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We deliver materials to CAPL cardholders who are homebound due to age, illness, or physical disability | caryarealibrary.org/homebound

Program Registration

The majority of programs are in-person; programs that are online or in kit form are noted. **Registration begins Thursday, August 17 at 9 am online (caryarea.librarycalendar.com), in person at the Service Center, or by phone (847-639-4210, press 3) and is required for programs unless otherwise noted.**

The Library makes every effort to ensure our programs can be enjoyed by all. If you have any concerns about accessibility or need to request specific accommodations, please contact the Library.

Photos and videos may be taken during programs for publicity purposes. Notify Library staff if you do not wish to be photographed.

Solar Eclipse Glasses

We'll have free glasses available to patrons for the partial solar eclipse on October 14 (which will also work for the total solar eclipse on April 8, 2024). One pair per person, while supplies last. Available date will be announced on our website and social media, so stay tuned!

Friends of the Cary Area Library



Upcoming Meetings at the Library

Thursday, September 7, 7 pm
 Thursday, October 5, 7 pm
 Thursday, November 2, 7 pm

FOCAL Membership

New members are always welcome (must be 18+ and membership is free). We are a non-profit organization giving proceeds to the Library for special projects and programs. Find out more and apply on our webpage | caryarealibrary.org/focal

2023 Scholarship Winners

Last spring, the Friends of the Cary Area Library awarded two \$500 scholarships to Cary-Grove High School graduates Emily Anderson (left) and Delaney Wells (right). Emily will be attending Bradley University and Delaney will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Congratulations to them both!



News



Executive Director, Diane McNulty, to Retire this Fall

After over 29 years of service to the Cary Area Public Library District and the people it serves, I will be retiring on October 6. The Library Board of Trustees has chosen our current Assistant Director, Mona Reynolds, to be the next Executive Director of the Library.

I have had a great time as the third Executive Director of the Cary Area Public Library. I have worked with some phenomenal people who were on the staff, on the board, members of the Friends of the Cary Area Library and members of the public. The Cary area has been very supportive of the Library over the years and we have been able to provide a lot of programs, services and collections to the community. Having a supportive community helped us become a library district in 1995, expanding our service area and including all families that were living in Cary School District 26. I cannot neglect to give kudos to local businessperson, Tom Decker, for offering to donate land and a building to the Library if we became a district. An annexation referendum in 2007 added even more households to the district and we welcomed these new patrons to the Library.

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I applaud Diane's management of library funds, collections, and services but what I liked the most about Diane was she was constantly looking for ways to make our Library even better... and did. Thanks, Diane. ~ Jan Polep, CAPL Board President

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We have been in our current building since June 1999 and I have been happy to make sure that we have kept it up-to-date and in good working order for current and future users. Our largest modernization to date occurred in 2016 and not only included an addition of a drive-up window and return, but also added study rooms and additional program space. Most recently we changed our Service Center and Tech Desks to make them more user-friendly to our patrons of all ages. These projects and the ability to offer new programs and services to our patrons have been highlights to my time here.

I feel confident that I am leaving the Library in good hands with a talented staff and a board that has the Library as its main agenda. Both the staff

and board have had turnover in the years I have been here but they have all been library supporters and that has made it easier to concentrate on the work that needed to be accomplished. Along with our internal turnover, there has been turnover in the other governmental agencies in Cary. Over the years we have maintained a good relationship with our fellow agencies and enjoy working collaboratively with them to make the Cary area a welcoming community. It will be difficult to not be part of this great organization and all of its supporters. Thank you all, I'll miss being here.

Diane

Open House

Join us Saturday, September 23 from 2-4 pm to say goodbye to our outgoing director, and hello to our incoming one!

