



# Reading Matters

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Winter 2023–2024

## 'Tis the Season

### Hanukkah Food Beyond the Latke

Monday, December 4 • 7 pm • Ages 18 and up

Cookbook author and Jewish food expert Emily Paster will demonstrate how to make a lemon olive oil cake (samples provided!) and talk about other traditional Hanukkah foods shared throughout the Jewish diaspora.

### Embroidery Hoop Ornament P

Friday, December 8 • Ages 18 and up

Get in the Christmas spirit by making a festive decoration.

### Christmas Wreath Ornament P

Saturday, December 9 • Ages 12–17

Create a holiday wreath out of a mason jar lid.

### A Very Merry Storytime

Saturday, December 9 • 2–2:45 pm • All ages

Enjoy stories, rhymes, songs and finger plays about one jolly fellow—Santa Claus!

### Cocoa and Candles Storytime

Wednesday, December 13 • 4:30–5:15 pm • All ages

Celebrate the Jewish holiday Hanukkah with stories, songs and hot cocoa.

### Winter Toddlerland

Thursday, December 14 • 10–10:30 am • Ages 1½–3

Wintry, fun stories and songs with a craft to take home.

### Holiday Traditions from Radio's Golden Age

Monday, December 18 • 6:30 pm • Ages 18 and up

Steve Darnall from WDCB will share classic seasonal sounds and moments, from Jack Benny's annual shopping trips to Lionel Barrymore's portrayal of Ebenezer Scrooge.





### Encanto y empanadas

Sábado, 16 de diciembre • 1:30–3:30 pm • Todas las edades  
Veremos la película *Encanto* y disfrutaremos de deliciosas empanadas.

### Grupo de conversación virtual de ESL **Z**

Los jueves • 7 de diciembre–29 de febrero • 10 am  
Mayores de 18 años

Practique sus habilidades de conversación y pronunciación en un ambiente relajado y obtenga más confianza. Facilitado por un/a tutor/a de People’s Resource Center. Para más detalles, visite [warrenville.com/events](http://warrenville.com/events).

### Cuentos en la lavandería **D BILINGÜE**

Laundry City Express  
2S533 Illinois Route 59  
Sábados • 11 am–12 pm • Todas las edades  
16 de diciembre, 20 de enero, 17 de febrero

Toda la familia está invitada a compartir un cuento con nosotros. Habrá hojas para colorear disponibles.

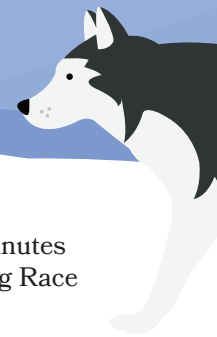
## Tecnología

### Clases de computación **BILINGÜE**

Sábados • 10:15 am–12 pm • Mayores de 18 años  
Aprenda los fundamentos de la informática e Internet con estos cursos para principiantes. Todas las clases se imparten en dispositivos Windows. Regístrese para cualquiera o todas las clases a las que desee asistir en [warrenville.com/events](http://warrenville.com/events).

- 9 de diciembre: Interacción entre programas
- 13 de enero: Windows 10 personalización
- 10 de febrero: Seguridad básica de la computadora

# IDITAREAD



### Winter Reading Challenge

December 1–March 2 • All ages

We’re challenging everyone to read as many minutes as there are miles in the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race from Anchorage to Nome. That means 1,000 minutes of reading!

To participate, use Beanstack to track your progress online or in the app. You can also use a paper reading log. Earn a badge for every 100 minutes you read this winter. We’ve got great prizes, plus you will automatically be entered into a grand prize drawing when you read 1,000 minutes and complete the challenge!

More information about the Winter Reading Challenge and Beanstack will be available beginning December 1 at [warrenville.com/winter-reading](http://warrenville.com/winter-reading).

### Winter Reading Challenge Kickoff **D**

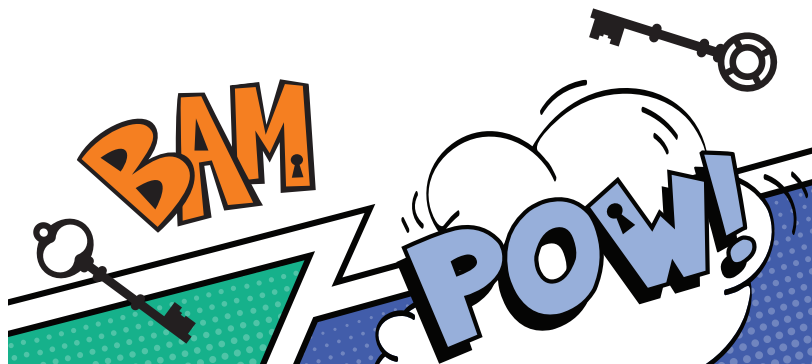
Friday, December 1 • Ages 2–12

Kick off our Winter Reading Challenge with a library scavenger hunt and take-home craft.

