

Fox River Valley Libraries

Dundee Library • Randall Oaks Library

WINTER 2024 NEWSLETTER



LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Christmas Dec. 24 & 25

New Year's Dec. 31 & Jan. 1

Martin Luther King Jr. Day Jan. 20

President's Day

Feb. 17

Library hours and closings may change. For the most current updates, please visit www.frvpld.info.

DUNDEE LIBRARY

555 Barrington Ave. (Rt. 68) East Dundee, IL 60118 (accessible via Pace Route 803)

Monday – Thursday: 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday & Saturday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday 1 – 5 p.m.

RANDALL OAKS LIBRARY

500 N. Randall Road West Dundee, IL 60118 (accessible via Pace Route 550)

Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday & Saturday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday 1 – 5 p.m.

24-HOUR DROP BOXES

Dundee Library Driveway Randall Oaks Library Driveway Gilberts Village Hall Parking Lot 87 Galligan Rd, Gilberts, IL 60136

PHONE

(847) 428-3661

Phone access to your account: (847) 590-8706

BOARD MEETINGS

Meetings are normally held in the Dundee Library's Meeting Room (Lower Level) on the third Tuesday of the month, starting at 7 p.m.. The Board is elected by the taxpayers to serve in a volunteer capacity. Meetings are open to the public.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Kristina Weber, Ph.D., President Chris Evans, Secretary Tara Finn, Treasurer Maryann Dellamaria Matthew Goyke Paula Lauer Dan Wisniewski Heather Zabski, Interim Director

LETTER FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Winter is here, bringing a season of transformation. As fall's vibrant colors fade into snowflakes and cozy reading moments, the changes aren't just in what or where you read but also in how you borrow from the Library. The Fox River Valley Library is embracing this technological shift, allowing you to borrow eBooks from platforms like Libby, Hoopla, and Boundless or explore curated music playlists on Freegal—all with your Library card. Plus, you can gain in-demand skills by accessing thousands of online courses through LinkedIn Learning.

Change isn't just in how you borrow materials—it's also happening in our events and programs. Our holiday-themed events, like Paw Print Ornaments, Cookie Decorating Drop-in, the Noon Year's Eve Celebration, and Code Your Own Holiday Card, are perfect for embracing the festive spirit. And don't forget about the upcoming Winter Reading Challenge, "Let it Snow." Earn Library prizes for every reading challenge milestone you achieve.

Not a fan of winter? Don't worry—we'll soon switch gears toward Valentine's celebrations and Black History Month-themed take-home kits. And don't forget to stop by for our new Doughnuts with Grown-ups Storytime, where you can enjoy stories, songs, and doughnuts with fellow readers!

Lastly, discover what's new in our Library of Things, a unique collection that goes beyond books. From pickleball sets to snowshoes, this collection helps make everyday life easier while allowing you to explore new hobbies—without the cost of purchasing anything.

So, on your next visit to the Fox River Valley Library, be sure to check out all the exciting changes and offerings. We look forward to seeing you!

Kristina Weber, Ph.D.
Board President

January 1-31

Cozy up and enjoy the winter snow with a great book! To complete the challenge, earn four out of six available badges by either reading or completing a fun activity for each badge. By the end, you'll be winterready with a warm hat or snuggled up with a fuzzy new friend - rewards you can earn by finishing the Winter Reading Challenge.

You can sign up and participate online at frvpld. beanstack.org, download the Beanstack app on your device, or stop in at the library to pick up a printed log.

Registration Prizes:

Adults can enjoy a winter library-themed button and a Sno Caps treat, while kids get to have fun with snowflake candy bracelets.*

Finisher Prizes:

Kids - Library Teddy Bear Adults - Winter Hat

*Food items may contain nuts or be produced in a facility that handles peanuts.



Finisher prizes will be available for pickup from January 8 to February 8, while supplies last during regular library hours.



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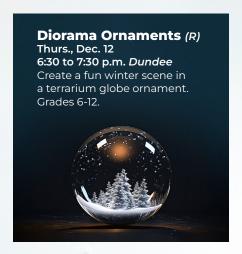








HAPPENINGS



Cookie Decorating Drop-In (NR)

Thurs., Dec. 19, 5 to 6 p.m. Dundee
Drop in and decorate a cookie for the
holidays! All Ages.

