

# Off the Shelf

Newsletter of the HILLSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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2020



LIBRARY HOURS  
M-TH  
10:00 am-9:00 pm

Fri & Sat  
10:00 am-5:00 pm

Sundays  
Sep 8-May 17  
1:00-5:00 pm

CLOSED  
Tuesday, Dec 31  
Wednesday, Jan 1  
Monday, Feb 17

## FOOD *for* FINES



If you've been avoiding the library because of your overdue fines, now is your chance to start 2020 with a fresh slate. The Hillside Public Library is erasing library fines in exchange for canned and boxed food donations. The food drive will run from January 2-January 31.

During this period, library patrons are encouraged to bring undamaged, unopened, and unexpired boxed or canned non-perishable food items. Each single food item will be applied as a \$1 credit toward the reduction of existing overdue fines. Most-needed items include canned meat, peanut butter, canned fruit, canned vegetables, and boxed meals. The Food for Fines program is only applicable to library overdue fines. No other fees are eligible.

## ADULT *programs*

### Adult Book Discussion

Meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 2:00 pm

**January 8:** *Christmas Bells* by Jennifer Chiaverini

**February 5:** *The Snow Child* by Eowyn Ivey

**March 4:** *The Wangs vs the World* by Jade Chang

Visitors and new members are always welcome. Books are available for checkout at our circulation desk one month before the meeting.

### Evening/Weekend Book Group

The library would love to have an evening and/or weekend book discussion group. If you have any interest, please leave your name at the Information Services Desk.

### January is National Puzzle Month

Come celebrate with us. Each day there will be a worksheet puzzle (crossword, Sudoku, word search, etc.) for you to pick up and work on at your convenience. We will also have a community puzzle table set up for adults and teens to work on while at the library.

### Gentle Yoga

Meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 7:00 - 8:00 pm

This class of Gentle Yoga will engage your body and your mind as it promotes flexibility and fitness. Instructor: Rhonda Fentry, Fitness Specialist and Exercise Physiologist.

Be sure to arrive before 7:00. Must be over 16 to participate.

## ADULT programs, continued

### Mixed Stitchers

Meets Every Thursday from 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Here are four reasons to consider joining the library's knitting group.

- 1 - **New Friends.** These knitters are friendly and outgoing! All skill levels of knitters are welcome.
- 2 - **Receive and Give Support.** The club members share patterns, ideas, and materials.
- 3 - **Charity.** They have donated projects to veteran's groups, preemie babies, Special Olympics, and more!
- 4 - **Relaxation.** Studies have shown that the rhythmic motions in knitting can help symptoms of stress. Add to that, the warm feeling you get by belonging to a group can be helpful to your wellbeing. You can view a sample of their needlework in the front window this January!

### Daytime Drop-In Coloring or Craft for Adults

Fridays from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Begins January 10. On Fridays in January and February, discover the therapeutic and relaxing benefits of coloring. Pencils, crayons, and coloring pages will be provided. Some Fridays may also have a simple craft available for you to create. Light refreshments served. Drop in program.

## JANUARY

### Cookbook Exchange

Sunday, January 5 from 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Expand your culinary horizons this new year. Let go of any unloved cookbooks and exchange them for different ones. Receive one ticket for each cookbook you donate. Use the ticket(s) to select one of the other donated books. It's that easy! You may drop off your cookbooks any time after Christmas up until the start of the exchange on January 5.

### Afternoon Classic Movie: *The Apartment* (1960)

Thursday, January 16 from 1:15 - 3:30 pm

An ambitious office clerk plans to get ahead by lending out his apartment to his boss, but falls in love with the boss's girlfriend. This Academy Award winner for Best Picture stars Jack Lemmon and Shirley MacLaine. Refreshments served. Minimum 4.

### Raffle to attend Village of Hillside's MLK Day Breakfast on Monday, January 20

The library purchased tickets for this annual celebration. If you and a companion would like to be our guests at this table, come to the library between January 2-January 17 to fill out a raffle ticket. On January 18 we will draw four names. The four winners will each receive two tickets. The breakfast is at the Hillside Best Western from 8:30 - 11:30 am. Please be sure that you are able to attend before entering the raffle.

