



## Get In Your Element with a Library Card!



This September, the Richton Park Public Library District is joining the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries nationwide for Library Card Sign-Up Month!

### Celebrate your New Library Card

New cardholders will get a FREE gift\* with new card registration and an entry into our drawing!

### Complete a Library Card Check-up

Existing cardholders will get a FREE gift\* with a library card check-up and an entry into our drawing! A library card check-up is just confirming your account information so we can make sure it is up-to-date!

### FREE Replacement Cards

Existing cardholders who have lost their cards can get a FREE replacement card in September. *(Parent/Guardian must be present for minors; Library Card must be in good standing to qualify for free replacement).*

*\*Free Gift While Supplies Last. Promotions end Saturday, September 30th, 2023.*

THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY FALL BOOKSALE RETURNS ON OCTOBER 14. *Details on Page 2*

## Learn about Storms with Illinois Storm Chasers

Thursday, September 14 @ 6pm



Join the *Illinois Storm Chasers* as they talk about storms, storm chasing, and how the weather impacts the community.

*Open to all ages, registration recommended.*

LEARN THE WAY OF JAPANESE  
SWORDEPERSONSHIP. *Details on Page 8*

## That 70's Night: Fondue & Fun!

Friday, November 17 @ 6pm

We're going back to the 1970's with this off the hook family-friendly night! We'll have hot cheese fondue, classic games, groovy music, and more! Dress up in your 70's threads and be entered into our costume contest. Catch you on the flip side!  
*Open to all ages, registration recommended.*



MEET AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR  
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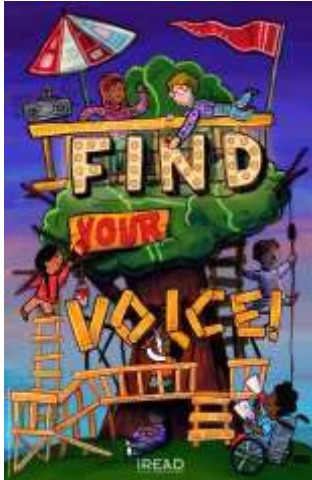
# Library Happenings

## Monthly Drawing

Check out a new or display item and be entered into our monthly drawing. See *Circulation Desk* for details. Runs monthly through December.

## Summer Reading Hall of Fame

Thank you to our over 250 participants who read over 1,800 days combined this Summer!



## CONGRATS TO OUR PRIZE WINNERS!

Avery B, Kenny C, Britney E, Marquis F, Leah G, Paulette G, Logan H, Pat H, Ahavah M, Daniel M, Malchiah N, Olivia O, Adonijah P, Penelope P, Layla R, Asir R, Charlotte S, Tina S, & Linda W.

Mark Your Calendars!  
Today is a Day to Celebrate!



Join us as we celebrate "National Days" with a small giveaway at checkout!

- Sept 13 - Int. Chocolate Day
- Sept 19 - Batman Day
- Oct 4 - Cinnamon Roll Day
- Oct 28 - Nat. Chocolate Day
- Nov 4 - Nat. Candy Day
- Nov 21 - Gingerbread Cookie Day
- Dec 13 - National Cocoa Day
- Dec 16 - Chocolate Covered Anything Day

## Library Card Reminders

Don't forget to stop in and upgrade if you haven't already.

- ✓ Update to a digital signature and we'll upgrade your card so that it never expires! (Account may still be removed if inactive for several years)
- ✓ If you've recently turned 18, make sure you upgrade to an adult card! (Youth cards will expire automatically 3 months after the birthday month)



# Friends of the Richton Park Library

## Let's Be Friends!

We meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm to help promote, support, and enhance the use of the Library by sponsoring programs, providing necessary materials & services, and furnishing community cultural enrichment.

## Upcoming Meetings:

September 12 @ 7pm  
October 10 @ 7pm

## Friends Officers:

D. Wilkerson, President  
D. Washington, Vice President  
C. Butler, Treasurer  
L. Johnson, Secretary

## Thank You for a Great Sips for Scholars 2023

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Sips for Scholars Scholarship Fundraising Event! We had a great night, and we hope to see everyone again in 2024!



