COLOR IN A BUBBLE FOR EVERY 20 MINUTES YOU READ JUNE 1 THROUGH JULY 31. YOU WILL GET A PRIZE FOR EVERY 100 MINUTES OF READING! GRAND PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED AT THE END OF SUMMER.

GO PAPERLESS! TRACK YOUR READING AT EVERGREENPARKLIBRARY.BEANSTACK.ORG

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PHONE NUMBER: ________________________________
EMAIL (OPTIONAL): ________________________________
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Evergreen Park Public Library
9400 S. Troy Avenue
Evergreen Park, IL 60805

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evergreenparklibrary.org
Find Your Voice! Summer Reading Kickoff Party
Saturday, Jun 10, 1:30 to 3:30 pm
Help us kick off this year’s Summer Reading Challenge with a parking lot party! We’ll have a petting zoo, EPFD fire trucks and gear, and a balloon toss. Bring your smartphone and headphones to dance in a silent rave. Rolling Video Games Chicago is bringing a video game truck at 2 pm. Summer treats will be available thanks to Sean Kelly of State Farm.

While you’re here, sign up the whole family for our summer reading challenge and start logging the minutes you read this summer to earn prizes! Open to all ages.

Register for the Find Your Voice! Summer Reading Challenge at evergreenparklibrary.beanstack.org or get a paper reading log at the Library beginning June 1.

Thank you to Sean Kelly of State Farm Insurance for his generous donation to our Kickoff Party.

The Library would like to thank our 2023 Find Your Voice! Summer Reading Sponsors for their support.

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- Raising Cane’s
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Evergreen Park Library Foundation Quarterly Meeting
Tuesday, Aug 1, 7 pm
Are you interested in joining the Library Foundation’s mission to enhance the quality and scope of the Library’s resources? Join the Evergreen Park Library Foundation at their quarterly meeting to share your ideas and play a part in making big plans for your Library’s future.

Book Sale
Monday, Jul 31 to Saturday, Aug 5
Discover a treasure trove of hardcover and paperback books for all ages, magazines, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, comic books, and more at bargain prices! Proceeds benefit the EP Library Foundation. We need volunteers! Visit our website to sign up to help at the book sale.

Throughout the newsletter, you will see our 2022 Year in Review statistics highlighting how the community has utilized our materials, services, and programs. Thank you for your continued support both online and in person.
2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

EVERGREEN PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

69,521
VISITORS WELcomed TO THE LIBRARY

10,147
QUESTIONS ANSWERED*

PATRONS HELPED IN BOOK-A-LIBRARIAN SESSIONS

56

857
PROGRAMS OFFERED

10,047
PROGRAM ATTENDEES

13,934
SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWERS

70,885
PUBLIC WIFI SESSIONS

150,937
WEBSITE PAGE VIEWS

496
MOBILE HOTSPOTS BORROWED

88,318
TOTAL ITEMS BORROWED

23,108 DIGITAL ITEMS
65,210 PHYSICAL ITEMS

3,180
STUDY ROOM RESERVATIONS

85
COMMUNITY GROUPS USED THE MEETING ROOM

10,740
ACTIVE BORROWERS

721
NEW CARDHOLDERS

9,143
PUBLIC COMPUTER SESSIONS
Sensory Playdate
Tuesdays, Jun 13, Jul 18, and Aug 15, 6:30 pm
Ages 5 and up with caregiver
Roll up your sleeves and get ready for some messy fun. Join us for a short story and some sensory play and exploration.

Herbs in a Bag
Wednesday, Jun 14, 2 pm
Grades K to 5
An instructor from Cook County South Suburban Master Gardeners will talk about seed germination, soil health, plant structure, and plant care. Then, we’ll make a mini-greenhouse using a plastic sandwich bag and potting soil to grow chive or basil seeds indoors.

The Sound of Science
Wednesday, Jun 14, 28, Jul 12, and 26, 3:30 pm
Grades 2 to 5
Learn all about sound, from the basics of soundwaves and pitch to the ways animals “talk.”

Steven’s Puppets present The Wizard of Oz
Wednesday, Jun 14, 6:30 pm
In this classic heart-warming tale, children of all ages will watch with bated breath as a Kansas cyclone whisks Dorothy off to Oz where she befriends Scarecrow, Tin Woodsman, and Cowardly Lion. Steven’s Puppets bring this tale to life with artfully hand-carved wooden marionettes and a musical score you are sure to be humming all the way home!

