

Notes from the Director

Since the library's start in 1952, our mission has been to continually evolve to meet patrons' needs. From the 1980s with our first online catalog and public computer to the 1990s when we added public internet stations and

started offering technology classes, to the 2000s when we created our first website and started offering materials to download, to the last 5 years when we have added 3D printing and laser cutting in our Collaboratory and pivoted to virtual programming during the pandemic, we have continually looked for new services and technologies to provide the community.

In this new decade, we are excited to announce the launch of a new library app available in the Google Play and iPhone App stores. The app offers you an easier way to check out and renew materials both print and digital, look at your account, do research, sign up for programs, and find out what is going on at the library. Our hope is that the app will make using the library easier for you!

If you want to learn more about our past, check out our updated Library History page on our website. We will continue to listen and evolve based on your needs and look forward to seeing what the future holds.

Kate Hall

Executive Director

Library Information

1201 Cedar Lane, Northbrook, IL 60062 847-272-6224 | www.northbrook.info feedback@northbrook.info

Please visit www.northbrook.info or call 847-272-6224 for our open hours.

Special hours: 4/4 (Library closed, all day)

The Northbrook Public Library provides access to information so that patrons can make informed decisions for themselves. The library does not endorse, recommend, or make representations with respect to the information presented in our programming.

O Photo Policy: The Northbrook Public Library may photograph patrons participating in library programs and events. These images may appear in future library publications or publicity. Participation signifies consent to our photo policy. Library patrons may not take photographs of other patrons or staff without the permission of the Executive Director. For full policy details, visit www.northbrook.info.

NEWS & UPDATES

RATED ONE OF THE TOP LIBRARIES IN THE NATION

Each year, *Library Journal* rates each library on the value it provides its patrons. In our budget group, we ranked as the top library in Illinois and the second-highest in the nation. Learn more at www.northbrook.info/5-star-library.



CURBSIDE PICKUP APPOINTMENTS ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED

It's now faster and easier to get your holds. Once you are notified your hold is ready, visit our indoor Curbside Pickup area during any of our open hours: Mon-Thurs: 11am-7pm, Fri & Sat: 9am-2pm, Sun: 1-5pm.

SUPPORT THE LIBRARY FOUNDATION WITH A MEAL FROM ROTI

Turn to the back cover for a delicious way to support the Northbrook Library Foundation by enjoying a meal from Roti, 798 Skokie Blvd.

Roti will donate 20% of your purchase when you use code *LibraryLove* in store and online during the week of March 14-21.

TAKE A WALK DOWN MEMORY LANE

We've been busy adding new photos and information to our Library History web page. Do you know when our Youth Services department used a converted VW van to provide outreach to schools or the year we phased out our card catalog? Find out at www.northbrook.info/history.

REMEMBER TO VOTE ON APRIL 6

Remember to cast your vote on Tuesday, April 6 for our next Village President, as well as members of the Village Board, Park Board, Library Board, and school boards for Districts 27 and 28. Local elected officials affect the day-to-day operations of our village and determine how tax dollars are spent. Your vote is important!

ONE BOOK, ONE NORTHBROOK SPONSORS WANTED

We're currently seeking sponsors for our next community read. To learn more about how your company or organization can partner with us, please visit: www.northbrook.info/onebook-sponsorship.

WINTER READING WRAP-UP

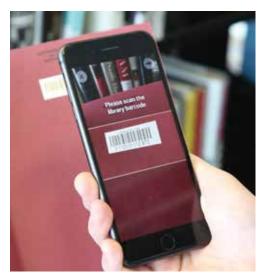
Winter Reading is in the books! In all, 368 adult and 467 youth participants played Blizzard Bingo in December and January to earn prizes for completing reading and activity challenges.

FEATURE ARTICLE:

GET THE POWER OF THE LIBRARY ON YOUR PHONE WITH OUR NEW APP



We're excited to announce the new Northbrook Library app, which provides an exciting way to connect with the library. It provides many features that patrons have been asking for, and some they never imagined, like the ability to check out items with your phone as you walk through the library!



Skip the line. Scan an item's bar code with your phone to check it out.

You can find our new app on the App Store and on Google Play by searching for "Northbrook Public Library."

Library trustee Abby Young—a fan of our last app—gave the new app a try recently. She appreciates how easy it was to search for a book and place a hold on it directly on the app. "The app clearly displays the features most people are likely to use, starting with the catalog search."

One of Abby's favorite features is the Recommended Reads area at the top of the app. "I like scrolling through the photos of book, music, and movie recommendations," she said.

Reference librarian Phil Collins, who was involved in helping to design the app's interface, is enthusiastic about its intuitive design and robust features, especially when compared to the library's previous app.

"It has many features that never existed before," Phil explains, "like being able to check out materials with your phone or reading eBooks right from the app, due to its integration with OverDrive."

Using the app enables even more convenient access to the library's various services.

"The app will store your library card sign-in info and keep you signed in throughout all of your activities. So if you're searching the catalog, placing holds, signing up for events, you can do all that on the app, all in one place, and it'll be a smooth ride," Phil says.

If you're not ready to install the app, or your phone doesn't support it, you can continue to use our mobile-optimized website on your smartphone to access many of these features.

