

Alsip-Merrionette Park Public Library District

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# AMPL News

## Celebrate Summer Reading Registration Fun!

*Saturday, June 3*

Summer Reading registration 2023 includes a fabulous donation from the folks at *Children's Health Resource Center - Advocate Children's Hospital!*

**The first 50 children to register for summer reading will be fitted for a free bike helmet from 9 am-12 pm on Saturday, June 3.** An AMP youth library card is required to register and can be obtained at the Patron Services Desk.

Dale Obrochta, the Balloon Dude, will make a return appearance from 11 am-3 pm on Saturday, June 3 creating balloon treats for all children with an AMP library card who register for summer reading on that day.



Summer Reading includes coupons, prizes, programs, classes and 6 weeks of summer fun, June 3-July 29.

## Now Accepting Donations!

From June 3 to July 31, the library will be accepting new school supplies donations. Worth Township will then distribute all donations to area families in need. Drop off your donations to the Patron Services Desk. For more information contact us at 708-371-5666 x 141.



## Stuck in the Sixties Concert

*Tuesday, August 1 at 2 pm (Located at Heritage 2 Clubhouse - 3715 W 123rd Place in Alsip)*

Don't miss this fun concert as crowd favorite Tom Malouf performs some of the best songs from the 1960's. Come prepared to sing along and enjoy a trip down memory lane. Light refreshments will be provided.





## 2023 Summer Reading Prize Program

The 2023 theme “Find Your Voice” will provide a context for exploring our collections, library programs and services that empower patrons of all ages to make their voices heard.

### What is this program?

The Summer Reading Prize Program is an opportunity to enrich your child’s literacy skills and develop a strong connection to lifelong learning. For 6 weeks, children read independently, while checking in each week at the library to receive coupons, small toy prizes and to compete in our wonderful raffles.

### Who can join?

Children, birth-8th grade, with their own valid Alsip-Merrionette Park public library card may register to earn weekly prizes, coupons and raffle baskets. Registration for the prize program begins Saturday, June 3 and is ongoing to July 29. It is never too late to sign up for our prize program. Best of all, this program is FREE!

### How does this program work?

#### Do I have to check in at a certain time or a certain day?

It’s easy! Coupons, prizes and raffles are awarded weekly, beginning the week of June 19 and ending July 29. To receive coupons, prizes and raffles, registration for the prize program is required. You can check in any time or any day that we are open. Just come downstairs to the lower level at the Youth Services desk.

### What about the raffles?

**Weekly Raffles:** When your child checks in at the Youth Services desk, they will receive a raffle ticket for a weekly raffle basket filled with books, games, activities and special prizes. Each basket is different. If your child creates a picture of the book they read or colors in their reading log or writes about their book in their reading review log, they receive an extra raffle ticket. **Grand Prize Raffles:** At the end of the 6 weeks, one name is drawn from all of the accumulated raffle tickets, and a 1 year family museum membership is awarded. This year, to accompany the outdoor theme, an overnight camping cabin in our local forest preserves will also be awarded. Coming back weekly to check in and bringing your

reading log or book review gives you more raffle tickets and a better chance of winning the raffles!

### Children’s Summer Classes

During the summer, our classes are 6 weeks long. Children must have their own, valid Alsip-Merrionette Park Public Library card to attend. We recognize that families are busy and have adjusted our registration process to reflect this. Beginning this summer, all children’s classes are first come, first serve, unless otherwise stated. No prior registration required. The check-in for classes is as follows: Children with their own AMP library cards should arrive 15 minutes before each class, each week to secure a name tag from the Youth Services desk and entrance into our classes. Space is limited in many of the classes so please arrive early. Our classes are generally 30 minutes in length and process-oriented. They begin promptly at the designated time. For the best experience for your child, latecomers will not be admitted once the class has begun.

### Age Limits and Why

In order to provide your child with the best possible experience, all of our programs are designed according to specific age/grade level groups. Our instructors are sensitive to the needs of the individual age levels. Children must be the age listed in the brochure for each program by the June 4th registration. The grade level is the grade the child will be going into, in September, 2023. We reserve the right to ask for proof of age/grade. Programs begin the week of June 19 and end July 29. The library is closed July 4 for Independence Day. You may register for just the prize program, OR, you may participate in both prizes and classes.

