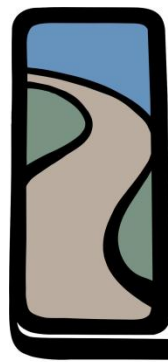


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**HOURS**  
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The library will be closed on President's Day, Monday, February 19, and occasionally closes during inclement weather. Phone first if you are uncertain of closings.



### Friends of Washington Library **SPRING BOOK SALE** **SATURDAY, APRIL 21 thru APRIL 25**

at Washington's Main Library Meeting Room.

F.o.W.L. members may **preview Friday evening!**  
Membership dues or a \$5 fee may be paid at the preview.

**Donations of used books, DVDs & CDs  
in good condition accepted April 2-14.**

(NO textbooks, magazines, encyclopedias, puzzles or VHS please)

**Page-a-Day Book Lovers Calendars are also available  
for purchase at the library for \$10! (cash or check)**

**APPOINTMENTS FOR FREE TAX HELP** will again be available at the Main Library for senior citizens and low-income persons through AARP's Tax-Aide Program

**Tuesday afternoons  
from February 6 through April 10**



**Appointments will be made beginning on  
Monday, January 15 & must be made in advance  
by calling the Main Library at (309)444-2241.  
PLEASE MAKE A SEPARATE APPOINTMENT FOR  
EACH TAX RETURN BEING PREPARED.**

On the day of your appointment, *please bring:*  
your Social Security card, a photo ID,  
any income statements for the year (W2, 1099, etc.),  
last year's tax return, a Social Security card and date of  
birth for each dependent, your bank routing & account  
numbers (if you want your refund directly deposited)  
and a copy of your property tax bill.

Tax forms may be available at your library, or at  
[www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) (federal) and <http://tax.illinois.gov> (state).

### Movie Night: **THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK** (PG)



Join us at the Main Library  
for a classic Star Wars movie  
on the big screen plus popcorn!

**Wednesday, January 17 at 6:00**

### **CARDSTRAVAGANZA!**

**6:00 Thursday, February 1 at Main**



Adults: Let's get crafty! *Pre-register* to make an assortment of  
Valentines & other cards, with supplies & instructions provided!  
Registration limited to 20 participants.



### **NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**

**April 8 – 14, 2018**

**"Libraries Lead!"**

**Tuesday, April 10 – 6:30 at the Sunnyland Branch  
Communication Junction – Sign & Sing Storytime**

**Wednesday, April 11 – 10:30 at the Main Library  
"Lapsit" Storytime – for 2-year-olds w/ adult**

**Wednesday, April 11 – 11:30 at the Main Library  
Washington Fire Department at Brown Bag-It**  
Meet real fire fighters and see a fire engine up close!  
(Bring your kids and lunches / drinks provided! See Brown Bag-It - Pg. 3)

**Thursday, April 12 – 2:00 at the Main Library  
OPEN STORYTIME for ages 3-7**

No fines on overdue books returned April 9-14.

On Tuesday, April 17, in the Five Points auditorium, your library will be sponsoring popular performer Chris Fascione, who uses acting, comedy, and storytelling to bring literature to life for all area 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders! Homeschoolers in those grades – contact Lexie to attend

## ONE-ON-ONE TECH HELP

First-come, first-served personal assistance with ebooks, email, Ancestry.com, social media, as well as your smartphone, tablet, laptop, or other devices.

### **MONDAYS @ BRANCH – 9 to 10**

January 15, February 12, March 19, April 16

### **WEDNESDAYS @ MAIN – 2 to 3**

January 17, February 21, March 21, April 18

### **FRIDAYS @ MAIN – 10 to 11**

January 19, February 23, March 23, April 20

**TECH  
HELP**

WDL cardholders can also schedule a half-hour appointment for personal tech help. Contact Patty at Main.



## “SUPER BOWLS” SILENT AUCTION

Friends of Washington Library invite individuals and businesses to assemble and donate a container filled with themed items to be displayed for bids. Proceeds help your library! “Bowls” may be brought to the library beginning Monday, January 8. *Please have them wrapped in clear cellophane and affix a tag listing all the included items and estimated value.* **Silent bids accepted Monday, January 22 - Saturday, February 10.**

The Friends hold just three meetings per year. **Attend the next Friends meetings held at 6:30 Tuesday, January 9 at Sunnyland and April 10 at Main** New library-loving members welcome!

Lynda.com – HUNDREDS of professionally-instructed online courses on a huge variety of topics – FREE on our web site with your Washington library card!



## **AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE for age 50+**

**Thursday, April 26 and Friday, April 27**

**9:30 to 1:30 – Pre-registration opens February 26.**

Spaces limited. Please arrive 15 minutes early and bring your Driver's License and AARP Card if you're an AARP member. Non-member class fee is \$20. AARP members pay \$15 – checks payable to AARP. Participants must attend both days and then may receive an auto insurance discount.