USE OUR NEW APP TO

- Scan an item's bar code to check it out and skip the line
- Use your digital library card at our new self-checkout machines
- See staff-recommended books, movies, and music
- Scan any ISBN code to see if we have it in our catalog
- Search for and place holds on library materials
- Access your library account
- Make event or room reservations*
- Find and read eBooks (Libby, hoopla, Axis 360), and more
- * When reservations are available.

GETTING STARTED

To download the app, visit www.northbrook.info/library-app. For help, call 847-272-4873 or email reference@northbrook.info to sign up for a virtual one-on-one tech help appointment, or register for Tech Tuesday (Tuesdays at 3:00-5:00pm) at www.northbrook.info.

Scan with your phone's camera





ADULT VIRTUAL PROGRAMS



All programs are virtual and advance registration is required. After you register, we will email you information on accessing the program. If you have questions, please call 847-272-6224 or email feedback@northbrook.info.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Demystifying Gold and Silver RS

Learn more about the exciting history of gold and silver, and how it has shaped the currency we use today.

Tuesday, March 9, 7:00-8:00pm

Learn about these unique talking statues across the city and hear them tell their own stories, voiced by Chicago actors and writers.

Tuesday, March 16, 7:00-8:00pm

How To Diffuse the Retirement Savings Time Bomb (15)

Learn what people in all stages of retirement planning need to know to keep their money and pass it on to their families, presented by Ed Slott, CPA, a nationally recognized IRA and retirement planning expert.

Thursday, March 18, 7:00-8:00pm

In partnership with multiple area libraries.

The Underground Railroad Across the Chicago Region 153

Hear stories of people who escaped slavery and the Chicago area settlers who provided refuge in the decades before the Civil War.

Wednesday, March 24, 7:00-8:15pm

Let's Visit: The Tower of London Contact Contact

The Tower of London is steeped in history. John Gowing will present a fascinating exploration of this historical British landmark.

Tuesday, March 30, 6:30-8:00pm Wednesday, March 24, 7:00-8:15pm

Pre-Academy Awards Lecture (8)

Join film critic, teacher, and radio and television journalist, Zbigniew Banas, for his take on this year's Academy Awards.

Tuesday, April 20, 2:00-3:00pm

HEALTH MATTERS

Learn about BRCA mutations, hereditary genetic changes that can cause cancer, with a discussion and showcase of short films. The discussion and Q&A will include a genetic counselor, the filmmaker, and one of the film subjects. Tuesday, March 2, 2:00-3:00pm In partnership with JCC Chicago & the Norton

In partnership with JCC Chicago & the Norton & Elaine Sarnoff Center for Jewish Genetics

Jeff Thiel, Assistant Vice President, Pharmacy at NorthShore University HealthSystem will explain the effectiveness of the COVID-19 vaccine, differences between the approved vaccines, known side effects, and the rollout of the vaccine at NorthShore. He will also answer your questions. Thursday, March 11, 7:00-8:00pm

In partnership with Glenview Public Library



An Evening with Harlan Coben RS

#1 New York Times bestselling author Harlan Coben will discuss his new book Win, which features Windsor "Win" Horne Lockwood III. An heir to a vast fortune and one-time FBI agent, Win uses his intellect and financial resources to deliver his own brand of justice, with classic Coben twists and turns throughout. Thursday, March 25, 7:00-8:00pm

In partnership with multiple area libraries.

Why Farming Matters: Panel Discussion and Film Kiss the Ground 153

What if there was a simple solution that could heal our planet and feed the world?

Kiss the Ground is an award-winning documentary that focuses on regenerative agriculture and soil health as a leading solution to the climate crisis.

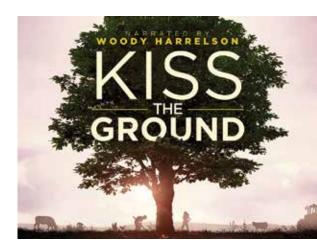
We invite you to watch this optimistic film and join us for a panel discussion with a local farmer and other experts.

We'll discuss the ways our relationship to farming directly affects the planet, and how each of us can be part of the solution.

When you sign up for the panel discussion, we'll send you a link to watch the film online for three days prior to the discussion.

Kiss the Ground Film Screening: Sunday, April 18 – Wednesday, April 21 Panel Discussion: Wednesday, April 21, 7:00-8:00pm

In partnership with Friends of the Northbrook Farmers Market and Go Green Northbrook.



ADA Requests: We welcome patrons of all abilities. To request an accommodation, including captioning or American Sign Language services, please indicate the accommodation when you register online or call 847-272-6224 at least 72 hours before the event.

BOOK GROUPS & DISCUSSIONS

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30am
March 10: The Easter Parade
by Richard Yates
April 14: Kaddish.com
by Nathan Englander

Tuesdays, 10:00-11:30am
March 16: The Dearly Beloved by Cara Wall
April 20: What's Left of Me is Yours
by Stephanie Scott

Books Untapped RS

A book club for readers who like discovering under-the-radar titles. Convenience Store Woman by Sayaka Murata Wednesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm

Stranger Than Fiction Book Club (85)

This month we'll discuss Radium Girls by Kate Moore, the true story of the female factory workers exposed to radium as they painted watch dials with luminous paint.