Father’s Day Shrinky Dinks
Thursday, Jun 15, 4 pm
Grades 5 and under
Make a super-secret gift for your dad or another special man in your life (we’ll be using Shrinky Dinks, but don’t tell!)

DIY Chalk Paint
Thursday, Jun 15, 6:30 pm
Grades 5 and under
Learn how to mix up some chalk paint then join us outside to chalk the walk.

Stories in the Park
Saturdays, Jun 17, 24, Jul 8, 15, and 29, 10 am
Join us for outdoor stories in our beautiful parks! In the case of active rain, storytime will be held at the Library.

Dial-A-Story Community Takeover!
Jun 1 to Jul 31
Find your favorite picture book, short story, poem, or chapter, make an audio recording of you reading it, and send it via email to meyerl@evergreenparklibrary.org. We’ll put your story on our Dial-A-Story line. Include the reader’s name and the title and author of the piece you are reading in the email.
You can also call our Dial-A-Story line at 708.634.0808 to listen to stories and track your minutes for your summer reading log.

Registration required is noted with a (R)
Children

Puzzle Race
Tuesday, Jun 20, 4 pm
Grades K to 5
Compete with other teams to see who can finish a 300 piece puzzle the fastest! We will divide you into teams for some competitive puzzle assemblage. Snacks and prizes! 🎁

Bubble Art
Wednesday, Jun 21, 6:30 pm
Grades 5 and under
Create your own work of art using bubbles! 🎨

Tie-Dye T-Shirts
Thursday, Jun 22, 3:30 pm
Ages 17 and under
Meet in staff lot behind the Library
Make a festive Independence Day, tie-dyed t-shirt. Bring your own washed, white, cotton t-shirt. The dye stains, so wear old clothes and shoes.

Shaving Cream Marbling Art
Thursday, Jun 22, 6:30 pm
Grades 5 and under
Create a swirly masterpiece that smells good too! 🎨

Sing-Along Movies
Mondays, Jun 26, Jul 24, 6 pm
Find your voice at our movie sing-along nights!
Jun 26 Sing!
Jul 24 Moana

Plein Air Painting
Thursday, Jun 29, 2 pm
Grades K to 6
James J. Sexton Park (91st and Rockwell)
Plein air painting is just a fancy way of saying painting outside. Meet at James J. Sexton Park to paint what you see. 🎨

Patriotic Parade Essentials
Friday, Jun 30, 11 am
Are you ready for the Independence Day parade? Do you need more patriotic accessories? Let us help you make some! Make fantastic headwear, confetti cannons, and more!

Christmas in July
Saturday, Jul 1, 2 pm
Up to Grade 5
Get out of the heat and into the holiday spirit at our Christmas in July party! We’ll watch A Charlie Brown Christmas, and have snacks, holiday stories, and crafts. Please bring a donation of a nonperishable food item for the Village Food Pantry. 🎁

Magical Unicorn Party
Monday, Jul 3, 6:30 pm
Grades 3 and under
Join us as we celebrate our favorite sparkly, magical, and mythical creatures—unicorns! We’ll read unicorn stories and make something sparkly. Feel free to wear your best unicorn-inspired outfits. 🎨

Baby Prom
Wednesday, Jul 5, 11 am
Ages 3 and under
Come in your cutest outfits and bring your best smiles to our Baby Prom. We’ll practice our coolest dance moves, have a morning snack, and make prom king and prom queen crowns!

Stickerpalooza Sticker Swap
Thursday, Jul 6, 6:30 pm
Grades K to 5
Join other kids in a sticker swap. Share and trade stickers while having snacks.

Bicycle Decorating and Parade
Wednesday, Jun 28, 11 am
Circle Park (97th and Homan)
Grades 5 and under
Ride along with the Trike-a-Delic Rider in our Bike Parade! Meet at Circle Park pavilion to decorate your bike. Supplies will be provided. Then we’ll parade along the sidewalks around the park.