## **MORNING MOVIES + POPCORN!**

**Free at 10:00 at the Sunnyland Branch**

January 22 – *Dunkirk* (2017) PG-13

March 19 – *Goodbye Christopher Robin* (2017) PG

April 23 – *Murder on the Orient Express* (2017) PG-13



Have a collection or hobby to share? The Main Library's foyer display case is in need of people willing to share their talents or collectibles for one month. Contact Erin at Main.

## COOL EVENTS JUST FOR TEENS!



### **TEEN ANIME CLUB – Second Tuesday**

**of each month at the Main Library – 6:00 to 7:30**

Love anime and manga? Join us as we watch anime, enjoy ramen, draw manga, and more! (Feb. 13 & Apr. 10 are Cosplay Nights!)

### **TEEN MOVIE NIGHT – at the Sunnyland Branch**

**Friday, January 19 – 5:00 to 7:30**

Pizza, snacks, and a showing of *Wonder Woman!*

### **HARRY POTTER NIGHT – at Main**

**Friday, January 26 – 5:00 to 8:00**

Be sorted into houses, seek out horcruxes, enjoy Hogwarts-inspired activities & snacks, and watch a Harry Potter movie.



### **W.A.B.o.T. (Advisory Board of Teens) – at Main**

**Meets Thursday, February 1 – 5:00 to 6:00**

Be part of our leadership team! Plan programs, select items, etc.

### **TEEN CHINESE NEW YEAR PARTY– at Main**

**Friday, February 16 – 5:00 to 7:00**

Wear red for good luck, hunt fortune cookies, see *Mulan*, etc!

### **TRY NOT TO LAUGH CHALLENGE – at Main**

**Tuesday, February 27 – 6:00 to 7:00**

Try not to laugh as we watch some hilarious YouTube videos. Last one standing earns a prize. Then share your funny faves!

### **BOARD GAME NIGHT – at the Sunnyland Branch**

**Tuesday, March 6 – 5:30 to 7:30**

Invite your friends to play games like Life, Catan, etc. Snacks!

### **PIZZA TASTE TEST NIGHT – at Main**

**Thursday, March 22 – 5:00**

Rate pizzas from several different local places in categories like best sauce & best crust. Watch a movie while we vote.



### **FRIDAY THE 13<sup>TH</sup> MOVIE NIGHT – at Main**

**Friday, April 13 – 5:00 to 7:00** Featuring: *Happy Death Day*.

Celebrate Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> with a free scary movie and snacks!

### **ZOMBIE NIGHT – at Main**

**Friday, May 4 - 4:30 to 9**

For grades 6-12: *Pre-register* and pick up permission slips beginning April 2. Bring your nerf guns to play *Humans vs Zombies* in the park. Then come back to the library for pizza & snacks, and watch *The Mummy* (1999). Invite friends – and their brains! *Must have permission signed by parent to attend!*



## **WEDNESDAY WALKS**



**April 25-June 27 at 11:00 – Main Library**



Meet at the library and walk on the Washington Park trail! Participants can set their own pace and distance. Bottled water provided. In case of bad weather, we'll walk the Five Points track.

## BROWN BAG-IT LUNCHTIME ENTERTAINMENT

We provide drinks and a fun learning opportunity; you & the kids bring your lunches! Join us the **second Wednesday of each month at 11:30** in the **Main Library Meeting Room**.



No registration needed.

**January 10 – Forest Park Nature Center**

**February 14 – Miss Tracey's Music and More**

**March 14 – Abbey Cook's Sign & Sing**

**April 11 – Washington Fire Department**

## WINTER STORYTIME

Foster a love of reading with weekly themes featuring books galore, puppets, songs, finger rhymes, flannel board stories, and silliness!



Take-home activity for Wednesday 3 year olds.

Caregivers are asked to pre-register for other sessions and to assist 3-year-olds with the craft project.

### MAIN LIBRARY – January 31 – March 30

**3 year olds** – Wednesdays – 9:30 to 10

**4 to 6 year olds** – Thursdays 2:00 to 2:45 (Pre-Register)

**3 to 6 year olds** – Fridays – 10:30 to 11:15 (Pre-Register)

### TODDLER LAP SIT STORYTIME at Main

Simple stories plus interactive songs and finger rhymes help to introduce books and develop attention span.

**Wednesdays January 31-March 28 – 10:30 to 10:50**

For 2-year-olds & a caregiver. No registration required.

## FAMILY BINGO NIGHT

**Tuesday, January 16 at 6:30**

**at the Sunnyland Branch**

Family-friendly fun featuring terrific prizes for kids!