## FEBRUARY

### National Soup Day

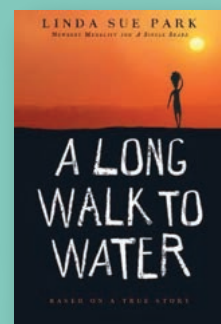
Monday, February 3 from 6:00 - 7:15 pm

We welcome back chef Paul McKenna, owner of Starship Restaurant in Forest Park. Paul, AKA-The Soup Man, will demonstrate two soup recipes. Recipes and tastings provided.

### Family Book Discussion\*

Sunday, February 9 from 2:00 - 2:45 pm and Tuesday, February 11 from 6:30 - 7:15 pm

You may choose either date to attend. Participants will read/listen to *A Long Walk to Water* at home as a family. Read this book aloud or have each family member read it separately, but be sure to read this beautiful story of determination and perseverance in the face of overwhelming adversity and hardships. This novel is an easy read, but a great story for adults and children. Copies of the book will be available for check out at the circulation desk beginning January 13. \*Program part of our Family Winter Reading Challenge



### **Additional Events in FEBRUARY:**

#### **Lunch and Learn for Seniors**

**Monday, February 10 from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm**

Captain Howard Murray from the Hillside Fire Department will speak about ways seniors can be safer at home. He will be handing out My ID bands to those who qualify. The benefits of Knox boxes and smoke detectors will also be discussed. This program is limited to Hillside residents only. Maximum of 25 participants. Lunch will be provided. Registration required by Thursday, February 6.

#### **Abraham Lincoln's Birthday Celebration**

**Wednesday, February 12 from 2:30 - 5:00 pm**

Stop by the library and enjoy a piece of cake to celebrate Illinois' most famous citizen. After your cake, try your hand at Lincoln trivia to win a small prize.



#### **Afternoon Movie: *Remember the Titans* (PG)**

**Friday, February 28 from 1:30 - 3:30 pm**

When the tension of forced integration invades a high school football program in Virginia, in 1971-players and coaches must rise above racial prejudice, win games, and ensure that everyone will remember the Titans. This true story is entertaining, inspiring, and appropriate for families. (Suggested age 12 and up.)

## **MARCH**

#### **When to Call the Handyman**

**Date and Time TBA**

Dan Findley, professional handyman and licensed building engineer, discusses several of the most common fixes you can do for yourself with a small home tool kit. Presenting both common home repairs as well as preventative maintenance in a fun and humorous way. Experienced and novice homeowners will enjoy this light hearted educational presentation.

#### **AARP Driver Safety Course**

**Tuesday and Wednesday, March 10 and March 11 from 10:00 am - 2:30 pm (2-day course)**

The goal of this course is to help keep older drivers independent, safe and confident while on the road. Call the library to register. Cost: \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for non-AARP members

#### **DIY Vintage Teacup Soy Candle**

**Saturday, March 21 at 2:30 pm**

These lovely candles in a teacup are to give as a gift or to enjoy yourself. After you make your candle, join us to enjoy tea and scones with a screening of *The Manners of Downton Abbey*. There is no charge for this program and the library will supply all materials. Class is limited to 15 people ages 16 and over. Register by Sunday, March 15.



#### **Afternoon Movie: *84 Charing Cross Road* (PG)**

**Monday, March 30 from 1:30 - 3:15 pm**

A New York writer with a passion for literature writes to a London bookstore in search of rare classics. A good-natured, reserved Englishman answers her request, beginning a relationship that spans two continents and two decades.



# Family Winter Reading Challenge



**January 13- February 13**



Families, couples, and individuals are invited to participate in our Winter Reading Challenge.

The library will be offering weekly challenges to complete and earn prizes!

Spend winter with your family and a few good books while participating in library programs!

More information will be available at the library.

