

Books & Bytes

Cary Area Public Library • September-November 2020

Have you heard? We're now fine free.

The Cary Area Public Library is fine free as of July 1, 2020, the beginning of our new fiscal year. This was a goal we were working towards and with the building closing in mid-March, fines were not accruing for materials for some time. It was natural and imperative that we remove this barrier. Access to materials and knowledge is more important than ever.

Existing fines were removed in the past few months so you may have noticed a change to your account. Please note that fines for our Library of Things, STEM kits, and Launchpads will remain in effect due to their cost. A word of warning: in order to encourage timely returns, accounts will be blocked after 14 days overdue and lost or damaged materials will still be charged to accounts. Visit our website for complete details | caryarealibrary.org/finefree



In the know

THE LIBRARY IS FOR EVERYONE

The Cary Area Public Library operates under the core guiding principle that the library is for everyone, regardless of their skin color, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religious beliefs. We want to ensure that this guiding principle is able to thrive in our Library.

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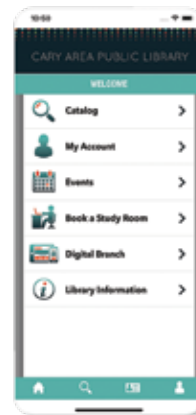
We are currently in the process of forming our next strategic plan and have identified the importance of actively working to ensure that all of the diverse populations in our community feel welcome and included at the Library. Our internal Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion committee, along with our Management Team, and the Library Board,

will be examining our collections, programs, services, policies, and staffing, to help ensure our Library is welcoming and accessible to all members of our community. One of the ways we are currently working to promote diversity is through our collections by purchasing titles written by #ownvoices authors to help readers learn about diverse cultures from someone in that culture. We also recently went fines free, which in the past has been a barrier to service for many populations. You can learn more about what else we have planned to ensure that all members of our community feel welcome and represented at the library by visiting our website.

But wait! We also want to hear from you, the members of our community! Please reach out to us to tell us about your experiences at the Library and if there's anything that we can do better to serve you and your community | news@caryarealibrary.info

NEW LIBRARY MOBILE APP

While the pandemic halted some of our projects, our new app was already in the works and replaces our old one that is no longer supported. Our new app offers the same conveniences as before, like account access, catalog searching, placing holds, program calendar, and more, but the catalog searching has improved. Available for iOS and Android devices, search for "Cary Area Public Library" in your app store or visit our website for links | caryarealibrary.org/library-app



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- The Greenfields Park Little Free Library has been rebuilt by the Cary Park District and is being stocked again with books. If you use the Little Free Libraries, please take precautions.
- If you're an Amazon shopper, consider making the Friends of the Cary Area Library your charity of choice through AmazonSmile.
- We thank the Village of Cary for supplying the materials and building the new shelving at the Metra Station for our community book exchange. The books are supplied by the Friends of the Cary Area Library and donations from our patrons.
- Congratulations to the FOCAL Scholarship winners Cameron Wolfram (left) and Sierra Bowman (right).



Multi-age programs

Leaf Animal Art Contest, October 1-15

Try this fun contest for all ages-- collect fall leaves and create an animal picture with them! Will your leaf be a butterfly wing, or a turtle shell? Use your imagination! If you need inspiration, we've created a "Leaf Animal Art" board on our Pinterest account (@caryarealibrary). To enter, take a photo of your completed project and submit it to caryarealibrary@gmail.com between October 1-15. Submissions will be posted on our Facebook and Instagram feeds on October 16 and voting will begin via on an online form. Voting will end October 23. The winner will receive a fun prize.

Ghost Stories

Friday, October 30, 7-8 pm

Live stream on Facebook (@caryarealibrary).

Recommended for ages 7 & up. Join us after hours for some ghost stories. We will start with slightly scary stories and progress to creepier stories by the end of the night.

