



WEST CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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Library Happenings

25th Anniversary Festivities

We're celebrating the 25th anniversary of our building and we're pulling out all the stops!



25th Anniversary Celebration

Friday, October 5 5:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Please join us for a special evening of music by the New Vintage Strings quartet, refreshments, activities, photo booth, prizes, and more! During the evening you'll have an opportunity to share your memories, learn about the Library's history, and enjoy the award ceremony for the Library Card Design contest winners. For all ages!

Fine Forgiveness Tokens*

Tuesday, September 4 - Thursday, October 4

During this period, whenever you attend a program, you'll receive a token. Each token is valued at .25 and can be used to pay down library fines. Tokens valid until October 5, 2019.

**while supplies last.*

Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 27 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

We're pulling in the cars and opening the trunks for a Halloween Trunk or Treat! Join us in the **Library's parking lot** for a fun and safe trick-or-treating experience. Once those bags are filled with treats come inside the library for some Halloween fun and light refreshments!

Held in conjunction with the City of West Chicago's annual Downtown Trick or Treat.



Food for Fines

Thursday, November 1 - Wednesday, November 21

Pay down your library fines and help others at the same time! Each non-perishable canned or boxed food item brought in will forgive \$1 in overdue fines, up to a maximum of \$10. All food collected will be donated to the Northern Illinois Food Bank and distributed at the Crossroads Restoration Center. You can still donate even if you don't have fines to pay!

Yule Ball

Friday, November 30

5:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Kick off the holiday season with a magical evening at the Library! We'll dance the night away at our very own Yule Ball!

Feel free to take a break to enjoy the entertainment at the Blind Book or make something enchanting at one of the various craft stations. A wonderful evening is in store for Muggles of all ages.



Adult Computer Classes

For class descriptions, please stop at the Reference Desk or click on the calendar link on our website (www.wcpld.info).

Computer Basics

Wednesday, September 5 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Tuesday, October 16 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Must have basic computer skills to take the following classes:

Microsoft Word

Tuesday, September 18 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Wednesday, November 7 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM



Microsoft Excel

Tuesday, October 2

Tuesday, November 27

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Managing your Photos - NEW!

Wednesday, October 3 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Join us for tips and assistance on storing, importing, labeling, and organizing your photos.

Introduction to GIMP - NEW!

(GNU Image Manipulation Program)

Thursday, October 25 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Monday, November 19 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Want to create logos and manipulate photographs? Learn how to use this free photoshop-like graphic design program in this class.



Beyond the Basics

Have you taken one of our classes and want to learn more? Or need help with a device or software program? Make an appointment with our IT Librarian to get additional instruction. Please email IT@wcpld.info to reserve your one-hour session.

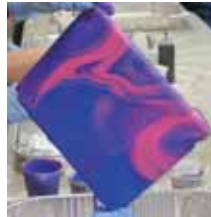


Featured Adult Events

Acrylic Fluid Painting

Wednesday, September 12
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Fluid painting uses gravity to move the paint across a canvas. We will experiment with various pouring techniques.



Resumes, Cover Letters, Online Job Searching

Wednesday, September 19 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Bring resumes, cover letters, and lots of questions. We'll work on whatever people need assistance with.

Job Interview Workshop with Bob Schlacks

Wednesday, September 26 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Job recruiter Bob Schlacks will discuss what you need to know about job interviews, including what to do before and after the interview, the different types of interviews and commonly asked questions.

Chess Club

Last Thursday of the month 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
September 27, October 25, November 29

Whether you're a chess master or just starting out, come join us for some board time and meet like-minded enthusiasts. Chess sets will be provided. *Drop in.*

The Essential Edgar Allan Poe with William Pack

Wednesday, October 17 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

William Pack will tell the tale of the life of famed horror and suspense author Edgar Allan Poe through dramatic recreations and historical narration.

