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Indian Prairie Public Library
Explore, connect, and be inspired.

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Grow in the New Year

Coming off the heels of the holidays, “be a better person” and “practicing self-care” often are among the top of New Year’s resolutions. This winter, we can help you reach these resolutions. Check out the programs in the newsletter to help you be a better you.

For the last five years, under the leadership of Natalie Williams, Head of Youth Services, the Prairie Patch creates a unique learning opportunity to grow young minds during the summer. Natalie was recognized for her work in developing the Prairie Patch, the programming related to it, and creating community connections with a Golden Ticket Award from Illinois Library Association.

This annual award is presented to an individual who has made an outstanding local contribution in library services to young people in his/her community by creating and implementing library programs that promote a love of literature and instill positive feelings about libraries.

“|No one can receive an award for community impact on their own,” said Natalie. “This award belongs to the staff and patrons who show up to plant the garden every early spring. It is for the adult volunteers and the Darien Garden Club members who visit every week to water and weed. It’s for all the kids, teens, and staff who play with hands-on science, math, and art in the Prairie Patch throughout the summer. It’s for the local organizations, like our partners at Good Worx, who work to provide food for families and who have taught us what we need to know to keep the garden growing.”

During the summer months, the library’s Prairie Patch garden, located on the east side of the building, flourishes with 40 raised pots used to grow a variety of vegetables, herbs, fruits, and flowers. While the Prairie Patch cultivates fresh food for the community, it also cultivates learning for youth. Each week, kids and teens explore the science behind gardening and create nature-inspired art, dissect seeds, test soil for various minerals, measure and chart growth, harvest food, and use their math skills. The fresh food is then given to the community and donated to local food pantries.
Our Annual Food for Fines Program Makes a Difference

Food for Fines: Sunday, Jan. 26–Monday, Feb. 3

Community volunteers like Fred Majchrowicz of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, and Len Benes of Our Lady of Peace, help food pantries serve thousands of people annually. From offering a mini market to giving away backpacks and school supplies, it’s a joyful experience for all involved. “Just hearing people say ‘thank you’ is a great feeling,” said Len. “It shows that we’re doing the right thing.”

Both pantries serve residents of Darien and the surrounding community. The volunteer-led pantries are supported by food and monetary donations from various organizations, including the Indian Prairie Public Library. The library supports the pantries through the annual Food for Fines program.

Last year, the Food for Fines program collected more than 3,000 items to benefit both pantries. “The donations are surplus to help us be more selective in what we buy,” said Len. “Donations aid us in keeping the food pantry in stock, which is very helpful.”

This year’s Food for Fines program will be held after the holidays, Jan. 26–Feb. 3, in order to help stock the food pantries’ shelves during the slower months.

During the Food for Fines program, the library will waive one dollar of fines owed for each item donated. However, community members don’t need to have fines due, or even have a library card to contribute. Let’s help our community so no one is hungry!

Suggested donations:
- Boxed, canned, and shelf-stable foods
- Toilet paper, tissues, and paper towels
- Toothpaste, shampoo, and deodorant

No opened or expired items, please.
TECHNOLOGY CLASSES
Free classes for IPPL cardholders ages 13 and up unless noted. (R)egister at calendar.ippl.info, call 630/887-0637, or visit the Adult Ask Us Desk. Registration begins Monday, Nov. 25 at 9 a.m.

Self-Improvement Apps
Thursday, Jan. 9, 6:30–8 p.m. (R)
Discover apps to keep your resolutions, improve your mindset, and help you give back to others.

Share Photos Online
Saturday, Jan. 25, 2–3:30 p.m. (R)
Learn about Apple Photos, Google Photos, Flickr, and more of the top websites to share photos with friends and family.

Virtual Reality Basics
Saturday, Feb. 8, 1–3 p.m. (R)
See demonstrations of the Oculus Quest and PS4 VR headsets to experience what virtual reality devices can do.

Bring Your Own Device
Basics
iPhone/iPad:
Tuesday, Jan. 14 & 21, 2–4 p.m. (R)
This is a two-part class. Must attend both sessions.
Android:
Thursday, Feb. 13, 2–4 p.m. (R)

Camera and Photos
iPhone:
Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2–3:30 p.m. (R)
Android:
Saturday, Feb. 22, 1–2:30 p.m. (R)
Learn how to take pictures with your phone or tablet, add filters or effects, and share them.