YEAR IN REVIEW

July 2022-June 2023

 **92,217**
In-person visits

 **128,386**
Website visits

Services

- 27,572 Service Center interactions
- 9,509 Drive-up Window interactions
- 5,891 Computer reservations
- 8,654 WiFi sessions
- 2,518 Study Room reservations
- 869 Passport applications accepted
- 272 Homebound patron visits
- 161 Museum passes issued
- 32 Book an Expert sessions



highlights

In our fourth year providing a **Seed Library**, 1,668 seed packets were taken by patrons in record time between March 6-May 22.

Almost 2,000 residents **early voted at the Library** between October 24-November 5 and over 300 people early voted here between March 20-April 1.

Programs

- 406 Programs hosted
 - 144 Adult programs
 - 76 Teen programs
 - 186 Children's programs
- 8,271 Program attendees



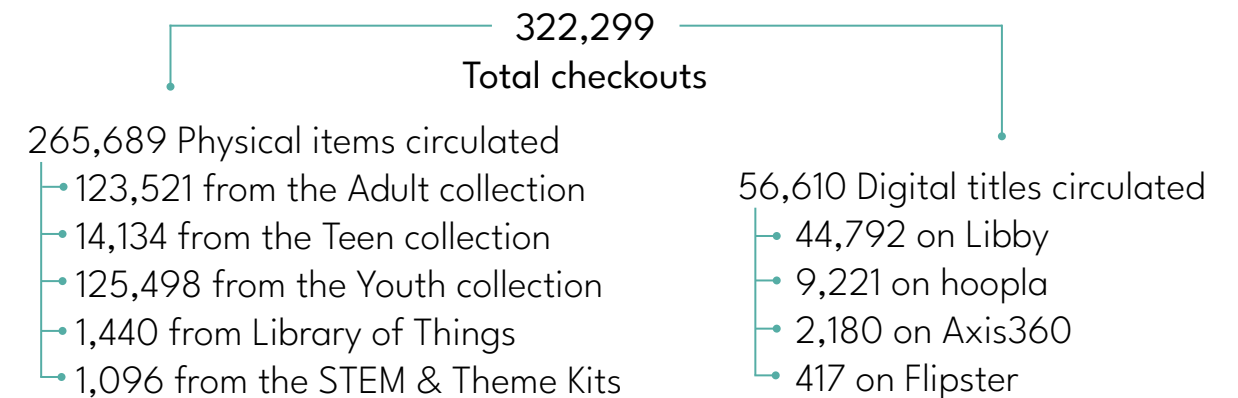
highlights

We **increased programming for preschoolers**, including additional Storytimes, Move and Groove sessions, arts and crafts classes and @Home Kits.

In mid-December we relaunched our **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program** with updated branding, logs, and a progress display.

During the second annual **McHenry County Library Lovers Expedition** between February 1-March 31, 174 CAPL patrons participated and we welcomed 851 explorers.

Collections



highlights

Through **Interlibrary Loan**, we lent 821 items to other libraries and borrowed 472 for our patrons.

We introduced two new collections: **Memory Care Kits** and **Wonderbooks** (books with read-along audio player built-in for kids).

Local Authors' titles added to the collection are now designated with special tape on the spine and featured on our social media.



We **updated our spine labels** for better readability and easier locating, a project that is still ongoing.

Usage of hoopla increased over 10% from last fiscal year when there were 8,118 checkouts.

For increased discoverability we added more **topic dividers and a display unit** in the children's non-fiction section. The display unit was purchased by the Friends of the Cary Area Library.



It Starts With Us by Colleen Hoover was the most circulated book



Our 3D Printing Pen was the most circulated singular Library of Things item

Making the Most of Social Security

Wednesday, September 6, 6:30-8 pm

Renee Boyle, of The Dala Group, will provide details on the various filing strategies available that can often provide monthly lifetime Social Security benefits higher than the standard filing options.

Wits Workout

Thursdays, September 7, 14, 21, 28, 1:30-2:30 pm

Did you know that social connectedness and intellectual engagement are two lifestyle factors that contribute to your brain's health? Simply put, coming together and learning new things is good for your noggin! Join the Wits Workout group where you'll engage in all kinds of interactive puzzles and games and learn what you can do in your daily life to keep your brain healthy. This program is best for ages 65+.