## Fall Booksale

Saturday, October 14  
10am-2pm

Join the Friends of the Richton Park Library for their annual Book Sale. Everything is under \$1! Perfect for gifts, home libraries, teacher gifts, and more!



## Congrats to our 2023 Scholarship Winners!

A big round of applause to our Friends of the Richton Park Library Scholarship Winners: Leila M & Ahavah M! We wish them all the best as they start their college career!



# Read to Me & Youth Programs



## Books & Babies

**Birth-PreK & Caregivers:** Join us for songs, stories, and sensory toys.  
*Wednesdays: Sept 6 through Dec 27*  
*(No Meeting on Oct 25 & Dec 20)*  
*10:30-11:30am | Registration Required*

## Holiday Baby Storytimes

**Birth-PreK & Caregivers:** Join us for some holiday stories, songs, and a simple craft! Don't forget to show your holiday spirit and dress up!

Oct 25: Halloween Storytime

Dec 20: Christmas Storytime

*Wednesdays: Oct 25 & Dec 20*

*10:30-11:30am | Registration Recommended*



## Saturday Family Storytime

**K-Gr. 2 & Family:** Join us for a special story and craft on Saturday.

*Saturdays: Sept 9, Sept 23, Oct 14, & Dec 9*

*Noon-1pm | Registration Required*



## Holiday Family Storytimes

**PreK-Gr. 2 & Family:** Dress up and join us for some holiday stories, songs, and a simple craft!

Oct 24: Halloween Storytime

Dec 19: Christmas Storytime

*Tuesdays: Oct 24 & Dec 19*

*6-7pm | Registration Recommended*



## Pajama Storytime

**PreK-Gr. 2 & Family:** Throw on your pajamas and join us for a nighttime adventure where you can listen to a story and do a craft!

*Fridays: Sept 15, Oct 20, Nov 10, & Dec 15*

*6-7pm | Registration Required*



## Storytime Squad

**PreK-Gr. 2 & Family:** Join us for stories, songs, a craft, and a snack!

*Tuesdays: Sept 12 through Dec 26*  
*(No Meeting on Oct 24, Oct 31, & Dec 19)*

*6-7pm | Registration Recommended*



*REGISTER FOR YOUTH & TEEN PROGRAMS  
ONLINE, IN PERSON, OR OVER THE PHONE!*



## NEW THIS SEPTEMBER

### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

*Open to children Birth to PreK*

Foster a lifelong love of reading with this new program at your library! For every 100 books you read to your child, they'll get a small prize. Reach your goal of 1,000 books before they start Kindergarten and be entered into a quarterly giveaway! *More details on our website.*



## Elf on the Shelf Storytime

**PreK-Gr. 2 & Family:** The Elf on the Shelf is visiting the library to join us for story time! Bring your camera and take a photo!

*Saturday, November 25*

*11am-Noon | Drop-in Program*



## CHALLENGE OF THE MONTH



## Book Haunt

*October 1 - 31*

**K-Gr.5:** Pick up your haunted house reading log at the Youth Services Desk and return it for a treat bag!

## Disguise a Turkey

*November 1 - 30*

**K-Gr.5:** Thanksgiving is on it's way and the Turkeys are in trouble! Can you help disguise them? Pick up your Turkey at the Youth Services Desk. Decorate or color to disguise them. Then return them for a small prize!



## Gingerbread Dress-up

*December 1 - 31*

**K-Gr.5:** Pick up a Gingerbread Man at the Youth Services Desk and dress them up for the holidays! Then return them for a treat!

More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: [www.richtonparklibrary.org](http://www.richtonparklibrary.org)

# Read to Me & Youth Programs



## PreK Playdate

**Birth-PreK & Caregiver:** Bring the little ones to have fun with our pop-up toys, blocks, balls, and play doh! We'll have coffee and conversation for the grownups!