Microsoft Office
Excel
Note: Those on the wait list may attend Excel classes, but we may not be able to provide you with a computer. You may bring your own or take notes.

Excel Basics–Two Day Class
Tuesday, Jan. 7 & Thursday, Jan. 9, 1–3 p.m. (R)

Advanced Excel Topics
Each class covers a single topic. Must be proficient in Microsoft Excel.

Conditional Formatting
Tuesday, Feb. 4, 6–7 p.m. (R)

Pivot Tables
Tuesday, Feb. 4, 7:15–8:15 p.m. (R)

Formulas
Thursday, Feb. 13, 6–7 p.m. (R)

V-Lookup
Thursday, Feb. 13, 7:15–8:15 p.m. (R)

PowerPoint
Powerpoint Basics
Monday, Jan. 13, 6:30–8 p.m. (R)

Holiday Make It Yourself
These classes introduce maker technology, show the basics of designing using software, and provide a project template to customize.

Wooden Gift Tags with the Carvey
Tuesday, Dec. 3, 6–8 p.m. (R)
Use the Carvey to create your own gift tags.

Cookie Cutters with the 3D Printer
Monday, Dec. 9, 2–3:30 p.m. (R)
Learn to design and print a 3D cookie cutter for holiday baking.

Cards with the Cricut
Thursday, Dec. 12, 2–3:30 p.m. (R)
Create a holiday card using stamps & stickers.
Kids Technology
(R)egistration begins two weeks before each program.

Arduino Circuits
Sunday, Feb. 9, 2–3:30 p.m. (R)
Grades 4–6. Create and program breadboard circuits to build a blinking light and air temperature sensor with Arduino circuits.

Interland: Internet Safety for Kids
Thursday, Feb. 13, 6–7:30 p.m. (R)
Grades 1–4. Using the Interland game system, and learn how to be safe and have fun online.

Computer Smart
Thursday, Feb. 27, 5–6 p.m. (R)
Ages 4–6. Play games to learn basic mouse and keyboard skills.

Learn from Home
Learn from the comfort of your own home! We are broadcasting the following classes on Facebook Live. Classes premiere on the dates below but can be viewed on Facebook at a later time. Find us on Facebook: facebook.com/ipplinfo

iPhone/iPad Basics
Tuesday, Jan. 28, 6:30 p.m.

Microsoft Word Basics
Wednesday, Feb. 19, 11 a.m.

New to the Hot Picks collection are items from Tech Takeout including . . .
• Wi-Fi Hotspots
• Chromebooks
• Laptops with Office 2016
• Rokus with Netflix

Not familiar with our Hot Picks collection? They are popular items, including books and movies, that are available on a first come, first served basis for a shorter checkout time with no renewals.

Look for the display near the first floor Checkout Desk.

Test drive a device before you buy one.
Save money by borrowing devices and tools you may only need once.
• Binge on Netflix or Hulu.
• Travel lightly with a hotspot and Chromebook.
• Play classic Nintendo or the latest games on a PS4.
• Check your window efficiency with a thermal leak detector.

Disney+ Via Roku
We’ve added four new Roku players loaded with Disney+. All you need is wireless internet and an HDMI-compatible TV.

Tech Takeout items are IPPL cardholder exclusives.

Learn more: techtakeout.ippl.info

New Device for the Holidays?
Let us help you get started with library apps.
Visit the Adult Ask Us Desk or elibrary.ippl.info.

1-on-1 Technology Help
Reserve a 30-minute session with a volunteer tech tutor.
Call the Technology Center at 630/887-0829. Only one session may be booked at a time; subject to availability. IPPL Cardholder Exclusive
FAMILIES

Register at calendar.ippl.info, call 630/887-0718, or visit the Kids & Teens Ask Us Desk. Registration begins two weeks before each program unless noted.

Winter Read
See the back page for information.