The Nightmare Before Christmas Ornaments (R) Sat., Dec. 21, 2 to 4 p.m. Dundee

Create a The Nightmare Before Christmas themed ornament. Use embroidery thread and felt to sew a character from the film. If sewing is not your thing, you can color an ornament on shrink film. Grades 6-12.

Code Your Own Holiday Card (R) Mon., Dec. 23, 10:30 to 11:30 am Dundee

Join us to code a festive holiday card using Microsoft MakeCode. Registrants must have basic computer skills (right/left click, drag and drop, typing, etc.) in order to participate. Grades 4-8.

Gingerbread House (R)

Mon., Dec. 23, *Dundee* Session 1: 3 to 4 p.m. Session 2: 6 to 7 p.m.

Have a festive time decorating a Gingerbread House and enjoying holiday music. Register everyone who will be attending. All ages.

Let it Snow Room Sign (R)

Fri., Dec. 27, 2 to 3 p.m. *Dundee*Make a cute snowman sign to hang in your room. Grades 4-6.

Noon Year's Eve (R)

Mon., Dec. 30
11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Dundee
Happy Noon Year! Don't feel like staying
up until midnight? Join us to start
the party early and celebrate at noon!
Ages 2-12, caregivers must remain with
children under age 9.



Winter Holidays Around the World Take Home Kit (NR)

Available Starting December 23
Have fun over the Winter School Break
with a box full of crafts, games, and
reading suggestions that explore holidays
in other countries. Enjoy at home with
your family or on your own. Available
while supplies last at the Dundee and
Randall Oaks Libraries. Recommended
for kids in grades K-8.

Lunar New Year Paper Snake (NR)

Available starting January 11

Start the countdown to Lunar New Year with a zodiac inspired craft kit. Each kit contains the makings for a paper friend who will help you usher in the Year of the Snake. (Supplies are limited. Kits are available at the Dundee Library on a first-come, first-served basis. For adults and teens.)



at Black & Gray Brewing (R)
Tues., Dec. 10, 6:30 to 8:30 pm
311 Barrington Ave, East Dundee

Join us as we celebrate the holidays with an all-new game of holiday music trivia. Park your sleigh outside, bring your jingle bells inside, and join us for a great evening of trivia where spontaneous caroling is bound to erupt. Small prizes will be awarded.

Holiday Guitar Concert (R) Wed., Dec. 18

7 to 8:30 p.m. *Dundee*Guitarists from different musical backgrounds will exquisitely interpret your favorite holiday

interpret your favorite holiday tunes. Additionally, Satara, our Battle of the Bands first-place winner, will close the night with an energetic live performance!



In My Lover Era Candle (R) Wed., Feb. 5, 6 to 7 p.m. Dundee
Create a Taylor Swift-inspired candle with sweet scents and dried flowers.
Caregivers are required to stay and assist their children with this project. The last day to pick up your candle will be Friday, February 14th. Grades 4-6.

Valentine's Day Party (R) Tues., Feb. 11, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee Celebrate Valentine's Day with crafts, games, and a treat. Ages 3-6 with a caregiver.

Galentine's Soiree (R)
Tues., Feb. 11, 6 to 8 p.m. Dundee
Tell your besties it's time to celebrate
Galentine's Day! We will be making bod

Tell your besties it's time to celebrate Galentine's Day! We will be making body scrubs and lip gloss charms. Don't forget to wear comfy clothes. Grades 4-6.

Love Letter Bites (R)
Wed., Feb. 12, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dundee
Trying to figure out a cute dessert to
make for your special someone? Learn
how to make these cute love letter bites
that look hard but are super simple
to make and watch your Valentine be
impressed. For adults.



Bookmarks & Box Braids (R) Sat., Feb.1 - Sat., Feb. 8

Kick Black History Month off right with a bookish edu-craft! Make a mixed media bookmark and get informed with an overview of the significance of black hair in America. This kit is all about self-educating made fun and we're here for it! (Kits available at the Dundee Library. Any craft kits left unclaimed after the pick-up period will be forfeited and given to waitlist registrants. For adults and teens.)