*Thursdays: Sept 7 through Dec. 28  
10-11:30am | Drop-in Program*

## Crafty Kids Jr.

**PreK:** Get crafty with a fun arts and craft class for young artists! Make sure you wear your mess-friendly clothes!

*Fridays: Sept 22, Oct 13, Nov 17,  
& Dec 22*

*11am-Noon | Registration Required*



## Lego Explorers

**PreK:** Join us while we explore our imaginations through building, music, and other fun activities.

*Fridays: Sept 8, Oct 6, Nov 3, & Dec 8  
Noon-1pm | Registration Required*

## Let's Make Cloud Dough

**PreK:** Drop by the library and make some cloud dough with us!

*Thursday, September 7*

*11am-Noon | Drop-in Program*



## Play Doh Playtime

**Birth-Gr. 2:** Get ready to squish, roll, and play with our Play Doh and accessories!

*Mondays: Sept 11 through Dec. 18*

*Birth-PreK: 10-11:30am*

*K-Gr. 2: 4-5:30pm | Drop-in Program*

## Afternoon Meetup

**K-Gr. 2:** Come out and make some new friends while we enjoy fun filled activities— It could be a craft, it could be a game!

*Tuesdays: Sept 26, Nov 28, & Dec 26*

*4-5pm | Registration Required*



## Gaming Kids

**K-Gr. 2:** Join us for some fun age-appropriate gaming!

*Tuesdays: Sept 12, Oct 10, Nov 14,  
& Dec 12*

*4-5pm | Registration Required*



## Lego Mania

**K-Gr. 2:** Come build something new with us with our Legos and blocks!

*Tuesdays: Sept 19, Oct 17, Nov 21,  
& Dec 19*

*4-5pm | Registration Required*

## Crafty Kids

**K-Gr. 2:** Explore your creativity with a monthly fun arts and crafts class at the library!

*Tuesdays: Sept 5, Oct 3, Nov 7, & Dec 5  
4-5pm | Registration Required*



## Drop-In Halloween Craft

**K-Gr. 5:** Make a spooky Halloween Craft with us!

*Tuesday, October 31*

*All Day | Drop-in Program*

## Family Christmas Carol Sing-a-long

**PreK-Gr. 2 & Family:** Get in the Christmas spirit with your library! We'll sing all of our favorite Christmas carols and enjoy some cookies & cocoa!

*Friday, December 22*

*4-5pm | Drop-in Program*



## Saturday Morning Cartoons

**Gr. 1-5:** Join us for a fun morning of cereal & cartoons!

*Saturday, September 30*

*10:30am-Noon | Registration Required*



## Noon Years Eve Party

**Family:** Join us for a special kid-friendly Noon Years Eve Celebration at the library! We'll have games and activities followed by a special countdown to Noon!

*Saturday, December 30*

*11am-12:30pm | Registration Required*



**Note:** Program is held outside of library hours. Regular library services are not available during this program.

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# Youth Programs

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## After School Artists

**Gr. 3-5:** Join us each Wednesday afternoon for a different crafty creation!  
*Wednesdays: Sept 6 through Dec 27*  
3-4pm | Registration Required



## Nightmare Before Christmas Watch & Paint

**Gr. 3-5:** Halloween is coming! Join us as we watch *The Nightmare Before Christmas* and make our own Jack Skellington paintings! All supplies provided.  
*Tuesday, October 24*  
4-6pm | Registration Required

## Scrumptious Science

**Gr. 3-5:** Enjoy a treat while exploring some food science! What will we discover next?

Sept 15: Apple Pie-ence  
Oct 18: Pumpkin Pie-ence  
Nov 17: Hot Cocoa & Cookie Science  
4-5pm | Registration Required



## Gingerbread Houses

**Gr. 3-5:** Create and decorate a Graham Cracker Gingerbread House with us! All materials provided.  
*Tuesday, December 19*  
4-5pm | Registration Required