Dadurdays
Saturdays, 10 a.m.–noon
For children of all ages with adult. Drop in with dad or another caregiver to enjoy snacks and activities.
Dec. 7: Cookie Decorating
Jan. 4: Magic Tricks
Feb. 1: Retro Gaming

Rollick & Roll:
Artist Spotlights
For ages 7 and under with adult. Music, movement, and fun featuring favorite artists.
Caspar Babypants
Monday, Dec. 9, 10:30 a.m.
Bari Koral
Thursday, Dec. 19, 10:30 a.m.
Mr. Eric and Mr. Michael
Thursday, Jan. 9, 10:30 a.m.

Sleigh Read
Saturday, Dec. 14, 2–4 p.m.
For families. Enjoy sleigh ride stories, songs, treats, activities, and a visit from mini-therapy horses Tex and Wally, from Angel Hooves Healing Hearts, Inc.

Gingerbread House Building
Wednesday, Dec. 18, 6–7 p.m. (R)
For families. Listen to holiday music and drink hot chocolate while your family creates a candy cabin. All supplies provided.

Holiday Hip Hop Dance
Friday, Dec. 27
Ages 3–6, 10–10:30 a.m. (R)
Ages 7–12, 11–11:45 a.m. (R)
Dyanna Daniels shares holiday hip hop moves and freestyle dance.

Noon Year’s Eve Party
Monday, Dec. 30, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
For children of all ages with adult. Celebrate the new year with music, snacks, and games.

Frozen Sing–along
Thursday, Jan. 2, 1–3:15 p.m.; movie begins at 1:15 p.m.
For families. Watch the movie and sing the songs. Popcorn provided. Sponsored by IPPL Foundation & Friends.

Neontastic
We’re turning the lights out and glowing in the dark.
Friday, Jan. 3
Glow-in-the-Dark Slime/Sensory Play
Ages 2–4 with adult, 10–10:45 a.m. (R)
Neon Paint Party
Grades K–2, 1:30–2:15 p.m. (R)
Neon Paint Party 2
Grades 3–5, 11:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m. (R)

Winter Birds Nature Showcase
Monday, Jan. 6, 1–2 p.m.
All ages. Learn more about birds that may be present in our area with Knoch Knolls Nature Center. Touch feathers, play with stuffed birds, and view bird feeders and bird foods.

Martin’s Museum Makers
Monday, Jan. 20, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
For families. No school! In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, help create a civil rights exhibit, which will be on display in the library during Black History Month.

Family Trivia Night
Friday, Jan. 24, 6–8 p.m. (R)
For families with kids of all ages. Test your knowledge and compete with your family to win prizes.

Do You Want to Build a Snowman?
Saturday, Feb. 29, 1–3 p.m.
All ages. Join us outside in the Prairie Patch to create with snow. If there is no snow, activities are held inside.
See technology programs on page 5.

LITTLE KIDS

(L)register at calendar.ippl.info, call 630/887-0718, or visit the Kids & Teens Ask Us Desk.

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Little U Winter Session
Registration begins Monday, Dec. 30, 9 a.m. Child must be the appropriate age by Dec. 30, 2019.

See technology programs on page 5.

Storytimes

Polish Storytime: Cyfry I Litery
Fridays, Dec. 20, Jan. 17, & Feb. 21, 10:15 a.m. (R)
Ages 3–6. Stories and basic concepts, such as numbers and letters, in Polish.

Rollick & Roll
Wednesdays, Jan. 15–Feb. 26, 10:15 a.m.
All ages with adult. Music, movement, and fun.

Nonfiction Storytime
Wednesdays, Jan 15–Feb 26, 6 p.m. (R)
Ages 3–6 with adult. Stories with fun facts and hands-on activities.

Ukrainian Storytime
Thursdays, Dec. 19–Jan. 30, 6:30 p.m.
All ages with adult. Stories, songs, and rhymes in Ukrainian.

Community Storytimes

Whole Foods Kids Club Storytime
Thursdays, Dec. 5, Jan. 2, & Feb. 6, 11:45 a.m.
Whole Foods Market
6300 Kingery Hwy., Willowbrook.
All ages with adult. After IPPL presents stories and songs, Whole Foods Market provides snacks.