Turkey Bingo

Saturday, November 14, 2:30-3:30 pm

Zoom. This year we'll play Turkey Bingo at home. If you get a bingo, you will win part of your Thanksgiving dinner and, yes, one of the items is the turkey! Enter your total group number with one person's name to represent the family. Limited to 9 families.



We've moved many of our arts and crafts and science programs, with the friendly staff members you and your family know, to our YouTube channel. The videos are available to watch on demand, anytime that is convenient for you. We'll continue to post videos this fall and you will see them listed in this newsletter so you'll know when to watch. Subscribe to our YouTube channel and you'll never miss a new video | youtube.com/user/cpqtech

Program Registration



At this time, we will be hosting all our fall programs online to ensure the safety of our community. Should any programs switch to in person, registrants will be notified and our online calendar will be updated. Some programs may require supplies that will be distributed to participants. If you register for a program requiring supplies, you will be notified via email about supply distribution and pick up dates.

Some programs listed in this newsletter will not display on our online calendar until the morning of registration. **Registration is required for Zoom programs and begins Thursday, September 3 at 9 am online (caryllibrary.evanced.info/Signup), in person, or by phone (847.639.4210, press 4).** Please notify us as soon as possible if you need to cancel your registration. If a program is full, be sure to register for the wait-list-- people often cancel and spots open up for programs. You will be contacted as soon as possible if you have been moved to the attendee list.

Adult programs AGES 18+

FOODIES ▼

All About Bread: Q&A

Wednesday, September 9, 7-8 pm

Zoom. Join Chef Cherise Slattery for a brief tutorial and demo on how to make yeast bread, followed by a Q&A session. Do you have questions about kneading, fermentation, or how to change up your go-to recipe? Chef has the answers to all of these questions and more! Recipes and worksheets will be included.

Thanksgiving Tips & Tricks with Chef Dave

Wednesday, November 11, 7 pm premiere

Video on demand. Chef Dave Esau will freak you out with how EASY it is to prep your Thanksgiving dinner!

GENEALOGY ▼

11th Annual Genealogy After Hours: Will Your Research End Up in the Dust Bin?

Friday, September 11, 5-6:30 pm

Zoom. Plan for the final resting place of your research now. Local historical societies or museums, archives, and genealogical libraries are places to start. Speaker Ann Wells will guide you through the process of how to make the transition from your desk to theirs. Appropriate for all experience levels.

RootsMagic User Group

Wednesdays, Sept. 30, Nov. 11, 7:30-9 pm

Zoom. For users of the popular RootsMagic genealogy software, join us as we discuss the intricacies of using the program to organize and keep track of your genealogical research.

Genealogy Interest Group: Celebrating Family History Month

Sunday, October 11, 2-3:30 pm

Zoom. Let's remember family this month! Join librarian Nancy Gaynor and bring a story or artifact to share. Appropriate for all experience levels.

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The information was so valuable to my job search and one tip shared in class helped my husband the very next day. After applying the knowledge shared in the program, I now have the tools and confidence to start my job search. Erica is great resource for our community. - Past attendee

JOB SEARCH LIKE A PRO

Resumes & LinkedIn

Wednesday, September 16, 7-8 pm

Zoom. Erica Reckamp from TopResume, Monster.com, and ZipJob will discuss how to update your resume and LinkedIn in light of changes in the job market. We will discuss Applicant Tracking Systems (ATS), optimizing your content with keywords, and how to position yourself as a top candidate. Special topics include recent grads, career changes, and return to work scenarios.

Networking, Letters & Interviewing

Wednesday, September 23, 7-8 pm

Zoom. Erica Reckamp returns to discuss all stages of the "hunt" from networking, letters and Interviewing. We will cover professional presentation, avoiding screen out factors, job-winning responses, and following up to land an offer. Special topics include phone and video interviews.