### How do I get a library card?

All AMPL district children from birth+ are eligible for a free library card. Please contact the Patron Services desk for more information at 708-371-5666 ext. 100, 101. For more information about children’s classes or the reading prize program, please contact the Youth Services Department at 708-371-5666 ext. 140. Adults may also participate in their own reading prize program. Contact Adults Services at 708-371-5666 ext. 139 for more information. Check out our website, [www.alsiplibrary.info](http://www.alsiplibrary.info) or like and follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter!

Weekly Programs begin the week of June 19 and end July 29. The library is closed July 4 for Independence Day. Programs are drop in, first come first served, unless otherwise stated. Children must have a valid AMP library card to participate. Children may check-in with their library card 15 minutes prior to the program. Our classes are generally 30 minutes in length and process-oriented. They begin promptly at the designated time. For the best experience for your child, latecomers will not be admitted once the class has begun. Some of our programs may involve food so please be aware of food allergens. By attending our programs, you are giving consent for your child's photos to be used on our website, social media sites and/or within the library.

## Morning Programs

### Tales for Teddy Bears

*Mondays at 10 am (No program Monday, July 3)*  
Ages 1-5 with caregiver. Join Miss Cindy with your favorite teddy bear, or other stuffed friend, as we read stories, play games and make a craft. Limit 12.

### Wiggles and Giggles

*Tuesdays at 10 am (No program Tuesday, July 4)*  
Ages 1-5 with caregiver. Does your little one have the wiggles? Then this program is for you! Each week we will wiggle and giggle and get silly! Lots of movement and lots of fun! Limit 12.

### Petite Picassos

*Wednesdays at 10 am*  
Ages 1-5 years with caregiver. Join Miss Wendy as we explore and create new art each week! Little ones will have the opportunity to use a variety of fun art materials in this process-oriented art program. Dress to get messy! Limit 12.

### Preschool STEAM

*Thursdays at 10 am*  
Ages 1-5 years with caregiver. Join Miss Ann each week for a fun activity to learn about science and art with fun experiments. Limit 12.

### Sensory Play Hour

*Thursdays from 10:45-11:45 am*  
Children and parents are invited to play and socialize in a safe, fun and multi-sensory environment. This inclusive, interactive program will be enjoyed by children of all abilities, but is especially designed for children with sensory processing sensitivities.

### Preschool Music & Movement

*Fridays at 10 am*  
Best for under 5 with caregiver. Songs, stories and musical adventures with Miss Debbie and her guitar! Limit 18.

## Afternoon Programs

### Speedy Science

*Mondays at 3 pm (No program Monday, July 3)*  
Ages 5-11. Join Miss Ann each week for a fun science activity! Each week we will do a different experiment to learn cool things about science! Limit 12.



### Creative Chefs

*Tuesdays at 3:30 pm (No program Tuesday, July 4)*  
Ages 3-6 years. Each week we will enjoy tasty stories and learn easy cooking skills while preparing a simple snack. Limit 12 children. *(Not recommended for children with food allergies)*

### Cooking with the Kids

*Wednesdays at 3:30 pm*  
Grades K-3 with caregiver. Does your little one love to help in the kitchen? Each week we will learn a new recipe, read a book and enjoy our snack. Limit 12 children. *(Not recommended for children with food allergies)*

### Canvas Kids

*Thursdays at 3:30 pm*  
Ages 5 and up. Join Miss Cindy as she shows you how to paint on a pre-traced canvas board. Please note: This program runs between 30-45 minutes and we use non-washable paint so dress to get messy. Limit 12.



## Evening Programs

### Once Upon a Cuento...

*Tuesdays at 6:30 pm (No program Monday July 3)*  
Ages 8 and under with caregiver (best for ages 2-6). Join us for bilingual stories, songs, crafts and snacks. Have fun learning the basics of Spanish while gaining a broader view of Latino culture. The library is for everyone! La biblioteca es para todos! Limit 24.

### Adventures in Art

*Tuesdays at 7 pm*  
Ages 8 and up. Join Miss Cindy for this process-oriented paint class geared toward older kids. We use non-washable acrylic paint so dress accordingly. Limit 12 children.

### Wiggles & Jammies

*Wednesdays at 6:30 pm*  
Ages 1-5 with caregiver. Does your little one have the wiggles before bedtime? Join us each week where we will wiggle and get silly just in time to settle for bedtime. Limit 12 children.



