

Newsletter of the Hillside Public Library I Winter 2024



Executive Director Amy Franco had the opportunity recently to present at the Illinois Library Association Conference with nearly 200 attendees participating in her session on AI (artificial intelligence) tools in the workplace. Additionally, Ms. Franco had the distinct honor of serving as the keynote speaker and host of the Awards Luncheon where she presented Illinois State Librarian Alexi Giannoulias with the Robert R. McClarren Legislative Development Award for his work advocating anti-book banning legislation and promoting digital access to library resources for all Illinois residents.

On June 20, 1975, the Hillside Public Library buried a time capsule by the front entrance. Early in 2025, we'll begin sharing our plans to excavate the capsule. If you were there in 1975, worked at the library or know someone who should be part of the festivities, please contact us: contact@hillsidelibrary.org.





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ADULT PROGRAMS

MONDAY MOVIE MATINEE

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

December 9: *Meet Me in St. Louis* (1944) turns 80 and stars Judy Garland and Mary Astor. While only a portion of the film takes place during winter, it remains one of the most watched holiday classics due in large part to young Margaret O'Brien's spunky performance.

January 13: Fascinating and mysterious, silver screen star Dana Andrews was born on New Year's Day! He stars in the 1944 film noir classic, *Laura*, which earned five Academy Awards nods.

February 10: For Black History Month, we're enjoying the unique talents of Sammy Davis Jr. in *Robin and the 7 Hoods* (1964) with Rat Pack crew, Sinatra and Martin, along with Bing Crosby, Peter Falk, and Edward G. Robinson



The library is starting a cookbook club, and we want you to join! **How will it work:** The library picks a cookbook, you choose a recipe from the book, prepare it, and bring it in to share. Email the name and page number of the recipe to **rfuener@hillsidelibrary.org**. Please select a second recipe in case of duplication. Each person must bring a dish.

NOTE: The library cannot reheat food, but we will supply eating utensils and paper supplies. Please provide serving utensils. Cookbook Club meets at 12:00 pm.

January 15: *Tasty Every Day,* will be available at the Circulation Desk on December 15. **February 19:** The cookbook, Cravings, by Chrissy Teigen will be available in mid-January.

PHOTO RESTORATION CLASS

Unlock the hidden beauty of your cherished memories with our **Restore-A-Photo** program! You can bring damaged, faded, or aged photos back to life with just a few clicks. Habrá una persona que habla español.

January 14 at 11:00 am and February 19 at 5:00 pm. In-person class. Plese register. Limit: 8

VIRTUAL LEARNING CLASSES

Online Calendar Navigation

Did you know our new website has an online calendar for event registration? Learn how to search, register, and modify events. The video will be available on Facebook and Instagram on **January 23 at 12:00 pm**.

Library Card Account Management

Your library card gives you access to books, games, movies, museums, puzzles, and LOTS more! Learn how to manage your library card account to search for an item, put an item on hold, change your PIN and more! The video will be available on **February 18 at 12:00 pm**.

Valentine's Day Movie Special

Start Valentine's Day with us enjoying coffee and breakfast treats. We'll be watching the fun and delightful love story, *Ball of Fire* (1941) starring Barbara Stanwyck and Gary Cooper.

February 14 at 10:00 am.

Stop by for a **FREE** spinal screening courtesy of Boyce Chiropractic. **December 27** from 12:00 – 2:00 pm

February 12 from 9:00 – 11:00 am. Registration is required.

FINANCIAL WELL-BEING SERIES: Presented by Elmhurst Bank

Financial Caregiver Class

Are you helping a loved one with their finances or want to ensure your own finances are set? Learn about power of attorney, wills, living trusts, and estates. **December 12 at 5:30 pm** and **February 12 at 10:30 am**. **Savings 101**

If you're part of the sandwich generation and feeling squeezed, come learn about strategies to help you save for both college <u>and</u> retirement. **January 17 at 1:45 pm** (right after 12:30 pm yoga).





LEGO CLUB

Join us for our popular Lego Club! What will your imagination build? Ideal for ages 5-11 years.

February 5 and 19 at 5:00 pm

SPECIAL: RAINA TELGEMEIER CRAFT AND WATCH PARTY

Kids can come in their PJs to make a themed-craft and then stay to watch a virtual discussion with this popular author and illustrator. December 10 at 6:30 pm



BOOKWORM BUNCH

Read stories and sing songs with Miss Niki! Ideal for ages 2-4 years, but all children are welcome! A caregiver MUST be present. Calling All Parents! Come hang out with other neighborhood families while your kids enjoy some fun time with Miss Niki. February 20 at 6:00 pm

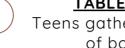
MIDDLE GRADE AND YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS



SANRIO BINGO

Do uou love Hello Kittu? Play our themed Bingo for Hello Kitty prizes! Ages 10-17 years.