MAKE IT ▼

Needle Felting Live

Sunday, September 20, 1:30-2:30 pm

Zoom. Learn the art of needle felting and create your own beehive figurine out of wool roving! This class will be a synchronous live session. Participants will be contacted about picking up supplies.



Needle Felting On Demand

Video on demand. Learn the art of needle felting and create your own beehive figurine out of wool roving! This class will be available for on demand viewing and will not include a live session. Registrants will be contacted about picking up supplies.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Great Decisions

First Thursdays, 6:30-8 pm

Zoom. Monthly foreign policy discussion led by Professor Gary Midkiff. This eight month series began in February, however you can join at any time. Participants must purchase a briefing book and read a chapter prior to each meeting. The briefing book is \$15; no refunds. *Please note that you have not reserved a spot until you have paid.*

Sept. 3: #7 The Philippines & the US
Oct. 8: #8 Artificial Intelligence & Data
Nov. 5: Foreign Policy Roundtable

Books on Tap: A 20s-30s Book Club

*Tuesdays, Sept. 15, Oct. 20, Nov. 17
7-9 pm*

Zoom. Talk shop about books with others in their 20s and 30s. Each meeting we discuss a title chosen by the group. If you're interested in joining or to find out the current title, please email roberhauser@caryarealibrary.info.

Adult Book Discussion

Zoom. Join one of our book groups for a lively discussion. Books are available each month at the Service Center.

Hooked on Books

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 am

Sept. 23: *The Line Becomes a River*

Oct. 28: *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*

Nov. 18: *The Honey Bus*

Turning Pages Together

Thursdays, 7-8 pm

Sept. 24: *Finding Dorothy*

Oct. 29: *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*

Nov. 19: *Educated*

IN THE KNOW ▼

The Census: Its History & Relevance

Tuesday, September 29, 7-8 pm

Zoom. Why does the US government count every American every ten years? How is this information used to better our country? This program examines the history of the US Census and discusses its current political, social and economic importance to our nation.

Making the Most of Social Security

Wednesday, October 21, 7-8 pm

Zoom. Mike Heatwole, Certified Financial Planner™ and Founder of The Dala Group, will provide details on the various filing strategies which can often provide higher monthly lifetime benefits than the standard options. In addition, Mike will be covering topics such as social security earned income limits and the taxation of social security benefits.

Parenting in a Facebook World

Wednesday, October 28, 7-8 pm

Zoom. With Jennifer Barnes of JB Organizing, we'll examine the top social media apps and tech available in our world and how to practically manage "tech free time" in all of our schedules. We will briefly look into the dangers of certain online actions and how to talk to our kids about such things as well as strategies for monitoring online communications.

HISTORY LESSONS ▼



Murder, Mayhem, and the Mob: Chicago's Beer Wars

Wednesday, October 7, 7-8:15 pm

Zoom. Who was Al Capone, and why are we STILL so fascinated by him and his ilk a century after the fact? From the beginning of the Volstead Act to the St. Valentine's Day Massacre, join historian Clarence Goodman and brace yourselves for this brutal story!

Chicago's Sweet Candy History

Wednesday, October 14, 7-8 pm

Zoom. For most of its history, Chicago produced about one-third of the nation's candy. Join award-winning actress and scholar Leslie Goddard and learn the history of these tasty treats and explore what made Chicago such an ideal location for candymakers. Find out why immigrants played a critical role in confectionery history, discover how Baby Ruth and Milk Duds got their names, and take a fun "candy quiz."



History of Knitting

Wednesday, November 4, 7-8 pm

Zoom. A necessity, an art, a form of meditation. From 10th century Egyptian artisans to today's online hobbyist forums, knitting has been a treasured part of the human experience. Explore the changes in the craft as it spread around the world. Presenter Liz Kristan blends historical images, antique items, and handmade recreations to explore the little known secrets of knitting.