3D Printing Pens

Saturday, September 16, 10-11:30 am

Create 3D art with your own hands! You'll be able to choose from a variety of autumn-themed designs that you can make to welcome in the new season.

Duncan Hines: More Than Cake Mix

Wednesday, September 20, 7-8:15 pm

Since the 1950s, the name Duncan Hines has been synonymous with boxed cake mix. Join writer and history enthusiast Amy Gail Hansen for an in-depth look at this Chicago-based traveling salesman's fascinating life.

What Are Your Old Coins, Currency, and Gold or Silver Jewelry Worth?

Friday, September 22, 2-3:30 pm

Dave Ekstrom, a lifelong coin collector, member of the American Numismatic Association and retired teacher, will discuss coin collecting and gold and silver values. You will have an opportunity to have your coins, currency and gold or silver items appraised for free after the presentation.

How to Collect and Sow Native Seed

Wednesday, September 27, 6:30-8 pm

Join Sarah Michehl from The Land Conservancy of McHenry County for tips and tricks on how to collect and sow your native plant seeds. Basic seed identification, collection methods and timelines, and tips on how to sow directly onto the ground will be covered.

An Offer You Can't Refuse: The Mob's Influence on Popular Culture

Wednesday, October 4, 7-8 pm

Though the vast majority of mob fiction and the like seem to stem from the five boroughs of New York, for the most part the culprit is Our Town. Join Clarence Goodman for the final installment of Murder, Mayhem, and the Mob.

Saturday Cinema: Arsenic and Old Lace

Saturday, October 7, 2-4 pm

Not rated, suggested for ages 11+. A classic 1944 dark comedy starring Cary Grant. A Brooklyn writer of books on the futility of marriage risks his reputation after he decides to tie the knot. Things get even more complicated when he learns that his beloved maiden aunts are habitual murderers. Registration preferred, walk-ins welcome.

Board Game Arena Virtual Game Night

Monday, October 9, 6:30-8 pm

Zoom. Join us virtually to play games on Board Game Arena together. You'll need to create a free Board Game Arena account on <http://boardgamearena.com>. Games are chosen by the attendees, based on whatever you want to play!

Bats and Other Misunderstood Creatures

Wednesday, October 18, 6:30-7:30 pm

So many movies have turned bats, snakes, rats and spiders into horrifying creatures. See how beneficial and amazing these creatures really are, and meet live bats, snakes, spiders and rats that will hopefully change your attitude about them. There will also be a few surprise animal guests!

Wine Cork Skeleton

Saturday, October 21, 1:30-3 pm

Make a fun and easy skeleton out of wine corks and paint—the perfect addition to your spooky season decor.

Jack the Ripper

Wednesday, October 25, 7-8 pm

Learn about Victorian London and the poverty and squalor that existed in the East End where Jack did his grisly work. This is a graphic presentation and may not be suitable for anyone who may be easily shocked.



Modern Calligraphy: Brush Pen

Wednesday, November 1, 6:30-8 pm

Adults and Teens. Revive the art of calligraphy with a modern twist. Instructor Audrey Ra of Audrey Ra Design will teach participants how to write with a brush pen by practicing basic strokes and the lowercase alphabet.

A Grateful Veteran

Wednesday, November 8, 7-8 pm

Join Bosnian War Veteran Tom Kens as he takes you through a day in the life of a sailor aboard the USS John F. Kennedy aircraft carrier. You'll also learn how the experience forged his attitude of gratitude and how you can use gratitude to cultivate more happiness in your own life.

Cardboard Automata: Pull-Up Man

Monday, November 13, 6:30-8 pm

Create and decorate a cardboard man that will be able to do his own pull-ups. You will leave with a wonderful decor piece that doubles as a fun toy.

