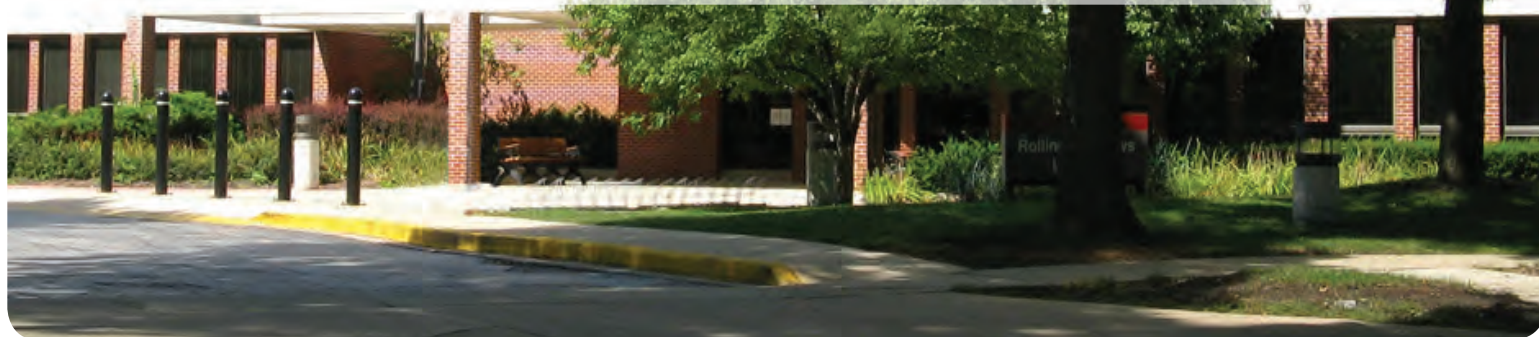


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Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Sunday: 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Closings

Sunday, May 30
Monday, May 31
Sunday, July 4

Let us e-mail you!

Would you like to receive hold, overdue and courtesy notices by e-mail? Ask a Check Out Desk staff member for details.

You can also sign-up for library updates on our website: www.rmlib.org. Just look for the Quick Link **Stay Connected**.

Renew Items by Phone

Call 847-259-BOOK (2665) to renew or hear a list of your checked out items.

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June

Cookbook Chat

Kitchen Gadgets

Saturday, June 12 at 10:30 a.m.

Covering a different topic each time, this virtual program gives you a chance to expand your home cooking skills. Let us showcase the books and you can check them out after! Please provide your e-mail when you register so we can send the Zoom link and a list of the books highlighted.

Arts Alive Concert

Sentimental Journey

Sunday, June 13 at 2:00 p.m.

See page 3 for details.

Motown: Music that Moved the World

Tuesday, June 22 at 7:00 p.m.

1960's Motown Records produced the *Sound of Young America* sung by performers like The Supremes, The Temptations, Marvin Gaye and Stevie Wonder. Using audio and visual content we'll trace psychedelic, power, and pop soul. Timeless music that moved us then and moves us now.

Looking for Earth Elsewhere

Tuesday, June 29 at 7:00 p.m.

Astroeducator Michelle Nichols will lead us through a search of the thousands of planets we have found around other stars. Are any like earth? This presentation will highlight the search for extrasolar planets and present the recent findings of planets which could be just like our own home.

July

Cookbook Chat

Regional American Cooking

Saturday, July 10 at 10:30 a.m.

This virtual program gives you a chance to expand your home cooking skills. Let us showcase the books and you can check them out after! Please provide your e-mail when you register so we can send the Zoom link and a list of the books highlighted.

Movie Music Romance I

Thursday, July 15 at 7:00 p.m.

John LeGear shares 100 years of magical music memories that shine today as brightly as ever. From Fred and Ginger to *West Side Story* to *La La Land*, we'll get the inside scoop about the greatest romantic classics made on celluloid.

Living with Birds

Wednesday, July 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Terry O'Connor and Roger Fox, volunteers at the Senior Center Woodshop, and Michael Schudrowitz, former owner of Wild Bird stores, share their experiences with song birds, nesting boxes, and a future RM bird sanctuary. North America has over 30 billion fewer birds than in 1970. This is a major concern we can do something about.

Arts Alive Concert

Stars and Stripes with Rick Pickren

Sunday, July 25 at 2:00 p.m.

See page 3 for details.

Battle of the Bulge:

The Forgotten Heroes

Thursday, July 29 at 7:00 p.m.

Western Europe's largest WWII battle saw German plans for victory defeated by small groups of American soldiers who were in the right place at the right time and often made the ultimate sacrifice. Robert Mueller revisits the places and remembers the men who beat Hitler's last desperate gamble.

August

Cookbook Chat

Staying Cool

Saturday, August 7 at 10:30 a.m.