Barbara’s Bookstore Storytime
Fridays, Dec. 13, Jan. 10, & Feb. 14, 10:30 a.m.
Barbara’s Bookstore
810 Village Center Dr., Burr Ridge.
All ages with adult. Stories, songs, and fun.

Valentine’s Day Cards & Crafts
Friday, Feb. 14, 9 a.m.– noon
Ages 7 and under with adult.
Drop-in event. Make something special for your valentines.

Baby Brilliance
Tuesdays, 9:15 a.m. or Wednesdays, 9:15 a.m.
Ages birth–17 months with adult.

Talented Toddlers
Wednesdays, 9:15 a.m. or Thursdays, 9:15 a.m.
Ages 18–36 months with adult.

Junior Genius
Tuesdays, 9:15 a.m. or Thursdays, 9:15 a.m.
Ages 3–6 years. Caregivers must remain in the library.

Fantastic Families
Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.
All ages with adult.

We encourage all families to read 1,000 books with their children before they enter kindergarten. Get started at the Ask Us Desk.

IPPL card required.
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Homeschooling SMART
Grades 1–6. A launching pad for learning science, math, art, reading, and technology.
Tuesdays, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, & Feb. 11, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m. (R)
Dec. 10: Coding
Jan. 14: Hot Air
Feb. 11: Inventors & Their Inventions

Mid-Kid Krafts
Wednesdays, Dec. 18–Feb. 5 (No crafts Dec. 25 & Jan. 1), 4–4:45 p.m. (R)
Grades 1–6. Create seasonal crafts and DIY gifts.

Cook & Book
Saturdays, Jan. 11 & Feb. 8, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. (R)

Mini-Scientists Academy
Grades 1–3. Learn and explore science.

If the Shoe Fits
Friday, Jan. 31, 4–5 p.m. (R)
Be a design engineer; what tools and materials would you use to make a pair of shoes?

Baby Bear’s Chair
Friday, Feb. 14, 4–5 p.m. (R)
Repair Baby Bear’s Chair by using engineering, weights, and math.

Sew Mighty Mid-Kids
Friday, Feb. 21, 4:30–6 p.m. (R)
Grades 4–6. Make a colorful scarf from an upcycled t-shirt. Bring one gently used t-shirt to be transformed.

Mad Scientist Fire & Ice Show
Friday, Feb. 28, 11 a.m.–noon
Families with kids ages 5+. Mad Science of Western Suburbs of Chicago entertains with foggy dry ice storms, giant beach balls floating in the air, burping potions, and more.

How Dewey Do It?
Wednesday, Jan. 8, 6–7 p.m. (R)
Grades 1–4 with adult. Learn about library resources to find books for fun and school reports. Please register each adult/child attending.

Databases for Learning
Whether you want to practice your reading skills, prep for the science fair, begin a research paper, or just want to learn, our databases can support everyone in their learning. And, these resources are available outside the library with your IPPL library card. Visit databases.ippl.info with your IPPL card to get started.

World Book Early Learning
Ages 3–7: Resources to grasp criticallyearly childhood themes.

World Book Kids
Ages 6–10: Easy-to-understand articles, colorful illustrations, activities, and science projects.

World Book Student
Ages 10–14: Articles, state-of-the-art videos, editor-reviewed websites, and research guides.

World Book Advanced
Ages 14+: Research and teaching tools, online book archive, citation builder, and personal research accounts.

A to Z the USA:
Ages 8+: Offers in-depth content for the 50 states and five additional territories, including state reports, articles, timelines, royalty-free images, and maps.
Greeting Card Creations
Monday, Dec. 9, 4–5 p.m.
Use equipment in the WouldShop to create a handmade card. Drop-in.

Finals Week Stressbuster
Monday, Dec. 16–Thursday, Dec. 19, 3–5 p.m.
For teens. Drop by the Teen Lounge to take a break from studying for finals. If you need a place to study—we have that, too! Drop by the Ask Us Desk or call us for more information.

Monday, Dec. 16: Paint by Numbers
Tuesday, Dec. 17: Origami
Wednesday, Dec. 18: Collaborative Coloring Books
Thursday, Dec. 19: Jigsaw Puzzles

Neontastic
Friday, Jan. 3, 3:15–4 p.m. (R)
We’re turning out the lights and painting with Spheros.