Celebrate Black History Month Take Home Kit (NR)

Available Starting Feb. 1

Bring history to life with a unique collection of crafts, games, and reading suggestions recommended for kids in grades K-8. Available while supplies last at the Dundee and Randall Oaks Libraries.



Storytime with Ms. Lisa at Randall Oaks (NR) Mondays, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Randall Oaks

Enjoy books, songs, flannel stories, dancing, and bubbles all while learning some early literacy tips with Ms. Lisa. All ages, but best for 2-6 years.

Tuesday Tales and Storytime Craft (NR)

Tuesdays, 10 to 10:30 a.m. *Dundee* Drop in for stories, songs, rhymes and more! This storytime is great for the whole family. Keep the fun going by joining us in the Craft Room immediately afterwards for a storytime-related craft.

Hello Baby! (NR)

Wednesdays, 9:30 to 10 a.m. Dundee Join us for a storytime geared towards our littlest patrons! This lapsit storytime will focus on singing, rhymes, and parent interaction to help develop early literacy skills. Storytime will run for approximately 10-15 minutes with a short baby playtime afterwards. Ages 0-24 months with caregiver, siblings are welcome.

Bilingual Storytime (NR) Wednesdays, 10:15 to 10:45 a.m. Dundee

Welcome friends! Read stories, sing and have fun in English and Spanish. All ages but best for 2-6. ¡Bienvenidos amigos! Vengan a leer cuentos, canta y diviértete en inglés y español. Todas las edades pero mejor para 2-6 años.

Storytime with Miss. Rachel at Randall Oaks (NR) Thursdays, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Randall Oaks

Enjoy books, songs, flannel stories, dancing, and bubbles all while learning some early literacy tips with Miss Rachel. All ages, but best for 2-6 years.

BABY AND TODDLER



Little Scientist Take Home Lab (NR)

New lab every month!

Activities based on science, technology, engineering, art, and math that are best for ages 2-4 years. Available while supplies last at the Dundee and Randall Oaks Libraries.

Little Artist (R)

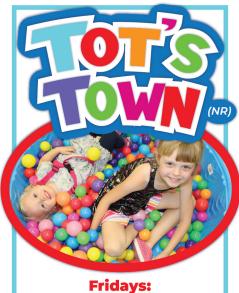
Paper Bag Gingerbread House Fri., Dec. 13, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Hot Chocolate Mug

Fri., Jan. 10, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee

Strawberry Heart Valentine Fri., Feb. 14, 10 to 10:30 a.m. *Dundee* You don't have to be a big kid to be an artist. Dress for a mess and create vour

own art project! Ages 1-3 years.



Dec. 27, Jan. 31, & Feb 28 10 to 10:45 a.m. **Dundee**

Come to Tot's Town for some fun and play. Don't dress your best and be ready for a mess. No registration necessary. Ages 1-3 with caregiver.

PRESCHOOL

Drive-In: Pete the Cat: A Very Groovy Christmas (R)

Tues., Dec. 10, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Dundee We will decorate a cardboard box and watch an episode of Pete the Cat. Fruit snacks will be given out as a treat. Ages 3-6 with caregiver.

Foodie Kids Jr. (R)

Thursdays: 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Dundee

Dec. 19 - Little Owl's Snow Jan. 23 - Penguin Huddle Feb. 27 - Snow Happy!

It's Foodie Kids, but for the little ones. Make a food item related to a book or book character. Ages 3-6 with caregiver. A Day at the Zoo (R)

Thurs., Jan. 2

10 to 10:30 a.m. Dundee
Join us for crafts and
games that are all about the
zoo. Ages 3-6 with caregiver.

Music & Movement (NR)

Thursdays: Jan. 16, Feb. 20 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. *Dundee*

Need to get your wiggles out? Join us for an active program where we'll dance, sing, explore musical instruments, and more! Ages 2-6 with caregiver.



The Carpentersville Police Department and the FRVPLD invite you to a delightful evening filled with storytelling, delicious treats, and lively discussions. Mingle with friendly officers, dive into a captivating book, and enjoy a night of community bonding. This free event is open to all ages.