Covering a different topic each time, this virtual program gives you a chance to expand your home cooking skills. Let us showcase the books and you can check them out after! Please provide your e-mail when you register so we can send the Zoom link and a list of the books highlighted.

The Ghost of Mary Surratt

Thursday, August 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Lynn Rymarz portrays Mary Surratt who was convicted and hung for the conspiracy of killing Abraham Lincoln. Hear about events leading to the assassination, her involvement with John Wilkes Booth, her arrest and testimony, and the words of the verdict. Decide if she was guilty or innocent.

Arts Alive Concert

Shamrock Ragsters

Sunday, August 22 at 2:00 p.m.

See page 3 for details.

Organizing 101:

Hitting the Clutter Hotspots

Tuesday, August 24 at 7:00 p.m.

Learn what type of organizer you are, then pinpoint your hotspots. Find out what a Control Center is and how to set one up in your home. We'll also address some common trouble spots and learn tips on how to maintain your organization system.

Get Tech Help at the Library!

Our staff is here to help you with your technology questions. **There are three ways to get tech help:** Call us at 847-259-6050 x134 to set up a phone, Zoom or in-person appointment; send an e-mail to askrmlreference@rmlib.org; or come to the library's Reference Desk.

Creative Coloring Club

Color away your stress and anxiety with free coloring sheets for patrons ages 14 and up. Each monthly packet features a different theme. Call Nana at 847-259-6050 x133 or e-mail creativecoloring@rmlib.org to reserve your packet today. Supplies are limited.

arts alive

virtual concert series

The Arts Alive Concert Series brings great music to the comfort of your home! Get your free virtual tickets online at www.rmlib.org click on *Programs & Events* and *Arts Alive Concert Series*, then find the link *Sign-up here*. You'll be sent an e-mail with instructions for attending. Concerts are sponsored by the Friends of the Rolling Meadows Library.

Sentimental Journey

Sunday, June 13 at 2:00 p.m.

Take a sentimental journey with Robin Rotela and Diana Stoic as they perform a wonderful collection of songs from the 1920s to 1960s. You'll enjoy everything from the Broadway classics of Rodgers and Hammerstein to the jazz standards of George Gershwin, plus old favorites of the Tin Pan Alley era. Mezzo soprano Robin Rotela holds a Masters of Music Education from Vandercook College of Music. She teaches voice at Vero Voce Studio of Performing Arts in St. Charles where she also directs children's shows. In addition to singing, Robin is a piano accompanist and writes and performs in cabaret shows. Soprano Diana Stoic has performed with the Illinois Philharmonic, Civic Orchestra of Chicago, Chicago Fringe Opera, Light Opera Works and the Lyric Opera of Chicago. She completed her Masters of Music at the Chicago College of Performing Arts.



Stars and Stripes with Rick Pickren

Sunday, July 25 at 2:00 p.m.

America's most beloved patriotic and official state songs are featured in this exciting and uplifting program. Sing along and tap your toes to "America the Beautiful," "God Bless America," "Yankee Doodle," "You're a Grand Old Flag," and more. Rick has performed hundreds of shows at museums, libraries, historical societies, senior communities, colleges, churches and other organizations throughout the U.S. He is a two-time winner of the Marlboro Country Music Round Up and has shared a stage with B.J. Thomas, George Strait, Merle Haggard, The Judds, Dolly Parton and Alabama. Rick is a graduate of the University of Michigan with a Bachelors of Music and an MFA in Theater. He is also an actor, appearing in numerous films and TV shows, and his recordings have been featured on several television programs.



Shamrock Ragsters

Sunday, August 22 at 2:00 p.m.

When lilting Irish, blazing bluegrass, and Dixieland jazz collide you get the Shamrock Ragsters. Enjoy the instrumental expertise of Doug Jones (bass), Gus Friedlander (mandolin), Steve Martin (banjo and concertina), Al Tauber (guitar), along with Andi Tauber's lovely voice as they play and sing traditional Irish and American folk music.



virtual storytime

Even though we cannot have storytime in person at the library, we have resources for you and your child to enjoy from home. For more information, please call the Ask Me Desk at 847-259-6050 x140 or go to <http://www.rmlib.org/programs/kidsprograms.html>.



Storytime To Go

Babies-Grade 2

New releases on the first day of each month:

Tuesday, June 1; Thursday, July 1; & Sunday, August 1

When we can't have in person storytimes here's the next best thing. We've selected some of the best stories read online. Each month we will include several stories for the youngest listeners and some to catch older listeners' attention. We will often offer a song and a craft activity. All will be available online, or we've packaged them up for you to pick up in person "to go." We will release a new *Storytime To Go* on the first day of June, July, and August.

