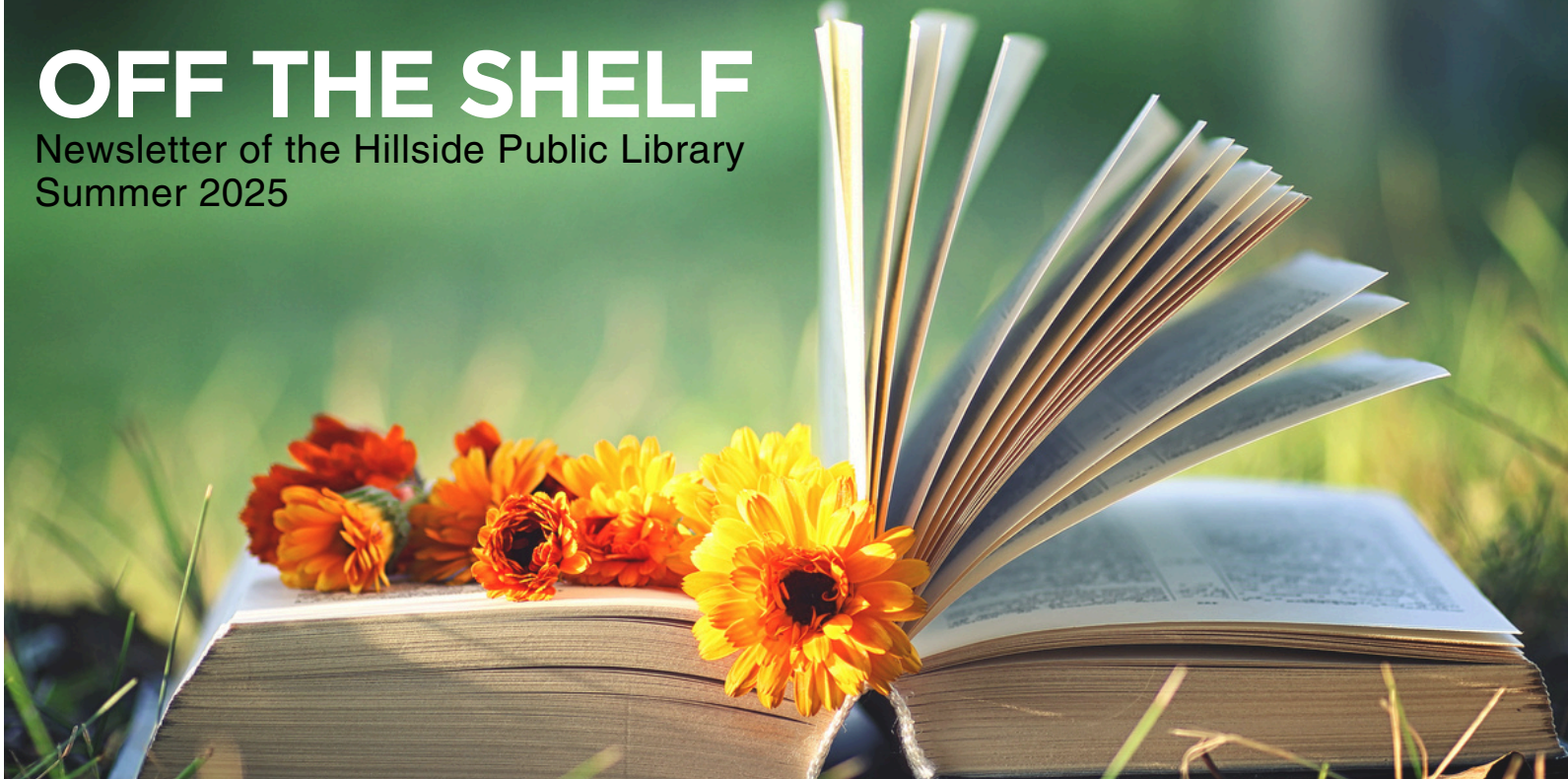


# OFF THE SHELF

Newsletter of the Hillside Public Library  
Summer 2025



## SUMMER READING 2025

**Program ends: July 31 / Finale: August 4 @ 5:00 pm**



We're celebrating the beauty of all art forms with our "Color Our World" program. Join us to enjoy art and learn how it connects us all.

