basics

Wednesday, July 16, 2-3 p.m.Learn to create slides, use templates, insert images and more in Microsoft's slideshow presentation software.

Email Basics

Wednesday, July 30, 2-3 p.m. Learn how to navigate your inbox, read and reply to emails, and open or send attachments.



Tinkercad Basics

Thursday, July 31, 6-7 p.m.

Try out Tinkercad, a free 3D modeling web program used to create or find 3D print designs. Requires basic computer skills.

Create With Canva

Monday, Aug. 4, 6-7 p.m.
Create quick and professional-looking designs using Canva. Requires basic computer skills.



iPad Basics

Wednesday, Aug. 20, 2-3 p.m. Get a basic introduction to the iPad and learn to identify common apps.



D&D Online Resources

Thursday, Aug. 21, 6-7 p.m.Level up your Dungeons & Dragons gameplay with online tools like Roll20 and D&D Beyond.



BOOK CLUBS WITH THE OAK LAWN PUBLIC LIBRARY Join us for in-person book discussions

EXPLORING THE OUTER LIMITS (SCI-FI SHORT STORIES)

With Roger Burns and Tom Javorcic Book Nook, 7 p.m.

"The Book of Martha" by Octavia Butler

Wednesday, June 4

"The Android's Prehistoric Menagerie" by A. Merc Rustad

Wednesday, July 2

"Harrison Bergeron" by Kurt Vonnegut Wednesday, Aug. 6

20'S/30'S AT HEART

With Alyssa Dohse

Cork & Bean, 4931 W. 95th St., 7:30 p.m.

"The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue" by Victoria E. Schwab

Thursday, June 12

"Tress of the Emerald Sea" by Brandon Sanderson

Thursday, July 10

"The Five: The Untold Lives of the Women Killed by Jack the Ripper" by Hallie Rubenhold

Thursday, Aug. 14

With Monika Fudali Book Nook, 7 p.m.

"Kaguya-sama: Love Is War, Vol. 1" by Aka Akasaka

Wednesday, June 18

"Dr. Stone, Vol. 1" by Riichiro Inagaki

Wednesday, July 16

"Delicious in Dungeon, Vol. 1" by Ryoko Kui

Wednesday, Aug. 20

REFRESHING READS

With Emily Bettcher

Avenue Wine Bar, 10632 S. Cicero Ave., 7:30 p.m.

"The Last Thing He Told Me"

by Laura Dave

Tuesday, June 24

"Lessons in Chemistry"

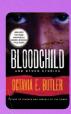
by Bonnie Garmus

Tuesday, July 22

"Murder in Canaryville"

by Jeff Coen

Tuesday, Aug. 26











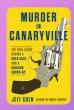












THE HUNDREDS CLUB

Teens and adults, join our Library club that celebrates reading year-round! Keep track of your books on the free Beanstack app.

This season, summer reading gives you bonus books in your Hundreds Club totals; who says you can't double-dip?!? For our quarterly gathering, stop by the second floor for our Wacka Wacka Wednesday Kickoff on Page 3 and get a treat.

To sign up, stop by the Adult Services Desk, visit olpl.beanstack.org or call 708-422-4990.



BOOK NERDS BOOK BOX

The first 20 Oak Lawn cardholders who register by Thursday, June 19 will get a personalized book box with two to three library books along with some other goodies at the beginning of July.



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- Teen Room Makerspace furnishings, equipment and supplies.
- Fan Fest's Special Attractions.
- Prizes for summer reading programs covering all ages.
- Two sets of alphabet/number dies to cut lettering for Youth Services wall displays.
- "One Book, One Oak Lawn" books and public program.
- · Four full-size mannequins for Local History exhibits.
- Movie performance licenses for all screenings.
- Sponsorship of the Friends concert series.

Join the Friends today to help support future projects! You can pick up a Friends membership application at the Library or download one online at: www.olpl.org/friends



MOVIE SCREENINGS: REVISIT THE HITS

"Killers of the Flower Moon"

(2023, R, 206 minutes) Tuesday, June 10, 2 p.m.



"Barbie"

(2023, PG-13, 116 minutes) Tuesday, July 8, 2 p.m.



"Wicked"

(2024, PG, 142 minutes) Tuesday, August 12, 2 p.m.





SHORT STORY DISCUSSION GROUP

"The Untouchables"

by Eliot Ness, from "Chicago Stories" edited by John Miller Wednesday, June 11, 1 p.m. Mary Nelson Room

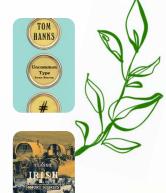
"Welcome to Mars"

by Tom Hanks, from "Uncommon Type: Some Stories" by Tom Hanks Wednesday, July 9, 1 p.m. Mary Nelson Room

"Home Sickness"

by George Moore, from "Classic Irish Short Stories" selected and introduced by Frank O'Conner Wednesday, Aug. 13, 1 p.m. Mary Nelson Room





BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

"Cannery Row"

by John Steinbeck

Wednesday, June 25, 1 p.m.

Meeting Room C



"The New Life"

by Tom Crewe Wednesday, July 23, 1 p.m. Meeting Room C



"James"

by Percival Everest

Wednesday, Aug. 27, 1 p.m.

Meeting Room C



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