Greed in the Gilded Age: The Brilliant Con of Cassie Chadwick

Wednesday, November 15, 7-8 pm

"Millionaire" had just entered the American lexicon and Cassie Chadwick was front page news, becoming a media sensation. Join author William Hazelgrove as he tells the story of one of the greatest cons in American history.

Intro to eBooks & eAudiobooks: The Library's Apps

Saturday, November 18, 10-11:30 am

Learn more about Libby, Axis360, and Hoopla, the three eDownloadable apps that you have free access to with your CAPL card. We will provide laptops for you to use, but you can bring in your own computer, phone, and/or tablet.

Create Your Thanksgiving Centerpiece

Monday, November 20, 7-8 pm

Join Peggy Garvin of Garvin Gardens and make your holiday table complete with fresh flowers and a taper candle in autumn colors. Please bring pruners. All materials are included in the fee of \$25; no refunds.

Flavor Chemistry 101

Wednesday, November 29, 7-8 pm

Learn the basics of flavors, flavor chemists and how they're created. There will be some fun demos to better show how greatly flavors impact our daily life.

Illinois Libraries Present

These online events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration between public libraries. Visit our website to register | caryarealibrary.org/ilp

September 6: Pulitzer Prize winning #1 New York Times bestselling author Colson Whitehead.

October 4: National Endowment for the Arts Fellow Stephen Graham Jones talks horror.

October 17: Children's book author and illustrator Grace Lin discusses food, family, and folktales, along with a drawing demonstration.

November 8: Netflix's Bake Squad star and owner of the Chicago bakery Justice of the Pies, Maya-Camille Broussard shows us how to bake with love.

Financial Fitness

Financial Fitness 2023 is a collaborative series of virtual programs presented by BIG (Business Interest Group), a group of business librarians in the Chicago suburbs.

Registration for this program series begins Friday, September 1 at 9 am.

Investing Made Simple

Tuesday, October 3, 7-8:30 pm

Zoom. Financial educator Karen Chan will make stocks, bonds and mutual funds crystal clear using the story of a young company called Freddie's Finest Furniture. You'll learn how to put that information into use as she explains index funds and target retirement funds, and how they can simplify your investing decisions.

Retirement Income Strategies for Today's Markets

Wednesday, October 11, 7-8:30 pm

Zoom. Join us for an evening with the past National President of the Financial Planning Association, Ed Gjertsen II, CFP, as he guides you through the various strategies and challenges of successfully navigating the important financial aspects of your retirement years.

Terry Savage Talks Money

Wednesday, October 18, 7-8:30 pm

Zoom. Terry Savage is a nationally recognized expert on personal finance, the economy and the markets, will provide a reality check on the volatile economy, financial markets and personal finance topics, and then answer your questions for 45 minutes. As a registered investment advisor, Savage has no individual clients, nor does she represent any financial products or services. She is a truly independent voice for the financial consumer.

Adults

Discussion Groups

Great Decisions

Thursdays, Sept. 7, Oct. 5, Nov. 2, 6:30-8 pm
Discuss foreign policy issues led by Professor Gary Midkiff. Participants must purchase a briefing book (\$15; no refunds) and read a chapter prior to each meeting. Each chapter stands by itself so you can join the group at any time.

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

Tuesdays, Sept. 19, Oct. 17, Nov. 21, 7-8:30 pm
Meets at the Cary Ale House
From the newest thrillers to the best classics, this book club reads it all! Join to meet other bibliophiles in their 20s-30s, socialize, and discuss. To join or find out the current title, email Hannah at hbovino@caryarealibrary.info.

