The renovation is underway, however we are open and functioning— we still have new items being added every day. Please do not hesitate to ask for help if you're unable to locate anything. Also, there are no planned closures yet, but we will inform you as soon as possible if we do need to close for a day for safety or noise. Stay up to date through our website and/or social media channels.

Some things (and people!) have moved. The Circulation Desk staff are now at the Information Center, so checkout your materials and ask your questions at the one-stop service desk. The self-checkout machine has moved but is still accessible.

We are offering programs this fall. However, as you can see below, programs will be held off-site. We will be using the larger half of the meeting room for part of our collections in Phase 2 (September-October).

During August-October the bulk of the construction and disruption will take place. We encourage you to explore our online offerings, such as MyMediaMall, Axis360, hoopla, and Flipster for your reading, listening, and viewing needs.

Signed Book Giveaway!
Each week from August-November, we're raffling off an author-signed book in the Library. (Yes, you could call it a bribe of sorts for putting up with our construction mess.)

Off-site Facilities for Programs
Please note that our programs this fall will be taking place at other locations in Cary. The locations for each event are indicated in the program description. We would like to thank these organizations for the use of their space so that we can continue to offer programs for all ages.

Cary Ale House
208 West Main Street

Cary-Grove Masonic Lodge #1157
28 South Northwest Hwy.
Quonset Hut across from CVS, Lower level

Cary Park District Community Center
255 Briargate Road
Oak Room

Cary Physical Therapy
2615 Three Oaks Rd., #1A

Cary United Methodist Church
500 North First St.
Fellowship Hall

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
2107 Three Oaks Rd.

St Barnabas Lutheran Church
8901 Cary Algonquin Rd.

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FOLLOW THE RENOVATION
GENEALOGY ▼

Gig After Hours
Friday, September 9, 5-9 pm
Library
Learn how to get your genealogy act together. Nancy Gaynor will introduce you to forms, searching and getting organized. Bring your own PC or use ours. Stay late and get started!

Gig After Hours
Friday, October 7, 5-8 pm
Library
In honor of National Family History Month, Claudia Conroy of the McHenry Co. Illinois Genealogy Society will present tips using free websites for the beginner’s next step.

FINANCIAL SAVVY ▼

Basic Budgeting
Wednesday, Sept. 14, 6:30-8:30 pm
Cary United Methodist Church
Too much month at the end of your money? Need to get control of your finances? Then let the Consumer Counseling Service of Northern Illinois help you budget at this workshop.

Making the Most of Social Security
Wednesday, September 28, 7-8 pm
Cary United Methodist Church
Optimize your retirement income needs. Learn of the different filing options available to those married, divorced, and widowed. A workbook will be provided.

Reverse Mortgages
Wednesday, November 9, 7-8:30 pm
Cary United Methodist Church
This Consumer Credit Counseling Service workshop is designed to help you evaluate your home ownership situation and understand the pros and cons of this financing opportunity.

GET HEALTHY ▼

Bone Health
Wednesday, October 5, 2-3 pm
Cary Physical Therapy
Jennifer Schaffer of Cary Physical Therapy will discuss osteoporosis and ways to keep your bones healthy, improve your posture and avoid painful injuries or decreased mobility.

BOOK BUZZ ▼

Fall Book Buzz
Monday, October 17, 7-8:30 pm
Cary Park District Community Center
Robert Haddock, our Penguin Random House rep, is back to preview fall book releases. All attendees will receive goodie bags, and there will be some great door prizes, too.

BECOME AN EXPERT ▼

Presidential Candidate Comparison
Wednesday, October 19, 7-8:30 pm
Cary Park District Community Center
Join us for a balanced presentation of this year’s final candidates and their stated positions as well as their perceived strengths (as highlighted by themselves) and weaknesses (as highlighted by their opponents).