## EVENTS



Use these events to help complete library challenges. You do not have to be registered for winter reading to attend these events.



### **FAMILY GAME NIGHT! - TUESDAY, JANUARY 21 FROM 6 - 8 PM**

Join the YA librarian for board games and video games! Bring your family and friends.

### **FAMILY WINTER MOVIE AND SNACK - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1 FROM 2 - 4 PM**

Cozy up at the library for this showing of *Happy Feet* (rated PG).

Bring your own blankets for an extra cozy time. \*All Ages

### **WINTER READING BOOK DISCUSSION-**

### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 FROM 2-3 PM AND TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11 FROM 6:30 - 7:15 PM**

For our Winter Reading Challenge the library will be reading *A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park. Pick up your copy at the circulation desk!

### **FINALE CELEBRATION - THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13 FROM 6:30 - 7:30 PM**

Hot chocolate and cookies will be available for participants who completed the Winter Reading Challenge. Grand Prize Winners will be announced!



# YOUNG ADULT *programs*

## JANUARY

### Family Game Night

Tuesday, January 21 from 6 - 8 pm

All are welcome to our board game and video game night. We'll have a new Nintendo Switch up along with a variety of board and card games-some classic, some new!

Additional “pop-up” programs will be advertised during the Family Winter Reading Challenge. Watch for flyers in the library and online.

## FEBRUARY

### DIY Fleece Heart Pillows

Tuesday, February 11 from 5 -6 pm

Registration Required (must have at least 3 participants.) A no sew pillow just in time for Valentine's Day! Give it as a gift or keep it for yourself!

### Bad Paint Night

Tuesday, February 25 from 6 -7 pm

Registration Required (must have at least 2 participants) Come join the library for painting your own creation to take home. Inspiration will be offered, along with snacks!



## MARCH

### Teen Tech Bingo-for the entire month!

Learn about the library's tech services and earn prizes as you complete each bingo task. Bingo Cards will be available on the YA book display.

### Sing-along Movie

Tuesday, March 10 starting at 6:30 pm

Come to the library's movie night where you can sing to your favorite tunes from a popular movie musical. Lyrics will be provided. Snacks will also be available.



# YOUTH *programs*

**Family Winter Movie & Snack (Part of Winter Reading)**  
**Saturday, February 1 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm for All Ages**  
Advanced registration encouraged, drop-ins welcome.  
Cozy up at the library at this showing of ***Happy Feet***  
(Rated PG). Bring your own blankets for an extra cozy time.



## **Kid Craft: DIY Heart Wreaths**

**Wednesday, February 5 from 6:30 - 7:15 pm for Kindergarten - Grade 6**

**Advanced registration required. (Preschoolers and younger are welcome with a caregiver.)**

Show some love when you create a heart wreath at this fun craft night. All supplies provided.

## **Stuffed Animal Storytime**

**Wednesday, March 11 from 6:00 - 6:30 pm**

Ideal for families with kids aged 2 – 5. **Advanced registration encouraged, drop-ins welcome.**

Bring your stuffed animal to the library for stories about pets!

## **Spring Break Treasure Hunt**

**Friday March 20 - Friday April 3**

**for Age 3 - Grade 6**

Visit the library to find the magic library monkey and win a prize.

More information to come.



## **WEEKLY PROGRAMS** **Advanced registration encouraged, drop-ins welcome.**

### **Wednesdays: Kid Explorers**

**February 5 - February 26 from 4:00 - 4:45 pm for Grades 1 - 6**

Each week we will read a story followed by a related craft or other fun activity.

### **Thursdays: Silly Stories for Little Ones**

**February 6 - February 27 from 4:00 - 4:45 pm**

**for Age 3 - Kindergarten**

Enjoy a storytime full of the silliest stories.

There be a fun activity at the end of each session.



### **No School? No Problem!**

Have a day off school? Nothing to do during spring break? Need something fun to do?

Drop in at the library! We have games to play, coloring pages, and more!

Perfect for Grades 1 - 6.