### Escape Room: Escape the Comic Book

All ages • 2–3 time slots each day  
Tuesday, February 27 • 5–8 pm  
Wednesday, February 28 • 5–8 pm  
Thursday, February 29 • 5–8 pm  
Friday, March 1 • 4–6 pm  
Saturday, March 2 • 1–4 pm

You are trapped inside the panels of a comic book and have to hunt down clues and solve puzzles to escape. Groups of 2–6 people will have 45 minutes to break free. To schedule a session, please stop by or call the Youth Services Desk at 630/393-1171 x124.





Sundays • 2 pm • All ages

- December 3:** Synchronia Violin Duet Holiday Favorites
- January 14:** Katie Kostner Hits through the Decades
- February 11:** Brittany Smith Romantic Era Harpist
- March 10:** Geof Bradfield Modern Jazz Trio

Sponsored in part by a City of Warrenville Hotel Tax Grant.

### Warrenville Writers Connection

Mondays • 7 pm • Ages 18 and up  
 December 11, January 8, February 12  
 Connect with others who are passionate about writing.

### Introduction to Medicare

Tuesday, December 12 • 10 am & 6 pm • Ages 18 and up  
 Cindy Fields of American Republic Insurance Services will explain the four parts of Medicare: Part A, B, C and D, Medicare Advantage Plans, Medicare supplement plan and prescription plans.

### Movie Matinees

Fridays • Noon • Ages 18 and up  
 December 15, January 12, February 16  
 Movie titles will be announced one month prior to viewing at warrenville.com/events.



### Genealogy Club D

Wednesdays • 2 pm • Ages 18 and up  
 December 27, January 31, February 28  
 Come share your family research success, learn ways to increase the “branches” on your family tree and get solutions to your brick walls.

### In the Belly of the Beast: King in Chicago

Monday, January 15 • 7 pm • Ages 18 and up  
 Join historian Clarence Goodman for a narrative on the extraordinary life of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., whose pursuit of justice seems as relevant today as it was over 50 years ago.

## Book Clubs

### First Thursday Book Club

Thursdays • 7:30 pm • Ages 18 and up  
 Books will be available for checkout to Warrenville cardholders at the Member Services Desk one month prior to the discussion date. There are no books to check out for the December session.

**December 7:** Best books of 2023

**January 4:** *Nine Perfect Strangers* by Liane Moriarty

**February 1:** *When The Apricots Bloom* by Gina Wilkinson

### Books on Tap Book Club

Rock Bottom Restaurant and Brewery  
 28256 Diehl Road

Mondays • 7 pm • Ages 21 and up

Choose, discuss and debate between Taylor and Tom’s picks. Books will be available for checkout at the Member Services Desk one month prior to the book club date.

**January 29:** Shakespeare Retelling

**TAYLOR:** *Hag-Seed* by Margaret Atwood

**TOM:** *Vinegar Girl* by Anne Tyler

**February 26:** Ghostly Romance

**TAYLOR:** *Briefly, a Delicious Life* by Nell Stevens

**TOM:** *The Dead Romantics* by Ashley Poston



## Blind Date with a Book

February 1–14 • All ages

This is the ultimate in not judging a book by its cover! Just in time for Valentine’s Day, fully wrapped books with a quick hint about the plot will be available for you to find your perfect reading match.

For the full experience, check out your “blind date” and open your surprise read at home!



## The Beauties of Warrenville

*Thursday, February 8 • 7 pm • Ages 18 and up*

Local artist Bill Scarlato will reveal the primary influences for his Warrenville landscape paintings and the creative process for organizing a color palette, drawing and composition. An exhibition of his work, “The Beauties of Warrenville: 12 Oil Paintings of the Local Landscape,” will be on display at the library during the month of February.

## Legacies of the Copernican Universe

*Thursday, January 18 • 7 pm • Ages 18 and up*

Warrenville resident and Benedictine University Professor Jean-Marie Kauth will explain more from her recent book, *Environmental Legacies of the Copernican Universe*, about how the change to a sun-centered cosmos altered our metaphors for nature.