Winter Break Teen Gaming
Friday, Dec. 20, 6:30–8:30 p.m. (R)
For teens. Sign up for Super Smash Bros. Ultimate tournament, or play other games casually with friends on the library’s laptops or PS4.

Ugly Sweater Murder Mystery Lock-In
Saturday, Dec. 28, 8 p.m.–midnight (R)
For teens. It’s a holiday-themed whodunit. Sign up to receive your invitation, along with the character you’ll play, and prepare to solve a crime most foul. Food and drinks provided.

Teen Service Day
Saturday, Jan. 18, 10 a.m.–1 p.m. (R)
For teens. A great opportunity to earn service hours.

Nerf Lock-In: Snowball Fight
Saturday, Feb. 8, 7–10 p.m. (R)
For teens. Have a Nerf war after hours in the library. Bring your equipment or use ours.

Library Sponsored Teen Groups
Groups are run by teens, for teens. Drop-in events.

Rainbow Club
Mondays, Dec. 2, Jan. 6, & Feb. 3, 6–8 p.m.
A safe space for LGBTQIA+ teens and allies.

Dungeons and Dragons
Fridays, Dec. 13 & 27, Jan. 10 & 24, and Feb. 14 & 28, 6:30–8:30 p.m.
New and experienced role players.

Download & Stream Music on Your Device via hoopla
1. Grab your IPPL card and your device.
2. Go to your device’s app store and download the hoopla app.
3. Follow the prompts.
4. Listen to popular albums for free. Titles are always available.

Categories include: Chart Toppers and New Music Friday

In addition to music, you also can download and stream videos, books, and comics.

Explore popular Illinois destinations using your IPPL card through the Museum Adventure Pass or the Explore More Illinois programs. These programs offer free passes, discounted admission, or other special offers at participating locations.

Learn more: museumpass.ippl.info
ADULT PROGRAMS

(R)egister at calendar.ippl.info, call 630/887-0637, or visit the Adult Ask Us Desk. Registration begins Monday, Nov. 25 at 9 a.m.

Generative Poetry Workshop
Saturday, Dec. 7, 2–4 p.m. (R)
Poet and professor Kristin LaTour leads a collaborative workshop to read, discuss, write, and generate new poetry for your writing journal.

Hidden Star Wars
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 7–8 p.m. (R)
Get ready for Star Wars Episode IX- The Rise of Skywalker, opening in theaters this month, with an insider's peek of the entire film series. Hear inside jokes and secret references.

J.Jill: Holiday Ready
Thursday, Dec. 5, 7–8 p.m. (R)
From office to party to family holiday gatherings, J.Jill Burr Ridge shows us how to get there in style. Enter to win a J.Jill gift card.

J.Jill Fit
Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1–2 p.m. (R)
J.Jill Burr Ridge demonstrates their leisure wear and fitness collections. Enter to win a J.Jill gift card.

4th Wednesdays:
The Poetry of Caregiving
Wednesday, Jan. 22, 1–2 p.m. (R)
Social workers from St. Thomas Hospice and Wellness House discuss their roles in providing aid to both the cared for and the caregiver. Caroline Johnson reads from her collection of poetry, The Caregiver. Copies of Johnson's book are available for purchase and signing.

Fleetwood Mac:
The Chain is Broken
Thursday, Jan. 23, 7–8 p.m. (R)
Using interview and performance video, Gary Wenstrup traces the band's career, which launched in the mid-1960s and still makes headlines today.

Foundation and Friends Concert: Petra van Nuis & Dennis Luxion
Sunday, Jan. 26, 2–3 p.m. (R)
Chicago-based duo, vocalist Petra van Nuis and pianist Dennis Luxion, perform selections from their critically acclaimed album, Because We're Night People.

Spark Joy this New Year with Meditation
Wednesday, Jan. 29, 7–8 p.m. (R)
Bring joy, peace, positivity, and relaxation into your daily life by using a simple technique with psychotherapist and meditator Renate Lanotte, MS LCSW.

AARP Tax-Aide
appointments Mondays & Fridays from mid-February–mid-April
AARP Tax-Aide volunteers offer tax preparation and assistance to seniors and low to moderate income taxpayers. Make your appointment starting Monday, Jan. 27.