**\*Advanced registration for ALL programs can be done either in-person at the circulation desk or over the phone.**

**\*A parent or guardian, age 18 or older, must remain in the building if your child is age 7 or younger. You can read or use a computer upstairs in the library while your child attends a program.**



## COMPUTER CLASSES

### **Computers for the Complete Beginner**

**Friday, January 17 from 10:30-11:30 am**

This class is for new computer users. Students will learn how to use a mouse, keyboard and a brief introduction to Microsoft Word. Registration required. Limit is 10.

### **Computación para Principiantes (en español)**

**viernes, 24 de enero 10:30-11 am**

Esta clase es para principiantes. Aquí aprenderá las habilidades básicas para usar el ratón y el teclado. También aprenderá lo básico del programa Microsoft Word. Registro requerido. Limitado a 10 participantes.

### **E-mail Essentials**

**Tuesday, February 11 from 4:00 – 5:00 pm**

Learn how to sign up for an email account, send messages, work with attachments, create folders to stay organized, manage inbox and more. Please arrive early if you don't have an e-mail address. Registration required. Limit is 10.

### **Microsoft Word Basics**

**Friday, March 13 from 10:30-11:30 am**

This class is an introduction to Microsoft Word. Students will learn about tools and formatting features such as tables, headers, footers and templates.

## ENGLISH as a SECOND LANGUAGE

### **English Conversation Group**

**Wednesday, January 15, February 12, March 18**

**11:00 am – 12:00 pm**

Join other English learners and discuss everyday topics of conversation. This is a good way to practice speaking English and to gain confidence!

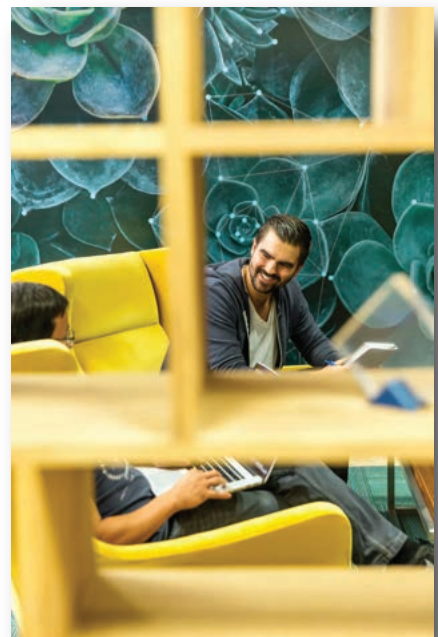
### **Grupo de conversación en inglés**

**Miércoles, 15 de enero, 12 de febrero, 18 de marzo**

**11:00 am – 12:00 pm**

Únase a otros aprendices de inglés y participe en conversaciones de temas cotidianos.

¡Es una buena manera de practicar inglés, ganar habilidad y confianza!



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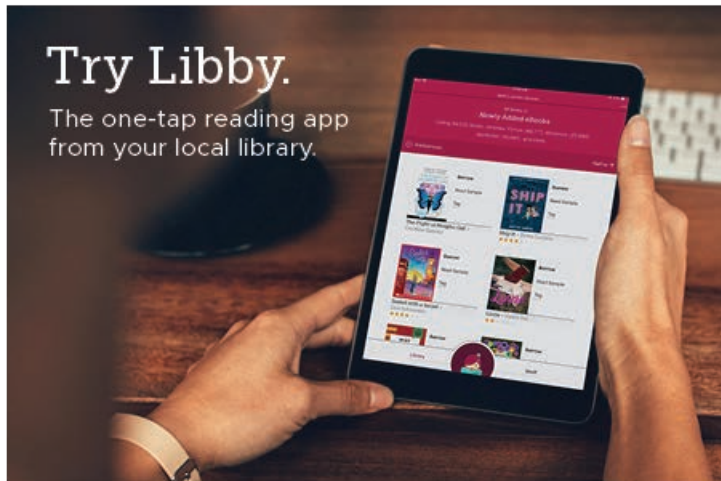
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