Attend Programs &  
Get Rewarded with a

## Prize Pass

Pick up a Prize Pass sheet at the Youth Services Desk. When you attend a program, you'll get a sticker to add to your pass. Once you've filled up your sheet, turn it in and get a prize from the Treasure Chest.  
How many passes will you fill up?  
*Open to students in K to Grade 12*



## FAMILY FUN



## Board Game Bonanza

**Family:** Bring the whole family for an hour of board games, card games, and snacks!  
*Saturdays: Sept 16, Oct 21, Nov 18, & Dec 16*  
Noon-1pm | Drop-in Program



## Solar Eclipse Watch Party

**Family:** Watch a livestream of the solar eclipse while making a craft.  
*Saturday, October 14*  
11-11:45am | Drop-in Program

## Movie Break

**Family:** No School? No Problem! Bring a bagged lunch and join us for an afternoon movie at the library!  
Sept 22: Super Mario Bros  
Oct 9: Little Mermaid  
Nov 10: Captain America  
Nov 24: Elf  
Noon-2pm | Drop-in Program



## Spooky Science

**Family:** Join us for a spooky morning full of Halloween-inspired science demos and experiments!  
*Saturday, October 28*  
11-11:45am | Registration Required



## A Grinch-y Meet & Greet

**Family:** The Grinch is coming down from Mount Crumpet to visit the library! Make a craft & take a photo with The Grinch!  
*Monday, December 11*  
6-7pm | Drop-in Program



## Snowball Bingo

**Family:** Join us for a fun-filled winter themed Bingo afternoon!  
*Wednesday, December 27*  
Noon-1pm | Registration Recommended



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# Youth & Tween Programs

## Book Club

**Gr. 3-6:** Read awesome books and share with your peers!

*Thursdays: Sept 14, Sept 28, Oct 12, Oct 26, Nov 9, Nov 30, Dec 7, & Dec 21*

*4-5pm | Registration Required*



## Tween Book & Movie Club

**Gr. 6-8:** Read the book and watch the movie with us! We'll compare the two mediums to see which we liked better. Copies of the book are available a month beforehand at the Youth Services Desk for checkout.

Sept 27: *Ella Enchanted*

by Gail Carson Levine

Oct 27: *Goosebumps* by R.L. Stine

*Fridays: Sept 22 & Oct 27*

*4-7pm | Registration Required*



## Fun Club

**Gr. 3-8:** Join us for a fun afterschool craft or activity each week!

*Thursdays: Sept 7 through Dec 28*

*4-5pm | Registration Required*



## Drop-in Gaming

**Gr. 3-8:** Drop in to play video games in our study room! Sign up for your time slot at the Youth Desk.

*Fridays: Sept 1 through Dec 29*

*3-5pm | Check-in at the Desk is Required*



## Lego Robotics Club

*A Project Next Generation Program*

**Gr. 5-9:** Do you like building with Legos? Want to learn how to program them? Build and code a new robot each meeting with Lego Spike Prime

## Afterschool Meetings

*Tuesdays: Sept 26, Oct 10, Oct 24, Nov 7, Nov 21, & Dec 5*

*4-5pm | Registration Required*



## Homeschool Meetings

*Tuesdays: Sept 19, Oct 3, Oct 17, Oct 31, Nov 14, Nov 28, & Dec 12*

*2-3pm | Registration Required*

## Jason Hockey Mask Decorating

**Gr. 6-12:** Drop in to decorate a Jason Hockey Mask as we celebrate Friday the 13th!

*Friday, October 13*

*4-7pm | Drop-in Program*



## Coco Watch & Paint (Mini Sugar Skulls)

**Gr. 3-12:** Just in time for Dia de los Muertos, join us as we paint mini sugar skulls and watch *Coco*! All supplies provided.