FOR THE FOODIES ▼

Home Cheesemaking
Wednesday, November 2, 7-8 pm
Cary United Methodist Church
Good cheese tastes even better when you make it yourself! We’ll cover the science, along with ingredients, equipment, and techniques for making soft, hard, Italian, and other kinds of cheeses. Primarily intended for new cheesemakers, but experienced makers may learn something new.

Desserts for the Holidays
Wednesday, Nov. 16, 6:30-8:30 pm
Cary United Methodist Church
Enjoy excellent fruit and chocolate desserts with your family and friends this holiday. Chef Maddox will prepare some desserts to fill your recipe box as well as your stomach.

Harvest Flowers
Tuesday, November 22, 7-8 pm
Cary United Methodist Church
Peggy Garvin will help you create a fresh flower Thanksgiving centerpiece. All materials are included in the special fee of just $10. Please bring your own pruners. No refunds.

McHenry County Tales of the Interred
Wednesday, October 26, 7-8 pm
Cary United Methodist Church
The truth is stranger than fiction when local history is discovered among the headstones. Join Laurel Millien as spine tingling true stories will be revealed from the pages of local history books and microfilm of old newspapers.
Books on Tap: A 20s/30s Book Club
Tuesdays, Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15
7-8:30 pm
Meets permanently at Cary Ale House
Join our new book club for adults in their 20s-30s at The Cary Ale House to eat, drink, and talk shop about books. The first meeting will be organizational and we’ll discuss current reads, favorite reads, and hot titles to potentially read throughout the year. Future meetings will focus on one title per month that the group has chosen. Come enjoy appetizers on the Library and meet other young bibliophiles.

Adult Book Discussion
Join one of our book groups for a lively discussion. Books are available each month at our discussion or at the Public Services Desk. Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Loft entrance and go downstairs

September
Wednesday, Sept. 28, 10:30-11:30 am
A Spool of Blue Thread by Anne Tyler
Thursday, Sept. 29, 7-8 pm
The Supremes at Earl’s All-You-Can-Eat by Edward Kelsey Moore

October
Wednesday, October 26, 10:30-11:30 am
The Sandcastle Girls by Chris Bohjalian
Thursday, October 27, 7-8 pm
The Last Midwife by Sandra Dallas

November
Wednesday, Nov. 16, 10:30-11:30 am
Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee
Thursday, Nov. 17, 7-8 pm
Our Souls at Night by Kent Haruf

Meet Mona
Mona has been here since November 2015 and is the Head of Public Services. She oversees collection development and the desk staff, both Adult and Youth Services.

She reads nonfiction and some literary fiction, enjoys documentaries over blockbusters, and listens to classic rock. If you want a recommendation for a documentary, see Mona!

In her free time she enjoys fishing (and was responsible for getting our fishing pole checkout program in place), kayaking, hiking, camping---basically anything that allows for time in nature.

Wired for Science
Tuesday, October 4, 5-6 pm
Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Preschool Entrance
Grades 4-5. Have fun making Squishy circuits in an artistic way.

ASTRONOMY NIGHT
Thursday, October 6, 7-9 pm
Rain Date: Thursday, October 20
Field behind Library
The Northwest Suburban Astronomers return with their high-tech telescopes to offer you a glimpse of the Moon, Saturn, and Mars along with some deep sky objects. Telescopes will be set up in our field in back; you will need to park in the front lot and walk to the back of the building along the sidewalk by Mallard Way to join in the fun. Each telescope will have a different view.

I Spy Science
Tuesdays, 5-6 pm
Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Preschool Entrance
Grades 1-3. Please register for each class.

September 6: Have fun making Squishy circuits in an artistic way.

November 1: We’ll do several fun experiments involving water.
KID TECH ▼

LEGO Robotics Basics
**Sunday, Sept. 11, 1:30-3:30 pm**
*St. Barnabas Lutheran Church*
Grades 4-12. An intro to LEGO Mindstorms robots. Learn about the robot’s hardware and the software interface. This class is a prerequisite for the Youth Robotics Workshops.