## Soapmaking 101

*Thursday, January 25 • 6:30 pm • Ages 18 and up*

Craft your own soap with colors and scents found in nature while learning about the history and origins of soapmaking from Soapy Roads of Lombard.

## Essentials of Estate Planning

*Monday, February 5 • 6 pm • Ages 18 and up*

Greg Kurinec of Bentron Financial Group will share information on probate, wills vs. trusts, power of attorney and guardianship appointments.

## Heart Banner P

*Friday, February 9 • Ages 18 and up*

Create a beautiful banner to share love on Valentine’s Day.

## History of Headwraps

*Thursday, February 15 • 7 pm • Ages 18 and up*

Did you know headwraps have been a symbol of status and marriage for centuries? Learn about the significance of headwraps in this presentation and demonstration by Black history educator Tammy Gibson.

## Sound Bowl Meditation

*Monday, February 19 • 7 pm • Ages 18 and up*

Join Meditation Specialist Rebecca Page for a guided meditation session featuring crystal bowl playing, chimes and drums. The soothing sound of the bowls enhances relaxation, deepens meditation and aids the body in healing and balance.

## Reduce Robocalls and Cable Bills

*Monday, February 26 • 2 pm • Ages 18 and up*

A representative from Citizens Utility Board will give a presentation about your cable options and how to reduce robocalls.

## Tech Talks

### Google for Beginners

*Wednesday, January 10 • 2 pm • Ages 18 and up*

Freshen up your search skills and learn new ones that will make using Google more efficient and intuitive.

### Intermediate Microsoft Word

*Wednesday, February 14 • 2 pm • Ages 18 and up*

Take your Microsoft Word skills to the next level with tips, tricks and take-home practice examples.

## Fun & Games

### Magic: The Gathering Club D

*Fridays • 4–6:30 pm • Ages 13 and up*

*December 8, January 12, February 9*

Play Magic: The Gathering and make new friends who also love the game. All skill levels are welcome.

### Board Game Night

*Tuesdays • 6–8:30 pm • Ages 13 and up*

Come play the featured game or bring your own.

**January 9:** Azul

**February 13:** Coup

### Golden Girls Trivia

*Wednesday, February 7 • 7 pm • All ages*

Dive into the world of Dorothy, Blanche, Rose and Sophia with five rounds of trivia. Prizes will be awarded.



**Hot Cocoa Movie Party** D

*Saturday, January 20 • 1–3 pm • Ages 12–17*  
Join us for a movie, snacks and delicious hot cocoa!

**Panels and Pages** D

*Fridays • 4:30–5:30 pm • Ages 12–17*  
*December 1, January 5, February 2*  
Practice writing or illustrating anything! Build your skills with a monthly writing exercise and collaborate with peers.

**Personalized Book Bag** P

*Monday, December 18 • Ages 12–17*  
Warm up with some personalized recommended reads over your winter break! We will prepare a book bag for you based on your reading preferences with two books, an eBook suggestion and special gifts.

**Prism Club** D

*Fridays • 4:30–5:30 pm • Ages 12–17*  
Prism is an LGBTQIA+ alliance club. All teens are welcome.

**December 22:** Happy Holidays  
**January 26:** New Year, New Me  
**February 23:** Valentine's Day

**Volunteer Opportunities**

Need service hours? Looking for ways to be involved in your community? We could use help preparing for upcoming programs and assisting with youth events. Ask for more details at the Youth Services Desk. You can also earn service hours by joining our Teen Advisory Board:

**Teen Advisory Board (T.A.B.)** D

*Mondays • 4:30–5:30 pm • Ages 12–17*  
*December 4, January 8, February 5*  
Share your opinion on new book suggestions and future events.



**Fun & Games**

**Dungeons & Dragons**

*Tuesdays • 6–8 pm • Ages 12–17*  
*December 5 & 19, January 2 & 16, February 6 & 20*  
From *Tales from the Yawning Portal* comes The Forge of Fury campaign.

**Gamer's Guild** D

*Fridays • 4:30–6 pm • Ages 12–17*  
*December 15, January 19, February 16*  
Play video games like *Mario Kart* and *Super Smash Bros.* or tabletop games such as Exploding Kittens.

**Arts & Crafts**

**Love Bird Craft** P

*Saturday, February 10 • Ages 12–17*  
Make a cute bird out of yarn.