Wednesday, March 17, 7:00-8:00pm

RADIUM GIRLS

NATURE

Environmental Book Club RS

Join us to discuss The Nature Fix by Florence Williams. Part armchair travel, part science, this conversational book shows how nature makes us happier, healthier, and more creative.

Tuesday, April 6, 10:30-11:30am

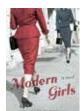
Bestsellers and Beyond 🖾

Join Librarian Lori Siegel for reviews of a variety of books that you might add to your reading list or share with your book group.

Friday, April 9, 2:00-3:00pm

Evening Book Discussion with Lori Siegel ®

Join Lori to discuss *Modern Girls* by Jennifer S. Brown,
a novel set in New York
City's Jewish immigrant
community in 1935.
Tuesday, April 13,
7:00-8:00pm



NORTHBROOK WRITES

Dialogue, Scene Making & Exposition with Sarah Kokernot (13)

You have a story you want to tell, but what exactly makes a compelling story? Acclaimed short story writer Sarah Kokernot will share the building blocks of writing fiction and strategies on how to create a finely tuned balance of scenes and exposition.

Saturday, March 6, 1:00-2:30pm

Revising and Re-versioning with Jac Jemc (85)

You have a draft. Now what? Author Jac Jemc will explain the difference between a triggering subject and a generated subject, and apply this idea to the way we evaluate a draft, and determine next steps for taking your manuscript to the next level.

Thursday, April 8, 7:00-8:30pm

In partnership with StoryStudio Chicago

Exploring Your Story Through Prompts with Cyn Vargas

Don't know how to move your story forward? Need to get to know your characters more? Explore your story and characters through various quick-fire prompts to gain knowledge about your story and guidance on how to continue onward.

Saturday, April 24, 1:00-2:30pm

In partnership with StoryStudio Chicago

Book & Media Bundles

Love mysteries, romance, biographies, musicals, or jazz?

Tell us what you like to read, watch, or listen to, and we'll choose 5 titles we think you'll love. We'll check them out for you, put them in a bag, and get them ready for you to pick up.

Try it out at www.northbrook.info/book-and-media-bundles



ADULT VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

CLASSICAL CONCERTS #### FRIENDS

Blue Violet Duo RS

Featuring Louise Chan and Kate Carter, this violin and piano duo welcomes the arrival of Spring with a program featuring Beethoven's "Spring" sonata and a new piece, "Insects."

Sunday, March 7, 3:00-4:30pm

This quartet performs chamber music that showcases the unique versatility of the clarinet family.

Sunday, March 14, 3:00-4:30pm

Josh Graham 🚯

Enjoy a solo performance from talented percussionist and member of the Zafa Collective, Josh Graham.

Sunday, March 28, 3:00-4:30pm



Pianist Victor Asuncion

Hailed by The Washington Post for his "poised and imaginative playing," pianist Victor Asuncion has performed around the world.

Sunday, April 18, 3:00-4:30pm

Taisiya Sokolova 📧

Enjoy a concert performed by violist and Civic Orchestra member Taisiya Sokolova and her string trio. Sunday, April 25, 3:00-4:30pm

MUSIC LECTURES

Appreciating Classical Music RS

Classical music specialist, librarian Madison Carroll, leads a seminar on a different music topic each month. Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30pm

March 2: Film Music

April 6: Video Game Music

Lyric Opera Lectures RS

Enjoy learning about the composers and insights into the opera's history. Presented by former lecturers from the Lyric Opera Lecture Corps of Chicago.

The Marriage of Figaro by Mozart Monday, March 8, 7:00-8:30pm

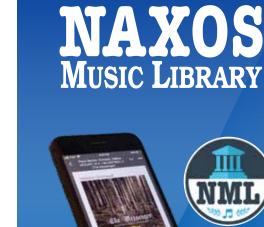
The Rake's Progress by Igor Stravinsky Thursday, April 1, 7:00-8:30pm

JAZZ CONCERT

Jeanne Becker Trio RS

Join us for an evening of jazz with vocalist Jeanne Becker and her trio. Jeanne's vocal style and wide repertoire developed from a variety of influences including jazz, swing, blues, and Latin sounds.

Thursday, April 15, 7:00-8:00pm



Stream jazz and classical music with your library card and the Naxos Music Library's NML app. Learn more at www.northbrook.info/naxos or join us for Computers & Coffee on April 12 (details on page 8).

ONGOING ADULT PROGRAMS

Registration is now open for March and April virtual programs. Make sure to register to get the new program link.

Current Events RS

Thursdays, March 4 & 18; April 1 & 15 10:00-11:30am #### FRIENDS

Chair Yoga RS

Fridays, March 5-April 30, 10:00-11:00am #### FRIENDS

Israeli Discussion Group RS

Thursdays, March 11 & 25; April 8 & 22 10:00-11:30am #### FRIENDS

MOVIES VIRTUAL SCREENINGS

RS

All programs are virtual and advance registration is required. After you register, we will email you information on accessing the program. If you have questions, please call 847-272-6224 or email feedback@northbrook.info.

A Conversation With Olympia Director Harry Mavromichalis



Conversation and Q&A with Harry Mavromichalis, Director of Olympia Soin us for a live online conversation and Q&A with director Harry Mavromichalis. His film, Olympia is an engaging documentary that examines the life of Academy Award-winning actress Olympia Dukakis in her own words, including candid details about her life and her many roles on stage and screen. After you register, you will receive a link to watch the film from Friday, March 19 through Sunday, March 21.