Call 630/887-0637 or stop by the Adult Ask Us Desk.
Celebrate Romance Reads  
Tuesday, Feb. 18, 7–8 p.m. (R)  
Fall in love with romance. Hear about recent releases, books into movies/TV shows, and more. Can’t make it to the program, but need suggestions on romance books? Stop by the Ask Us Desk and talk with our team. We’d love to share some ideas for your next favorite book.

Cooking with Chef Mary Gail  
Thursday, Feb. 27, 7–8:30 p.m. (R)  
Chef Mary Gail Bennett demonstrates some of her favorite St. Patrick’s Day dishes. Recipes and tastings included. IPPL cardholder exclusive. Limit 40.

A Beacon in the City of Light: The Art and Architecture of Notre Dame Paris  
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 7–8:30 p.m. (R)  
Art historian Jeff Mishur offers an in-depth look at the history of Notre Dame in Paris, including the current status of the cathedral restoration.

Yoga & Self-Care for Busy People  
Wednesday, March 4, 7–8 p.m. (R)  
Drawing upon practices from her book, 108 Yoga and Self-Care Practices for Busy Mamas by Julie M. Gentile, learn how to prioritize self-care and meditation to do when you’re busy.

Homebound? We can bring the library to you!  
If you are unable to visit the library due to an illness, disability, or other mobility issues, we can bring the library to you. We offer personalized delivery and/or pick-up of library materials on a temporary or permanent basis for those who qualify, which includes children, teens, adults, and families.  
For more information, call Mary S. at 630/887-8760 ext. 265, or email homebound@ippl.info.

Connect at the Library  
No registration required.

Adult Chess Players  
First three Mondays, 6 p.m.

Board Game Group  
Last Monday, 6 p.m.  
Bring a game to share or play one of ours. Teens & adults.

Current Events Group  
Second and fourth Mondays, Dec. & Jan., 7 p.m.

Drama Reading Group  
Wednesdays, beginning Feb. 5, 2–4 p.m.

Mahjong Group  
Fourth Thursday, 11:30 a.m.  
Learn or play Mahjong.

Great Decisions  
Second & fourth Mondays, 6:30 p.m.: DVD Viewing; 7 p.m.: Discussion

English (ESL) Conversation Group  
First and third Saturdays, 10 a.m.–noon.  

Genealogy Group  
Fourth Thursday, 1 p.m.  
No meeting in Dec.  
Genealogical research and family history programs.

Knot Just Knitting  
Second Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.  
Teens & adults. Open to all needleworkers.

Need a little help getting around the library?  
Thanks to the generosity of Darien Lions Club, you can use a brand new mobility scooter.  
Stop by the Checkout Desk to use the scooter.
BOOK CLUBS AND MOVIES
Books are available at the Checkout Desk one month before the discussion.

NOVEL IDEA 📚
Delve into a book’s characters, plot, setting, and themes. No registration required.

Wednesday, Dec. 11, 7 p.m.
Meet Me at the Museum
by Anne Youngson (2018)

Wednesday, Jan. 8, 7 p.m.
A Woman Is No Man
by Etaf Rum (2019)

Wednesday, Feb. 12, 7 p.m.
The Masterpiece
by Fiona Davis (2018)

CRIME READERS 🕵️
Meets at Home Run Inn Pizza, 7521 Lemont Rd., Darien, at 6 p.m. for dinner (optional); 7 p.m. for discussion. No registration required.

Thursday, Dec. 19, 7 p.m.
Crocodile on the Sandbank
by Elizabeth Peters (1975)

Thursday, Jan. 16, 7 p.m.
The Devotion of Suspect X
by Keigo Higashino (2011)

Thursday, Feb. 20, 7 p.m.
In the Bleak Midwinter
by Julia Spencer-Fleming (2002)

Thursday Afternoon Movies
(R)egister at calendar.ippl.info, by calling 630/887-0637, or at the Adult Ask Us Desk.
Doors open at 1:30 p.m. Movies begin at 2 p.m. Sponsored by IPPL Foundation & Friends.

