

Off the Shelf

Newsletter of the HILLSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY



Mar/Apr/May 2023

LIBRARY HOURS

M-TH

9:00 am-8:00 pm

FRI & SAT

9:00 am-5:00 pm

Closed on Sundays

CLOSED

Monday, May 29

Letter from the Director

Congratulations to all of Hillside and a big thank you on behalf of library staff for your help in winning the 2022 Illinois Library Association's Photo of the YEAR contest! We couldn't have done it without you, so if you voted, told your friends and neighbors about the contest, or even if you're just hearing about this wonderful accomplishment, we want to say thank you to our community for showing your support of the library. In celebration of our victory, please join us on Saturday, March 18 to play with our Magna-Tiles®. We hope it inspires you or your child to pursue a career in science, technology, engineering, or math.

If you want to learn more about how to build an award-winning Magna-Tiles® Tower, or refine a new skill or language, the library can help. Did you know that with your library card you can access online tools like:

-Auto Repair Source: The Auto Repair Source contains repair and maintenance information for most major manufacturers of domestic and imported vehicles. New repair procedures, technical service bulletins (TSBs), and updates are added to each product on a regular basis.

-LinkedIn Learning: Choose from more than 17,000 online courses to learn in-demand skills from real-world industry experts, such as Microsoft Office, Coding in Python, or Web Design.

-Mango Languages: Brush up on your language skills in Spanish, Japanese, or one of over 70 other options. English language learners can use Mango to improve their skills, too.

-Scholastic BookFlix: The online literacy resource that pairs classic video storybooks with related nonfiction eBooks. An engaging way to link fact and fiction. BookFlix reinforces early reading skills and provides an introduction to a world of knowledge and exploration.

-Scholastic TrueFlix: An online Whiteboard resource focusing on engaging science and social studies content for students spanning grades 3-5.

If books are more your style, we have those too! At the library, browse the "For Dummies" books, how-to manuals, language learning DVDs, and even kid-friendly options for picking up new skills. If you need some help getting started, call the library or stop by anytime. Our friendly staff would love to help you start learning something new. -Amy Franco

Magna-Tiles® Day

Saturday, March 18 from 11 am-1 pm

Join us for this family event as we celebrate our ILA photo of the year award! Drop in to play with our Magna-Tiles® and new sets, generously donated by the Magna-Tiles® company!



Programs *for Youth and Families*



LEGO® Club

Join us every other Wednesday at 5 pm
for LEGO® fun! Ideal for ages 5-11 years old.
March 8 and 22; April 5 and 19; May 3, 17, and 31

Bookworm Bunch Storytime

Bring your littles to this fun-filled story time!
Ideal for ages 2-4, but anyone is welcome.
Caregiver must be present.
Thursdays, March 9 through April 13 at 3:45 pm

Grown-Up and Me: Cloud Dough

Bring your favorite adult to this cool science
experiment where we make cloud dough!
Supplies will be provided.
Wednesday, March 29 at 6:30 pm

Fairy Tale Night

Dress up in your favorite fairy tale character for
a fun craft and game night.
Wednesday, April 12 from 6-7 pm

Grown-Up and Me: Seed Planting Afternoon

Bring your favorite adult to come plant a
seed in a cup to take home with you!
Tuesday, April 11 at 3:30 pm

Celebrating Family Storytime

Read family stories with Miss Niki and do a craft!
Tuesday, May 9 at 4 pm

Teddy Bear Workshop

Stuff your own teddy bear on this fun and
crafty night! Teddy bears are for children up
to age 12. One teddy bear per child. Max 20.
Wednesday, May 24 at 5:30 pm

Programs *for All Ages*



St. Patrick's Day Bingo

Wednesday, March 15 at 4:30 pm
Come play Bingo and see if you can earn a prize!

Flower Power Bingo

Friday, April 7 at 10 am

Earth Week! April 17-22

Come to the library to pick up a set of claws,
gloves, and a garbage bag to help clean up Hillside.
Students can earn service hours for this event.

Family and Friends Yoga

Monday, April 24 at 6 pm
Bring the whole family, some friends or just yourself
to enjoy some soothing and relaxing yoga to end
your day. Limit: 20 Sound bath meditation will also
be used. Registration is required.

Drop-IN DIY Wind Chime Craft

Saturday, May 20 from 10 am-4 pm
Create your own windchime for the breezy summer
days ahead. Supplies will be provided.