Youth LEGO Robotics Workshop
**Sunday, Sept. 25, Oct. 16, Nov. 20 1:30-3:30 pm**
*St. Barnabas Lutheran Church*
Grades 4-5. Continue learning about LEGO Mindstorms robots, working at your own pace with a partner. You must have attended the Basics class or one of the previous Robotics Workshops. A summer robotics clinic does not qualify. Please register for each class.

BOOK CLUBS ▼

Chapter Chat
**Tuesdays, 5-6 pm**
*Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Preschool Entrance*
Grades 4-5. If you love to read, join this monthly book discussion with fun activities. At registration check out the September book!
- **September 20:** *Fourteenth Goldfish* by Jennifer L. Holm
- **October 18:** *Once Was a Time* by Leila Sales
- **November 15:** *The War That Saved My Life* by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

ALL ABOUT ART ▼

Pencil Art
**Thursday, Sept. 15, 4:30-5:30 pm**
*Cary United Methodist Church*
Grades 3-5. Using oil pastels and shading techniques we will transform a 2D shape into what appears to be a 3D form. Limit 20 students.

Leaf Prints
**Thursday, Sept. 29, 4:30-5:30 pm**
*Cary United Methodist Church*
Grades K-2. We’ll supply the paint and leaves to use in our artwork. This could get messy so please dress appropriately. Limit 20 students.

Witch & Wizard Picasso Collage
**Thursday, Oct. 13, 4:30-5:30 pm**
*Cary United Methodist Church*
Grades 3-5. We’ll use cut paper to create a witch or wizard in Picasso’s Cubism style. Limit 20 students.

Masks
**Thursday, Oct. 20, 4:30-5:30 pm**
*Cary United Methodist Church*
Grades K-2. We will talk about masks and what they are used for before decorating our own paper mask. Limit 20 students.

Mandala Design
**Thursday, Nov. 10, 4:30-5:30 pm**
*Cary United Methodist Church*
Grades 3-5. We’ll make a mandala design out of a CD. We’ll use a little bit of math, so bring a protractor. Limit 20 students.

Peacocks
**Thursday, Nov. 17, 4:30-5:30 pm**
*Cary United Methodist Church*
Grades K-2. Instead of a turkey let’s do a different bird! After reading the book *Limelight Larry* by Leigh Hodgkinson, we’ll draw and color a peacock. Limit 20 students.

STORYTIMES ▼

FAMILY STORYTIMES

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Loft Entrance in the Gym
For children birth to age 6 with an adult. Stimulate your child's senses through books, rhymes, music and movement.

- **Mondays, 10:30-11 am**
  - September 12, 19, 26
  - October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
  - November 7, 14, 28
- **Tuesdays, 10:30-11 am**
  - September 13, 20, 27
  - October 4, 11, 18, 25
  - November 1, 8, 15, 29

SPECIAL STORYTIME

Teeny Tiny Halloween
**Monday, Oct. 24, 10:30-11:10 am**
*Holy Cross Church, Loft Entrance in the Gym*
For children birth to age 6 with an adult. We will have a special visitor at our storytime. This gentle program is for those little ones who wish to enjoy the fun of Halloween without the fear. Meet Teeny, Tiny Ghost, Little Black Cat, and celebrate Halloween with a special storyteller! You are welcome to wear your Halloween costumes.

Program registration begins Friday, August 19 online, by phone, or in person. Online registration begins at 8 am. Please notify us if you need to cancel your registration.
BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

Battle of the Books Book Club
Tuesdays, Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 1, 7-8 pm
Cary-Grove Masonic Lodge #1157, Lower Level
Grades 6-8. Join a group to compete in the Cary Junior High Battle of the Books or the SSPP Battle of the Books. We will discuss different books each month and then train for the fun Jeopardy-style battles in January. Early registration begins Monday, August 15.