The Smart Cookie Book Club
Wednesdays, Jun 28, Jul 26, and Aug 30, 6 pm
Grades 3 to 5
Meet monthly to talk about books with other book-loving kids, eat cookies, and do a fun activity! Books will be available for checkout at the Circulation Desk by the first of each month. 🍪
Jun 28 Time Warp Trio: Knights of the Kitchen Table by Jon Scieszka
Jul 26 West Meadow Detectives: The Case of the Snack Snatcher by Liam O’Donnell
Aug 30 Dragons in a Bag by Zetta Elliott

Jim Gill’s Sing-A-Thon of Celebrated Songs
Tuesday, Jun 27, 6:30 pm
Enjoy a joyful, energetic concert with award-winning Chicagoland children’s musician Jim Gill! Clap, jump, dance and sing along with Jim and his banjo! 🎵

Big Run Wolf Ranch
Monday, Jul 10, 6:30 pm
Come and meet some North American wildlife with Big Run Wolf Ranch. Learn about the wildlife in our backyard and animal conservation, and enjoy an Otter Pop. 🐺

Fire Station Family Field Trip!
Tuesday, Jul 11, 11 am
Meet at the EP Fire Department (9000 S. Kedzie)
Grades PK to 5
Join us for a field trip to the fire station! Meet the firefighters, take a tour of the firehouse, and learn about fire safety! All kids must be accompanied by an adult! 🚒
Children

Find Your Spotlight: Kids Broadway Bootcamp
Tuesdays and Thursdays, Jul 11, 13, 18, and 20, 4 pm
Join Rosebud and Matthew in this fun series of classes.

July 11 Improv
July 13 Scripted Acting
July 18 Singing
July 20 Dancing

Lego Car Races
Thursday, Jul 20, 6:30 pm
Grades K to 5
Make a Lego car out of the Library’s Legos; then race to see who made the fastest car!

Sponge Painting
Friday, Jul 21, 1 pm
Grades 5 and under
Use paint and sponges to create something beautiful!

Fin-go Shark Bingo
Wednesday, Jul 12, 11 am
Celebrate Shark Week by playing shark bingo for fun, fishy prizes.

Magic Tree House STEAM
Monday, Jul 24, 2 pm
Grades 1 to 3
Explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math with Jack and Annie! Explore the world of magic, learn about animals, build your own structures, enjoy snacks, and more!

Find Your Voice Posters
Thursday, Jul 13, 3 pm
Grades 3 to 5
Design your own handmade poster relating to something you feel strongly about.

Science Kit Saturday
Saturday, Jul 15, 2 to 4 pm
Grades K to 5
You’re invited to drop by to try out our STEM kits. Try out as many as you like!

Sponge Painting
Friday, Jul 21, 1 pm
Grades 5 and under
Use paint and sponges to create something beautiful!

The Little Mermaid Interactive Movie
Monday, Jul 17, 6:30 pm
Become part of Ariel’s world during this fun, interactive movie screening! Whether you are using your dinglehopper to comb your hair or singing along to your favorite songs, everyone is sure to have a great time under the sea! Each registered child receives a free Perform-Along Fun Pack.

Singing in the Stacks: Disney Karaoke
Wednesday, Jul 19, 3:30 pm
Grades 1 to 5
Find your voice and come to the Library to sing your favorite Disney songs! Dressing up as a Disney character is encouraged, though not required. Sing solo, with a friend or your family, or ask the crowd to help you out.

Bilingual Loteria
Wednesday, Jul 19, 6:30 pm
Play this traditional Mexican game in both Spanish and English, and try your luck at winning prizes. For children and their families. Juega este tradicional juego mexicano en español e inglés y prueba tu suerte para ganar premios. Para los niños y sus familias.

Kiddie Drive-In Movie
Thursday, Jul 20, 2 pm
Ages 2 to 6
Bring a box big enough for your child to sit in. Use our craft supplies to turn the box into a car! Then your child can hop into the driver’s seat, grab a snack, and watch a short cartoon. Craft supplies and snacks provided.

Registration required is noted with an 🔴.
Families

11th Annual ATLAS Multi-Library Geocaching Competition
Use clues and geographic coordinates to find hidden “geocaches” at numerous participating area libraries. For each listed geocache you discover, you earn a chance to win a $25 gift card. To be eligible for the prize drawing, your library card from a participating library must be in good standing. All ages are welcome! Find clues at www.atlasgeocache.weebly.com starting Monday, June 5. The competition ends Saturday, August 5.