Teen programs

GRADES 6-12



TEEN VOLUNTEER BOARD

*Tuesdays, Sept. 8, Oct. 13,
Nov. 10, 7-8 pm*

Zoom. Formerly known as the Teen Advisory Board, join this fun service club to help with volunteer projects, FOCAL book sales, and Library projects. At our first meeting, we'll look through campaigns on dosomething.org and choose one to work on. Participants will get volunteer hours for every meeting attended.

GAMING ▼

Dungeons and Dragons

*Saturdays, Sept. 19, Oct. 17, Nov. 21
1-4 pm*

Zoom. Join a D&D Adventuring Group! Rules taught to beginners, and experienced players are also welcome. Pre-generated characters and all supplies provided, just bring your imagination! Cooperative play emphasized, so come and help your group succeed! Limited to 6.

Teen Gaming

*Tuesdays, Sept. 22, Oct. 27, Nov. 24
7-8:30 pm*

Discord. Play videogames and board games with other teens! While meeting virtually, we will play Jackbox games in Discord and registration is required.

MAKE IT



Can't make any of these live sessions? On demand versions will be uploaded to our YouTube channel at a later date and you can make the projects using your own supplies.

Macrame Key Chain

Tuesday, September 29, 5-6 pm

Zoom. Learn some basic macrame knots while creating a trendy and sturdy key chain, perfect for keys or backpacks. Registrants will be contacted about picking up supplies.

Mini Polymer Clay Pumpkins

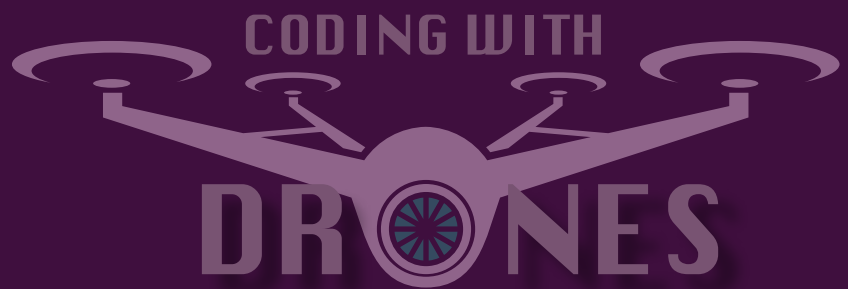
Sunday, October 18, 1:30-2:30 pm

Zoom. Create a small pumpkin figurine to use as Halloween decor and learn how to create with polymer clay. Participants can enhance their pumpkins by designing them with a ghost or black cat popping out. To cure the clay, participants will receive instructions on how to bake their projects at home. Registrants will be contacted about picking up supplies.

DIY Picture Frame

Sunday, November 22, 1:30-2:30 pm

Zoom. Create two cute and versatile picture frames out of craft sticks and embroidery thread that can be used in your locker or bedroom. Registrants will be contacted about picking up supplies.



Monday, November 2, 6:30-8:30 pm

Grades 6-12, Zoom. In this workshop, students will explore the possibilities for using computer science to control flying robots, also known as drones! Even at a distance, using TelloEDU and an available smartphone or tablet, students will learn how to simulate an autonomous drone flight using drag and drop coding, while simultaneously exploring the ethics of using drone technology. These workshops are perfect for beginners-- no experience in computer science, coding, or drones needed.

Youth programs

BIRTH-GRADE 5

ART ON DEMAND ▼

These tutorials will be available on our YouTube channel for everyone to watch after their debut. Be sure to register to receive a supply kit and you will be contacted about picking it up. Registration full? Enjoy the lesson using your own supplies.

Sunny Sunflowers

Video premieres in September
Grades 1-5. Learn how to draw a sunflower and then how to apply tissue paper with a mixture of glue water. Once dried kids will then outline their picture with black glue.

Silhouette Tree - Make your mark on International Dot Day (Sept. 15)

Video premieres in September
Ages 3-6. Children will be developing hand and eye coordination besides spatial awareness.

