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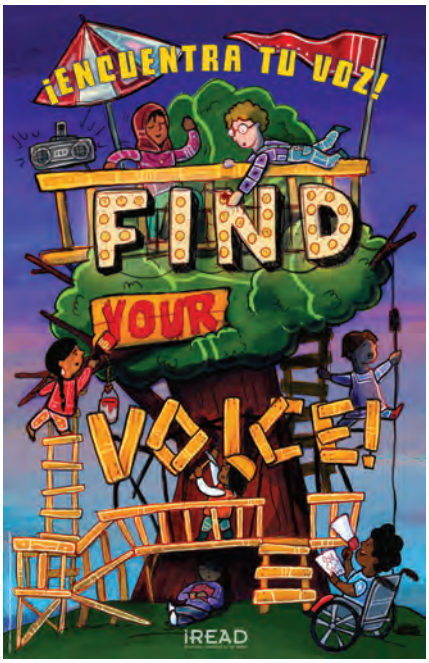
Summer 2023

LIBRARY HOURS
M-TH
9:00 am-8:00 pm
FRI & SAT
9:00 am-5:00 pm
Closed on Sundays

CLOSED
Monday, June 19
Tuesday, July 4

Letter from the Director

I hope you are as excited for the upcoming summer season as I am! As always, the library has planned a variety of engaging and entertaining programs for all ages to enjoy. This year's summer reading theme is "Find Your Voice", which I believe is a powerful and relevant message for all of us as we explore books, history, social justice, and STEM activities.



For our youngest patrons, we have so many exciting programs planned. Play Café is a great opportunity for parents to meet other parents and let their little ones play with our special toys and games. Bookworm Bunch Storytime is perfect for children ages 2-4 and their caregivers to come together for a fun and engaging story time. And who wouldn't want to be a pirate for a night? Join us for Pirate Night and enjoy a fun evening of activities and games in your best pirate costume!

For tweens and teens, we have a range of activities planned, including the RPG Tabletop Club where you can play Dungeons and Dragons with your peers. If you're a fan of creepy stories, join us for Creepy Campfire Stories around our flameless campfire. And for those who love a good trivia night, sign up for Family and Friends Trivia Night at Super Taco Express 2, right here in Hillside.

Our family and community programs are also packed with fun activities. For those who enjoy a challenge, sign up for our Community Spelling Bee or submit your original stories and illustrations to the library for our Young Authors program. We'll also have drop-in STEM and creative studio days throughout the summer where you can tinker and create to your heart's content.

This summer's programming is not to be missed. The "Find Your Voice" theme is particularly meaningful, as it encourages all of us to use our voices in positive and impactful ways. Whether you're a young child playing with new friends or a seasoned author finishing your next novel, there's something for everyone at the library this summer. -Amy Franco

The Summer Reading Program is for all ages!
Monday, June 12-Friday, August 4

Help us kick-off Summer Reading on June 12 from 2-6 pm on the library lawn!

This year, keep track of your reading on the *Reader Zone* app. Small incentives will be given away at registration, and prizes will be awarded to readers that reach the half-way mark (July 10) and complete the 8 week program.

Summer Reading Kick-Off: Bike Repair!
Monday, June 12 from 5-7 pm

LeDonne True Value Hardware will be here to do FREE basic bike repairs to make sure you're ready for the summer biking season! First come, first served! LeDonne's master mechanic will also be sharing some bike safety tips.



Programs for Youth and Families

Play Café
Meet up with other parents at the library while your children play with our special toys, games, and activities.
June 6 at 10 am and June 26 at 5:30 pm
July 10 at 5:30 pm and July 25 at 10 am

Bookworm Bunch Storytime
Join Miss Niki in a summer filled story time! Ideal for ages 2-4, but all are welcome. Caregiver must be present.
June 15, July 13, and August 10 at 2 pm



Pirate Night
Mateys! Join us for a fun evening of activities and games or you'll walk the plank! Costumes are encouraged! **July 20 at 6 pm**

Lego Club will resume **August 16 and 30 at 5 pm**



Creative Studio-drop in and check out our craft table! Make our ready to go craft or create something brand new. All ages welcome!
June 22, July 3 and 21, August 8

Family STEM- drop in for a science tinkering day. Items will be out in the youth area all day!
June 29, July 19 and 27

Young Authors- Submit your original stories and illustrations to the library! You'll have until the end of summer to submit one piece of work. Those who participate will earn a small prize and have a copy of their work available for check-out at the library. One submission per student; additional information will be given upon sign-up. For entering grades K-12.



Special Events

Donuts with Dad
(*or your favorite grown-up*!)
Kids can bring their Dad (or favorite grown-up) to enjoy a donut and drink. Stay to create a special Father's Day craft, do the scavenger hunt, and watch cartoons. This is a drop-in program. Cartoons will play throughout the program.
Saturday, June 10 from 10 am-12 pm

Juneteenth Drop-In-Come celebrate Juneteenth with us! Drop-in to complete a special craft on **Friday, June 16 from 10 am-3 pm**

Little Free Library Paint Day!
Drop-In to help paint and decorate our new Little Free Library! Little Free Libraries are spaces to share and take free books! **June 17 from 11 am-1 pm**

Community Spelling Bee
Ages 6 and up are encouraged to sign up for our community spelling bee! Lists will be provided and practice sessions for younger students will pop up throughout the summer. Prizes will be awarded in multiple age categories.