Adult Book Discussion Groups

Books are available each month at the Service Center. There will be no discussions in November. *Please note that registration is now required to attend.*

Hooked on Books • Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 am
September 27: Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury
October 25: The Woman They Could Not Silence by Kate Moore

Turning Pages Together • Thursdays, 7-8 pm
September 28: Honor by Thrity Umrigar
October 26: Burial Rites by Hannah Kent



True Crime Book Group NEW!
Thursday, November 30, 7-8 pm
Adults and Teens 16+. A new book group centered on true crime and its impact on society. Copies of *Blood & Ink: the Scandalous Jazz Age Double Murder That Hooked America on True Crime* by Joe Pompeo will be available to check out from the Service Center 60 days before the discussion.

Cary Area Writers Group

Second Saturday of each month, 12-3 pm
Ages 21+ who have an interest in writing is welcome. Bring copies of your writing to pass around. We only allow gentle, constructive critiques that are designed to enhance each writer's skills. Writers helping writers! Questions? Email danielgiallombardo@gmail.com.

Teens

Teen Movie/Anime Night

Tuesdays, Sept. 5, Oct. 3, Nov. 7, 6:30-8:30 pm
Grades 6-12. Watch a selection of movies and anime on the big screen. Snacks will be provided. Registration preferred, walk-ins welcome.

Yay! YA Book Bags

Kit pickup begins Fridays, Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 10 at 10 am
Grades 6-12 with a CAPL card. Each month, get a themed bag filled with a surprise book to check out, an activity, and goodies. At the end of the month, just return the book!
September: Get a book that uses The Chosen One trope and supplies to create a picture frame.
October: Get a thriller or horror book to celebrate spooky season and supplies to make a Halloween decoration.
November: Bang! Boom! Pow! Get a graphic novel and supplies to make a mini comic of your own.

Robotics Basics

Monday, September 11, 6:30-8:30 pm
Grades 6-12. Intro to our LEGO SPIKE Prime robot. Learn how to program the robots to move straight and turn. This class is the prerequisite for the Robotics Workshop.

Teen Volunteer Board

Tuesdays, September 12, November 14, 7-8 pm
Tuesday, October 10, 5:30-6:30 pm
Grades 6-12. Join this fun service club to help with Library projects. Participants will get volunteer hours for every meeting they attend.

Dungeons and Dragons

Saturdays, Sept. 16, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, 1-4 pm
Zoom. Grades 6-12. New and returning players welcome for this popular fantasy role-playing game. Cooperative play is emphasized, so log on and help your group succeed!

Build-A-Robot

Sundays, September 17, November 19, 1:30-4 pm
Grades 6-12. Build one of the LEGO EV3 robot designs and then download the program to activate it.

Duct Tape Black Cat Pen Holder

Monday, September 18, 6:30-7:30 pm
Grades 6-12. Make two adorable cat pen holders using duct tape and recycled cans.

Back to School Painted Marbled Pencils

Tuesday, September 19, 7-8:30 pm
Grades 6-12. Create colorful marbled pencils to go back to school that will impress friends, classmates, and teachers.

Teen Gaming

Tuesdays, Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 28, 7-8:30 pm
Grades 6-12. Play board games and video games, including a selection of Nintendo Switch and Wii U games that will be projected. Registration preferred, walk-ins welcome.

TEENtober October 2-31

Grades 6-12. Stop by each week to get a new Take and Make Kit (while supplies last) to celebrate TeenTober—a nationwide library initiative. Also, Teens who checkout a book during TeenTober can enter to win a book bundle.
October 2: Scratch Art Bookmarks
October 9: Mini Yarn Wall Hanging
October 16: Desktop Catapult
October 23: Glitter Jar

Day of the Dead Celebration

Tuesday, October 17, 7-8 pm
Grades 6-12. Join other teens in a game of bingo with a Halloween twist. Participants will enjoy sugar cookie skulls after adding a personal touch of color.

Robotics Workshop

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Kit Kat Taste Test Challenge!

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Macrame Feather Wall Art

Tuesday, November 21, 6-7:30 pm
Grades 6-12. Artists of all skill levels are invited to create a macrame feather, a popular form of weaving practiced in the 13th century and still enjoyed today.