### Kitchen Creations

*Thursdays at 6:30 pm (No program Thursday, July 6)*  
Grades 4-8. It's THYME to cook up some fun with Miss Wendy. From quick snacks to meals in a mug, you'll have a chance to create something yummy each week. Limit 12 children. *(Not recommended for children with food allergies)*

## Unboxing Club

### Just for You

Ages birth to 8th grade. Receive a special bag filled with a book and treats! Answer a few questions, and we will pick out a book and some treats meant just for you! The book must be returned to the library, but the treats are yours to keep! You may register online or in-person. Limit 1 bag per program session. Registration begins Saturday, June 10.

## Saturday Programs

### Bingo

*Saturdays, June 24, July 8 & 22 at 11 am*  
Grades K-5. Join us for some Bingo! You may win some cool prizes and books. Limit 12 children.

## Middle School Programs

### Summer Youth Volunteers (TAG-Teen Advisory Group)

*Thursdays at 6 pm: June 1 & July 6*  
Going into Grades 6-8 (recent 8th Grade graduates welcome). Find your voice and volunteer this summer! Help us this summer by giving out weekly prizes, helping in programs, or working on special projects. Pick up an application in the Youth Services Department and return it as soon as possible. You **MUST** attend the mandatory orientation meeting either June 1 at 6 pm or June 10 at 11 am. Open to AMPL residents only with a valid library card or school ID.

### Find Your Voice Art Contest



Grades K-8. This year's Summer Reading theme is "Find Your Voice" so we want you to find yours by creating art. Starting June 17, stop by the YS desk and pick up an art kit. We will provide the canvas board, brushes and some basic paint colors and you can paint what you would like. You can even embellish your canvas with materials you may have at home, such as buttons, sequins, glitter, etc. Turn in your masterpiece by July 22 so we can hang it up before August. We will have a special judging panel who will select winners in different categories and you may even win a prize! There will be an Art Opening Tuesday, August 15 with cookies and juice, where we will announce the winners and give out prizes. After the summer is over you may pick up your masterpiece to keep.

## Special Family Programs

Best for ages 5 and up. These are ticketed events with limited seating. Tickets are required and available at the Youth Services desk 30 minutes before the show. An AMPL card is required.

### Illinois Raptor Center

*Wednesday, June 21 from 7-8 pm*

This educational and fun live raptor program may feature owls, hawks or eagles of Illinois. Come learn about these fascinating raptors up real and up close.



### Brent Allen, Magician

*Wednesday, June 28 at 7 pm*

A super-fun and hilarious show of wacky, magical family fun.

### Sandbank Shadow Puppet Theater

*Wednesday, July 12 at 7 pm*

Join Matt Sandbank and his marvelous shadow puppet theater as he tells stories with black and white shadows that will amaze.

### Big Run Wolf Ranch

*Wednesday, July 19 at 7 pm*

This educational and fun live animal program may feature wolves, big cats or other wild creatures.

### Family Tie-Dye

*Wednesday, July 26 at 7 pm (Drop in)*

Bring your cotton t-shirts and we'll supply the dye and gloves. Dress appropriately for a messy, fun time! Please allow 1 t-shirt per person.

## Take Home Activities

### Preschool Grab & Go Craft

*Every Friday*

Best for ages 2-6 years old. Come to the Youth Services Desk every Friday to pick up a craft for your little one to make at home. While supplies last.

### Busy Bags

*First day of each month*

Best for ages 5 and under. Give your child a fun time with our busy bags! These fun bags contain an easy and quiet activity for your child. They are the perfect size to fit in a diaper bag or backpack. Limit 1 bag per month, while supplies last.



### Take Home Activity Packet

*First day of each month*

Starting the first of each month, stop by the Youth Services Department for a Take Home Activity Packet. Filled with coloring pages and activities to get you through the theme of the month.

## Weekend Sensory Play Hour

*Sunday, June 11 at 1:30 pm and Saturday, July 8 at 11:30 am*

Birth-7 years of age with caregiver. Parents and little ones are invited to the library to play and socialize in a safe, fun and multi-sensory environment. This inclusive, interactive program will be enjoyed by children of all abilities, but is especially designed for children with sensory processing sensitivities. Come for 30 minutes or stay for the hour, you and your child determine the length of your visit. No registration necessary.

# Teens

These programs are for teens in 8-12 grade. Middle schoolers in 6-7 grade are welcome where specified. Registration encouraged, but not required, unless specified: 708.926.7024.