English Conversation Group

Tuesdays, September 4 - November 27 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Practice your English pronunciation and conversation skills guided by a volunteer from Literacy DuPage. Learn new words, make friends, play games, and more. *Drop in.*



Evolution of the Book

Wednesday, November 14
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

From clay tablets to e-books, Professor Connie Orbeta will share the fascinating history of the book in the advancement of civilization.

DIY Henna Lanterns

Wednesday, October 10 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Light up your autumn days by making a beautiful Henna-inspired lantern.

How to Spot Fake News

Wednesday, October 24 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

There's so much information everywhere that it can be hard to tell truth from fiction. We'll look at websites and print publications and show you how to check facts to get a more well-rounded picture of current issues.

Online Genealogy

Thursday, October 25 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Thursday, November 15 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

DNA, genealogy, and family trees are big news these days. We will show you how to get started in your online genealogy research with an emphasis on using Ancestry.com and other library resources. *This hands-on program is limited to 9 participants.*

Films with Friends

Fridays, 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Grab a friend and join us at the library for a fun and relaxing afternoon. Theater-style refreshments will be served.

The Light Between Oceans (PG-13, 132 min)

September 14

Wonder (PG, 113 min)

October 12

Beauty and the Beast (PG, 129 min)

November 9



Small Business

SCORE: General Business Discussion Round Table

Last Wednesday of the month 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

September 26, October 31, November 28

Do you own a small business? Or are you an aspiring entrepreneur? Join us for a general business discussion to share ideas, offer solutions, and get your questions answered. Discussion moderated by Fox Valley SCORE.



Adult



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Eventos en español

Book Discussions

Copies of each book discussion title are available at the Circulation desk located on the first floor. No registration required for any of the discussions.

Between the Lines

2nd Monday of the month; 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

The Ninth Hour by Alice McDermott
September 10

We Were the Mulvaneys by Joyce Carol Oates
October 8

Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil: A Savannah Story
by John Berendt
November 12

Bagels and Biographies

Last Monday of the month; 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

The Stranger in the Woods by Michael Finkel
September 24

Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World that Can't Stop Talking
by Susan Cain
October 29

Mrs. Sherlock Holmes by Brad Ricca
November 26

Por favor, regístrese para los siguientes programas:

TVDLs Licencia Temporal de Manejo

Jueves, 27 de septiembre 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Revisaremos las Normas de Tránsito exactamente como están en el manual de las Normas de Tránsito de Illinois para prepararnos para el examen de la Licencia de Conducir para Visitantes Temporales (TVDL) del Estado de Illinois.

Clases de Computación

Computación Básica

Jueves, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

6 de septiembre, 18 de octubre

Nosotros cubriremos iniciar/cerrar programas y documentos, guardar documentos, imprimir documentos, y el vocabulario de la computadora.

Microsoft Word en español

Jueves, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

20 de septiembre, 1 de noviembre

Aprendemos lo básico para cambiar formatos, cortar/copiar y pegar, chequear la ortografía, y mucho más.

Microsoft Excel en español

Jueves, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

4 de octubre, 29 de noviembre

La creación de hojas de cálculo, añadir / borrar columnas y filas, cálculos simples, y la terminología. Debes tener conocimientos básicos de computación para tomar esta clase.

#20s30s - NEW!

programs for 20-30 somethings

DIY Organization Board

Thursday, September 13 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Sick and tired of having lists everywhere? Put all your organizational stuff in one place! Create your own organization dry-erase board or calendar using simple yet fun supplies provided by the library.

Board Game Night

Thursday, October 11 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Bored from going out and not having much fun? Meet interesting people while enjoying a variety of games, like Ticket to Ride and Pandemic. Bring your own games to share or play one of ours. Pizza provided.

Pub Trivia Night

Thursday, November 8 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Join our pub trivia challenge at Cairo Ale House and test your knowledge on a variety of topics. If you are bringing your team with you, please have everyone register so we know how many to expect. If you don't have a team, don't worry! You can compete as an individual or we'll find a team for you. Food will be provided, but attendees are responsible for their own drinks.