All ages from all communities are welcome! **PROGRAM DETAILS:**

Use the ReaderZone app or a paper log to track your progress. Earn raffle tickets for attending library events, check-in days, participating in, and completing the program. Patrons who fully complete can win grand prizes including gifts from the Brookfield Zoo, Enchanted Castle, Galloping Ghost Arcade, Lifters Nutrition, and more! Scan the QR code for the ReaderZone app and enter code **4fa8b** or stop in for a paper log.

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## TIME CAPSULE CELEBRATION

**June 21 / 11:00 am - 4:00 pm**

**Join us as we unlock 50 years of memories!** The Village of Hillside Mayor Joseph Tamburino and Hillside Public Library's Executive Director Amy Franco along with other guests invite you to witness history at the unearthing of our time capsule buried in 1975. This special day-long event will feature fun for all ages, including:

- Presentation of the Hillside Public Library **College Scholarship** Awards
- A thrilling performance by the **Jesse White Tumblers**
- FREE treats from the iconic **Original Rainbow Cone**
- Live 70s music from the **Dave Rudolph Band**
- Unique balloon art from **Awesome Balloon Creations**, giveaways, and much more!

Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime chance to connect with family and friends. Please RSVP and watch our website and social media for updates. We'll see you there!



**SCAN THE CODE TO RSVP OR PLEASE CALL THE LIBRARY.**



We're excited to announce starting on **June 9**, we will have a new digital service for YOU! Enjoy audiobooks, eBooks, comics and manga, music, movies, TV, and more—all with no waiting!

Sign up for hoopla with your Hillside Public Library card at [hoopladigital.com](http://hoopladigital.com) or download the hoopla app from your device's app store.



## YOUTH PROGRAMS

New **Scavenger Hunts** are available every month.

Enjoy these fun programs that are great opportunity to meet up with other families in the neighborhood on a regular basis this summer. It's the perfect time to meet new people and plan a play date at the library!

**LEGO CLUB:** Creative building fun! Ages 5-11. **June 11; July 16; August 6, 27 at 5:00 pm**

**PLAY DOUGH CLUB:** Great sensory play activity. Ages 1-4. **June 5, 26; July 24; August 14, 28 at 5:00 pm**

**BOOKWORM BUNCH:** Share books and songs with your little at 11:00 am. Ages 2-4. **June 10; July 22; August 12**

**WindyCityLUG (LEGO® User Group):** Learn more about Legos and constructing your own creations with our visitors, the WindyCity LEGO User Group! Explore new skills and share in the creativity! Please register. **July 15 at 6:30 pm**



## YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

Virtual Teen Service Hours coming soon!

### CRAFT SUMMER SERIES:

Youth and young adults are invited to create one-of-kind art and then let us showcase your artwork throughout the summer culminating in our Summer Reading Finale on August 4. We'll have different projects for each session! Let's see what your imagination can make. Registration is kindly requested.

**June 2, 4, 12; July 3, 10, 17, 30, 31 at 5:00 pm; June 9 at 1:00 pm; and June 26 at 6:00 pm**

**Drop-in during our Time Capsule event on June 21 from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm**



### SPELLING BEE COMPETITION:

Back by popular demand, our Spelling Bee contest will be on **July 19 at 1:00 pm**. Timing will depend upon number of participants. Pick up a list of words at the Summer Reading station.

Practice days are listed below, but they are not required to participate in the contest.

Ages youth through H.S. *Stay afterwards for the ice cream social!*

**Practice Days:** June 25; July 2; July 9 at 5:00 pm

## YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

### Sanrio BINGO

Do you love Sanrio? Join us once more for another round of Sanrio Bingo for Summer Reading!

Play for fun prizes.

**June 6 at 3:00 pm**

### DIY Squishies

Come out and have fun designing, painting, and creating your very own squishy!

**June 9 at 5:00 pm**

**June 30 at 2:00 pm**



### Soap Making Class

Work up a lather by creating your very own bar of scented or unscented soap at the library!

Registration is required.

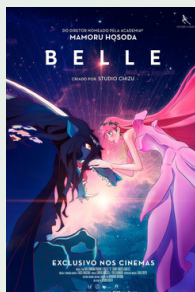
**August 2 at 1:00 pm**

### ANIME MOVIE NIGHTS:

Join us as we watch anime films that celebrate art and summer! Snacks provided.