February 26 at 5:00 pm



TABLETOP GAMING

Teens gather to play a variety of board games. New players are welcome. Ages 12-18.

February 27 at 5:00 pm



CAREER PLANNING

ISAC (Illinois Student Assistance Commission) will return this February for career exploration. Watch our website and social media for details.

ONGOING ADULT ACTIVITIES

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

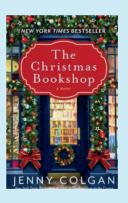
Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 2:00 pm. If you have a passion for reading, or just want to make new friends, check out our book discussion group. Snacks, beverages, and great conversation. Books are available at the Circulation Desk one month before each meeting.

December 4: The Christmas Bookshop by Jenny Colgan

January 8: Black Cake by Charmaine Wilkerson

February 5: Tomorrow, and Tomorrow by

Gabrielle Zevin







Mixed Stitchers: Bring your own knitting project every Thursday at 6:00 pm.

Chair and Floor Yoga: Every Friday from 12:30 – 1:30 pm (No class on December 6)

Soundbath Mediation: Adults can enjoy self-care with relaxing sound bowls. Dec. 11, Jan. 8, and Feb. 5 at 12:00 pm.

Zumba: Join us for this energetic dance fitness class. December 11, January 8, and February 12 at 9:30 am.

ESFERAS MEXICANAS

Únete a nosotros para un día de creatividad donde aprenderás a crear tus propias esferas impregnadas de tradición y cultura, con diseño de "Frida" y la deliciosa "concha". Tendremos conchas reales para compartir.

5 de diciembre, 5:00 pm. Todos los materiales serán proporcionados. ¡Los espacios son limitados! Reserva tu lugar. Limite 10.



ADULT TECH HELP

One-on-one help with computer basics or your electronic devices. Learn to use our scanner to email, fax, and scan for FREE! January 13 and February 10 at 6:00 pm January 27 and February 24 at 10:00 am Appointments are for 30 minutes. Registration is required.

Use our accessibility and language tool, **Recite Me**, for a customized website experience!

Use our new **online events calendar** to register for activities and programs.

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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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WINTER BINGO: Warm up with BINGO for prizes! Pre-K through Teens. January 25 at 11:00 am

MARY POPPINS MOVIE SPECIAL:

On **December 28**, it's time for supercalifragilisticexpialidocious fun celebrating the birthdays of Dick Van Dyke and Julie Andrews. Bingo at 12:30 pm. Movie at 1:00 pm.



HOLIDAY WRAPPING DROP-IN: We'll have supplies and an elf or two to help with your last-minute gift wrapping.

Dec. 18 from 4 - 7:00 pm & Dec. 23 from 3 - 6:00 pm



THE WARMING PROJECT 2024:

Mike Agruss Law is generously donating 300 winter coats to community children. December 7 from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Scan the code to register.

GUEST STORYTME READER:

Hillside Police Corporal Reiter will read stories. We'll make a craft, enjoy a snack, and be on the lookout for a police car to visit! Dec. 14 at 1:00 pm



PUZZLES & POPCORN: Enjoy a friendly puzzle competition. 2 adults (18+) per team. All ages. January 25 from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

VALENTINES DAY CELEBRATION: Play BINGO and stay to make your own Valentines. Pre-K through Teens.

February 12 at 5:00 pm

FAMILY MOVIE AFTERNOON: Spend a cozy afternoon watching a movie. Blankets, stuffies, and warm pajamas are encouraged! February 15 at 1:30 pm

PANCAKE STORYTIME: It's National Pancake Day! Join us after hours for flapjack-related stories and yummy breakfast for dinner generously donated by JK's Restaurant! PJ's and stuffies are welcome! February 28 at 5:30 pm



Illinois Libraries Present

These virtual events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering high-quality events.

December 10 at 7:00 pm -The Magic of Raina Telgemeier

{Youth can join us at 6:30 pm for a craft.} Raina is author and illustrator of several #1



New York Times bestsellers including, Smile, Drama, and Guts.

December 20 starting at 2:00 pm until December 22 at 11:59 pm -**Experience Little Women:** The Musical at Home

Louisa May Alcott's classic story of four sisters growing up in 19th-century Massachusetts.



January 9 at 7:00 pm -Chicago Pizza: Past, Present & Future with Steve Dolinsky

Food Guy reporter at NBC 5-Chicago and a James Beard Award winner.



January 23 at 7:00 pm -**Love and Laughs with Michelle Buteau**

An American stand-up comedian, actress, television host, producer, and podcast host.



February 4 at 7:00 pm -An Evening with James McBride His landmark memoir, The Color of Water, was published in 1996.



February 19 at 7:00 pm -**Slowing Down with Amy Tan**

Tan's best-known novel, The Joy Luck Club, was made into a 1993 hit film.