*Tuesday, October 3*

*4-6pm | Registration Required*



## Arduino Club

*A Project Next Generation Program*

**Gr. 5-9:** Get started with learning electronics through Arduino! Build a new electronic model every meeting.

*Mondays: Sept 25, Oct 9, Oct 23, Nov 6, Nov 20, & Dec 4*

*4-5:30pm | Registration Required*



## Tween Anime Club

**Gr. 6-8:** Calling all anime fans! Join us each month as we put two Anime series to the test in a Vs. match!

*Shows are rated up to TV-PG/PG.*

*Fridays: Sept 8, Oct 6, Nov 3, & Dec 8*

*4-5pm | Registration Required*



## Photography Club

*A Project Next Generation Program*

**Gr. 5-9:** Join us as we explore the magical world of photography! Learn how to use professional cameras and different ways to take stunning photographs.

*Mondays: Sept 18, Oct 2, Oct 16, Oct 30, Nov 13, Nov 27, & Dec 11*

*4-5:30pm | Registration Required*



## A Note about Project Next Generation Programs:

*Funding for Project Next Generation is provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services to the Secretary of State/Illinois State Library under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).*

More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: [www.richtonparklibrary.org](http://www.richtonparklibrary.org)

# Teen Programs



## Teen Anime Club

**Gr. 9-12:** Calling all anime fans! Join us each month as we put two Anime series to the test in a Vs. match!  
*Shows are rated up to TV-14/PG-13.*  
*Fridays: Sept 8, Oct 6, Nov 3, & Dec 8*  
*5:30-6:30pm | Registration Required*

## Chopped: Teen Edition

**Gr. 9-12:** Creative in the kitchen? Join us each month as we challenge you with a new set of mystery ingredients!

*Wednesdays: Sept 6, Oct 4, Nov 1, & Dec 6*  
*5-6pm | Registration Required*



## Teen Coloring

**Gr. 9-12:** Join us for a relaxing afternoon of coloring. All materials provided.

*Wednesdays: Sept 13, Oct 11, Nov 8, & Dec 13*  
*5-6pm | Registration Required*

## Teen Painting

**Gr. 9-12:** Do you enjoy painting? Come join our fun and engaging guided painting! All materials provided.

*Wednesdays: Sept 20, Oct 18, Nov 15, & Dec 20*  
*5-6pm | Registration Required*



# Teen Volunteers

## Teen Volunteer Program

**Gr. 7-12:** Join our Teen Volunteer team! We are now accepting applications for the 23-24 School Year. *Applications available at the Youth Services Desk*

## Teen Advisory Board

**Gr. 9-12:** Join our Teen Advisory Board and help pick out future programs, books, materials, and more. Attendance counts for volunteer hours.

*Tuesday, September 19*  
*5-6pm | Registration Required*



## Teen Card & Board Game Day

**Gr. 9-12:** We're breaking out the boards and cards for a fun-filled hour of low-tech gaming.

*Wednesdays: Sept 27, Oct 25, & Nov 29*  
*5-6pm | Registration Required*



## Teen Yoga

**Gr. 9-12:** Join us for a relaxing Saturday Morning as we do a guided yoga routine.

*Saturdays: Sept 2, Nov 4, & Dec 2*  
*11am-Noon | Registration Required*



## Domestic Violence Awareness Workshop

**Gr. 9-12:** Join Dorenda Clink as we discuss how to identify a potentially abusive relationship and acknowledge that you matter.

*Friday, October 20*  
*4-5:30pm*  
*Registration Recommended*



## Teen Thanksgiving Craft

**Gr. 9-12:** Drop in and make a Thanksgiving Craft with us!

*Wednesday, November 22*  
*All Day | Drop-in Program*

## Teen New Years Craft

**Gr. 9-12:** Take a break from Winter Break and make a New Year's Day themed craft with us!

*Wednesday, December 27*  
*All Day | Drop-in Program*



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# Adult & Teen Programs

Get a Debt-Free Education with ScholarShopMom



## FAFSA Help

**Adults & Teens:** The FAFSA has changed this year— Come and learn tips and tricks to get the most out of your financial aid paperwork.