Carpentersville Village Hall - 1200 L.W. Besinger Drive, Carpentersville

ELEMENTARY/TWEEN



Tuesdays, Dec. 10 and Jan. 14 4 to 5 p.m. *Dundee*

Love to build? Obsessed with LEGOs? Join us at the Library to build with other LEGO lovers! We'll have opportunities for challenges as well as for free build time. Your LEGO creations must stay at the Library, but staff will be available to take pictures of your creations. Grades K-8.

Foodie Kids (R)

Snowman Cake

Wed., Dec. 18, 3:30 to 4 p.m. *Dundee*

Breakfast Sundaes

Wed., Jan. 15, 3:30 to 4 p.m. Dundee

Valentine Sweet Doughnut

Wed., Feb. 19, 3:30 to 4 p.m. *Dundee* Kids take over the kitchen in this handson snack-making workshop. We make a different delicious snack every month! Grades K-3.

Fake Cake Photo Frame (R)

Mon., Jan. 13, 5 to 6 p.m. *Dundee*Fool your friends and family with this delicious-looking picture frame! We will pipe designs on the edges of a picture frame to make it look like a real frosted cake. Grades 4-6.

Pixel Art: Kids Edition (R)

Disney

Wed., Jan. 29, 3 to 5 p.m. Dundee

Sweethearts

Wed., Feb. 26, 3 to 5 p.m. Dundee
The teens' favorite program is now
available for younger kids! We will use
perler beads to make pixel art. Grades
1-6. Parents must accompany children
that are under the age of 9.

Northern Lights Art Project (R)

Tues., Feb. 4, 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. Dundee Let's make a fun art project using oil pastels. Our inspiration is the northern lights. Grades 1-6.

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PROGRAMS ON PAGES 3 AND 4

FAMILY (All Ages)

Paw Print Ornament (NR)

Make a keepsake ornament with your pet's own paw print! Available starting December 1 at the Dundee and Randall Oaks Libraries, while supplies last.

Homeschool Hangout (NR)

Tues., Dec. 17: Clay creations Tues., Jan. 21: Yarn art Tues., Feb. 18: Origami 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. *Dund*ee

Learn, discover, and meet new friends! Join us for a monthly hands-on activity. Parents and caregivers are welcome to connect during this program!

Doughnuts with Grown-Ups Storytime

Sat., Dec. 21, Jan. 18, Feb. 15 10 to 10:45 a.m. *Dundee* Come for stories and songs, stay for doughnuts! Content is geared towards ages 2-8 but all ages are welcome. Registration not required.

Family Movie Night: Toy Story (Rated G) (R) Thurs., Jan. 2, 6 to 8 p.m. Dundee

Put on your PJs and bring your favorite toy to watch the Disney classic, Toy Story. Free popcorn and drinks will be available; your own snacks and drinks are welcome. Please register all people attending.

Family Trivia Night: Harry Potter Year Seven (R)

Thurs., Jan. 23 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. *Dundee*

Challenge opposing teams to score points in three rounds of themed trivia based upon the seventh and FINAL book: Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows.

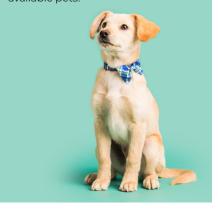




Tues., Jan. 28, 6 to 7 p.m. Dundee
Let's roll out the red carpet to celebrate
the release of Dog Man the Movie! Test
your super sniffer against our blind
smell test, make a robot in Petey's
Secret Lab, learn how to draw Dog Man,
and more! Enter the raffle to win one of
our Dog Man prizes. "Kibble" and "treats"
will be provided.



Sat., Feb. 8, 11 to 1 p.m. *Dundee*Meet wonderful dogs and cats from
Hoof Woof & Meow and possibly give
one of them a fur-ever home. Kids
can sign up to share a story with the
available pets!



LIBRARY OF THE

Whether you're looking to borrow Caregiver kits to help when interacting with those experiencing memory loss or dementia, a sewing machine for your next craft, a telescope for stargazing, or have your favorite book character come to life through our new Tonies kits—the Fox River Valley Library has you covered.