Independence Day Parade
Friday, Jun 30
Register if you’d like to walk with us, and we will contact you before June 30 with our parade number and where we’ll line up on parade day.

3D Printing Orientation
Wednesday, Jun 7, 1 pm
Saturday, Jul 29, 10 am
Tuesday, Aug 15, 6 pm
Learn all about the Library’s 3D printer, get an introduction to 3D modeling software, and learn how 3D printing works. Open to all ages. No registration necessary.

Book Swap for Children and Teens
Monday, Jun 12, 5 to 8 pm
Start your summer off right by getting some new-to-you books at our book swap! Bring in your gently used YA or children’s books (in good condition) and trade them for the same number of books. All books should have covers, all pages intact, and minimal markings.

Shark Week Shark Hunt
Jul 11 to 18
Drop by any time during Shark Week to see if you can find all the sharks hiding in the Library and solve the riddle! Everyone who solves the riddle gets a small prize.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover
Friday, Jul 28
Bring your favorite stuffed animal friend to the Library between 9 am and 5 pm Friday, leave them with us overnight, and come back on Saturday, July 29, to pick them up and find out what shenanigans they got into the night before.

Teens

Dance with Pride: LGBTQ+ and Straight Allies
Saturday, Jun 3, 6 to 8 pm
Kick off Pride Month with a night of music and dance. Snacks and drinks will be served.

Find Your Voice: Teen Karaoke, Storytelling, & Poetry
Wednesday, Jun 7, 5 pm
James Sexton Park (91st and Rockwell)
Be a performer, be a part of the audience, or be a volunteer!

Anime Club Meetup
Thursdays, Jun 8, 22, Jul 6, 20, Aug 3, 17, and 31, 3:30 pm
Enjoy Anime with other Anime fans.

High School Pen Pal Club Meet and Greet
Thursday, Jun 8, 6:30 pm
Meet your pen pal and get to know one another through letters. Teens entering grades 9-12 this fall are invited to attend this wonderful event where you’ll discover the art of letter writing, meet a pen pal, and take home a letter-writing kit.

3D Printing Workshop
Tuesday, Jun 13, 6 pm
Design your own pet name tag. Register for a free account at Tinkercad.com in advance.

Find Your Song: Listening Sessions
Thursdays, Jun 15, Jul 20, and Aug 17, 6:30 pm
Meet up with Lena to explore and share music. You’ll leave with a new playlist.

Sweet Friday Book Club
Fridays, Jun 23, Jul 21, and Aug 18, 4 pm
The Sweet Friday Book Club is where we read multicultural graphic novels and treat ourselves to something sweet!

Jun 23 Our Dreams at Dusk by Shimanami Tasogare
Jul 21 El Deafo by CeCe Bell
Aug 18 Victory, Stand! by Tommie Smith

Chess Rookies and Masters Meetup
Mondays, Jun 12, Jul 10, and Aug 14, 6 pm
Meet at the Library to learn and play chess. EPCHS Chess Team players will teach the fundamentals of the game. All levels of play are welcome. Snacks will be served.

Art in the Park
Wednesdays, Jun 14, Jul 12, and Aug 9, 4 pm
James Sexton Park (91st and Rockwell)
Meet the Trike-a-Delic Rider for Teen Art in the Park.

Independence Day Candy Bag Volunteer
Thursday, Jun 29, 1 pm
Hey teens, we throw gobs and gobs of candy out at the EP Independence Day parade so we need your help making candy bags! You are welcome to march with the Library!

Intro to Dungeons & Dragons
Thursday, Jun 29, 6:30 pm
Learn about this fantasy tabletop role-playing game. Create a character and design an epic journey under the direction of Drew Turk!

Outlandish Feats of Strength and Wits
Wednesday, Jul 19, 4 pm
Test your strength and wits! Bring friends and compete in a variety of challenges.
ARTS & CRAFTS

Find Your Voice! Photo Contest
Jun 4 to Jul 29
Express yourself through photography. Follow our weekly photo prompts and submit your photographs for a chance to win prizes at the end of summer! Help us to choose the winners by voting on your favorite photographs from each category.