## Beyond TAG

*First Thursdays at 6 pm*

*June 1, July 6, August 3 & September 7*

Beyond TAG is a volunteer group for teens grades 9 and beyond! Monthly meetings count for 1 hour of dedicated service time; extra hours are scheduled as needed. June 1st will be our annual orientation. Interested, but can't make June 1st? Drop-in orientations will be held on Saturday, June 10 from 9 am-5 pm and Sunday, June 11 from 1-5 pm.

## Summer Reading Program: Find Your Voice!

Starting June 3, register and pick up your first reading log at the Information Desk. Bring the logs back every 5 books for a small prize and a raffle ticket for one of three grand prizes: **a journaling basket, a comic creation basket, or a karaoke machine!** Last day to turn in logs is July 29; winners will be drawn the first week of August. Happy reading and good luck!

## Comic Creation Workshop with DayStorm Studios

Jared and Alicia Day of Daystorm Studios will coach us through creating a mini comic book in this 4 week workshop! We'll choose a time we used our voice to speak up for ourselves or someone else and immortalize it on paper in comic format. Our last session will be a reading party where we'll share our work and celebrate (or mourn) the end of summer. No prior drawing or writing experience required. All materials will be provided. Grades 6-12 are welcome. Registration required; please do your best to attend each session, as they are sequential.

*Monday, June 26 from 2-3 pm - Session 1: Character Creation*

*Monday, July 3 from 2-3 pm - Session 2: Cover & Page 1*

*Monday, July 10 from 2-3 pm - Session 3: Page 2*

*Monday, July 17 from 2-3 pm - Session 4: Final Page*

*Monday, July 24 from 2-3 pm - Reading & End of Summer Party*



## Crafts

Signups are limited and required for all craft programs, even if you'd like a take-n-make kit: 708.926.7024

### Pride Flags

*In-Person Craft Night: Monday, June 12 at 6:30 pm*

*Take-N-Makes available starting Tuesday, June 13*

You're a unique individual and you're proud of it. Create a flag that shows who YOU truly are and let it fly! Grades 6-12 are welcome. Limit 24.

### Paint Pouring

*In-Person Only: Monday, August 14 at 6:30 pm*

Back by popular demand! Layer paint in a cup and flip it over a canvas to create an abstract marbled masterpiece. Wear clothes you don't care about, as this method can be very messy. Limit 12.

These programs are for teens ages 13-19. Signups are encouraged, but not required, unless specified otherwise: 708.926.7024.

## Board Games, Video Games and Tournaments

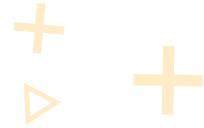
*No matter what types of games you like to play, we've got you covered!*



### Presentation Party

*Saturday, July 15 at 1 pm*

Brush up on both your improv and presentation skills! We'll use AI to randomly generate slideshows for everyone to present in 5 minutes or less. Leave your business casual at home: this party is for fun presentations only! Signups required; lunch will be served.



### Casual Game Nights

*Wednesdays, June 21, July 19 and August 23 at 7 pm*

Bring your friends to the Teen Zone for your choice of Switch, Jackbox, chess, or other board games!

### Dungeons & Dragons

*Two Saturdays per month at 1 pm*

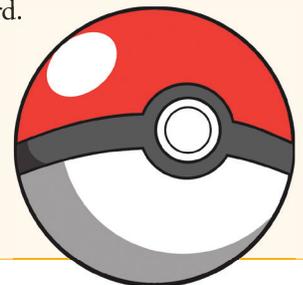
Check "Teen Programs" page on website for exact dates



### "Who's That Pokémon?" Kahoot Tournament

*Saturday, August 19 at 1 pm*

Think you're the very best? Guess the Pokémon in this Kahoot tournament to find out! The winner will receive a \$50 GameStop gift card. Grades 6-12 welcome. Signups required; lunch will be served.





## The Green Space Project

Behind the southwest corner of  
Prairie Junior High School at 11910  
S. Kostner Ave.

### *Monday Evening Garden Workdays 6-8 pm*

Have you ever wanted to try gardening but don't know where to begin? Or maybe you're an expert looking to swap tips and seeds? Come visit the Green Space Project this summer!

The Green Space Project is an experimental community garden sponsored by the library, the Alsip Park District and School District 126. We meet every week June through August to tend our garden, socialize and enjoy crafts and other activities outdoors.