TEEN (Grades 6-12)

Anime Club (NR)

Thursdays: Dec. 5, Jan.9, Feb. 6 6:30 to 8 p.m. *Dundee*

Anime Club is more than just anime! Talk about your favorite anime and manga, make cool pixel art projects and buttons, share memes, and show off your drawings and sketches. Drop in, or register to receive a reminder email.

Polymer Clay & Jewelry Studio (R)

Mon., Dec. 30, 2 to 4 p.m. *Dundee* Sat. Jan. 18, 2 to 4 p.m. *Dundee* Sat., Feb. 15, 2 to 4 p.m. *Dundee*

This open studio style program provides access to a ton of polymer clay and jewelry making supplies. Students can use their time during this program to make whatever they choose. Help or advice is available if requested.

Teen Hangout (NR) Fridays: Dec. 27, Jan. 3 2 to 4 p.m. *Dundee*

Hang out in Corner 68, enjoy some snacks, and create something with our craft supplies including: button makers, shrink charms, polymer clay, Perler beads, bracelet beads, and more. Drop in or register to receive a reminder email.

Crochet Basics 2 (R)

Mon., Jan. 27, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Dundee Expand your crochet skills by learning the double crochet stitch. Use this stitch to create a granny square, which is worked "in the round". All supplies will be provided.

*Prerequisite: You must already know how to create a starting chain and complete rows of single crochet stitches.

Heart String Art (R)

Thurs., Feb. 20, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. *Dundee*

Wrap string around nails on a wood board to make a unique piece of artwork.



Pixel Art (R) Thurs., Feb. 27, 6 to 8 p.m. *Dundee*

Use Perler beads to turn pixel art into keychains, charms, magnets, or mini figures.

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ADULTS



CAREER HELP

Resume Workshop

Tues., Dec. 3, Jan. 7, and Feb. 4 10 a.m to 12 p.m. *Dundee*

Drop-in Career Services

Tues., Dec. 17, Jan. 21, and Feb. 18 10 a.m to 12 p.m. *Dundee* Meet one-on-one with a Career Coach from workNet Batavia's One Stop Team to discuss careers, job hunting, resumes, cover letters, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), and more.

Drumming Open Jam

Tues., Dec. 3, Jan. 7, Feb. 25 5 to 6 p.m. *Dundee*

If you're looking to try something new or give your neighbors a break, come play the drums at the library!

I Love Me: Chanting Music (R) Wed., Jan. 8, 7 to 8 p.m. Dundee

The "I Love Me" programs are focused on self-care and self-love. Join us as we listen to a session of chanting. Allow the music to raise your vibrations. Cultivate a mindset of positive thinking. Meet other individuals interested in living mindful and peaceful lives.

Celebrating the Lunar New Year (R)

Sat., Jan. 11, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. *Dundee* The Lunar New Year season lasts from January 29 to February 13. It is a holiday observed by about 20% of the world's population, yet many are unfamiliar with how it is celebrated. Educator Yvonne Wolf will tell us about the Chinese calendar in relation to the Chinese New Year, the rites, activities, symbols, and foods associated with it and how you can participate in your own home. Whether it is your first time celebrating this crosscultural festival or part of your annual routine, join us as we welcome the Year of the Snake.

Origami Workshop (R)

Thurs., Jan. 16, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dundee Join us for our winter-edition origami workshop. Learn how to craft a beautiful paper snowflake. If you missed our fall session, this is your chance to jump in and create something special. Don't miss out on the fun and creativity!

Making the Most of Social Security (R)

Mon., Jan. 27, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee
Stacy Bromann of The Dala Group will
provide details on the various filing
strategies available to single individuals,
widows, divorced individuals, and
married couples. These strategies can
often provide Social Security benefits
that are higher than the standard filing
options that are typically selected. In
addition, Stacy will cover topics such as
Social Security earned income limits and
the taxation of Social Security benefits.

Land of Lincoln Trivia at Black & Gray Brewing (R)

Tues., Feb. 11, 6:30 to 8:30 pm 311 Barrington Ave, East Dundee
Celebrate Lincoln's Birthday Eve with a rousing trivia event. We will focus three rounds on, respectively, Illinois, Chicago, and our very own towns that fall within our library boundary. So many interesting and trivial facts in our own backyard. Small prizes will be awarded.



