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LIBRARY DATABASES
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**Strength, Flexibility & Balance**
Mondays, March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 29, 26, May 3, 10
10:30am in person
Fee: $20

**Virtual Tai Chi**
Wednesdays at 9:30am on Zoom
Join Marvin for a weekly Tai Chi for Arthritis program geared for seniors, but all are welcome. Tai Chi combines slow-moving with deep breathing and is beneficial in increasing body strength, balance, and posture. Tai Chi can also help you reduce stress and increase relaxation.

**Yoga with Vicky**
Wednesdays, March 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7, 14, 21 & 28
10:30am in person
Using physical alignment as a starting point, Iyengar Yoga encourages the spread of intelligence throughout the body, the growth of self-awareness, and the experience of the asana as a form of "meditation in action". Please bring a yoga mat, 3 thick blankets, 2 Yoga blocks and a yoga belt.

**Online Yoga and Meditation with Amanda**
Wednesdays, February 3, 10, 17 and 24
5:30pm on Zoom
Fee: $20
Join Yoga Instructor Amanda's online class to experience 40 minutes of vinyasa yoga and 20 minutes of deep, relaxing meditation. Accessible for all levels of yoga students. This class is not suitable for anyone with limitations in standing up or getting down to the mat multiple times.

Register
Sci-Fi Book Discussion with Ian
Tuesday, February 2
2:30pm or 7pm
in person or on Zoom

Join Ian for our book discussion of Alfred Bester's *The Stars My Destination*. In this pulse-quickening novel, Alfred Bester imagines a future in which people "jaunte" a thousand miles with a single thought, where the rich barricade themselves in labyrinths and protect themselves with radioactive hitmen—and where an inarticulate outcast is the most valuable and dangerous man alive.

Register for 2:30pm
Register for 7pm

Book Discussion with Shannon
Tuesday, February 9
2:30pm or 7pm
in person or on Zoom

Join Librarian Trainee, Shannon as we read *A Great Reckoning* by Louise Penny. Receiving a mysterious old map that has been found stuffed in the walls of a bistro, former Quebec homicide investigator Armand Gamache follows clues to the site of a dead academy professor and an unlikely cadet with whom he is implicated in a murder case.

Register for 2:30pm
Register for 7pm
Book Discussion with Karen  
Tuesday, February 16  
2:30pm or 7pm  
in person or on Zoom

Join Librarian, Karen for our afternoon book discussion of *Fifty Words for Rain* by Asha Lemmie. Abandoned by a mother who instructs her never to fight or ask questions, an illegitimate child of mixed heritage in 1948 Kyoto forges a powerful bond with her older half-brother against the wishes of their formidable grandparents.

Register for 2:30pm  
Register for 7pm

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Book Discussion with Jack  
Wednesday, February 24  
2:30pm or 7:30pm  
in person or on Zoom

Join Reference Librarian, Jack as we read *Saving Freedom* by Joe Scarborough. The host of MSNBC's Morning Joe examines the 33rd President's diplomatic and military strategies to support democracy, chronicling the passage of the Truman Doctrine policy of containment and its ongoing role in international affairs.

Register for 2:30pm  
Register for 7:30pm
Adult Craft: Stamped & Sewn Valentine Pouches
Thursday, February 11 at 10am

Make Valentine's Day extra special with this sweet and simple felt pouch. We will show you how to create hand-sewn felt envelopes for stashing treats and love notes, complete with stamped motifs and contrasting yarn embellishments. Best of all, included with this class are printable Valentine’s—the perfect size to slip into your finished felt pouch.

Register

Adult Bingo at the Library
Friday, February 12 at 10am

Join us for a fun afternoon of Bingo at the library with other adults. Winners will take home a prize!

Register

History Hub
Wednesday, February 17 at 7:30pm

Calling on all history buffs! We will take a look at the life and exceptional works of the Proto-Renaissance artist, Giotto di Bondone. Giotto was the famous 13th century Florentine painter and architect during the Late Middle Ages. His style set the pace for the Italian renaissance style of painting and is known for his renowned frescoes in the Basilica of Saint Anthony and the Scrovegni Chapel of Padua, Italy. Giotto is regarded as the herald of the Renaissance.