All ages are welcome! Every time you participate, your family will be entered into a drawing for prizes. All workdays take place at The Green Space Project behind (southwest corner) Prairie Junior High at 11910 S. Kostner Ave. Registration is not required. To get updates on upcoming garden programs, join our email list at [bit.ly/ALSIPGSP](http://bit.ly/ALSIPGSP).

### Tai Chi in the Garden

*June 5 at 6 pm*

Come practice tai chi with the Tai Chi Tao Center. Loose-fitting clothes recommended. Jewelry, including rings, discouraged.

### Make a Fairy Garden

*June 12 at 6 pm*

Create a magical fairy garden with miniatures.

### An Evening with the Insect Asylum

*June 19 at 6 pm*

The Insect Asylum's resident entomologist will be giving a presentation on their work preserving insects.

### Cooking Outdoors: Pico de Gallo

*June 26 at 6 pm*

Learn how to make pico de gallo with vegetables found in our community garden!

### Painting in the Garden

*July 10 at 6 pm*

Come paint with us in the garden! Sketch your own composition or use one of our pre-printed canvases. Paints and materials will be provided.

### Illinois Native Plants

*July 17 at 6 pm*

Join us to learn more about native Illinois plants, where to find them, and how to grow them.

### Kimchi and Banchan

*July 24 at 6 pm*

Learn how to make three different

Korean side dishes with vegetables you can find in the garden.

### Plant Swamp

*July 31 at 6 pm*

Got plants to trade? Bring anything plant-related to trade with your fellow gardeners, including plants, seeds, cuttings, fertilizers, pots, tools, etc.

### Yoga in the Garden

*August 7 at 6 pm*

Come practice yoga outdoors with instructor Adela Alvarado.

### Yarn Dyeing with TLD DESIGNS

*August 14 at 6 pm*

Tammy from TLD Designs will show us how to dye yarn, and you can bring home your own custom skein.

### John Elliot of the Audubon Society

*August 21 at 6 pm*

Learn more about the work of the Audubon Society and birding.

### Harvest Potluck Party

*August 28 at 6 pm*

Join us for a harvest celebrating the end of our growing season! Feel free to bring a dish to pass, just make sure to come hungry.

## Quilting with Carla (2 sessions)

*Tuesday, June 6 & 13 at 6:30 pm*

Beginners and experienced quilters welcome. Chef Carla will demonstrate how to create a quilted drawstring bag. You will need to supply your own fabric. Please feel free to bring your own sewing machine and other supplies if you have them. Provide your email address when signing up to receive a list of necessary materials. Limit of 8 (*same people for both sessions*).

## June Friday Night Special Paint & Sip with Heaven Newsome

*Friday, June 9 at 6:30 pm*

Exercise your artistic muscles with this painting workshop of a Rainbow Desert. Enjoy light refreshments and a glass of wine while following along with local artist, Heaven Newsom. Create a colorful landscape and learn about balancing cool and warm tones and other acrylic painting techniques. Limit of 30. Sign up starts May 22 for AMPL cardholders. Non-AMPL cardholders registration starts June 1. Must be 21+ to sample wine.

## Cut the Cable

*Tuesday, June 20 at 6:30 pm*

Join Citizens Utility Board (CUB) to learn about your cable options and reducing robocalls! During the program, a CUB representative will discuss the different options in the TV market, ways to cut your cable costs and streaming services. CUB will also show how to avoid common robocall scams through call-blocking services and newly passed federal legislation laws to reduce robocalls.

## Spy vs. Spy

*Thursday, June 22 at 6:30 pm*

This program will cover the most famous as well as the lesser known espionage efforts of World War 2. Join us as speaker Robert Mueller discusses German saboteurs landing on America's East Coast, Japanese efforts against Pearl Harbor, Soviet penetration into the Atomic bombs Manhattan Project, British Enigma decrypts of German radio transmissions, and more.

## Better Decision Making and Clearing the Clutter

*Tuesday, June 27 at  
6:30 pm*

Clear the Clutter! Improve your life by getting the most from your stuff. Recognize and eliminate clutter, then maximize your stuff. Save time and money, while regaining control of your home.



## Take & Paint: Lemonade Signs

*Starting Monday, July 10 at 9 am*

Choose from three different wood blank designs, while supplies last. Paint and paintbrushes included! Limit of 15.