Let's Celebrate Fall with Leaves!

Video premieres in October
Grades K-5. Learn how to make a leaf print using washable markers. We will then print them on paper in a radial design.

Fall Pumpkin

Video premieres in November
Grades K-5. Learn how to sew an outline of a pumpkin on a piece of burlap then decorate your fall pumpkin using yarn or markers.

SCIENCE ON DEMAND ▼

These tutorials will be available on our YouTube channel for everyone to watch after their debut. Be sure to register to receive a supply kit and you will be contacted about picking it up. Registration full? Enjoy the lesson using your own supplies.

Musical Straws

Video premieres in September
Grades 1-5. You'll be shown how to measure straws to make your own straw pipe instrument and learn how sound works in this project! In just minutes you can play 3 easy tunes for your friends and family!

We Can Make A Rainbow

Video premieres in October
Ages 3-6. We'll make water walk across cups to make different colors of the rainbow. We will learn about capillary action.

Help Humpty Survive

Video premieres in October
Grades 1-5. You'll wow your audience by learning to demonstrate inertia and show potential and kinetic energy with a fabulous egg drop experiment!

Sparkling Crystal Creations

Video premieres in November
Grades 1-5. Get a start on making beautiful homemade crystals as holiday presents for your family and friends! Participants will be contacted about picking up supplies.

STREAMING FAMILY STORYTIME

Tuesdays, Sept. 8-Oct. 27, Nov. 10 & 17, 10:30 am

Join us virtually on Facebook Live (@caryarealibrary) for stories, music, and more with Miss Rose and Miss Amy! For children birth to age 6. Storytimes last 15-20 minutes.

Book Busters

Grades 3-5, Zoom. Each month we will read a book from a different genre, discuss it, and follow up with a group activity.

Sept. 17, 7-8 pm: Kristy's Great Idea by Raina Telgemeier

Oct. 15, 7-8 pm: Ruby in the Sky by Jeanne Zwick Ferruolo

Nov. 19, 4-5 pm: Disney Manga: Magical Dance by Nao Kodaka and **Disney Manga: Kilala Princess Vol. 1** by Rika Tanaka and Nao Kodaka

Minecraft Mania!

October 12, 10:30 am-12 pm

Grades 3-5, via Zoom. Using Minecraft's Creative Mode, players will have the opportunity to interact with other players while they build objects related to a theme within the game and participate in Minecraft challenges, games & activities. Minecraft Mania can provide up to ten participants with a one-time use account--first come, first serve.



TAKE & MAKE CRAFT KITS

SEPT Handprint pigeon, Spaceships

OCT Craftstick spiderwebs

NOV Construction paper turkeys

Find these ready-made craft kits that include all the supplies and printed instructions in the Children's Area. A limited number of kits will be available on a first come, first serve basis.



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HOURS

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CLOSINGS

September 5-7 Labor Day
October 2 Closed 9-1, open 1-5
November 25 Closing at 5 pm
November 26 Thanksgiving

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LIBRARY BOARD

Meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 7 pm and open to the public. Contact the board:
libraryboard@caryarealibrary.info

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TWO MORE LIBRARIES JOINING OUR CATALOG

Our online catalog will be unavailable over Labor Day weekend, September 5-7, while two more libraries are added to our system. Once completed, materials from the Palatine and Grayslake libraries will be viewable and potentially holdable to our cardholders.

VOTING THIS FALL

Voting by mail: registered voters may visit their county election authority website to request a mail ballot by **October 29, 2020**. Voting by mail is safe, secure, and convenient.

Early voting: The Library is scheduled to be an early voting site for McHenry County Early Voting from **October 19-31**. Please check our website for early voting hours and any possible changes to this service.

Election day: on Tuesday, November 3, voting for **Algonquin precincts 46 and 65** will take place at the Library. However, we strongly encourage you to take advantage of voting by mail to avoid crowds during early voting and election day.