Film Screening: Friday, March 19 at 5:00pm – Sunday, March 21 at 11:59pm

Q&A with the Director: Monday, March 22, 2:00-3:00pm

In partnership with Covenant Living of Northbrook

March Film Series: Past Oscar Recognition

2:00pm & 7:00pm

After you register, we'll send you a link to watch a prerecorded introduction to the film produced by our Fiction & Media staff, and a link to watch the film on hoopla or Kanopy on your own.



March 3

Dodsworth

Not Rated

Available on kanopy



March 10
The Man with the
Golden Arm
Not Rated
Available on kanopy



8 1/2
Not Rated
Available on kanopy



March 24
Fiddler on the Roof
Rated G
Available on hoods



March 31
The Oscar
Not Rated
Available on kanopy

Film Discussions

Before joining these film discussions, you can download the Kanopy app to watch these films at home on your TV, computer, or other device. Learn more at www.northbrook.info/kanopy.

Film Discussion: Memento RS
Catch the film that really started the career of three-time Oscar nominee Christopher Nolan in this critically acclaimed mystery. Although he can recall details of life before his accident, Leonard cannot remember what happened fifteen minutes ago, where he's going, or why.

Rated R (2000)

Wednesday, April 28, 2:00pm



Watch at home and then join us on Zoom to discuss *The Last Black Man in San Francisco* (2019). Rated R Thursday, March 4, 7:00-8:00pm

Pre-Academy
Awards Lecture
See Page 4 for details.
Tuesday, April 20, 2:00-3:00pm

ADULT VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

RS

All programs are virtual and advance registration is required. After you register, we will email you information on accessing the program. If you have questions, please call 847-272-6224 or email feedback@northbrook.info.

Job Search Series

We have teamed up with two other area libraries to offer these programs that will help you gain the skills you need to find a job or further your career.



Quit Networking, Start Building Relationships that Further

Your Career RS

Learn how you can build effective professional relationships and use these relationships to further your career.

Monday, March 8, 1:00-2:00pm

Presented by Vernon Area Public Library

Employment Research with Reference Solutions ®S

Learn how to utilize the strength of Reference Solutions (formerly Reference USA) in your job search. Monday, March 15, 10:00-11:00am Presented by Vernon Area Public Library

LinkedIn & Job Site Tips ®Upload your resume on job sites like Indeed and learn how to start

networking on LinkedIn.

Monday, March 22, 7:00-8:00pm

Presented by Northbrook Public Library

Learn how online learning tools like Lynda.com can help you gain new skills, stay sharp, and position yourself for success in an ever-changing job market. Monday, March 29, 7:00-8:00pm Presented by Indian Trails Public Library and Northbrook Public Library

Personal Branding: Understanding the Impact of What You Share Online

Learn what it means to build a personal brand, and gain practical tips for being intentional about the message you are sending and the impact it can have on you personally and professionally.

Monday, April 5, 7:00-8:00pm Presented by Indian Trails Public Library

TECH FOR EVERYONE

Cut the Cable ®

Say goodbye to your cable bill! Learn how to stream TV and movies to your television using an internet connection and a media streaming device such as Roku, Chromecast, or Apple TV.

Monday, March 15, 7:00-8:00pm

Computers & Coffee: Streaming Music (13)

Learn about streaming music through Spotify, Apple Music, Amazon Music and Tidal as well as library services hoopla and Naxos.

Monday, April 12, 10:00-11:00am

Tech Tuesdays RS

Get help using eBooks, eAudiobooks, digital magazines, hoopla and more. Please have your device and any user IDs and passwords (Apple ID/password or Amazon account) handy.

Tuesdays, 3:00-5:00pm

EXERCISE YOUR BRAIN WITH



Just like our bodies, our brains require care and exercise over the course of our lives especially as we age. BrainHQ provides the exercise your brain needs to be at its sharpest.

You can use BrainHQ with your library card on your computer or personal device. Get started at www.northbrook.info/brainhq.





MAKER VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

RS

All programs are virtual and advance registration is required. After you register, we will email you information on accessing the program. If you have questions, please call 847-272-6224 or email feedback@northbrook.info.



For the latest information about the Collaboratory, please visit www.northbrook.info/collaboratory or call 847-272-2098.



30 DAY MAKE-A-THON B

Jump start your creativity and connect with other makers and artists. Create one new thing and then repeat it every day for a month. For example, draw a doodle a day, take a photo a day, write a poem a day, etc.

Find out more at our kick off, share and get support at the check in, and celebrate with us at the end of the month. When you register, you'll automatically be registered for all of the events.

Kick-off: March 31, 4:00-5:00pm | Check-in: April 14, 4:00-5:00pm | Celebration: April 30, 4:00-5:00pm

TEEN/ADULT MAKER (AGE 13-ADULT)

Recording Guitars with GarageBand (13)

Staff will demonstrate how to record electric guitars using GarageBand's guitar amp simulators.

Wednesday, March 10, 6:00-7:00pm

Intro to Adobe Fuse 🚯

Staff will demonstrate how to create 3D characters for your Photoshop projects using Adobe Fuse.

Wednesday, March 24, 3:00-4:00pm

Seed Starting ®

Learn how to properly start your vegetable seedlings for the growing season.