Thursday, Dec. 5 (R)
I Can Only Imagine (2018)

Thursday, Jan. 16 (R)
Yesterday (2019)

Thursday, Jan. 30 (R)
A Dog’s Journey (2019)

Thursday, Feb. 6 (R)
The Command (2018)

Thursday, Feb. 20 (R)
The Public (2018)

Publisher Restricts Your Access to eBooks
One of the Big Five New York publishers has chosen to limit libraries’ access to ebooks. Why? Macmillan Publishers says increasing library ebook use is hurting its sales.

As your public library, equitable, open access to materials is core to who we are and what we do. Our library is in agreement with the American Library Association’s call to all libraries and patrons to contact Macmillan Publishers and “tell CEO John Sargent they object to the publishing company’s new policy.”

Sign the petition at ebooksforall.org.

Hot Picks Goes Digital
Get the most popular titles on your device.

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Take Care of Your First Home
Friday, Dec. 6, 7 p.m.
Handyman Dan Findley teaches the basics of how your home works and how to hold it together.

Finals Week Series:
De-stress from Tests
Open Study Hall
Tuesday, Dec. 10, 5–9 p.m.
Take advantage of our quiet study hall. Snacks are provided. A librarian is available for questions.

Stress-Free Zone
Thursday, Dec. 12, 5–9 p.m.
Chill out with puzzles, classic board games, and DIY stress balls and bath bombs.

Art Therapy Night
Friday, Dec. 13, 7 p.m.
Enjoy friendly conversation and music with adult coloring books, Play-Doh, and kinetic sand. Bring your own materials or use ours.

Winter Social Game Night
Friday, Jan. 3, 7 p.m.
Meet new people while playing Jackbox party games.

Green Your New Year
Friday, Jan. 17, 7 p.m.
Learn how to reduce your environmental impact and protect your health with simple home initiatives with a representative from SCARCE.

Kusudama Ball
Friday, Feb. 7, 7 p.m. (R)
Use origami to create kusudama flowers, part of ancient Japanese culture.

Adult Preschool
Friday, Feb. 21, 7 p.m.
Ignore your responsibilities and return to a simpler time of Play-Doh, finger painting, games, snacks, and, of course, storytime.

Crafterwork at Starbucks
Fit creativity into your busy schedule with one of our drop-in craft programs at your neighborhood Starbucks, 7167 Route 83, Willowbrook.

Harry Potter
Potion Ornaments
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 6:30–8 p.m.
Make a mini potion.

Paper Beads
Wednesday, Jan. 22, 6:30–8 p.m.
Upcycle books and magazines into funky jewelry.

Pom-Pom Critters
Wednesday, Feb. 26, 6:30–8 p.m.
Make cute animal friends out of pom-poms.
Search Engine Optimization for Your Website
Thursday, Jan. 16, 6:30–8 p.m. (R)
Learn about on-site and off-site ranking factors for your website, signals Google uses for ranking, and the use of analytics.

Headshot Studio
Saturday, Feb. 8, 9–11 a.m.
No appointment required. Improve your first impression with a photo that you can use on your website and social media. We’ll take your photo with our DSLR camera and email you the digital file.

Lunch & Learn: Illinois Secure Choice
Wednesday, Jan. 29, noon–1 p.m. (R)
Illinois Secure Choice is a newly mandated retirement savings program for businesses that do not have a plan in place. Learn if you need to implement this program. Bring your lunch.

Business Roundtable: Computer Solutions
Thursday, Feb. 27, 6:30–8 p.m.
Meet informally with other small business owners and entrepreneurs for a discussion of challenges, successes, and ideas. Hosted by Fox Valley SCORE. Set up a mentoring session with SCORE at score.org.

Job Club
Wednesdays, Jan. 8 & Feb. 12, 10 a.m.–noon
Jan. 8: Understanding the Application Process
Learn job application strategies and best practices to ease your job search.
Feb. 12: Resume Reviews
Bring your completed resume for expert feedback.

Navigating Application Tracking Systems
Wednesday, Jan. 15, 7 p.m. (R)
Learn about applicant tracking systems from WorkNet DuPage and how to design resumes that make it through filters.

Avoiding Ageism in the Job Hunt
Tuesday, Jan. 28, 7 p.m. (R)
Join Kimberly White of the Career & Networking Center to learn how to avoid ageism and shift focus to your experience.