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Library Movie Day
Thursday, February 18 at 2pm or 7pm

The Racer
A seasoned support rider experiences the most dramatic three days of his life and potentially the end of his career at the opening Irish stages of the notorious 1998 Tour de France.

Starring Louis Talpe, Matteo Simoni, Tara Lee

Register for 2pm
Register for 7pm

Defensive Driving with Marty Hirschfield

Saturday, March 6
9:30am-4pm in person

Open to all ages. $34.00 fee is payable at the time of registration by check only to Marty Hirschfield. Space is limited to ensure social distancing, register early to save your spot.

Registration is ongoing and in-person only

ADULTS

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Outside the Lines: library art club
Wednesday, February 17 from 5:30-7pm
Grades 6-12
Join our new library art club! Each month we will learn a little bit about art history and then create our own original artwork inspired by an artist or art movement or style that we discussed. No art experience necessary!

Register

STORY SEEKERS
Saturday, February 20 from 2-3pm
Grades 5-8
Join our creative writing club! We will follow writing prompts and come up with our own creative characters and ideas. This is a great way to write and share fun short stories!

Register
Paint Your Own Puzzle
Wednesday, February 10 from 6-7pm
Grades 5-12

Paint your own design onto a blank puzzle. Make your design as simple or as intricate as you'd like. The more complex your design is the more challenging your puzzle will be for others to put together.

Register

DIY Hexagon Dream Catcher
Wednesday, February 24 from 6-7pm
Grades 5-12

Create your own dream catcher! We'll paint and glue popsicle sticks to form a hexagon as our frame then wrap with yarn and create our own tassels and pom-poms to hang from our dream catchers.

Register

Valentine's Day Cupcake Wars
Friday, February 12 from 7-8pm
Grades 5-12

Decorate cupcakes with a Valentine's Day theme! Compete against friends to see who has the best cupcake. Winner will receive a prize. Take your creation home to enjoy, eating will not be permitting during the class.

Class is full - Join the waitlist
Teen Afternoon Bingo
Friday, February 19 from 2-3pm
Grades 5-12

Join us for a fun afternoon of bingo with friends! Winners will choose a prize.

Jackbox with Miss Shannon
Tuesday, February 23 from 6-7pm
Grades 6-12

Play Jackbox games with Miss Shannon. You must bring your own device to play on.

Among Us
Friday, February 26 from 4-5pm
Grades 6-12

Play Among Us with Miss Shannon and other teens.
KIDS

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Let's Draw
Friday, February 19 from 3:30-4:30pm on Zoom
Grades 1 - 5

Join artist and teacher Doris Benter for a relaxing live virtual drawing class where students will create their own version of a scene from "Snowmen at Night" inspired by the illustrations in the popular book by Caralyn and Mark Buehner.

Register

Yoga Story Adventures
Wednesday, February 24 from 4:15-5:00pm
Ages 3-6

Join Miss Jen for a fun Yoga Session. We will explore yoga as a way to express ourselves with our bodies and manage emotions with breath. We will also be discovering fabulous authors and literary characters!

Register

Mars 2020 Perseverance Landing
Thursday, February 11 from 7-7:30pm on Zoom
Geared to ages 8 & up

Join us for a virtual discussion and presentation with our "Telescope Guy" and Space Ambassador Tom Lynch to discuss the upcoming Mars Landing.

Register
A Time for Kids Presents: Tot Time
Thursdays, February 4 & 11 from 10:30 am - 11 am live on Zoom
Ages 18 months - 5 years

Miss Karen is making a visit on Zoom! Come sing some songs, listen to a story and do a fun activity or craft!

Register

A Time for Kids Presents: Evening Tot Time
Mondays, February 1 & 8 from 6:45 pm-7:15pm live on Zoom
Ages 18 months - 5 years

Miss Karen is making a virtual visit before bedtime! Sing some songs, listen to a story, and participate in a fun activity or craft!

Register

Stay & PlayHooray!
Tuesdays, February 2, 9, & 16 from 11:00 am - 11:30 am live on Zoom
Ages Birth - 5 years

Join our good friend Molly Mouse in this session of dynamic and lively activities that will have you and your child up and moving to the beat of pop music as well as traditional children's favorites.