Thursday, March 25, 2:00-3:00pm

No-Sew, Fringed T-Shirt Bag ®

Give old T-shirts new life by turning them into cute fringed tote bags. Wednesday, April 7, 2:00-3:00pm

Fiber Arts Meetup RS

Join us to talk about what you're working on with other makers.
Wednesday, April 14, 1:30-2:30pm

Staff will demonstrate the basics of Logic Pro X and how you can use it to mix your songs using powerful plugins. Thursday, April 15, 6:00-7:00pm

Herb Garden Ideas RS

Learn planting techniques and different methods of growing herbs for cooking. Thursday, April 22, 2:00-3:00pm



(AGE 13-ADULT)

Materials will be available for registered attendees to pick up at the library to take home. A Northbrook Library card is required to register for Take & Make programs.

3D Paper Flowers 💷 📧

Learn how to create 3D flowers using paper.

Thursday, March 18, 6:00-7:00pm

Glass Fusion @ RS

Learn glass fusion techniques. Tuesdays, 6:00-8:00pm March 23: Wall Plaque April 12: Dish

Macrame Plant Hanger 🕮 🚯

Make a macrame plant hanger. Plant not included.

Friday, March 26, 4:00-5:00pm

Needle Felted Robin @ 📧

Learn needle felting to make a cute spring robin.

Wednesday, April 7, 4:00-5:00 pm

Create a simple crystal suncatcher for your window.

Tuesday, April 20, 4:00-5:00pm

Wrapped Yarn Shade @ ®

Make a unique lampshade using yarn. Friday, April 23, 4:00-5:00pm

TEEN VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

RS

All programs are virtual and advance registration is required. After you register, we will email you information on accessing the program. If you have questions, please call 847-272-6224 or email feedback@northbrook.info.



Teen Zine Contest Ends March 31

Hurry! There's still time to submit your original short stories, poems, drawings, and photos for a chance to win a \$50 Amazon gift card and have your work featured in Volume 3 of our *Northbrook Teen Zine* publication.

This year's theme is Journeys, so please submit pieces that fit this theme.

Learn more or submit your work at www.northbrook.info/teen-zine by Wednesday, March 31.

Teen Advisory Board (Grades 6-12) RS

Join the Teen Advisory Board and help us plan library programs and complete service projects to earn service hours. You'll be able to attend all meetings virtually and complete projects from home.

Tuesdays, March 9 & April 13, 5:00-6:00pm



Books & Bytes (Grades 6-12) (13)

Join us for a book discussion. The first seven teens to register will receive a free copy of the book. An eBook version is also available on with your library card. Fridays, 5:00-6:00pm

March 26: Here to Stay by Sarah Farizan Recommended for Grades 8 and up.
Learn what happens when a cyberbullying incident makes it hard for high school student Bijan Majidi to tell his enemies from his friends.



April 30: They Called us Enemy by George Takai

Recommended for Grades 8 and up. In this compelling graphic memoir, actor/author/activist George Takai recounts his childhood imprisoned in American concentration camps during World War II.





YOUTH VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

ADA Requests: We welcome patrons of all abilities. To request an accommodation, including captioning or American Sign Language services, please indicate the accommodation when you register online or call 847-272-6224 at least 72 hours before the event.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wiggleworms RS

Join an instructor from the Old Town School of Folk Music for a half hour of virtual music, movement and fun! Register by 9:30am any day of the week to receive a link to this prerecorded concert for kids and families. (You only need to register once to receive a link that you can watch all week.)

March 1–5 & April 26–30, 10:00-10:30am

Y-Art (Grades K & Up) 🚯

Start your Saturday with art! Brought to you by the NSYMCA Art Academy. Check our online calendar for supplies needed for each month's craft.

Saturdays, 10:00-11:00am

March 13: Colorful Fish April 10: Windmills

Cooks & Books: A Family Cooking Class (Grades K & Up, with Caregiver)

Join us for this new online literacy and cooking class featuring a different book and themed snack each month, presented by Sticky Fingers Cooking. We'll send you an ingredient list when you register. (You only need to register once per family.)

Saturdays, March 6 & April 17 11:00am-12:15pm

SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAMS

Create Club (Grades 4-8) 📧

Unleash your creativity with our monthly craft project. *Craft supplies will be available for pickup for all registered attendees*.

Thursdays, 4:00-5:00pm

March 4: String Art

Create your own colorful, personalized design using a canvas, tacks, and string.

April 1: Galaxy Art

Look to the night sky for inspiration as we paint beautiful stars and galaxies.

Dungeons & Dragons (Grades 4–12) (B)

Adventure awaits! Embark on a tabletop adventure led by your daring Dungeon Masters.
Thursdays, March 11 & April 8

Thursdays, March 11 & April (4:00-5:30pm

Create & Build Challenge (Grades 1–5) 🚯

Are you up for a challenge? We'll post a new video challenge each month that tests your creative/artistic skills, engineering/problem-solving skills, or both!

Mondays, March 15 & April 12

Escape Room (Grades 4-12) RS

Ready to escape? Join us for a virtual escape room. Ask questions, help each other, and see who can complete all the puzzles.

Thursday, March 18, 4:00-5:00pm

Game Night (Grades 4–12) RS

Play online games like Among Us, and Jackbox, plus virtual versions of popular tabletop games.