Movies begin at 5:00 pm. **July 11** movie begins after-hours at 5:30 pm with a craft. **\*Registration required.**

**June 10:**  
Belle (2021)



**June 24:**  
The Boy and the Heron (2023)



**July 11\*:**  
Summer Wars (2009)



**July 22:**  
Weathering with You (2019)



### SUMMER READING PROGRAMS:

We'll have several programs where young adults can come design a craft project or relax and hang out with friends.

### Perler Beads

Create your own original Perler bead design or use one of the designs that will be provided for your selection!

**June 2 at 5:00 pm**

**July 7 at 1:30 pm**

### Gaming Café



Relax and play with our collection of board games at the library! Feel free to bring a friend or two with you!

**June 3, 17; July 1, 15**

**5:00 pm**

### Ita-Bag Button Friday

Create buttons for your favorite fandoms! Button size is 1.75". Bring your own printed images or print them at the library. Limit 5 buttons per person each session.

**June 13, 27; July 11, 25**

**2:00 pm**



## ADULT PROGRAMS



Ms. Maura is back to lead us through creative and fun watercolor classes at **5:30 pm** each month.

**June 30**  
**July 28**  
**August 18**

### SUMMER ART CLASSES



Hillside School's art teacher, Ms. Melissa will share an art project on Summer Reading half-way day!  
Earn a **BONUS** summer reading raffle ticket today!

**July 7**  
**at 5:30 pm**

#### NARCAN CLASS:

During Overdose Awareness Month, come learn how you can prevent an overdose in this 1-hour hands-on training class taught by the University of Illinois Extension. Donuts and coffee provided. **August 23 at 10:00 am**



**Illinois Extension**  
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

#### MOBILE MAMMOGRAM:

The Mammogram Van from Roseland Community Hospital returns this fall.

**RSVP DEADLINE: September 29**

A minimum of 7 is required or the event may be cancelled. FREE scans for low or no insurance patients are available.

**October 10 from 1:00 – 5:00 pm.**



**MINDFUL COLORING & READING TIME:** No yoga? No problem. Come enjoy a peaceful afternoon break in a calm, welcoming environment to read, color, and unwind. We'll have coloring materials available. Bring your own reading materials or pick up a book or magazine here. **JULY 11 from 12:00 – 2:00 pm**

## EVENTOS EN ESPAÑOL (NUEVO)

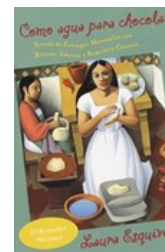
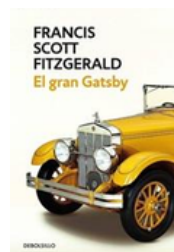
### CLUB DE LECTURA EN ESPAÑOL

Cada mes nos reuniremos para hablar de un libro y compartir opiniones. Los libros son cortos y de fácil lectura y estarán disponibles para préstamo en el escritorio de circulación. Segundo miércoles del mes 12:00 pm (Sala de reuniones en la planta baja)

**Junio 11: *El Gran Gatsby*** de Francis Scott Fitzgerald

**Julio 9: *Como agua para chocolate*** de Laura Esquivel

**Agosto 13: *Cada Suspiro*** de Nicholas Sparks



**Julio 5, 11:00 am – Cuento y manualidad {niños hasta 12 años}**

Celebra el arte de Frida Kahlo durante nuestro desafío de Lectura de Verano "Colorea Nuestro Mundo".

Ven a aprender más acerca de su vida y diviértete haciendo una manualidad.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS *Multi-Age and Families*

#### Fiero Code Training

Did you know the library offers a free online coding app? Fiero Code teaches all ages to code at their own pace. Learn HTML, CSS, Javascript, and more. **June 11 at 6:00 pm**

#### World Knit in Public Day

Join our library knitters as we make baby hats, gloves, and booties, along with hats for cancer patients. All items will be donated to both Loyola and Gottlieb Hospitals. **June 14 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

#### It's All About the Romance!

Romantic comedy filmmaker Lorrissa Julianus will present: **Love Stories From History: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly.** Ages: 10 and up **August 19 at 6:00 pm**

**DROP-IN COMMUNITY QUILT DAYS:** June 23 and July 14; All-Day and All ages.

#### FAMILY AFTERNOON MOVIES:

- In celebration of our Time Capsule event, we're going back to the beach in 1975 to watch Jaws! It's the perfect time to share Steven Spielberg's gem with kids and grandkids. Snacks and drinks provided. **July 12 at 1:30 pm**
- Spend an afternoon relaxing at the library with a family-friendly movie and snacks! **August 16 at 2:00 pm.**