Thursday, October 19  
6-7:30pm | Drop-In Program



## Japanese Swordpersonship

**Adults & Teens:** Join Rob Dillon and members of Flowering Dogwood Martial Arts Way for an introductory exploration of Japanese swordpersonship. You'll be invited to (voluntarily) join in some of the basic practices, learn some historical background, and see a live demonstration. No experience necessary, all materials provided.

Saturday, November 4  
Noon-2pm | Registration Required

## Scholarship Help

**Adults & Teens:** Learn tips and tricks to get the most out of your financial aid paperwork as you get ready to move forward to college.

Thursday, November 9  
6-7:30pm | Drop-In Program



VISIT THE COLLEGE CORNER ON OUR WEBSITE  
FOR MORE SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCES

# Adult Programs

Check Out the  
Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra:

Get **FREE** tickets to upcoming Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra performances at the library. *Limited passes available per show, visit the Adult Services Desk to check for availability.*

## Coffee & Crochet

**Adults:** Grab your hooks and come work on your latest project at the library with the Library Director! Light refreshments will be available. (Knitters & Fiber Artists welcomed too!).

Mondays: Sept 11, Oct 2, Nov 6,  
& Dec 4

10:30a-Noon | Drop-In Program



## Brews & Brushstrokes

**Adults:** Awaken your senses with some witch-y brews (coffee & tea) and charm your brushstrokes as we paint a cute (and spooky) canvas! All materials provided.

Saturday, October 21  
11am-12:30pm | Registration Required

REGISTER FOR ADULT & SENIOR PROGRAMS  
IN-PERSON OR OVER THE PHONE

September 19 is  
National Voters Registration Day



Visit our table in the hallway on  
September 19 for Voters  
Registration Resources  
or learn more at  
[nationalvoterregistrationday.org!](http://nationalvoterregistrationday.org!)

## Evening Book Club

**Adults:** Join us each month as we discuss what we're reading and talk about books we've read. Ask for this month's title at the Adult Services Desk.

Thursdays: Sept 7, Oct 5, Nov 2,  
& Dec 7  
6:30-7:30pm | Registration Required



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# Adult Programs



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## A Visit with Lori Rader-Day

**Community:** Join award-winning author Lori Rader-Day as she talks about her latest book *The Death of Us* (releases October 3) and being an author, followed by audience Q&A. Attendees will have a chance to win a drawing for a gift card.

Thursday, November 16  
6-7pm | Drop-In Program

## Book Challenges on the Rise: Support Your Freedom to Read

**Adults:** "Freedom to Read" is a fundamental American right: your right to choose the ideas, information, and cultural experiences that are right for you and your family. Join us for this webinar, moderated by syndicated columnist Heidi Stevens, as our panel of experts shares how to effectively support intellectual freedom.

Monday, October 2  
7-8pm | Register for Zoom  
7-8pm | Drop-in Watch Party at the Library



## Money Management with Dorenda Clink

**Adults:** Join us as Dorenda Clink shares her money management knowledge and helps teach us how to plan for our future.

Sept 21: Let's Talk about Life Insurance  
Oct 12: Let's Talk about Financial Abuse  
Nov 30: Let's Talk about Starting and Running a Business  
Dec 14: Let's Talk about Debt  
6-7:30pm | Registration Required



Illinois Libraries Present  
Your Favorite Authors Live on Zoom

Watch the stream at home or join us for the watch party!

**Community:** Join us for six wonderful evenings of conversation with beloved authors from across the genres. You can register on our website to watch the streams at home, or drop in (*no registration needed*) and join us to watch the live stream in our meeting room (we'll have cookies!)