## Miniature Library in a Tin

*Tuesday, July 11 at 6:30 pm*

To celebrate Summer Reading, design and bring to life a portable miniature version of your dream library complete with tiny snacks and plants for decor. Limit of 18.

## AMPL Markerspace

Work with one of our librarians to create fantastic 3D prints, custom t-shirts, and more. Make a reservation or drop in from 6-7:30 pm on the second Thursday of the month. Personal use only, 2 to 3 items per session at librarian discretion. Feel free to bring your own items to print or buy blank mugs and t-shirts from us for \$5 each.

*Thursday, June 8 – 6 to 7:30 pm*

*Thursday, July 13 – 6 to 7:30 pm*

*Thursday, August 10 – 6 to 7:30 pm*

# Adults



Registration is required for all programs unless noted. Call the Information Desk at 708-926-7024 to register.

## Grandma Goes to the Alaskan Wilderness

*Tuesday, July 18 at 6:30 pm*

Join Jeanne Roppolo, the grandmother who previously worked in Antarctica and toughed it out on a small remote island in the South Pacific for an evening of stories. She returns to Alsip to share her knowledge and survival skills from her last adventure wandering the desolate wilderness of America's last frontier. Enjoy the company of free spirits who call this state home, while learning about its indigenous history and culture.

## Puzzle Competition

*Thursday, July 27 at 6:30 pm*

Figure out which of your friends and family are the best jigsaw puzzlers and assemble your team! Face off against the toughest of competition to complete the same 300 piece puzzle in the quickest time! Signup is required for each person attending. Come prepared with ideas for your team name! Cash prize of \$80 awarded to the top team. Light refreshments will be served. Ages 16+ to play. Limited to 8 teams.

## Chicago's Riverview Park with Leslie Goddard

*Tuesday, August 8 at 6:30 pm*

Riverview was once the "world's largest amusement park." It boasted the world's first suspended roller coaster and first parachute ride. Today, it's merely one of Chicago's best loved memories. The names alone evoke nostalgia: the Pair-O-Chutes, Aladdin's Castle, Shoot the Chutes and of course, the Bobs rollercoaster. Join historian Leslie Goddard, Ph.D. for a look back at the history of Riverview, from its opening in 1904 to its sudden closing in 1967.



## Mobile Memory Lab

Digitize your favorite family photos, home audio and video cassettes.

### Demo Class

*Thursday, June 29 at 7 pm*

### Open Labs

*Thursday, July 20 at 7 pm*

*Thursday, August 17 at 7 pm*

## Movie Music Romance

*Thursday, August 24 at 6:30 pm*

In this uplifting 75-minute presentation, watch familiar faces such as Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers, Judy Garland, Julie Andrews and John Travolta dance and sing across the big screen. Join us for a compilation of 23 classic songs and dances from among the finest in film history that will warm your heart and bring back happy memories.

## Beautiful Sounds with Gail Morales

*Saturday, August 26 at 11 am*

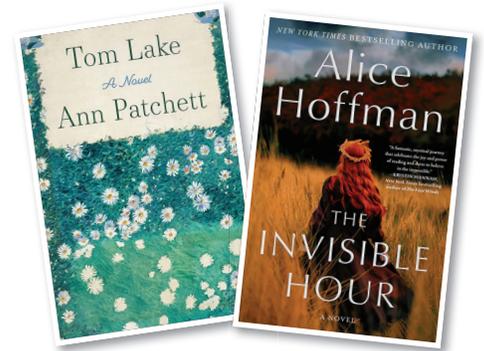
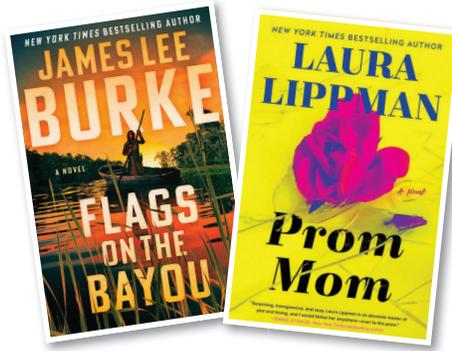
Dating back as far as the 12th century, singing bowls have been used throughout Asia for meditation, ritual and healing ceremonial purposes. Beautiful Sounds will feature Tibetan bowls, chimes and gongs. This full-body listening experience will take you on a sonically guided meditative journey, as vibrations gently wash away stress and tension, opening up space for clarity and expansive energy towards your goals.