Resume Workshop
Monday, Feb. 3, 7 p.m. (R)
Write an eye-catching and informative resume. We’ll cover format, function, and descriptions. Get an overview of library resources.
Thank You, Donors
From creating innovative programs for children to bringing reading materials to the homebound, we are everyone's library. We have programming that keeps teenagers engaged, and resources that help everyone from the small business owner to those who want to research their family genealogy. Your donation makes it possible for us to be a vital part of our community. Thank you to those who recently supported the library.

Linda Roberts
A Great Courses Audiobook in loving memory of Fred Sauers
Woman's Society of First Congregational Church of Western Springs, $389.79
JoAnn, Jim, Jr., & Jeffrey Fiolka, $250
Anne Kuldanek, $150
In memory of Jenny
Kathy Weidner, $150
In memory of Helen Rose Buck
The Vuillaume Family
Books in memory of Carl & Rob Vuillaume
John Formento, $100
Hinsbrook Book Club, $85
Gail & Dana Lawrence, $75
In memory of Betty Stock
Mila Kai and Saige Hali, $50
In memory of Helen Rose Buck
Elizabeth Lawrence, $50
In memory of Beatrice Lawrence
Patty Sommers, $50
Laura Wozny, $25
CJ Tracy, $25

Foundation & Friends Gives the Gift of Space Exploration
When Allen Smuda learned IPPL was adding telescopes to the collection for takeout thanks to a donation from the IPPL Foundation & Friends, he couldn’t wait to check one out.

His expectations did not disappoint. Looking through the lens just before dusk, he saw it—Saturn’s rings. Because his wife was not home, and he couldn’t wait to tell her, he sent her a text: “OMG. I can see Saturn’s rings.” Then, Allen proceeded to text his neighbors. Just like that, he had an impromptu gathering on his patio, with everyone exploring the sky together.

“I have a great view of the sky from my back deck, and thanks to the library’s telescopes, I have seen the moon, the planets, and the stars all up close,” said Allen. “It’s an incredible tool. I can’t wait to check one out again.”

Thanks to that donation from the Foundation & Friends, we are able to give the gift of space exploration to the community through these portable telescopes. You, too, can check out one of six telescopes. Telescopes are an IPPL cardholder exclusive.

Help us continue to bring bonding and memories to the community, and make a gift to the IPPL Foundation & Friends.
Visit ipplfoundation.org.

#GIVINGTUESDAY
Make a Gift on Giving Tuesday.
Last year, over 23,000 kids and teens learned, created, and explored during library programs and the summer challenge.

There’s a lot that goes into helping kids in our community be their best, including hands-on programs, visiting the community schools, developing learning materials, and providing their favorite books. Help us to reach even more kids by donating to the IPPL Foundation & Friends on #GivingTuesday. Giving Tuesday is the Tuesday after Thanksgiving and is an international day of charitable giving.

The Indian Prairie Public Library Foundation & Friends is a 501(c)3 corporation; your gift is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

For more information about making a gift to the library, call us at 630/887-0945 or visit ipplfoundation.org.
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Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–9 p.m.
Saturday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Sunday, 1–5 p.m.
Drive-up book returns are open 24/7

Library Closings
Thursday, Nov. 28, Thanksgiving
Tuesday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve
Wednesday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day
Tuesday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve
Wednesday, Jan. 1, New Year's Day

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The Americans with Disabilities Act
Individuals with disabilities who require accommodations to attend a library program should contact us during regular business hours at least five days before the program.

Winter Read
Dec. 15–Feb. 15
Oh, the weather outside is frightful, but reading inside is so delightful.
You can read to win gift certificates and other prizes.

It’s easy to be part of the Winter Read:
• Stop by one of the Ask Us Desks to pick up a book log.
• Set a reading goal.
• Read books.
• Return the log to the library for a chance to win prizes.

Just for kids and teens who participate in the Winter Read
If there are fines on a youth card, we can help. Those under the age of 18, who present their Winter Read book log to the Checkout Desk before Wednesday, Jan. 15, will get their fines cleared.
Note: We are only able to remove fines, not the replacement cost of lost items.

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