Wednesday, September 6 at 7pm

## The Power of Story with Colson Whitehead

Register: [https://bit.ly/ILP\\_ColsonWhitehead](https://bit.ly/ILP_ColsonWhitehead)

Wednesday, October 4 at 7pm

## Chills and Thrills with Stephen Graham Jones

Register: [https://bit.ly/ILP\\_StephenGrahamJones](https://bit.ly/ILP_StephenGrahamJones)

Tuesday, October 17 at 7pm

## Food, Family, and Folktales: A Conversation with Grace Lin

Register: [https://bit.ly/ILP\\_GraceLin](https://bit.ly/ILP_GraceLin)

Wednesday, November 8 at 7pm

## A Taste of Love with Maya-Camille Broussard

Register: [https://bit.ly/ILP\\_Maya-Camille](https://bit.ly/ILP_Maya-Camille)

Wednesday, December 6 at 7pm

## Surviving the Holidays with Lori Gottlieb

Register: [https://bit.ly/ILP\\_LoriGottlieb](https://bit.ly/ILP_LoriGottlieb)

December, Date & Time TBD

## The Nutcracker with The Royal Ballet

This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. ILP is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA). ILP is committed to inclusion and accessibility. To request accommodations, please email [illinoislibrariespresent@gmail.com](mailto:illinoislibrariespresent@gmail.com).

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# Adult & Senior Programs



## Computer Basics

**Adults:** Learn how to navigate your computer, manage applications, manage files & folders, save & delete files, and more.

### Windows 10 Operating System

Monday, September 18 at 6:30pm  
Tuesday, September 19 at 10:30am

### MacOS 11 Operating System

Monday, September 25 at 6:30pm  
Tuesday, September 26 at 10:30am



## Mobile Device Basics

**Adults:** Learn the basic functions of your mobile device, identify common apps, and how to use your device safely.

### Android Devices

Monday, October 2 at 6:30pm  
Tuesday, October 3 at 10:30am

### iOS Devices

Monday, October 9 at 6:30pm  
Tuesday, October 10 at 10:30am



## Internet Basics

**Adults:** Learn to navigate the internet through browsers, search engines, and websites.

Monday, October 16 at 6:30pm  
Tuesday, October 17 at 10:30am



## Video Conferencing Basics

**Adults:** Learn how to create an account on Zoom and how to use different features of the platform in an online meeting.

Monday, October 23 at 6:30pm  
Tuesday, October 24 at 10:30am

## Email Basics

**Adults:** Learn how to create a Gmail account, perform basic email functions, organize and delete messages, and how to recognize and deal with spam.

Monday, October 30 at 6:30pm  
Tuesday, October 31 at 10:30am



## Cybersecurity Basics

**Adults:** Learn how to be safeguard your passwords & accounts and learn about how to spot frauds & scams.

Monday, November 6 at 6:30pm  
Tuesday, November 7 at 10:30am



This workshop is supported by:



Registration Recommended for all Workshops

## Drop-In Device Help

**Adults:** Have a quick question about your device and need a little help? Drop on by and we will see if we can assist.

Wednesdays: Sept 27, Oct 25, & Nov 22  
3:15-4pm | Drop-In Program



## Technology Learning Lab

**Adults:** Do computers make you nervous? Do you want to learn new computer skills but don't know where to begin? Join us as we teach you how to use online self-paced courses to learn new skills.

Wednesdays: Sept 13, Sept 27, Oct 11,  
Oct 25, Nov 15, Nov 29, & Dec 13  
6-7:30pm | Drop-In Program



## Demo Days

**Community:** Join us for a quick demo at our table in the hallway and learn how to use library resources! Staff will be on hand to answer questions & give out fun swag.

Sept 13: Libby App (Afternoon)

Sept 22: Auto Repair Source (Afternoon)

Oct 12: WorldBook (Morning/Early Afternoon)

Oct 20: Inkie.org (Afternoon)

Nov 8: Libby App (Afternoon)

Nov 25: ComicsPlus (Morning/Early Afternoon)

Dec 6: Consumer Reports (Afternoon)

Dec 27: SWAN Libraries App (Afternoon)

Drop-In Program



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# Senior Programs

## A Message from

Since 2018, AgeOptions has partnered with local public libraries (currently 37) in suburban Cook County to deliver educational and recreational programming. Our library program aims to address social isolation in communities by providing resources through technology and targeted programming to build community engagement.