Sat., Feb. 22, 1 to 3 p.m. Dundee
Did you know that Mexican cuisine
is a cultural heritage of humanity?
UNESCO (The United Nations
Educational, Scientific and Cultural
Organization) described it as being
able to express community identity,
reinforce social bonds, and build
stronger identities. Join us as we
learn the history and tradition of
Tamales! Let's eat them too while
we're at it! There will be live music.

An Unfinished Journey: African American Music In Its Pivotal Decades

Tues., Feb. 25, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee Celebrate Black History Month with a special multimedia concert featuring musician and historian Clarence Goodman. Goodman will take us on a 400-year journey illuminating the rich tapestry of African American music, performing and discussing the origins of this music and exploring the ways in which it unifies and endures.



Winter Nail Art (R)

Thurs., Dec. 12 7 to 8:30 p.m. *Dundee*

Ring in the season with a fresh set! In this class, we'll learn simple nail art and registrants will create a unique set of winter themed press-ons.

Open Studio (R)

Thurs., Jan. 9 7 to 8:30 p.m. *Dundee*

Bring your creativity and we'll provide the rest! There will be tons of arts and crafts supplies to start a new project or finish an old one. If you need some inspiration, we'll have directions from past projects. Have fun and relax in a stress-free environment. And the best part is that you don't have to worry about the clean-up afterwards!

Build-A-Boo(quet) (NR)

Thurs., Feb. 13 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. *Dundee*

Grab that special someone, it's time for a Valentine's Eve date night at the library! Build a bouquet of flowers, take cute pictures, and make each other custom keychains with shrink film. If you're looking to spread the love, this week the library is the place to be! (Crafts will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Bouquet supplies are limited.)

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COMPUTER CLASSES

Having a Google/Gmail account to log into will be beneficial to follow along and complete activities on your own.
However, it is not required if you want to passively watch the class. Basic mouse and keyboarding skills required.



Google Docs: The Basics (R) Tues., Dec. 3, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee Intended for beginners, this hands-on class will introduce Google Docs and teach you how to create and edit text by building a basic resume from scratch.

Google Slides: The Basics (R) Tues., Dec. 17, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee Learn how to make creative slide presentations for home and work in this hands-on class.



Google Sheets: The Basics (R)

Tues., Jan. 7, 7 to 8:30 p.m. *Dundee* Intended for beginners, this hands-on class will teach you how to create a basic budget using some of the most important tools in Google Sheets.

Google Sheets: Tables, Named Ranges and Pivot Tables (R)

Tues., Jan. 14, 7 to 8:30 p.m. *Dundee* Intended for intermediate users, this hands-on class will teach the basics of using pivot tables in Google Sheets.

Google Sheets: Intro Functions and Formulas (R)

Tues., Jan. 28, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Dundee This hands-on class will teach the basics of using functions and formulas in Google Sheets.

Google Sheets: Intro to Vlookup, Index Match (R)

Tues., Feb. 4, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. *Dundee* This hands-on class will teach the basics building VLOOKUP functions in Google Sheets.

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Youth

Polar Bear Party (R)

Thur., Dec. 5, 10 to 10:45 a.m.

Celebrate our favorite arctic bears with this preschool party featuring a story, dancing, an activity, and a craft! Ages 2-6 with a caregiver.

Happy Holidays Storytime and Craft (NR) Mon., Dec. 9, 10 to 10:45 a.m.

Come to a holiday-themed storytime, where we will dance with jingle bells, listen to fun holiday songs, read holiday books, and do a special craft to take home. Best for ages 2-6 with a caregiver.

Sewing Studio: DIY Felt Ornaments (R)

Tues., Dec 10, 6 to 7:15 p.m.

Use your sewing skills to create your own felt ornament to give as a gift or hang on your tree for the holidays. Grades 4-8.

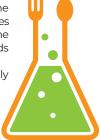
Clay Pot Snowman (R)

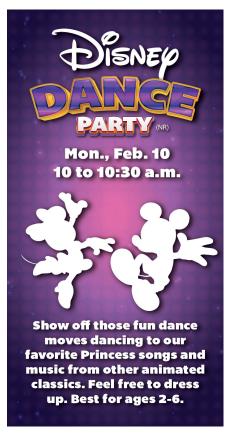
Tues., Jan. 14, 6 to 7 p.m.