Yak & Yarn Hangout
Tuesdays, 6:30 pm
Thursdays, 10:30 am
No session on Tuesday, Jul 4
Grab your crochet hook, knitting needles, or sewing kit and join other crafters for some social stitching!

DIY Crafts
Mondays, Jun 5, Jul 10, and Aug 7, 6:30 pm
Limited to 10
$3 fee
Donna Carroll will demonstrate how to make these fun crafts in a hands-on workshop. All supplies included.

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Stampin’ Up
Tuesdays, Jun 13, Jul 11, and Aug 8, 6:30 pm
$6 for 3 cards. Pay instructor directly.
Esther Thoele will teach you how to use decorative rubber stamps and accessories to make personal greeting cards. Bring your own scissors and adhesive. Register for each class separately. $6 for 3 cards.

Canvas Flag Art
Wednesday, Jun 14, 6:30 pm
Create dramatic flag artwork on a canvas with local artist Diane Shebelski.

CHECK OUR WEBSITE (EVERGREENPARKLIBRARY.ORG) AND THE EVENTS CALENDAR FOR MORE EVENT INFORMATION.

Homemade Lint Journals
Mondays, Jun 26 and Jul 3, 6:30 pm
In this two-session class, you’ll learn how to make paper journals using repurposed dryer lint.

Gnome Sweet Gnome: Bathtub Gnome
Monday, Jul 17, 6:30 pm
Join Donna Carroll in creating this adorable gnome in a bathtub.

Art in the Park
Tuesday, Jul 18, 6 pm
James J. Sexton Park, 91st and Rockwell
Join us for watercolors and refreshing lemonade under the pergola at James Sexton Park. Supplies will be provided.

90’s Sleepover Crafts
Monday, Jul 24, 6:30 pm
Feeling Nostalgic? Join us for some fun 90’s crafts and make perler bead art, bead animal key chains, Shrinky-Dinks, and friendship bracelets.

Rock Painting
Monday, Jul 31, 6:30 pm
Rock painting isn’t just for kids. A pretty rock can brighten up your garden or bring a smile to someone’s face.

Floral Canvas Painting
Thursday, Aug 10, 6:30 pm
Local artist Diane Shebelski will walk you through the process of painting a beautiful floral canvas.

DIY Mini Terrarium
Monday, Aug 14, 6:30 pm
Create your own living mini terrarium and learn how to take care of the plants in your new terrarium.

Clay Bobble Head
Mondays, Aug 21 and 28, 6:30 pm
Learn to create fun and easy bobbleheads with air-dry clay. Our first session will be building our creatures, coaches, and concoctions. Our second session will be painting them.

Registration required is noted with an R.
Your Health

Medicare and ACA Enrollment Assistance
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Drop in Wednesdays, Jun 7 and Aug 9, 10 am to 1 pm
By appointment Wednesday, Jul 12, 10 am to 7 pm
Call the Reference Desk at 708.422.8522, ext. 132, to make a phone or in-person appointment.

OSF/Little Company of Mary Grief Support Group
Thursdays, Jun 1, 8, 15, 1 pm
Tuesday, Jun 20, 1 pm
Offering supportive and skilled support for those who are mourning the death of their loved one. Contact Sheila Reed at sheila.a.reed@osfhealthcare.org or 708.229.4299 to register for this program.

Spring Renewal Through Meditation
Monday, Jun 12, 6:30 pm
Artene Samsel, a long-time meditator, will show you how meditation can grant you the peace you seek.

Healthy Boundaries: The Power of No
Thursday, Jun 15, 6:30 pm
Saturday, Jun 17, 2:30 pm
Do you find yourself overwhelmed and taking on more than you can handle? This workshop will combat the negative ideas about saying “no” and setting boundaries. Learn that there is nothing wrong or selfish about knowing your limitations and educating others on your wants and needs. Presented by Sarah Johnson of the Center for Self-Actualization as part of the District 124 Community Grant.

WITS Workout
Fridays, Jun 16, Jul 21, and Aug 18, 11 am
Participate in interactive brain teasers, games, and puzzles that get you thinking because coming together and learning new things is good for your noggin! Recommended for older adults. Register even if attending virtually.

Courage Cards – Messages That Inspire
Wednesday, Jul 12, 6 pm
Courage cards are beautiful cards with messages that can be used to inspire. Join Certified Mindfulness Coach Debra Vinci to create your own courage card and learn some mindfulness techniques. Bring your own favorite messages, quotes, affirmations, and mantras, or create your own unique messages. All supplies provided.