Anime Bingo

Thursday, November 30, 7-8 pm
Grades 6-12. Test your anime knowledge and luck! Intros and clips from popular anime shows will be shown, if the title of the show is on your card, check it off! Anime themed prizes will be given out to multiple winners, but not all participants will win.

Multi-Age & Family

Family Game Night

Thursdays, September 21, November 16, 6-7:30 pm
Families (children must be school age or older). Meet other families in our community and learn a new board game. Feel free to bring a favorite from home or choose from our selection. Snacks will be available.

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Chess: Winning the Won Game

Saturday, November 4, 10:30-11:30 am
All ages. Covering the Basic Forced Checkmates by the chess pieces. Queen, Rook, Bishop and Knight skills will be demonstrated and practiced by the players. Chess books, websites and chess game variations will be featured. This class is for experienced players of any age to gain the easy patterns that force checkmate in the endgame. *Note: this is not an introduction to chess.*

Miss Jill's Vintage Storytime

Thursday, November 9, 6:30-7:15 pm
Families. Miss Jill has a collection of vintage children's books that you might not hear anywhere else! This month's theme will be fall and food. Bring the family for a cozy evening of nostalgia—blankets, pillows, and PJ's encouraged!

Turkey Bingo

Saturday, November 11, 2-3 pm
Come as a family to play Turkey Bingo. If you get a bingo, you will win part of your Thanksgiving dinner and, yes, one of the items is the turkey! Register under one name but enter your total group number. Limited to 9 families.



Bats and Other Misunderstood Creatures

Grade schoolers

First Friday's Club

Fridays, September 1, November 3, 2-3 pm

Grades 1-5. Kids ages 9+ can be dropped off but kids ages 8 and under should be accompanied by an adult. Each month we do a different activity.

September: Animation with Scratch Coding

November: Fall leaf mobile

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Wired for Science: What's the Buzz?

Tuesday, September 12, 5-6 pm

Grades 4-5. Get ready for some "buzz" as you build a circuit with a buzzer and test different liquids for salt!

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Kids Game Night

Grades 4-5: Mondays, Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20

Grades 2-3: Mondays, Oct. 2, Nov. 6

6:30-7:30 pm

Make friends and discover new screen-free games. Join us for an evening of fun and learning!

Owl Wizard Wand

Wednesday, September 27, 4:30-5:30 pm

Grades 3-5. Conjure feathers and felt into a fantastical magic wand!

Andertoons: Monster Maker

Friday, October 6, 2-3 pm

Grades 2-5. Assemble your own hilariously horrible cartoon monsters.

LEGO Club

Sundays, October 8, November 5, 2-3 pm

Grades 1-5. Create and build your own LEGO design that we'll display in the Library! Sign up for both programs.

I Spy Science: Triple Investigation

Tuesday, October 3, 5-6 pm

Grades 1-3. If you like a chemistry challenge, this class includes three fun experiments, and is perfect for you!

Skull Bean Art

Sunday, October 22, 2-3:30 pm

Grades 3-5. Use beans to make an awesome skull Halloween decoration.

We Love Graphic Novels Book Club

Monday, October 23, 6:30-7:30 pm

Grades 1-5. Join us for a fun evening where you can talk about your favorite graphic novels, discover new ones, meet friends, and have snacks...what could be better?!

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Leaves and Things Mobile

Wednesday, November 15, 4:30-5:30 pm

Grades K-2. Create a beautiful mobile using yarn, leaves, pinecones, beads and dried flowers.

Jr. Master Gardener: Gourds!

Saturday, November 25, 10:30-11:30 am

Grades 1-5. It's fall, and that means gourds are everywhere! Learn about these awesome members of the squash family.

@Home Kits



Book Buddies: The Fabled Stables

Kit pickup begins Monday, Sept. 11 at 1 pm

Grades 1-4. Welcome to the Fabled Stables; a place where magical creatures come to be cared for by a boy named Auggie and a Stick-in-the Mud named Fen. You never know what new magical creature will show up next!