Create a snowman out of a clay pot, Styrofoam ball, and a lot of creativity. Grades K-6.

Taste Testing Science (R)

Wed., Jan. 22, 6 to 7 p.m. Does food taste the same if you eat it with your eyes closed? Can you taste the difference between foods from different brands? Have fun with your family learning the science of taste! Family/All ages.





International Foodies: Chocolate Around the World (R)

Wed., Feb. 19, 6 to 7 p.m.

Taste test different chocolates from around the world! Grades 3-8.

Cozy Creation: Tiny Library (R)

Tues., Feb. 25, 6 to 7:15 p.m.

Create a cute, cozy library shelf from an Altoid tin and miniature books. Grades 4-8.

Adult

Artful Adventures: Embroidery Hoop Wreath (R)

Tues. Dec. 3, 2 to 3:15 p.m. Wed. Dec. 4, 6 to 7:15 p.m.

Using an embroidery hoop, let's make it a wreath with fabric, ribbon, and a little creativity.

Puzzle Swap (NR)

Wed. Dec. 11, 6 to 7 p.m.

Bring in gently-used puzzles to swap with fellow puzzle enthusiasts! 500 piece minimum. Join us after the exchange as we play BINGO for a chance to win a brand-new puzzle.



BOOK CLUBS

Gather with fellow book lovers to discuss, debate, and dive deeper into a new book each month. For all book clubs, physical copies (including Large Print when available) are set aside four weeks in advance and can be picked up at the Dundee Library Information Desk. eBooks, and eAudiobooks are often available, so be sure to check our ebook collection.

Adult Activities Center Book Club (NR)

Dundee Park District Adult Activities Center 665 Barrington Ave., Carpentersville, IL 60110

Vera Wong's Unsolicited Advice for Murderers

by Jesse Sutanto

Wed., Dec. 4, 10 to 11 a.m.

Miss Del Rio

by Barbara Mujica

Wed., Jan. 8, 10 to 11 a.m.

Good Night, Irene

by Luis Alberto Urrea

Wed., Feb. 5, 10 to 11 a.m.

Dundee Library Book Club (NR)

The Return of Ellie Black

by Emiko Jean

Thurs., Dec. 19, 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Dundee

The Storm We Made

by Vanessa Chan

Wed., Jan. 29, 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. *Dundee*

Evvie Drake Starts Over

by Linda Holmes

Wed., Feb 26, 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. *Dundee*

Horror Book Club (R)

The Queen by Nick Cutter Thurs., Jan 23, 7 p.m. Dundee

Blood Like Mine by Stuart Neville **Thurs., Feb. 20, 7 p.m. Dundee**

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If your reading recommendations come from BookTok and your book reviews from Instagram, if you always consult Goodreads ratings before choosing your next read, if your TBR list is full of trending titles you swear you'll get to "eventually", then this is the book club for you! Join us for Battle of the Book Club where we'll read new adult & adult fiction, fantasy, and sci-fi books popularized by social media and decide if they're really worth the hype. Every meeting will start with a discussion and end with a round of bookish trivia.

Emily Wilde's Encyclopaedia of Faeries by Heather Fawcett

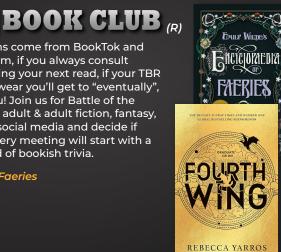
Thurs., Jan. 30, 7 to 8 p.m.

Fourth Wing

by Rebecca Yarros

Thurs., Feb. 27, 7 to 8 p.m.





ESPAÑOL

Decorando

Galletas Navideñas (R)

miércoles, 4 de diciembre 6:30 a 7:30 p.m. *Dunde*e

¡Ya llego el tiempo de entrar al espíritu navideño! Una tradición durante esta temporada es decorar galletas. Estaremos aprendiendo como decorar 3 diferentes galletas en forma de un árbol, un mono de nieve, y un venado.



Mentes Creativas: Ideas Para Envolver Regalos (R)

miércoles, 11 de diciembre 7 a 8 p.m. *Dundee*

Vamos a aprender a envolver regalos de forma original. Esta actividad es fácil y divertida. Todos los materiales serán proporcionados.