Rhyme Time Tuesdays

Babies-K

Tuesdays: June 8 & 22, July 6 & 20, August 3 & 17

The Itsy Bitsy Spider, Little Miss Muffit, and Little Jack Horner miss you! Every other Tuesday we will post a new nursery rhyme with a hands-on activity to go along with it. You can either do it on your own at home or pick up a package from the library.



virtual concert+
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special Event

Fun for All ages!

**Friday, June 18
2:00 p.m.**

we're kicking off summer with Wendy & DB!
Wendy & DB are award-winning musicians who will get us up and moving with fun and engaging songs and activities. Don't miss it!



Take the
Summer
Reading
Challenge!



June 1 - August 15

Registration begins June 1 and is on-going throughout the challenge. You may register in person or online through Beanstack, accessible through the library's website or the Beanstack App.

There are two
Summer Reading Clubs:

Rainbow Readers is for children from birth through grade 4. Keep track of your reading and when you complete the challenge, you'll get the Grand Prize!

Badge Book is for readers in grades 5-8. Join the club and get a special Badge Book. The book is full of all sorts of activities and rewards to help you keep track of your reading and have tons of fun along the way! When you finish, you'll get the Grand Prize!

Join us
for
**WENDY
& DB**

Registration begins

June 1. Register online at <http://rmlib.org/programs/kidsprograms.html> or call the library at 847-259-6050 x140. We will send you an e-mail with instructions for attending this virtual concert.

activities for children

Go to www.rmlib.org and look for **Programs for Kids**, or call the Ask Me Desk at 847-259-6050 x140 for more information.

No
Registration
needed!



At Home Craft Activities - Summer

Children of all ages

Fridays, June 4 - August 27

Life just wouldn't be the same without Drop in Crafts. We will have them available to you online. Look for two new crafts each week. All can be made with simple things found at home. Stay crafty!

Nature Bingo

Babies-Grade 2

Monday, June 7 - Saturday, June 12

Get outside and explore the natural world all around you. Stop by the Ask Me Desk for a Nature Bingo card, and see how many objects you can spot. Get 4 in a row and win!

programs and activities..... for children

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Registration
is required
and begins
June 1, unless
noted.

You'll find these programs and activities on our website at www.rmlib.org. Look for **Programs for Kids**, or call the Ask Me Desk at 847-259-6050 x140.

Wonderful Colors

PreK-Grade 6

Monday, June 7 - Saturday, June 19

Color is all around us, but how much do you really know about it? We'll have kits full of interesting (and beautiful!) activities to explore the world of color. *Kits can be reserved beginning June 1.* They will be available for pickup June 7 - June 19, while supplies last.

Virtual Minecraft

Grades 3-8

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

June 16: Minecraft Mania!

July 7: Minecraft Mania! en Español

July 28: Minecraft Mania: Survival!*

Participants will need a device onto which Minecraft and Zoom can be downloaded (it's free) and with a browser that can view Zoom. Full instruction will be provided. Online Registration only. *Registration for Minecraft Mania! and Minecraft Mania! en Español begins on June 1. *Registration for Minecraft Mania: Survival begins July 1.*

Wendy and DB - Virtual Concert!

All Ages

Friday June 18, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Don't miss this Virtual Concert Summer Event! Find more info on page 3, at left.

Beautiful Bugs

PreK-Grade 6

Monday, June 28 - Saturday, July 10

Did you know there are more insects on Earth than any other type of animal? Pick up a kit with hands-on activities to learn about these fascinating creatures, and create your own lightning bug that really lights up! *Kits can be reserved beginning June 1.* They will be available for pickup June 28 - July 10, while supplies last.

Sand Art

Grades K-8

Monday, July 12 - Saturday, July 24

Sand Painting has been an important part of many cultures all over the world – and it's just so much fun! We'll have Sand Painting kits available with everything you need to complete your own beautiful sand painting. *Reserve your kit beginning July 1.* Kits will be available for pickup July 12 - 24, while supplies last.

Dinosaur Dig

Grade 1-8

Monday, July 26 - Saturday, August 7

Dig into an exciting summer project and discover your own little dinosaur fossil. The library now has Dinosaur Excavation kits! *Reserve yours beginning July 1.* Kits will be available for pickup from July 26 - August 7, while supplies last.

readers' advisory recommends...



book

discussion groups

For information about
book discussion
groups, see
page 6.

Summer Reading Challenge
for Adults and Teens
June 1 - August 15



Sign-up online, on the Beanstack app, or at the
Readers' Advisory Desk.

music

Can't escape? Listen to Jimmy Buffett and bring beach living to your home. **Songs You Don't Know By Heart** features 15 new acoustic recordings of favorite songs voted on by fans, and have rarely (if ever!) been played on tour.

Lana Del Rey makes a folk-pop splash with her seventh album, **Chemtrails Over the Country Club**, which includes a cover of the Joni Mitchell song "For Free" in addition to original tracks.