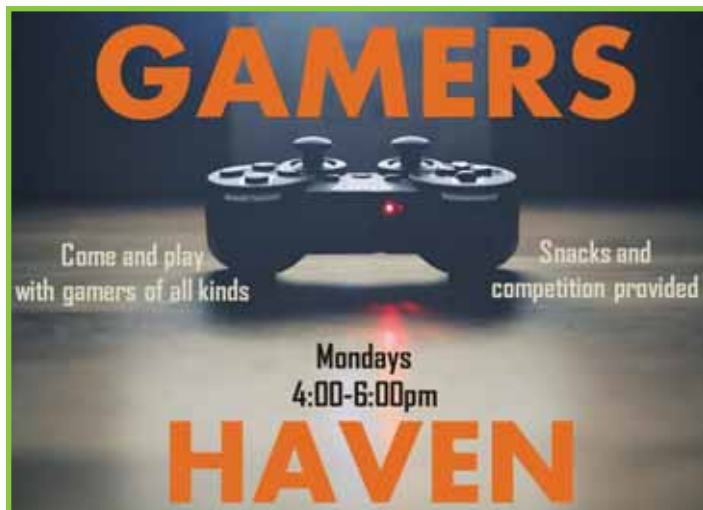


Young Adult

For Teens in 6th – 12th Grade

Ongoing YA Programs

Special YA Events



Gamer's Haven

Mondays, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

September 10, 17; October 1, 8, 15, 29; November 5, 12, 19

Come and play with gamers of all kinds. Video or board games -- you pick! Snacks and competition provided.

Movie Night

Tuesdays, 6:00 PM - until movie ends

Kick back, enjoy some fresh popcorn, and a movie!

Avengers: Infinity War (PG-13, 149 min.)

September 11

Coco (PG, 109 min.)

October 9

Maleficent (PG, 97 min.)

November 20

Blue Moon Café

Tuesdays, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Chill with us at Blue Moon Café. Cozy up to some warm drinks and feel free to work on the craft of the night.

DIY Fox Tail

September 18

Calm Jar

October 16

Blue Moon
Café

Coding Club

Wednesdays, 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

September 12, 26; October 10, 24; November 7

Are you interested in computer games, web design, animation, or robotics? Now's your chance to investigate, innovate, and collaborate! We'll get you started and then you can learn at your own pace. Come for one session or all five! **For students in grades 4-8. Please register to reserve your spot.**

Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Saturday, September 22

2:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Many will enter; only one will be victorious! Show us your skills with a Wii-mote, or cheer on others while enjoying friendly competition and pizza. Prizes include GameStop gift cards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. Come at 2:00 pm to enter your name in the tournament bracket.



ANIMEniacs

Tuesday, October 2 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Love Anime? Watch an episode or more with us at ANIMEniacs!

Young Adult Advisory Council Meeting

Tuesdays, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

October 2, November 6

Make a difference and join the YA Council: a group of teens who help make the library a teen-friendly place. Applications are available in Adult Services. **There will be no September meeting.*

Gothic Masquerade Ball

Tuesday, October 30 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Come dressed in your best gothic attire; we'll be decorating masks and sugar skulls, enjoying witch's brew and telling scary stories to get in the mood for Halloween.



Artists' Alley

Tuesday, November 6 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Sketch, color, and write to your heart's content at the YA Artists' Alley, right before the YA Council meeting. Bring your own supplies and paper or use what the library provides.

Youth



Please note: Parents of children under the age of 9 must remain in the library while children are attending library programs.

Featured Youth Events

Halloween Hullabaloo

Tuesday, October 30

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Join us for some not-so-spooky fun at our Halloween event that focuses on fun, not fright! We'll celebrate with special activities, yummy treats, and trick or treating throughout the Library. Wear your costume! For children ages birth - 5 with an adult caregiver.