## Anime Club

Tuesday, February 13 • 4:30–5:30 pm • Ages 7–12  
Join other anime fans to watch and discuss popular series.

## Library Squad

Thursdays • 4:30–5:30 pm • Ages 8–12  
December 14, January 11, February 8  
Hang out with friends as we brainstorm ideas for the library and try out new activities.

## Personalized Book Bag P

Monday, December 18 • Ages 10–12  
Warm up with some personalized recommended reads over your winter break! We will prepare a book bag for you based on your reading preferences with two books, an eBook suggestion and special gifts.

## Winter Break Movie Party

Wednesday, January 3 • 2–4 pm • Ages 7–12  
Beginning December 1, you can vote at the Youth Services Desk for which movie to watch.

## Dungeons & Dragons

Monday, January 22 • 6–8 pm • Ages 8–12  
Play a thrilling campaign alongside other adventure seekers.

## Crafting

Thursdays • 4:30–5:15 pm • Ages 8–12  
Flex your creative muscles by making fun art projects.

**January 25:** DIY Pop Sockets

**February 22:** Donut Stuffies

## Winter Specials

### Toddler Playdate

Fridays • 10–10:30 am • Ages 1½–3  
December 1, January 12, February 2  
Explore parallel play and interact with other young children.

### Read to a Therapy Dog

Saturdays • 10–11:30 am • Ages 5–8  
December 2, January 6, February 3  
Young readers can practice reading aloud to a certified therapy dog in 15-minute sessions.

### Homeschool Hangout

Tuesdays • 1–2 pm • Ages 6–12  
January 9, February 13  
Enjoy crafts, STEAM activities or games.

### Happy Birthday, Mo Willems!

Wednesday, January 10 • 4:30–5:15 pm • Ages 5–7  
Join us for a celebration of one of our favorite storytellers and creator of Pigeon, Knufflebunny and Elephant & Piggie.

### Book Bites

Tuesdays • 4:30–5 pm • Ages 6–9  
January 23, February 27  
Listen to great stories, practice your reading skills and enjoy a yummy snack.

### Sweethearts Ball

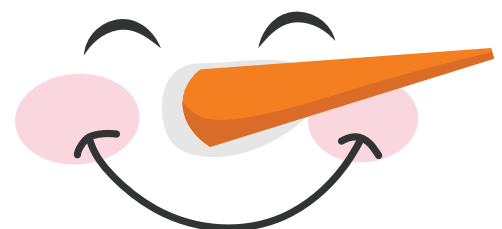
Monday, February 12 • 10–11:15 am • Ages 2–6  
Come dressed in your best party outfit to celebrate love and friendship with a little dancing, stories and a simple craft.

### Family Movie Matinee

Monday, February 19 • 2–4 pm • Ages 3–11  
Enjoy a day off from school with a special movie showing just for kids. The title of the movie will be released one month before viewing.

### Leap Year Party

Thursday, February 29 • 4:30–5:15 pm • Ages 5–7  
Did you know there's an extra day on the calendar this year? Leap into some stories, crafts and fun with us.



## Get Crafty

### Crafts to Go D P

Ages 3–11

Stop by the Youth Services Desk to pick up a craft project to take home.

#### Winter

Tuesday, December 26

Snow much to create.

#### MLK Day

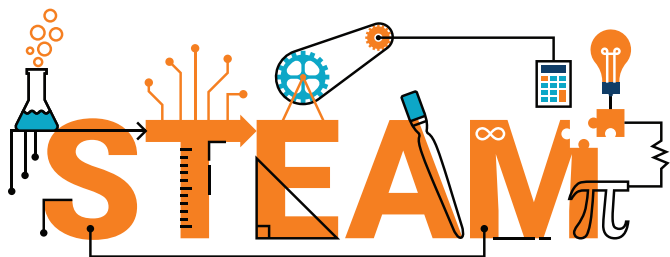
Monday, January 15

Learn about the civil rights crusader,  
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

#### Chinese New Year

Monday, February 5

Celebrate the Year of the Dragon.



To view details and to register for these popular STEAM programs, go to [warrenville.com/events](http://warrenville.com/events).