Wednesdays, March 24 & April 21, 4:00-5:30pm

Andertoons Drawing Workshops (Grades K-6) RS

Join us for these fun and creative drawing workshops led by professional cartoonist Mark Anderson. Participants will learn to see things differently and explore problem solving, design thinking, individuality, and curiosity.

Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00pm

March 23: Draw Your Own Adventure!

Begin by drawing your hero, then decide who, where, and what happens next! Oozing blob or skeleton? Creepy cave or jungle? Dance party or staring contest? We'll draw based on your suggestions!



April 20: Number Bots

A companion to Alphabet Animals, learn to draw all kinds of fun robots using only numbers, Roman numerals, and the occasional math symbol. You won't believe all the things you can draw with numbers!!

YOUTH VIRTUAL PROGRAMS



All programs are virtual and advance registration is required. After you register, we will email you information on accessing the program. If you have questions, please call 847-272-6224 or email feedback@northbrook.info.

STORYTIMES & EARLY CHILDHOOD

Korean Language Storytime (All Ages) (85)

Enjoy virtual stories and activities. For Korean-speaking families and those interested in the language.

Fridays, March 12 & April 9, 4:30-5:00pm



* *

Pajama Stories (Families) RS

It's banjo time! Put on your coziest pajamas and join us for stories, songs, and a relaxing bedtime mindful exercise. Tuesdays, March 30 & April 27 6:30-7:00pm

WEE PLAY IN A BAG:

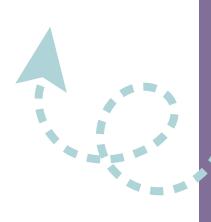
PLAN A PLAYDATE WITH YOUR BABY



Get the party started by registering for a prerecorded weekly Wee Play program. When you register, we'll reserve a "Wee Play in a Bag" kit for you, which contains a board book, suggested action rhymes & songs, a music prop, and suggested music to stream.

You can use the kit to play along at home with the week's Wee Play video for a fun playdate with your baby! Register by the Friday before the program each week to schedule your contactless pickup of a "Wee Play in a Bag" kit.

Weekly, March 9 – April 22



WEEKLY STORYTIMES

TUES, WED & THURS

March 9 - April 22

10:00-10:15am

Register by 9:30am on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday for the link to the week's program.

Storytime (All Ages)

Stories and songs for all ages.

Toddlertime (Toddlers)

Nursery rhymes, movement activities, and a book.

Wee Play

(Birth-24 Months)

Music, rhymes, giggles, and a book. You'll be able to view the prerecorded program from Tuesday through Friday.



Next time it rains, try this song out!



Singing songs for different activities and weather is a joyful way of moving through the day with your child, and a building block of early literacy.

The more words your sing, talk and play with, the more nimble your child will be with language. Simple songs create great opportunities for young brains to experience and master the complex way rhythm and melody change the sounds of our language.

In this song, singing the word 'thunder' changes the word considerably from the way we say it. The syllables are so distinct it is like two words, and are sung at very different pitches. Yet, with experience, we learn to recognize it as one word.

I HEAR THUNDER

Sing to the tune of Frère Jacques

I hear thunder, I hear thunder, (pound hands gently on floor or lap)

With my ears, with my ears (cup hand to ear)

Pitter, patter, raindrops; pitter, patter, raindrops (dance fingers on child's arms)

I'm wet through, (wiggle yourself)

So are you (tickle child)

Also try: *I see lightning / with my eyes...I feel* the wind blow / on my skin. Singing songs makes moments special. It is a delight to notice when your child has learned the song.







Get started at www.northbrook.info/highlights-bingo

Read stories, solve puzzles, and get creative with Highlights Activity Bingo

Highlights Bingo offers 12 different bingo themes and provides fun theme-based activities and Axis 360 eBook suggestions to complete squares on the board.

Book Bundles

For Babies – Grade 5

Tell us what your child likes to read and we'll choose 5 titles we think they'll love. We'll check them out for you, put them in a bag, and get them ready for you to pick up!

Try it out at www.northbrook.info/book-bundles



Remembering Chad Raymond

Chad Raymond is one of those people you don't come across often, said Library Board President Carlos Früm, who has known him for more than 25 years. Chad, who served as the Executive Director of the library from 1985-2015, "was the face of the library," Carlos said.

"Everyone recognized him in town. He had that approachability that made people comfortable. He had empathy for everybody."

After battling serious medical illnesses, Chad passed away on January 11 at the age of 68. A gathering was held with immediate family at his home.

Colleagues, friends, and library employees described him as a servant leader who pursued excellence with warmth and kindness.

A strong advocate for all libraries, Chad was heavily involved with the American Library Association (ALA) and the Illinois Library Systems. He served on the Illinois Library Association's public policy committee as well as the Illinois State Library Advisory Committee.

Many in the Northbrook and library communities mourn the passing of the former library director and Rotarian, who was a certified parliamentarian and happily shared his expertise to anyone who was interested.

Dave Kroeze met Chad in 1992 when he became the Superintendent of Northbrook School District 27. They became friends soon after Chad welcomed him into the community.



Chad and Nancy Raymond

"He always looked for the good in people," said Dave, who also served on Rotary with him. "We have lost a wonderful friend and colleague."