Día de los Muertos / Day of the Dead

Jueves, 1 de noviembre 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Las familias de todas las culturas están invitadas a unirse a nosotros en la biblioteca para esta celebración especial que incluirá comida tradicional, manualidades y actividades.

Families of all cultures are invited to join us for this special celebration. We'll have traditional food and decorations as well as other crafts and activities. **Please note this program will be presented in both Spanish and English.**

Happy Birthday Mickey Mouse!

Sunday, November 18 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Oh boy! Mickey Mouse is turning 90 years old. Join us for a party to celebrate everyone's favorite mouse with magical mouse-themed activities and crafts. You'll even leave with a special birthday party favor! For all ages. *While supplies last.*

Full STEAM Ahead to the Imagination Station for Exciting and Engaging Activities!

Children can visit our Imagination Station in Youth Services to explore monthly STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) activities. These hands-on exploratory projects will allow children to work on critical thinking, problem-solving, and collaboration skills. Although some of the activities have been designed for elementary-age students, there are also projects suitable for younger children who participate with an adult, which allows them to work on early literacy skills.

Preschool

1000 Books Club

Thursdays, 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM

September 6, October 4, November 1

We're on a mission to read 1,000 books before kindergarten! Join us for stories and to learn more about this self-paced reading program. For children ages birth - 5 with an adult caregiver.

Stories to Grow On

Mondays, 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM

September 17 - November 26

Fall into reading! As the leaves change color and the weather cools we'll read stories, sing songs and make crafts. For children ages birth - 5 with an adult caregiver.

Wiggle Worms

Tuesdays, 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

September 18 - November 27*

*No Storytime October 30

Calling all busy babies, tireless toddlers, and pumped-up preschoolers! Join us as we stretch, sing, dance, and jump along to music and move through a story or two! For children ages birth - 5 with an adult caregiver.

Stories Around Town

The Library has partnered with local businesses and organizations to bring you *Stories Around Town*. Join us for stories, songs, rhymes, and more. For children ages birth - 5 with an adult caregiver.

Walkin' and Talkin' Storywalk at the WCPD Shell

Thursday, September 5

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM



Timeless Tales at the West Chicago City Museum

Thursdays, 10:15 AM - 11:00 AM

September 13, October 11, and November 8

Stories in the Garden at Cantigny Park*

Thursdays, 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

September 20, October 18



*Passes for FREE parking are available in the Youth Services Department and must be picked up prior to each event.



Families

Let's Celebrate Unicorns!

Tuesdays, 5:00 PM - 5:45 PM

Calling all unicorn lovers! Join us to create a special and sparkly unicorn craft. For children ages 4-11. Space is limited to the first 20 participants.

Unicorn Headband
September 4

Unicorn Canvas Bag
October 23

Creating Connections - *NEW TIME!*

Saturdays, 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

September 15, October 20, November 17

This inclusive program is for children who enjoy exercising both their brains and their bodies. Children's books are used to engage all the senses and activities can be adapted for each person. For children ages birth - 11 with an adult caregiver.

Spooktacular Halloween Scavenger Hunt

Monday October 1 - Wednesday, October 31

Can you spy with your little eye all the pumpkins hidden in the Youth Services Department? Find all the hidden pumpkins to earn a prize and entry into the drawing for a Halloween goodie basket. For children ages birth - 11.

Family Pumpkin Carving

Wednesday, October 24 5:00 PM - 5:45 PM

Get ready for Halloween and do some pumpkin carving with your family. Pumpkins and design templates will be provided. For all ages. Space is limited to the first 12 families.



Homeschool Study Break

Fridays, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

September 28, October 26

Take a homeschooling break and spend your Friday morning in the Library. We'll show a movie and provide board games for you to enjoy. Meet new friends, play, and have fun! For all ages.

It's Sew Easy!