Groove along with Thelonious Monk in **Palo Alto**, a rediscovered recording of a Monk gig from 1968; a good example of Monk's musical style featuring recognizable pieces.

movies

If you enjoy escaping to small communities like Portwen (Doc Martin) and Corfu (The Durrells) you'll love James Herriot's adventures in 1930's Yorkshire in the newest adaptation of **All Creatures Great & Small**.

Tom Hanks and Helena Zengel star in the affecting film adaptation of Paulette Jiles' novel **News of the World**, in which a former Civil War soldier is charged with returning a young woman to her family.

Delve into a murder investigation that upends the quaint town of Three Pines, Quebec in **Still Life**, based on the internationally bestselling fiction book by Louise Penny.

books

Enjoy a madcap comedy about a crime that never took place, a would-be bank robber who disappears into thin air, and eight extremely anxious strangers who find they have more in common than they ever imagined. **Anxious People** by Fredrik Backman addresses societal issues via the medium of storytelling; perfect for book clubs. Discover multiple copies in the Book Club section at our library.

In Nalini Singh's thriller **Quiet in Her Bones**, the reader descends into the twisted world of an exclusive cul-de-sac when the bones of a long missing socialite are unearthed in the nearby forest. A must for lovers of Paula Hawkins and Gillian Flynn.

Strangers struggle to survive while helping each other through the countryside of fascist Italy during the Second World War in **Our Darkest Night** by Jennifer Robson.

teen scene

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your
World!

June 1 -
August 15

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Music

Give **Goodnight Songs for Rebel Girls** a listen! This CD celebrates extraordinary women in contemporary and historical music. Their music is quite empowering!

Books

Join Emoni Santiago as she struggles to finish high school as the mom of a toddler. In **With the Fire on High** by Elizabeth Acevedo, we get to watch Emoni let go of her stresses with her cooking. She has dreams of becoming a chef after graduation!

Movies

Minari is an inspirational film with an exceptionally good cast! A Korean family moves from California to rural Arkansas in search of their own great American dream. The family members each discover their own resilience and together they realize what it really takes to make a home. An Oscar nominated performance!

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library news



We're Off to See the Wizard...

Zoom Book Discussions

by Mary Constance Back, Director of Readers Services

When the library reopened to the public, we were challenged with continuing to provide core library services. One of our commitments has always been connecting books to readers. Therefore, it was essential to navigate a new way of providing book discussions. Akin to Dorothy in ***The Wizard of Oz***, we could empathize with the sentiment, "We're not in Kansas anymore." Like her, we had to meet our obstacles with wisdom, courage, and heart.

Follow the yellow brick road...

First we encountered the Scarecrow who inspired us to use our brain. We taught ourselves Zoom technology, practiced relentlessly in front of green screens, and winced when our microphones shrieked with feedback. Because we were one of the few libraries that had reopened, we needed to find a way to secure multiple copies of the books. Eventually we triumphed, metaphorically locked arms, and proceeded on our journey.

Follow the yellow brick road...

We next met the Cowardly Lion. He reminded us that we had already exhibited courage by learning an unfamiliar technology. We already possessed the skills to facilitate thoughtful discussions. It became apparent to be successful we needed our members to have the courage to take the leap *with* us. They, too, needed to embrace the concept of connecting from their homes through personal laptops, phones, and tablets. We scheduled individual technology training sessions. We decided that it was crucial that a second person serve as technical support to troubleshoot during live discussions.

Follow the yellow brick road...

Finally, we encountered the Tin Man. He explained that the heart of our endeavor had been with us all along in the form of our very dear book group members! Masked up and socially distanced, we sat down at the library's conference room table. Our hearts raced with excitement as our first participant joined the Zoom...then a second...and a third. One by one our faithful members all joined us. Our world rushed from black & white to glorious Technicolor--our own dazzling Emerald City! It was then that we knew all our efforts had been worthwhile. It wasn't as easy as clicking our heels together, but we did it!

virtual book discussion groups

While our in-person discussions are on hold, we are offering virtual book discussions via Zoom. To sign-up please call 847-259-6050.

Books and Bagels typically meets the first Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m.

June 3: ***Miracle Creek*** by Angie Kim

Morning Book Break meets the second Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m.

June 8: ***Miracle Creek*** by Angie Kim

Just Desserts usually the fourth Tuesday evening of every other month from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m., unless noted.

July 27: ***Little Women*** by Louisa May Alcott

Real to Reel Book Club is now meeting on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. Nonfiction fans can read the book, watch the movie, or both.

July 24: ***Molly's Game: The True Story of the 26-Year-Old Woman Behind the Most Exclusive, High-Stakes Underground Poker Game in the World*** by Molly Bloom