Chad was a mentor and role model to many current and former library employees including Andy Kim, the current Director of the Glencoe Public Library. Of the many memories of his old boss, Andy said what stood out was how Chad enthusiastically greeted him on his first day at work.

"I was full of nerves and thought it best just to say a quick hello, keep my head down. But when Chad saw me, he stopped in the middle of the stairs, emphatically shook my hand, welcomed me, and asked about my first day. He made me feel so welcomed, and most importantly, that I belonged."

"Chad's legacy is the relationships he made with people everywhere. There are a countless number of library professionals that will testify to his leadership as a librarian." — Andy Kim

"Employees liked and respected him," said Hala Haddad, Assistant Reference Manager, who remembers Chad as a kind leader and a good listener.

Echoing Hala, library Human Resources manager Laurie Prioletti said Chad's leadership set a caring and respectful tone for the library.

"He had a very high level of honesty and intellect and made the library such a caring place to work in," said Laurie, who joined the library in 2007 to fill the library's first Human Resources Manager position, a role Chad felt was necessary to further advance the library's progress.

Notable Achievements

During his tenure, the library reached several significant milestones and drew notable recognition. In 2012, it received its first 5 Star rating from *Library Journal* and was included in *Chicago Tribune's* "Chicago's Top Workplaces" list.



Chad and Nancy Raymond

In the late 90s, Chad guided the massive construction project which involved temporarily moving the library to the former Jewel grocery on Church Street.

"Chad played a big role in shaping the library as it is now," said former Library Board member Marc Lonoff. "The idea of making it a community center would not have been possible without these expansions. As a resident, the library expansion is a big deal and I give him the credit for it."

Other significant milestones include the Auditorium renovation, outreach, and partnerships with various local organizations including the Arts Commission, the founding of Northbrook Public Library Foundation.

Mentorship & Character

While his professional accomplishments are abundant and impressive, those who knew Chad say it was his character that made the greatest impact.

That Chad lived his life guided by a strong moral compass was evident to all who knew him.

"He shared so much about himself to give me depth, weight, and perspective to the work we do. We should all aspire to leave that sort of legacy behind," said Andy Kim.

"Chad led by example and was generous in helping everyone around him and I'll miss him dearly," he said.

To read this remembrance online, including additional quotes and photos, visit www.northbrook.info/chad-raymond.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Saying Farewell, But Not Goodbye

After serving as the President of the Friends of the Library Board for nine years, William Schildgen has stepped down from his position. While Bill was leading the Friends, they raised more than \$248,000 in funds to support many of the library's programs and services! We thank him for his service and wish him a happy retirement.

Friends Board Treasurer Colleen Keaveny talks about Bill's leadership, saying "Bill did far more than chair the Board meetings. He was always involved in helping with the Friends Bookshop, programs and looking for ways for the Friends to contribute to the enrichment of library activities for the community. He often visited with library personnel to keep his finger on the pulse of life in his favorite place in Northbrook and to share a joke or two."

"Bill was an avid library user and regularly attended our concerts and film series," says Kate Hall, Executive Director. "His joy in helping raise funds for these and other programs was matched only by his joy in attending the programs. Though he is retiring from the Friends, I hope he will never retire from being a cherished library patron."

New & Returning Members as of January 17, 2021

BENEFACTOR (\$1000) Marilyn Bodine (in memory of Carolyn Schildgen), Dr. Burton & Janet Rohde Krain

GUARANTOR (\$250) Janet Alberts, William Schildgen

SPONSOR (\$100) Jan & Allan Bergman, Wendi Burnstine, Linda Capua, Mary & Jim Demcak, Steven Dillie, Bill & Kathy Domm, Lou Engelhard, Dr. Balbino & Flora Fernandez, Sandra Whitmore & Daniel FitzSimmons, Dennis & Lola George, Lolly & John Gepson, Richard Harris, Colleen Keaveny, Katharine Kelly, Lona Louis, John & Merilee Novinson, Debbie Oberman, Jim & Julie Page, Lila Petitti, Nancy Raymond, Lynda & Sheldon Schneider, Margaret Sickeler, Kate Spears, Nancy Van Treeck

DONOR (\$50) Anna & Ron Amen, Barbara Bregman, Dr. Mary Dougal, Carol Fessenden, Arthur Fischer, Vicki Glanz, Dr. Joseph Golbus, Dr. Joel & Judy Greenman, Mary Jo Hunsberger, Judy Jacobs, Mabel Janke, David Kleinerman, Sondra & Max Lorig, Jack Kaplan & Marian Macsai, Ron & Kay Mantegna, The McGrew Family, Edward & Susan Nadler, Judy Phelps, Deborah Rohde, Lawrence Sohn, Bill & Jan Southerton, Lawrence Strickland (in honor of Janet Diehl), Thomas Tabern, Betty Trawinski, Sharon & Bernie Turek, Debbie & Gary Walt, Naomi Weiss, Mr. & Mrs. Chau H. Wu