Balance Workshop
Tuesday, Jul 11, 1 pm
Joan Zigulich of Yoga Pathway, LLC, will take you through a series of poses, working on balance and core stability. She’ll show you how to develop the qualities that help to maintain balance, avoid big messy falls, and manage the odd stumble or two.

CURRENT EVENTS & HISTORY

History of Juneteenth
Monday, Jun 5, 6:30 pm
Join Dr. Daniel Davis, Associate Professor of Africana Studies from Kennedy-King College and St. Xavier University, as he discusses the history and traditions behind the Juneteenth holiday. Juneteenth is an American holiday celebrated annually on June 19 commemorating the end of slavery in the United States.

Cultivating Your Family Tree
Thursday, Jun 29, 6:30 pm

Doc and Discussion
Thursday, Jul 13, 6:30 pm
Watch the Frontline Documentary Age of Easy Money from home, then come to the Library to discuss it with Dr. Mathew Costello from St. Xavier University.

Genealogy Lock-in
Friday, Aug 11, 5:30 to 8:30 pm
Come in and research online with Ancestry.com and newspaper archives. Take advantage of free copying, printing, and scanning.

Organize Your Computer Files
Thursday, Jun 1, 1 pm
Learn how to create folders and organize your files.

Computer Basics Part 1
Mondays and Fridays, Jun 5, 9, 12, and 16, 10 am
Adults with limited knowledge of computers can learn the main components, mouse, keyboard, and common terminology in this hands-on class.

Outlook vs Gmail
Thursday, Jun 8, 1 pm
Learn the different features Outlook and Gmail have to offer.

Introduction to a Google Account
Thursdays, Jul 6, 13, 20, and 27, 1 pm
Learn different features that Google has to offer if you have a Gmail account. We will cover Google Drive, Google Docs, YouTube, and more. Note: You will need to create a Google (Gmail) account prior to class.

Computer Basics Part 2
Mondays and Fridays, Jul 10, 14, 17, and 21, 10 am
Learn to navigate the Internet using search engines, Internet browsers, and more in this hands-on class. Computer Basics Part 1 is not required but is recommended.

Video Editing Using iMovie
Wednesday, Jun 28, 6:30 pm
With the rise of TikTok and Instagram reels, video creation is now more crucial than ever. EP resident Tom Donovan will show you how to get started using iMovie on your iPhone. Bring your iPhone with the free iMovie app installed.
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**GAMES**

**After Hours: Beatles Trivia Night**
Friday, Jun 23, 6 pm
Over-21 event
In celebration of Global Beatles Day on June 25, the Library will be hosting a Beatles trivia night. Get a team together for a fun-filled evening. The winning team will receive a one-of-a-kind trophy and bragging rights. Call 708.422.8522, ext. 132, to register your team.

**Every Word Counts Scrabble Club**
Wednesdays, Jun 21, Jul 19, and Aug 16
Spend a fun afternoon playing your favorite game of Scrabble with friends, family, and others who enjoy a challenge.

**How to Grow a Reader Workshop with Bookish Literacy Center**
Thursday, Jun 8, 6:30 pm
Learn developmentally appropriate strategies and techniques to support your reader at home from August Smith of Bookish Literacy Center in Beverly.

**Sketch-Comedy Writing**
Wednesdays, Jul 19, 26, Aug 2, 9, and 16, 7 pm
Teens and adults are welcome
Master the skills of writing sketch comedy, in the style of SNL, with EP resident and writer Tom Donovan. During this five-class series, the emphasis is on creativity and practical tips for writing, rather than theory. Come out with a finished sketch!

**How to Start a Podcast**
Tuesday, Jun 20, 6:30 pm
Chris Lanuti from Broadcast Basement Network, featuring The EP Podcast, will discuss the skills and technology needed to launch your own podcast and take advantage of this exciting new medium. Lots to learn whether you are just beginning or looking to advance in the podcast world.

**Social Security and Retirement Planning Basics**
Mondays, Aug 14, or Aug 28, 6:30 pm
A representative from the Society of Financial Awareness (SOFA USA) will talk about factors to consider when determining what age to file for Social Security, ways to avoid higher taxation of your Social Security benefits, retirement threats and how to avoid them, and much more.