Register
Virtual Storytime with Miss Erin
Mondays, February 1, 8, & 22
Geared to Ages 2 - 5

Listen to stories, sing some songs, and jump around in this pre-recorded storytime program. Links to view will be emailed each week of the program.

Register

Virtual Baby Bookworms with Miss Erin
Tuesdays, February 2, 9, & 16
Geared to ages Birth - 2 years

Stories! Songs! Rhymes! This pre-recorded early literacy program is designed for our littlest friends. Links to view will be emailed each week of the program.

Register

Ready, Set, Storytime
Friday, February 12 & 26 from 1:30 pm-2pm live on Zoom
Ages Birth - 5 years

This interactive storytime session will introduce literacy practices through stories, songs, movement activities, and rhymes.

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Storytime Fun
Mondays, February 1 & 8 from 2:00 pm - 2:45 pm in the library
Ages 3 - 5
Join Miss Carly for a story, activity and a craft!

Register

Arctic Animal Adventures
Friday, February 5 from 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm in the library
Grades K - 2
Learn about arctic animals and their habits through stories and a craft with Miss Susan!

Register

Chinese New Year Storytime
Thursday, February 18 from 11-11:45am in the library
Grades K - 2
Let’s Celebrate and learn about Chinese New Year with stories, games and simple craft.

Register
Chapter Chat Book Club
Thursday, February 4 from 4-4:45pm
Grades 2 - 3 in person and on Zoom
Read the book or e-book at home then join us for a discussion and activity in the library or on Zoom.
This month's book: My Furry Foster Family: Truman the Dog by Debbie Michiko Florence
Register

Page Turners Book Club
Thursday February 11 from 4-4:45pm
in person and on Zoom
Grades 4 - 6
Read the book or e-book at home then join us for a discussion and activity in the library or on Zoom.
This month's book: Sal & Gabi Break the Universe by Carlos Hernandez
Register

Mars Explorers
Wednesday, February 17 from 2:30-3:15pm in the library
Grades 2 - 5
Join Miss Susan to learn about space exploration through games, stories and a fun craft.
Register
Saturday Ceramics
Saturday, February 13 from 10-10:45am in the library
Grades 1-3
Relax and create a colorful ceramic dragon in celebration of Chinese New Year!

Register

Crafty Creations
Thursday, February 25 from 6:30-7:15pm in the library
Grades 4-6
Come to the library to paint a ceramic rainbow box!

Register

Valentine's Day Bonanza!
Friday, February 12 from 4:15-4:45pm in the library
Grades 2-4
Join Miss Carly and make a fun Valentine's Day craft!!

Register
Reason2Smile Bracelet Kit
Geared to ages 8 and up

The recycled paper beading program is a great way to support Reason2Smile and participants get to walk away with their very own one of a kind bracelet! Register to pick up a kit to make a beautiful bracelet that your child can proudly wear or give as gift and in doing so know they are helping to provide educational opportunities at the Jambo Jipya School in Kenya.

Kits can be picked up beginning February 16 at 10:00am

Irish Soda Bread Muffins with Chef Rob Scott
Family program

Let's get ready for St. Patrick's Day by baking these traditional Irish Soda Bread muffins! These tasty treats are a delight anytime of the day and are perfect for giving as a gift.

Kits can be picked up beginning March 8. All registered families will receive a link to watch Chef Rob demonstrate how to make these delicious muffins!

*1 Kit per household
Take & Make Craft
Geared to Ages 2 and up

Each Monday we will have a new craft for the week!

No registration required.
*While supplies last.

STEM @ Home
Geared to grades K-5

Each Monday we will have a new STEM activity available.

No registration required.
*While supplies last.

February Scavenger Hunt

Check out our new Valentine's Day themed scavenger hunt in the children's room.

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Library Hours
Monday - Thursday: 9am-9pm
Friday: 9am-6pm
Saturday: 9am-5pm
Sunday: Closed

Library Closings
February 15- President's Day

Community Meetings
February 20 - DAR - 10am
February 22 - Library Board Meeting - 6:30pm

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