## Virtual Cooking with Chef Carla

*Thursday, August 31 from 6-8 pm*

Join us on Zoom for another fun live cooking session led by Chef Carla. She always comes up with the most delicious dishes with plenty of tips and tricks for cooks of all skill levels. Cook along or just watch! Recipes provided in advance.

## New Summer Titles



### JUNE

*Isabel Allende*..... *The Wind Knows My Name*  
*James Patterson*..... *Cross Down*  
*Lisa See*..... *Lady Tan's Circle of Women*  
*Elin Hilderbrand*..... *The Five-Star Weekend*  
*Riley Sager*..... *The Only One Left*  
*Ruth Ware*..... *Zero Days*  
*Fiona Davis*..... *The Spectacular*  
*Danielle Steel*..... *Palazzo*

### JULY

*James Patterson*..... *Obsessed*  
*Debbie Macomber*..... *Must Love Flowers*  
*Brad Thor*..... *Dead Fall*  
*James Lee Burke*..... *Flags on the Bayou*  
*Linda Castillo*..... *An Evil Heart*  
*Colson Whitehead*..... *Crook Manifesto*  
*Daniel Silva*..... *The Collector*  
*Laura Lippman*..... *Prom Mom*

### AUGUST

*Ann Patchett*..... *Tom Lake*  
*Danielle Steel*..... *Happiness*  
*Jennifer Chiaverini*..... *Canary Girls*  
*Lisa Jewell*..... *None of This Is True*  
*James Patterson*..... *Lion & Lamb*  
*Alice Hoffman*..... *The Invisible Hour*  
*Karin Slaughter*..... *After That Night*  
*Emma Donoghue*..... *Learned by Heart*

## Adult Summer Reading Returns!

Starting June 3, register and pick up your first reading log at the Information Desk. Bring the logs back every 5 books for a small prize and a raffle ticket for an Apple iPad or a Samsung Galaxy Tab S7. The last day to turn in logs is July 29.

## Tuesday Morning Movies

Fourth Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am  
 Light refreshments provided.

June 27 - *Chantilly Bridge*  
 July 25 - *80 for Brady*  
 August 22 - *Blackberry*



## Saturday Book Social

Saturdays, June 10, July 15 & August 5 at 1 pm

Come chat with us about your recent favorite books and shows, or just listen and build up your spring reading list. Following the one-hour book discussion and light refreshments, an optional movie will be shown. For registration and information about the monthly theme, contact us at 708.926.7024.

**Postal Patron  
Alsip, IL 60803**



*Connect With Us*



## Tech Training

Advance registration required: 708.926.7024

### Advanced iPhone and iPad

*Thursday, June 15 at 6:30 pm*

Are you looking to get more out of your iPhone or iPad? This class will teach you all the tricks with Siri, settings, customization and more.

### Buying a Smartphone

*Sunday, July 9 at 2 pm*

Android or Apple? AT&T or Verizon? Samsung or HTC? We'll help you get to the bottom of the smartphone decision making process by covering devices, providers and plans.

### Computers Basics on Windows 11

*Tuesday, July 11 at 6 pm*

Join in our lively hands-on class covering the fundamentals. Limit 6 patrons.

### Save It To The Cloud

*Sunday, July 23 at 2 pm*

Learn how to back up your documents, music and photos to online cloud solutions, many of which are cheap or free.

### Mobile Device Safety

*Sunday, August 13 at 2 pm*

Mike Gershbein will demonstrate how to keep your Apple or Android device safe by adjusting the location tracking, privacy and app settings, and passwords.

### Library Hours

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thur . . . . . 9 am - 9 pm  
Friday & Saturday . . . . . 9 am - 5 pm  
Sundays . . . . . 1 pm - 5 pm  
*Drive-up book return open 24 hours*

### Library Closed

Memorial Day Weeekend . . . . . May 28 & May 29  
Father's Day . . . . . June 18  
Independence Day . . . . . July 3 close at 5 pm  
. . . . . July 4  
Labor Day Weekend . . . . . September 3 & 4

### Board Meetings

Library Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 3 pm (June 13, July 11 and August 8). Minutes and agendas are posted on the library website. Library Board members are elected by residents of Alsip, Merrionette Park and Garden Homes. Library board positions are unpaid. Meetings are open to the public.

### Library Board

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