### Snap Circuits

Thursdays • 4:30–5:30 pm • Ages 8–12

December 7, January 4, February 1

### Space

Tuesday, December 19 • 4:30–5:30 pm • Ages 6–8

### Robotics

Thursdays • 4:30–5:30 pm • Ages 8–12

December 21, January 18, February 15

### LEGO Time

Thursday, December 28 • 2–3 pm • Ages 7–12

### Engineering Challenges

Tuesday, January 30 • 4:30–5:30 pm • Ages 9–12

### Science Storytime to Go P

Monday, February 19 • Ages 5–7



## Storytimes

Storytimes feature stories, songs, rhymes and finger plays.  
Find details at [warrenville.com/events](http://warrenville.com/events).

### Storytime at Starbucks

28341 Diehl Rd.

Mondays • 10–10:30 am • All ages

December 4, January 8, February 5

### Baby Mozart D

Wednesdays • 10:30–11 am • Ages birth–1½

December 6, January 10, February 7

### Snuggle Up Storytime

Mondays • 6–6:30 pm • All ages

December 11, January 8, February 12

### Nature-Telling

Mondays • 10–10:30 am • Ages 2–5

December 18, January 15, February 19

### Family Storytime D

Tuesdays • 10–10:30 am • All ages

January 9–February 27

### Toddler Time D

Thursdays • 10–10:30 am • Ages 1½–3

January 11–February 29

### Nature Storytime with The Morton Arboretum

Saturdays • 10–10:30 am • All ages

January 20, February 17

### Yoga Storytime

Mondays • 6–6:30 pm • Ages 2–11

January 29, February 26



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BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Details at [warrenville.com/kindergarten](http://warrenville.com/kindergarten).

### Library Hours

Monday–Thursday: 9:30 am–9 pm  
Friday: 9:30 am–7 pm  
Saturday: 9:30 am–5 pm  
Sunday: 1 pm–5 pm  
Check warrenville.com for updates.

### Library Closings

Wednesday, November 22 at 5 pm  
Thursday, November 23  
Friday, November 24  
Sunday, December 24  
Monday, December 25  
Sunday, December 31  
Monday, January 1  
Friday, March 8 (Staff In-Service)

### Management Team

Jason Stuhlmann, Executive Director  
Jackie Davis, Assistant to the Director  
Paul Dobersztyn, Public Services  
Laurie Rex, Member Services  
Kathy Gaydos, Marketing  
MaryKellie Marquez, Cataloging  
Ian Stevens, Human Resources  
Duncan Jones, IT

### Library Board of Trustees

Barbara J. DuRocher, President  
Jerri L. Picha, Vice President  
Sandy Lezon, Treasurer  
Heather Stull, Secretary  
Jill Richardson  
Connie Schmidt  
Richard W. Warren Jr.

### Board Meetings at 7 pm

Wednesday, December 13  
Wednesday, January 17  
Wednesday, February 21  
Public welcome as capacity allows.  
Agendas and minutes available online.

### ADA Accommodations

Persons with disabilities requiring reasonable accommodation to participate in a library event should contact the library's ADA Coordinator at least 7 days prior to the program. Call 630/393-1171 x120 or email ADA@warrenville.com.

### Library Photos

Photos or videos taken at the library may be used for promotional purposes. If you do not want your image taken, please inform library staff.

### eNews

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# Library Business Services

Whether you have an established business or are an entrepreneur looking to jump start a new venture, we can help. We offer personalized assistance, business programming, specialized databases and relevant books, newspapers and magazines.



### Library Cards for Business Owners

Owners of businesses located in Warrenville are eligible for a business library card, which is a specialized card designed to support local businesses. This card type entitles your business to check out materials and use our meeting spaces and online research tools. To register for a business library card, call to make an appointment with our Member Services Manager at 630/393-1171 x102. A copy of your lease or property tax bill is required.

### Book-a-Librarian Appointments

One-on-one appointments are available to help you with a research project and information needs. Call our Adult Services Desk at 630/393-1171 x121.

### Meeting Spaces

Your business library card enables you to reserve space seven days in advance where you can hold small staff meetings, training sessions or job interviews. Three enclosed Study Rooms are available to choose from and are equipped with white boards and/or screens.

### Office Equipment

Copy machines and printers are available for a small, per page cost for black & white and color images. We also have a remote print feature for when your printer is out of order or when you're on the go. You can scan documents to your email or storage device and send domestic faxes for free from our SimpleScan station.

### SCORE

Need help with starting or running your small business? Along with our materials and services, we recommend Fox Valley SCORE, a non-profit agency offering free mentoring, workshops and resources for anyone who is operating a business or thinking about starting one. Mentors are successful business people with real-world experience that will support your success. Contact SCORE directly at [score.org/foxvalley](http://score.org/foxvalley).