**Why partner with libraries?** Libraries provide a unique way of reaching older adults as a nontraditional service starting point. Libraries are accessible to all; they strive to eliminate barriers to entry and provide a trusted source for education and recreational programming. Older adults who would not consider contacting their local senior services agency to learn about valuable and available services can now do so within the library's confines. As library partners learn more about external social service agencies through AgeOptions, they gain valuable resources to connect older adults with previously unfamiliar services. Finally, libraries provide opportunities for learning, socializing, participating, and reducing social isolation. The relationship-building between older adult patrons and their library cannot be overstated.

Our library partners are responding to their local community needs, and their programming is often unique and creative. We encourage you to check out the programs at the Richton Park Public Library.

SENIORS:  
NEED INTERNET?

Check out our Senior Technology Lending Program. We have hotspots & tablets available for checkout so you can connect with library services & the internet. Visit or Call our Adult Desk for more information.

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### Savvy Senior Seated Yoga

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**Seniors:** Join us for a weekly light exercise where we stretch and work on building strength with chair yoga. Wear comfortable clothing. Exercise Waiver signed at first attendance.

**Mondays & Wednesdays:**

Sept 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, & 27

Oct 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, & 30

Nov 1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 27, & 29

Dec 4, 6, 11, & 13

2-3pm | Drop-in Program

### Friday Fun Day

*Sponsored by AgeOptions*

**Seniors:** Let's play cards or try new board games! Join us as we hang out for an hour and enjoy spending time with each other with fun activities each week.

**Fridays: Sept 1 through Dec 15**

(No Meeting Sept 29, Oct 13,

Nov 24, & Dec 1)

2-3pm | Drop-in Program



### Friday Fun Day: Learning Day

*Sponsored by AgeOptions*

**Seniors:** Learn about how to protect yourself and your loved ones from elder abuse with our guest speaker Dorenda Clink.

**Friday, October 20**

2-3pm | Drop-in Program

### Classic Movie Matinee

*Sponsored by AgeOptions*

**Seniors:** Join us as we watch a classic movie together. Feel free to bring your own lunch. Water, coffee, or tea will be provided.

**Thursdays: Sept 14, Oct 12, Nov 9,**

**& Dec 14**

1-3pm | Drop-in Program



Learn more about AgeOptions and the services they provide by visiting them online at [www.ageoptions.org](http://www.ageoptions.org)

More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: [www.richtonparklibrary.org](http://www.richtonparklibrary.org)

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**Friendly Reminder:** All information in this newsletter is available on our website including:  
Program times, registration information, new releases, book reviews & much more.  
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Board meetings are held in the  
Library at 7:30pm on the  
3rd Wednesday of each month.

### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Friday 10:00am - 8:00pm  
Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm  
Closed on Sunday

### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Labor Day (9/4), Staff Day (9/29),  
**Veteran's Day (11/11)**,  
Thanksgiving Day (11/23), Staff Day (12/1),  
Christmas Holidays (12/23-25),  
& New Years Holidays (12/30-1/1/24)

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# BLOOD DRIVE

## Richton Park Public Library Blood Drive

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7  
10 A.M. - 2 P.M.  
22310 LATONIA LN.  
RICHTON PARK, IL 60471

To schedule an appointment, contact Karissa Davison at [davisonk@richtonparklibrary.org](mailto:davisonk@richtonparklibrary.org). Or, contact Vitalant at 877.258.4825 or at [vitalant.org](http://vitalant.org) and use group code: **ORD0063F**.

Appointments Necessary.

Prepare: Eat Well, Hydrate, and Bring ID.



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### Trick or Trash

Keep candy wrappers out of landfills this Halloween season and bring your candy wrappers to the library to be recycled through Rubicon's Trick or Trash program.  
The box will be located in our hallway from October 16 to November 30