Activities for Middle Grade & YA

RPG Tabletop Club: Come play with your peers some fun role playing games including Dungeons & Dragons throughout the summer!
June 13 & 27, July 11 & 25, August 15 at 2 pm

Creepy Campfire Stories- Come prepared to hear and create summer scares! We'll be outside (weather permitting) around a flameless campfire.
June 14 and 28, July 12 at 6:30 pm

Family and Friend Trivia Night: Sign up your group to play a teen book-to-movie trivia night for prizes! A list of book-to-movie titles will be available at the front desk to look at all summer.
Friday, August 11 at Super Taco Express 2 at 5:30 pm

Quiet Book Club- Pick up a copy of our selected title and fill out the discussion card to bring back. No talking required! Those who return a discussion card back get a small prize! You have throughout all of Summer Reading to complete.

App Design Class
Sign up for a free app design class using ChatGPT AI + Figma prototyping for Grades 6-12.
Registration is required. **Saturday, August 19 at 1 pm**

Programs *for Adults and Families*

Monday Movie Matinee
Join us for a movie matinee at 2 pm
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. Registration is requested.
June 5: *Father Goose* starring Cary Grant and Leslie Caron. In honor of Father's Day, we're watching this 1964 comedic gem.
July 10: *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington* starring Jimmy Stewart and Jean Arthur. This 1939 film is an All-American classic.
August 14: *Blackboard Jungle* starring Glenn Ford and Sidney Poitier. We're getting ready for the back-to-school season with this 1955 drama.

Senior Tech Help
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.
Tuesday, June 13 at 1 pm
Friday, June 30 at 11:30 am
Saturday, July 22 at 10 am
Monday, August 21 at 5 pm

CPR-Come hear from one of Hillside's finest firefighters for a mini hands-ONLY CPR and informational session.
Registration is required. Limit: 15
Saturday, July 8 at 9:30 am

Adult/Teen After Hours Activity: It's Puzzle Time
Do you love puzzles? Come to the library to play with other people who love puzzles. Bring a friend or your family to see if you can complete the puzzle. We might even have a puzzle competition. Pizza will be served. Registration is required. Limit: 15
Friday, July 14 from 5:30-7 pm

Adult/Teen Craft
We'll be doing guided or creative painting on wood signs with RAD Canvas. Registration is required. Space is limited so sign-up early. Limit: 12
Monday, July 17 from 5:30-7:30 pm

Family Puzzle Time
Do you love puzzles? Come to the library with your family, friends or just yourself to enjoy some puzzle fun. Registration is not required but suggested. **Saturday, August 12 at 10 am**

Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering high-quality online events. Register at www.hillsidelibrary.org for these virtual conversations!
Navigate Your Stars: A Conversation with Jesmyn Ward **| Tues, June 6 at 7 pm**
Braiding Sweetgrass: A Conversation with Robin Wall Kimmerer **| Wed, June 21 at 7 pm**

Family and Friends Yoga on Monday, August 28 at 6 pm
Bring the whole family or some friends to enjoy some soothing and relaxing yoga. Most poses are done in pairs. Limit: 20. Sound bath meditation will also be used. Registration for EACH participant is required. Children must be able to follow directions and a caregiver must be present.



Eventos en Español

Aprende Hacer Flores de Papel
jueves, 13 de julio 6-7:30 pm
Aprende hacer flores de papel para decorar su próxima fiesta o para regalar.
Se proporcionarán materiales para esta manualidad.
Este evento es para adultos y adolescentes. Se requiere registro

Noche de Lotería
jueves, 27 de julio 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.

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Summer Board Meetings: June 21, July 19, August 16 at 7 pm

Information about the summer reading programs for adults and children is available in Spanish at the library.
Información sobre los programas de lectura de verano para adultos y niños está disponible en español en la biblioteca.

Blood Drive

Saturday, June 24 from 10 am-2 pm

It's always a great day to save a life! Sign up today using this {QR Code} or by calling Camille from Versiti at (847) 305-9998 for our blood drive. Registration is encouraged, but walk-ins will be accepted.

Ongoing Programs for Adults

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:
June 7: *One Italian Summer* by Rebecca Serle
July 5: *The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women* by Kate Moore
Aug 2: *Finding Me: A Memoir* by Viola Davis

Mixed Stitchers-Come out and knit or crochet with this fun and friendly group! Beginners welcome.
Thursdays from 6-7:30 pm

Mid-Day Yoga-Take a mid-day break and join us for gentle yoga. Bring your own mat or borrow one from the library. Limit 12. **Fridays from 12:30-1:30 pm**

Food for Kids – Food Drive

Help us make sure our kids have everything they need while school is out this summer. All items will be donated to the Immanuel-Hillside Food Pantry and distributed locally.

Monday, June 12 - Saturday, June 24:
Boxed/bagged cereal, peanut butter, jelly in a squeeze bottle, snack bars, mac n' cheese cups, and canned/pouch tuna

Monday, July 10 - Saturday, July 22:
Snack crackers or cookies, jello, pudding, fruit cups or snacks, cereal cups, microwave popcorn

Friday, August 4 – Saturday, August 5:
Bring any of the listed items or any sized diapers.