CONTRIBUTOR (\$25) Carol Abrahams, Marianne & Jack Bankier, Betty Becker, Revs. Sarah Stumme & John Berg, Nancy & David Bishop, Judy Blake, Gretchen & Brian Boyer, Mary Kay & Ted Burke, Michele Buttermor, Barbara Chudnow, Nancy Dadigan, Susan & Gary Eimerman, Dr. David Fretzin, Carol Friedlander, Harriet Goldberg, Arlene Gitles Hammerman, Marcia Hartnell, Renee & Wayne & Jared Hochberg, Charles Incorvia, Meryl Kay, Sharon & Robert Krakowsky, Eileen Kramer, Alan & Sandee Laven, Phyllis Levin, Sandra Mauk, Margot Molay, Marti Murphy, Lorraine Pattis, Edgar Reihl, Barbara Revsine, Ed & Emmy Rothschild, Sundae & John Rupley, Lynne & Rick Saltzman, Barbara Scott, Sandy Shafernich, Katherine Sutton, James & Susan Teper, Allan & Alana Werth, Irving Savin & Leona Zelener

FAMILY (\$20) Dennis Busch, Robin & Jarvis Friduss, Doug & Barb Gerleman,
Hal & Lois Grossman, Fran & Fred Hakimian, Charles & Barbara Hirsheimer, The Isaac Family,
Mary Lou & Ron Larson, Marty & Sandy Levy, James Meadows, Maria & Carl Moshovitis,
Arthur & Leslie Muir, Joshua & Melissa Prober, Sharon Sabin, Dieter & Jacquelyn Saegebrecht,
Gloria & Larry Schaffel, Terri Schwartz, Alan & Penny Spencer

INDIVIDUAL (\$10) Lynn Barnett, Audrey Cantor, Marian Caporusso, S.J. Davis, Evelyn & Larry Delmar, Alan & Zora Eirinberg, Eileen Fine, Sheila Goode, Ellyn Greenbaum, Karla Harris, Helene Harwood, Kathrine Helfrich, Deanna Klopfer, Ruth Lawrence, Hope Lepley, Irwin List, Dorsey Mals, Jeanie Mendel, Jeri Mercola, Jeanette Meyers, Susan Murnick, Meridel Newman, Deborah Pardini, Renee Pasikov, Roberta Piell, Naomi Rubin, Hanna Shapiro, Enid Silverman, Sharon Telpner, Virginia Thinnes, Marvin White, Ruth Wintroub, Eileen Woodhouse



Friends' Used
Bookshop Hours:
The Bookshop is
currently closed.
www.northbrook.info/friends

Friends Board Members

Connie Galliart, Sandra Kaminsky, Kathy Kather, Colleen Keaveny, Joan MacVay, Merrill Medansky, Jane Nickow, Debby Rohde, Larry Schaffel, John Schuman

BEAFRIEND OF THE NORTHBROOK PUBLIC LIBRARY							
NAME							
ADDRESS							
PHONE							
CITY/STATE					ZIP		
EMAIL							
I AM INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES							
☐ INDIVIDUAL \$10	FAMILY \$20	CONTRIBUTOR \$25	DONOR \$50	SPONSOR \$100	GUARANTOR \$250	PATRON \$500	BENEFACTOR \$1000
Frie	ase mends o	f the I	North		Public		,



1201 Cedar Lane Northbrook, IL 60062 www.northbrook.info 847-272-6224 feedback@northbrook.info **Library Trustees**

Sharon Bergstein Maura Crisham Carlos M. Früm **Jay Glaubinger Kayhan Parsi Abby Young** Jami Xu

Executive Director Kate Hall

Editor Linda Vering

Contributor

Jane Huh **Graphic Designer Brittany Hewerdine** **Postal Customer** Northbrook, IL 60062

CAR-RT SORT Nonprofit Org. U.S. Postage PAID Northbrook, IL Permit No. 689

THANK YOU

Library Donations

In memory of Shirley Larimer from Elizabeth Mielke In memory of Mary Chadderdon from Carol Montello In appreciation of the virtual programming from Pauline Velasco

In appreciation of the Library from Eric & Gloria Matlin In memory of Chad Raymond from Alex Todd & Sue Kish Nancy Hall

Book a Brick

In Memory of Michael Schrank from Ralph & Jan Katz In Memory of Mary Chadderdon, a treasured volunteer from the staff of the Northbrook Public Library

Foundation Donations

In memory of Michael Schrank from:

Marci Adams, James Andreesen, Chicago Protivity Family, Trish & Barry Dredze, Hilary Draper, Susan Ehlers, Jessica Folk, Leslie & Ken Kudsk, Adrienne Levin, Marjorie & Bret Maxwell, Joan Perlman, Janet Sameh, Andrea Solomon, Andrea Swindler, Myra & Michael Wolf, Mayta Spitz & Rita Paul, John & Lois Wolfson, Rosh Chodesh Study Group: Sharon Ganellan, Hyma Lein, Harriet Jacobs, Janet Krain, Karen Kaufman, Loly Farnos, Debbie Stern, Dori Wolgel, Carol Schnitzler

In Memory of Chadwick Raymond from Robert Shurman

To further the work of the Collaboratory from Dr. Burton Krain & Ms. Janet Rohde Krain







READ. EAT. REPEAT.



SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY WHILE **ESCAPING TO THE MEDITERRANEAN.**

Between 3/14-21, Rōti will donate 20% to the Northbrook Library Foundation.

Use code LIBRARYLOVE

in-store & online to participate.

Valid only at Northbrook (798 Skokie Blvd).