**Welcome to my Kitchen with Chef Kate**
evergreenparklibrary.org/chefkate
Enjoy Kate’s videos and register to win a kitchen gadget after you view each video. Videos are available on our website at evergreenparklibrary.org/chefkate.

**Preserving Summer Solstice**
Wednesday, Jun 21, 6:30 pm
In this two-part program, we will preserve the beautiful flowers of the Summer Solstice and remember the beauty of summer on December 21. In December, we will take the pressed flowers and will create a beautiful picture.

**MJ: The Musical**
Wednesday, Aug 23
Fee $75 includes ticket and coach bus
Limit 2 tickets. Run time 2 hrs and 30 minutes
Coach bus leaves the Library at 6:30 pm for the Nederlander Theatre. The bus will return to the Library immediately after the show. Purchase tickets at the Circulation Desk or by calling 708.422.8522, ext. 110.

**English Conversation Group**
Wednesdays, Jun 7, 28, Jul 12, and 26, 10 am
Practice your English conversation skills. For English language learners. Great opportunity to speak in small groups.
Únase a nuestro grupo de conversación en inglés para practicar sus habilidades de conversación.

**How to Start a Podcast**
Tuesday, Jun 20, 6:30 pm
Chris Lanuti from Broadcast Basement Network, featuring The EP Podcast, will discuss the skills and technology needed to launch your own podcast and take advantage of this exciting new medium. Lots to learn whether you are just beginning or looking to advance in the podcast world.

**TAKE A TRIP**

**2022 YEAR IN REVIEW**

**NEW SERVICES & RESOURCES ADDED**
- Makerspace Technology
  - PRUSA 3D PRINTER
- Cricut Maker 3
- Career Online High School
- Illinois License Plate Sticker Renewal
- Mango Languages Learning App
- Brainfuse HelpNow & JobNow
- Book-A-Librarian Sessions
- Circulating Laptops
- STEM Kits
**Book Clubs and Discussions**

Copies are available at the Circulation Desk.

**Stranger Than Fiction Book Club**  
*Wednesdays, Jun 21, Jul 19, and Aug 16, 6:30 pm*  
Sometimes life can be stranger than fiction. Join us for our monthly non-fiction book discussions. Copies are available at the Circulation Desk.

- **Jun 21**: The Great Stewardess Rebellion by Nell McShane Wulfhart
- **Jul 19**: Cultish by Amanda Montell
- **Aug 16**: The Boys by Ron Howard and Clint Howard

**Kindred Spirits Book Club**  
*Wednesdays, Jun 28, Jul 26, and Aug 30, 6:30 pm*  
Join us for our lively book discussions. Copies are available at the Circulation Desk.

- **Jun 28**: The Book of Lost Friends by Lisa Wingate
- **Jul 26**: West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge
- **Aug 30**: Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

**Cookbook Book Club**  
*Mondays, Jun 12 and Aug 21, 6:30 pm*  
Copies are available at the Circulation Desk.

- **Jun 12**: Sandwiches
- **Aug 21**: Hot Summer Meals

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**Authors**

**Author Elizabeth Berg**  
*Friday, Jun 2, 6:30 pm*  
Over 21 event  
New York Times bestselling author, Elizabeth Berg, will be at the Library to discuss her newest release, *Earth’s the Right Place for Love*. Her book dives into the bond between brothers, first loves, and the power of kindness and is a precursor to her story *The Story of Arthur Truluv*. Wine and cheese will be served. Copies of her book will be available for purchase at the event through Bookies Bookstore.

**SXU Graphic Art Exhibit**  
*Through Jun 27*  
We would like to thank the artists and coordinators, including Nathan Peck, Dan Dougherty, Chris Thach, Bogganr Alvarez, and Ethan Gray.  
SXU Graphic Art Exhibit is supported in kind by the Eisner Graphic Novel Grant for Libraries.

**IAEA Art Show**  
*Jun 27 to Jul 31*  
EPPL is proud to host the Illinois Art Education Association Statewide Student Art Show, which showcases award-winning pieces from Illinois school artists in grades K-12.

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**Exhibits**

**SXU Graphic Art Exhibit**

**IAEA Art Show**