## PAWS to Read @ the Sunnyland Branch

**6:30 Tuesday, March 13**

Kids ages 2 & up:

Read to a lovable registered therapy dog for a 20-minute session

Call or stop by the library to **pre-register** for a time slot!



## LEGO CLUB for Ages 5 & up

No registration required for this FREE after-school program held at the Main Library on the **last Tuesday of each month at 4:00**

**January 30 - February 27 - March 27**

**(NO LEGO Club in April due to book sale)**

Build original creations using library-supplied Legos! Finished projects will be displayed for one month in the children's department display case.



## CRAFTERNOONS at the Sunnyland Branch

**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m.**

Kids of all ages are invited to stop in and make a FREE after-school craft! No registration required.

All materials and instructions provided!

**January 18 – String Art**

**February 15 – Shaving Cream Art**  
(wear old clothes)

**March 15 – Cornstarch Sculptures**

**April 19 – Chicks in a Nest**



Kids ages 7+ - **Pre-register to MAKE HOMEMADE COTTON CANDY**  
**3:00 Saturday, March 31**

At the Main Library. This will be messy (and delicious!) so be sure to wear old clothes!



## VALENTINE'S TEA PARTY!

Washington's Main Library invites young ladies and gentlemen (ages 3-10) to dress up in fancy clothes and join us for a special afternoon!

**At 3:00 Saturday, February 10**

we'll decorate cookies, make a craft, and sip on lemonade and tea. Please be sure to register!



## STEAM POWER PROJECTS – for kids ages 3-8

**FREE at the Sunnyland Branch**



**The first Thursday of each month at 4:00**, drop by to create projects engaging your science, technology, engineering, and math skills.

No registration required.

**January 4 – Make a kaleidoscope**

**February 1 – DIY Bouncy Balls**

**March 1 – Peep Nest Challenge** – Create the best nest for marshmallow peeps and win a candy prize!

**April 5 – Fireworks in a Jar**

## LIBRARY BINGO

Pick up a special kids' library BINGO card at either the Main OR Branch Library at any time during April. Have fun filling in all the squares; then stop by the Main Library at any time on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> and turn in your completed BINGO card to Miss Lexie to receive an exciting completion prize! (If you'll be out of town or unable to stop in on April 28<sup>th</sup>, please make advance arrangements with Lexie to turn in your card either before or after that date.)



## **BOOK CHATTERS!**

**11:00 Mondays – January 8, February 5, March 5, and April 2 – Main Library**



Stop by to chat with others about your latest reads, discuss favorite authors and titles, learn about upcoming books, and take home a new release before its official publication! Refreshments served.

### **Find kindred spirits at the Main Library!**

**KNIT NIGHT** - Tuesdays: January 9, February 6, March 6, and April 3 at 6:30 For all skill levels – or let us teach you how!  
A laid back evening of conversation, tips, and encouragement.

**WRITING WORKSHOP** – Tuesdays: January 23, February 20, March 20, and April 17 at 6:00 Writers of all levels: Bring your projects for feedback & support, plus writing exercises & discussion.

**GENEALOGY MEETUP** – Fridays: January 26, February 23, March 23, and April 27 at 2:30 Share your genealogical finds and get help using Ancestry Library Edition & other resources. Snacks!

### **"CABIN FEVER" WINTER READING**



Adults: stop by the Main or Branch Library any time after **January 29** to pick up a book log that lets you explore various areas & genres. Return completed log by **March 16** for a chance to win a Kindle Fire or a Washington Chamber of Commerce Gift Certificate!

## **TERRIFIC ADULT EVENTS - Main Library**

### **STORM PREPAREDNESS AND ENERGY SAVING TIPS**

**Thursday, January 18 - 2:00**

Ameren representative Kenny Blum will share tips for saving energy in your home and protecting against winter storms.

### **YOUR SECRET CHEF: CAJUN & CREOLE COOKING**

**Thursday, February 15 – 6:30** *Registration begins January 25*

Personal chef Bill More returns with a collection of Cajun & Creole dishes! Limited to 25 participants.

### **LAURA INGALLS WILDER IN SONG**



**Saturday, March 10 – 2:00**

Laura F. Keyes of Historic Voices brings to life the beloved author and her story via folk songs Pa played on his fiddle.

### **GATHERING CLUES FROM OBITUARIES**



**Wednesday, March 14 – 6:30**

Professional genealogist Karen Heinrich shares information that can be gleaned from obits and how to find them online.

### **SPOON RIVER ANTHOLOGY – LIVING HISTORY**

**Saturday, April 7 – 2:00** *(recommended for ages 14 & up)*

Paddy & Jon Lynn and Patti Ecker present a musical adaptation of Edgar Lee Masters' portrait of Illinois life.



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