TAB

TAB (Teen Advisory Board)
Tuesdays, Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8 7-8:30 pm
Cary-Grove Masonic Lodge #1157, Lower Level
Grades 6-12. Suggest new programs and materials, help the Friends of the Cary Area Library with their book sales or just meet other teens interested in the library. Bring a friend and come join us.

TEEN TECH

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Sunday, Sept. 11, 1:30-3:30 pm
St. Barnabas Lutheran Church
Grades 4-12. An Intro to LEGO Mindstorms robots. Learn about the hardware and the interface used to program it. This class is a prerequisite for the Teen Robotics Workshops.

LEGO Robotics
Sunday, Sept. 18, Oct. 9, Nov 13 1:30-3:30 pm
St. Barnabas Lutheran Church
Grades 6-12. Continue learning about LEGO Mindstorms robots, working at your own pace with a partner. You must have attended the Basics class or one of the previous Robotics Workshops. A summer robotics clinic does not qualify.

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Virtual Backpack

caryarealibrary.info/research/databases

As the school year approaches, don’t forget that we have online resources available to help with your homework or ace that test. You’ll need your Cary Area Library card for access.

Grovier: Access this encyclopedia for all of your topic researching needs.

Learning Express: Take practice tests (including ACT & SAT), use study guides, learn a new computer skill, and more.

Mango Languages: Learn a language, or beef up your skills for class with Mango. Their app is perfect for mobile learning.

Consumer Reports: Find product reviews and recommendations.

A to Z Databases: Research businesses, industries, and people.

Download our app for access to our catalog and many of these resources: cary.boopsie.com

MEET BECKY

Becky has been at the Library since October 2015. Her job is a fun mix of activities including ordering YA books, graphic novels, and videogames; planning the teen programs; running the 20s/30s book club; and being a friendly face at the Information Center. She loves her job and talking to teens about pop culture.

It’s a good thing she orders YA as that’s nearly all she reads. Her favorite series is The Raven Cycle by Maggie Stiefvater. Her favorite books are The Princess Bride by William Goldman and The Goldfinch by Dana Tartt. In her free time she enjoys walking her white fluffy dog, crafting, and also aspires to be really good at hiking.
FOCAL awarded two $500 scholarships to seniors Emily Dewey and Kamile Eidukeviciute. Emily will be attending Lewis & Clark and Kamile will be attending the Rochester Institute of Technology in the fall. Congratulations to both!

FOCAL will be conducting a Crystal Lake Culver's fundraiser on Thursday, September 15. A percentage of the day's sales will benefit the Friends; FOCAL members will serve from 5-8 pm.

"We love the Little Free Library!" We receive many positive comments regarding our three Little Free Libraries around the community and we need your help in maintaining them. The children's books are quite popular, but hard to keep stocked. Please, if you take a book, bring one back to share so that everyone can enjoy the Little Free Libraries.

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There will not be a fall used book sale due to the renovation.

Upcoming FOCAL meetings: Thursday, September 8 from 7-8:30 pm at the Cary Park District Community Center and Thursday, November 3 from 7-8:30 pm at the Fox River Grove Panera

Thank you!

We would like to thank the following Summer Reading program sponsors:

- Anytime Fitness
- Breaking Bread
- Cary Park District
- Cary Physical Therapy
- Chicago Fire
- Chicago Sky
- Chick-fil-A (Crystal Lake)
- Classic Cinema (Woodstock)
- Colonial Cafe (Crystal Lake)
- Culver's (Crystal Lake)
- Dolphin Swim Club
- Elite Kids
- Epic Air
- Family Video (Cary)
- Famous Dave's BBQ (Algonquin)
- Georgio's (Crystal Lake)
- Jewel (Cary)
- Kane County Cougars
- Lou Malnati's (Cary)
- Marco's Pizza
- Pump It Up
- Sage YMCA
- Stay Fit 24
- WhichWich (Crystal Lake)