Activities *for Young Adults*



Murder Mystery Game Night

Put your amateur sleuthing cap on and
help solve a murder mystery!
March 1 at 6 pm and March 21 at 2 pm
April 26 at 6 pm and May 11 at 6:30 pm

Drop-in Crafternoons

Stop by the library to make a craft!
Thursdays, March 9 and 23;
April 6 and 27; May 11 at 5:30 pm

Smash Bros Tournaments

Bring your A-Game! Come to the library to play
Super Smash Bros on our Nintendo Switch!
Snacks included! Check the age groups per date.
Monday, March 20 at 2 pm for Ages 14-17
Tuesday, March 28 at 2 pm for Ages 10-13
Friday, April 7 at 2 pm for Grades 6-12

Prom Attire Pick-Up Event

Saturday, April 8 from 11 am to 3 pm
The library will have new and gently used
formal wear to find your perfect prom look!
Formal wear donations accepted at the library.

Programs *for Adults*

NEW! Spanish Conversation Hour

Thursday, March 16, April 20, May 18 from 6:30-7:30 pm

Are you learning Spanish and would like to practice your speaking skills? Join us as we practice speaking Spanish with fellow learners. All levels are welcome. This group is limited to 10 participants. Large Meeting Room. Registration is required.

NEW! Monday Movie Matinee

Monday, March 13, April 10, May 8 at 2 pm

Join us for a movie matinee at the library in the Large Meeting Room. Each month we'll enjoy a classic featuring a theme such as Hollywood couples, film noir, screwball comedies, famous last movies, seasonal gems, or a Star of the Month. Light snacks and beverages will be served.

March 13: *The Quiet Man* (Maureen O'Hara & John Wayne)

April 10: *Easter Parade* (Judy Garland & Fred Astaire)

May 8: *Mildred Pierce* (Joan Crawford & Ann Blyth)

Guess the Oscars® Contest

Pick up a 2023 Academy Award ballot at the desk, make your selections and return it to the library by 5 pm on Saturday, March 11. The person who selects the most correct winners will win a \$25 Classic Cinemas gift card. In the event of multiple entries with the same number of correct guesses one winner will be selected randomly.

Tech Help

Monday, March 27, April 24, May 29 from 1-2 pm

Stop in for one-on-one assistance with computer basics or your electronic devices. Learn the steps to remote printing using ePrint It and how to email, fax, scan, and much more for FREE with our Scan EZ system.

Monthly & Weekly Events

Book Discussion:

Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 2 pm

If you have a passion for reading or just want to make new friends check out the library's book discussion group. Visitors and new members are always welcome! Books are available at the Circulation Desk one month before each meeting:
March 1: *The Women's March* by Jennifer Chiaverini
April 5: *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict
May 3: *Apples Never Fall* by Liane Moriarty

Mixed Stitchers

Thursdays from 6-7:30 pm

Come out and knit or crochet with this fun and friendly group! Beginners welcome.

Mid-Day Yoga

Fridays from 12:30 to 1:30 pm

Take a mid-day break and join us for gentle yoga. Bring your own mat or borrow one from the library. Limit 12.

Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. *Register at www.hillsideilibrary.org for these virtual conversations!*

The Weird & Wonderful World with Mary Roach | Wed, March 1 at 7 pm

Danny Trejo talks Tacos, Hollywood, and Redemption | Tue, April 4 at 7 pm

Secrets of the Puzzle Master: A Conversation with Will Shortz | Tue, April 25 at 7 pm



Blood Drive

Monday, April 17 from 1:30 pm-6 pm in the Large Meeting Room

It's always a great day to save a life!

Sign up for our blood drive today using this {QR Code} or at:

https://donate.illinois.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/5604684



Community Open House!

Saturday, April 22 from 1-3 pm in the Large Meeting Room

This event is open to the community to come and check out the library! See what's new, what's on the horizon, and all the events and programs the library has to offer. We will have images to preview of our new logo, website, and the new building project! *Walk-ins are welcome; registration encouraged.*

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Eventos en Español

Hora de Cuentos

martes, 14 de marzo, 11 de abril, 9 de mayo 4-4:30 pm



¡Únase a nosotros para la hora de cuentos en español! Se recomienda registrarse. El cuidador debe estar presente. Este evento es para niños edades 3-6 años, pero todos son bienvenidos.

¡Juguemos a la Lotería!

jueves, 4 de mayo 6-7 pm

¡Únete a nosotros para jugar este juego tradicional mexicano! Este es un evento para toda la familia. Se recomienda registrarse para este evento.

Circulation Raffles & Giveaways*

March: Two family game night baskets which will include UNO cards, checkers, Monopoly, and playing cards.

April: "You're One in a Minion" Twinkie *(while supplies last)*

April 23-29: National Library Week

Two Hillside Public Library bags which will include a t-shirt and a book.

May: Plant seeds *(while supplies last)*

**Also find us out and about at school events this Spring!*

How do you get the latest Hillside Public Library news?



Take our one question survey at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N9MF9NB>