I Love Me: Cánticos Para Relajarte (R)

miércoles, 8 de enero 7 a 8 p.m. *Dundee*

Los programas "I Love Me" están enfocados en el autocuidado y amor propio. Ven a escuchar cánticos para relajarte. Deja que la música eleve tus sentidos. Cultiva una mentalidad positiva y conoce a otras personas interesadas en vivir una vida consciente y pacífica.



Inteligencia Artificial en Redes Sociales (R)

jueves, 30 de enero 7 a 8 p.m. *Dundee*

Aprende a identificar la inteligencia artificial en publicaciones e interacciones en redes sociales. Diseñado para personas con conocimientos básicos en tecnología, el programa es accesible para cualquier individual con un teléfono móvil.

Dispositivos Móviles

Requiere habilidad básica con dispositivos móviles.

Introducción a Dispositivos Móviles

Lo Básico - Parte Uno (R) lunes, 6 de enero 6:30 a 8:30 p.m. *Dundee*

Descubra todo lo que necesita saber para usar un dispositivo móvil.

Lo Básico - Parte Dos (R) lunes, 13 de enero 6:30 a 8:30 p.m. *Dunde*e

Descubra más de lo que necesita saber para usar un dispositivo móvil.

WhatsApp Y Su Seguridad (R)

lunes, 3 de febrero 6:30 a 8:30 p.m. *Dundee*

Descubra cómo WhatsApp maneja y mantiene segura su información privada.

Rosas Eternas (R) jueves, 6 de febrero 6 a 7 p.m. *Dundee*

¡Aprende como crear un ramo de rosas eternas que se ha vuelto viral! Justo a tiempo para el Día del Amor y la Amistad, arma un arreglo duradero que derretirá cualquier corazón. Trae tu creatividad; nosotros ponemos los materiales y la diversión. ¡No te lo pierdas!





Immigración

Asistencia de Immigración / Immigration Help (NR)

jueves, 12 de diciembre, 4 p.m. Dundee jueves, 9 de enero, 4 p.m. Dundee jueves, 13 de febrero, 4 p.m. Dundee ¿Tiene preguntas sobre los beneficios de inmigración y el camino a la ciudadanía? Profesionales reconocidos por DOJ de Alizana Hispanoamericana ofrecerán consultas personales gratuitas en la Biblioteca Dundee. No necesita cita; consultas serán disponibles para discusiones privadas por orden de llegada.

Thurs., Dec. 12, 4 p.m. *Dundee* Thurs., Jan. 9, 4 p.m. *Dundee* Thurs., Feb. 13, 4 p.m. *Dundee*

Do you have questions about immigration benefits and the path to citizenship? DOJ-accredited professionals from Alianza Hispanoamericana will offer free, personal consultations at the Dundee Library. No appointment is required; consultants will be available for private discussion on a first come, first served basis.

Citizenship Classes

Mondays, 4 to 6 p.m. *Dundee*Feb. 3-Mar. 17 (excluding February 17)
Prepare for citizenship with our 6-week
class covering civics, history, and English
proficiency. Presented by the Elgin YWCA.

Taller de Ciudadanía / Citizenship Workshop (R)

jueves, 20 de febrero, 4 p.m. Dundee Profesionales, reconocidos por el Departamento de Justicia (Department of Justice), de Alianza Hispanoamericana ofrecerán talleres de ciudadanía en la Biblioteca de Dundee. Los registrados recibirán los siguientes servicios:

- Evaluación de su elegibilidad para naturalizarse
- Preparación de la solicitud de ciudadanía y organización de documentación, si es elegible.
- · Revisión de su solicitud por un representante legal calificado
- · Accesso a recursos comunitarios

Thurs., Feb. 20, 4 p.m. *Dundee*DOJ-accredited professionals from
Alianza Hispanoamericana will offer U.S.
Citizenship workshops at the Dundee
Library. Registered attendees will receive
the following services:

- · Assessment of your eligibility to naturalize
- Application preparation & documentation packaging, if eligible
- Application review by a qualified legal representative
- · Access to community resources

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