Participants will be able to check out a copy of the first book, and receive a kit with fun crafts and activities.

Spooktacular Spider Web (with video)

Kit pickup begins Friday, October 6 at 1 pm

Grades 2-4. Make a framed spiderweb perfect for decorating your room for Halloween!

Kids in the Kitchen: Frightening Fingers!

Kit pickup begins Friday, October 20 at 10 am

Grades 1-5, adult help required. Make a scary but delicious Halloween treat your entire family will enjoy! Only one kit per family please!

Fall Colors Stack 'Em Up! (with video)

Kit pickup begins Friday, November 10 at 10 am

Grades 1-5. Can you believe we'll be stacking liquids?!

Preschoolers

Walnut Owls & Pinecone Bats

Thursday, September 14, 10:30-11:30 am

Ages 3-6 with adult. Join us for a fun and spooky project making creatures of the night!

Day of the Dead Celebration/Celebracion de Dia de los Muertos (Bilingual/Bilingue)

Thursday, October 19/Jueves, 19 de octubre del, 6-7 pm

Ages 3-5 with adult / Los niños deben tener entre 3 y 5 años y estar acompañados por un padre o tutor

Dress up your children and join us as we celebrate Day of the Dead with a festive storytime in English and Spanish and a scary good treat. / Disfraza a tus hijos y únete con nosotros para celebrar el Día de los Muertos con una hora de cuentos festivos en inglés y español y un buen regalo aterrador.

Move & Groove

Monday, November 20, 10:30-11 am

Ready to shake your sillies out? This event will be filled with lots of music and accompanying body movements. Come dance like nobody's watching!

@Home Kits

Little Kids in the Kitchen: Bread in a Bag

Kit pickup begins Wednesday, September 20 at 4:30 pm

Ages 3-6 with adult. Bread is even more brilliant when you bake it in a bag!

Bean Art Pumpkins

Kit pickup begins Wednesday, October 11 at 4:30 pm

Ages 3-6 with adult. Creatively turn colorful dried beans into autumnal works of art!

Skeleton Lace Face

Kit pickup begins Wednesday,

October 25 at 4:30 pm

Ages 3-6 with adult. Young artists can create their own unique skeleton face while practicing lacing skills!



Hoffman Park Gardens Storytime, June 2023

STORY TIMES

Sensory Storytime

Sundays, September 10, November 12, 1:30-2 pm

Ages 3-10 with an adult (and siblings 3 and up). This is intended for children on the spectrum, or children who find traditional storytime challenging. These sessions feature low light, a shorter story, repetition and song, and sensory materials, including a parachute. Registration required for each session; limited to 10 registrants, in addition to their caregiver and sibling(s).

Monarchs in the Garden!

Monday, September 11, 10:30-11 am

(if it rains, we'll host a regular Storytime at the Library)

Ages birth-6 with an adult. Join us at the Community Gardens in Hoffman Park for storytime and fun activities all about the monarch butterfly! No registration required.

Family Storytime

Mondays, 10:30-11 am

September: 18, 25 (outside, weather permitting)

October: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 (outside, weather permitting)

November: 6, 13, 27

Ages birth-6 with an adult. Stimulate your child's senses through books, rhymes, music and movement. Little ones get distracted easily, please help us maintain engagement by entering quietly if you arrive late. No registration required. Watch our social media for any cancellations.

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*Board meetings are the second
Thursday of the month at 7 pm
and are open to the public.*

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Welcoming all to connect and explore— checkout the possibilities!

Fall Used Book Sale

Friday, October 13, 1-4 pm
Saturday, October 14, 9 am-4 pm
Sunday, October 15, 1-4 pm

Find bargains on books and AV for all ages at the Friends of the Cary Area Library Fall Used Book Sale. Sunday's bag sale is \$5 per supplied bag. Special pricing for teachers with current ID (except for Bag Sale). Cash and check only.