Looking to work on a simple sewing project like a tote bag or something for the upcoming holidays? Yet you don't have a sewing machine? A standard Brother sewing machine is now available for patron use in the Youth Services Department. While basic sewing skills are recommended, they are not required. Basic instruction will be provided by a staff member. *Note: you must supply your own project and materials.* For reservations or further details, please contact Youth Services. Let's get sewing!

School Age

LEGO Robotics

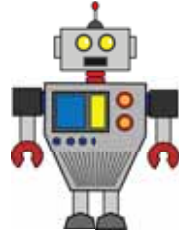
Saturdays, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

September 8, October 13, November 10

Build robots that really work! Use your imagination and program your creation to move!

Please note: robots cannot be taken home.

For children ages 9-11.



Coding Club

Wednesdays, 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

September 12, 26, October 10, 24, November 7

Are you interested in computer games, web design, animation, or robotics? Now's your chance to investigate, innovate, and collaborate! We'll get you started and then you can learn at your own pace. Come for one session or all five! **For students in grades 4-8.**

Please register to reserve your spot.

Slime Factory

Wednesdays, 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Enter the Slime Factory and learn how to make different kinds of slime. For children ages 7-11. Space is limited to the first 20 participants.

Glow in the Dark Slime
September 19

Halloween Slime
October 10

Scented Slime
November 14

Crafts with Crayons

Wednesday, October 17 3:00 PM - 4:15 PM

Recycle those old crayons and turn them into works of art! We'll supply the crayons, but feel free to bring more of your own. For children ages 7-11.

Day off School Programs

Craft Cornucopia

Wednesday, November 21 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

In anticipation of the Thanksgiving holiday, visit the Imagination Station for some crafting fun! Projects can be completed in the Library or taken home. For children ages 3-11.

Movie Mania

Join us for movies at the Library. Come snack, relax, and watch a movie the entire family can enjoy. Freshly-popped popcorn will be provided. For all ages.

Coco (PG, 105 min.)

**Monday, October 8
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM**

Wonder (PG, 113 min.)

**Tuesday, November 6
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM**

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For more information, please contact the Foundation at: westchicagolibraryfoundation@gmail.com or the Library Director, (630) 231-1552. Thank you for supporting the West Chicago Public Library.

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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9 am - 9 pm
Friday and Saturday 9 am - 5 pm
Sunday 1 pm - 5 pm

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Monday, September 3 - Labor Day
Wednesday, November 21 - close at 5:00 pm
Thursday, November 22 - Thanksgiving Day

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The board meets the 4th Monday of each month at 7 pm in the program room. The public is encouraged to attend.

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Benjamin R. Weseloh, Library Director



Note from the Director

It has been a busy and exciting summer at the Library. In June we hosted the Hōkūle'a Dancers, the Overdrive Digital Bookmobile, and an Ice Cream Social. More than 600 members of the community attended these three programs!

October 2018 marks the 25th anniversary of the current library building. We will host an open house on Friday, October 5 from 5:00 - 8:30 p.m. to celebrate 25 years of meeting the informational and recreational needs of the District Residents. The Open House will also recognize the three winners of the Library Card Design Contest that is taking place from July 2 - August 13. Please plan to join us for this special evening.

The Library recently made available for viewing online its collection of West Chicago High School yearbooks (1921-1932; 1946-2017). We have received much positive feedback about the yearbook collection. If you are a graduate of the West Chicago High School, feel free to peruse your high school years and reminisce about the "good old days." If you have any older yearbooks that we are missing (1933-1945), please consider lending them to the Library for scanning. We will return the yearbook to you when completed.

Speaking of special evenings, you won't want to miss the Yule Ball on Friday, November 30 from 5:00 - 8:30 p.m. as we ring in the holiday season with festive activities and magical entertainment for all ages. Mark the Yule Ball on your calendar and bring family or friends to the West Chicago Public Library: the place you want to be!

Benjamin R. Weseloh



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