**BOOK LOVERS DAY:** Come peruse our collection of FREE books and other miscellaneous items for you to take.

You never know what you might find! Drop-in anytime. No registration needed. **August 9 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

**NATIONAL ICE CREAM DAY:** Enjoy a yummy frozen treat and root beer floats with family and friends! Drop-in, but please register. **July 19 from 3:30 – 4:30 pm** (after our Spelling Bee Competition)



Bright Stars Children's Theatre will celebrate Juneteenth with a fun-filled live show. All ages will hear stories set to African music. Enter our raffle for prizes!

**June 12 at 6:00 pm**

**AFRICAN FOLKTALES PERFORMANCE**

Our own Youth Librarian Ms. Niki will be the guest storyteller **on-site** at the Brookfield Zoo with stories! Admission and parking is **free** for the 1<sup>st</sup> 50 registered patrons. You may stay at the zoo for the rest of the day. Parking is included for the 1<sup>st</sup> 50 registered patrons. Open to all ages.

**JULY 8 at 10:30 am**



Chicago Zoological Society

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## Library Hours

**Monday - Thursday:**

9:00 am - 8:00 pm

**Friday & Saturday:**

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

**Sunday:**

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## CLOSURES:

June 19  
(Juneteenth)  
July 4  
(4th of July)

## ONGOING ADULT ACTIVITIES

One-on-One Tech Help available by request. En Español

**Mixed Stitchers:** Bring your own knitting project every Thursday at 6:00 pm. (No class on June 19)

**Chair and Floor Yoga:** Every Friday from 12:30 – 1:30 pm (No class on June 20, July 4, or July 11)

**Soundbath Meditation:** Wind down your day and calm the senses with relaxing sound.

**June 4; July 2; August 6 at 4:00 pm**

**LUNCHTIME COOKBOOK CLUB:** Show off your culinary skills! Bring your appetite and a friend to join us at Noon. Register online or email [rfuener@hillsidelibrary.org](mailto:rfuener@hillsidelibrary.org) with the name and page number of your recipe. Each person must bring a dish. Cookbooks are available one month prior to the meeting.

**June 26; July 17; August 21 at 12:00 pm**

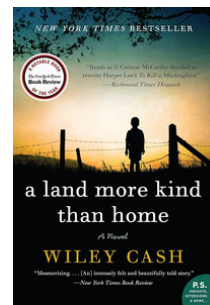
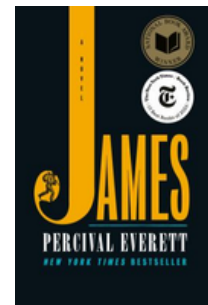
## ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

Do you have a passion for reading or just want to make new friends? Come visit our popular and lively monthly group at 2:00 pm to enjoy snacks, beverages, and great conversation. Books are available at the Circulation Desk one month before each meeting.

**June 4:** *My Year of Rest and Relaxation* by Ottessa Moshfegh

**July 2:** *James: A Novel* by Percival Everett

**August 6:** *A Land No More* by Wiley Cash



## MONDAY MOVIE MATINEE



Snacks at 2:00 pm and the movies start at 2:15 pm. Registration is kindly requested.

**June 9:** Celebrating its 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we're watching *The Apartment* (1960), directed by Billy Wilder and starring Shirley MacLaine and Jack Lemmon. The film won five Oscars.

**July 14:** Happy 101st birthday to lovely Eva Marie Saint born on the Fourth of July! Enjoy her searing film debut alongside Marlon Brando and Karl Malden in *On the Waterfront* (1954). This gritty drama about union control explores morality, courage, and redemption.

**August 11:** The kids are going back to school and we're watching *The Corn Is Green* (1945) starring Bette Davis as a spinster schoolteacher in a poor Welsh mining town. She is determined to help a gifted young miner get a scholarship to Oxford.



You may have heard that the **Institute of Museum and Library Services** has been targeted by the federal government for eventual elimination, we need **ALL** library supporters to keep up a constant drumbeat of opposition to their plan. Whether you've worked at a library or even just visited one, we need you posting to any and all social media networks in support of federal library funding. Contact your local government officials and use **#ForOurLibraries** and **#FundLibraries** in all your social media posts. If you have questions, please ask us!

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