

Books & Bytes



Cary Area Public Library • Dec 2024-Feb 2025

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Event Registration

View complete event descriptions on our online Events Calendar. **Registration begins Thursday, November 14 at 9 am online (caryarea.librarycalendar.com), in person at the Service Center, or by phone (847-639-4210, press 0) and is required for programs noted with an RR.** Registered patrons' spots may be given to those on the waitlist if they are 10 minutes late.

The Library makes every effort to ensure our events can be enjoyed by all. A sensory bin that includes noise-cancelling headphones, a small weighted lap pad, and a visual schedule is available upon request during our events. Please contact us if you have any concerns about accessibility or need to request specific accommodations.

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

Friends of the Cary Area Library (FOCAL)

Winter FOCAL meeting dates: Thursdays, December 5, January 2, February 6, all at 7 pm.

A cart with free books, movies, and music, sponsored by FOCAL, is now in the corner by the return in-takes year-round. A donation box is also there if you'd like to help support FOCAL and CAPL.

The Babel Drum plaque (pictured right) has been installed to commemorate the late FOCAL member, Mary Baechle.

Find our Little Free Libraries at the former Kraus Senior Center, Park District Community Center, and Kaper Park. A book exchange is inside the Cary Metra Station.

The FOCAL scholarship information will be in the next Books & Bytes, so stay tuned!



What's new

What Are We Training for Anyway?

Have you ever wondered what we do when we're closed for staff training? Wonder no more.

We do a lot of customer service and reader's advisory training, go over the logistics of programs like Winter Reading and the Library Lovers Expedition (find details on both programs in this issue). Passport agents sometimes meet to debrief and problem-solve unusual situations that have happened. We regularly conduct safety training, like fire preparedness with the Cary Fire Department, and hands-on fire extinguisher training. We are, after all, a building filled with paper.

You may have noticed that we've added an automated external defibrillator (AED) to the main Library area. Staff were trained and certified on CPR and AED use so that we are ready should a need unfortunately arise.

We also host outside speakers. In August, we welcomed JJ's List Disability Players to deepen our understanding of the challenges that people with disabilities face and how to help them feel welcome at CAPL. In October, staff went through First Aid Mental Health training, which provided us with tools to assist those seeking mental health resources or support in a more informed and empathetic way. McHenry County conducted a McHenry County Healthy Community study in 2021-22 that indicated a rise in mental health challenges for residents.

All of this is to say, that we take your visits and experiences at CAPL seriously. Working with the public means we have a responsibility to be aware and helpful, even outside of our usual duties of helping you find your next read.



Sue (left), Rotary Club of Cary-Grove Foundation Chair, presents a check to Hannah (right), CAPL Community Engagement Liaison.

Children's Reader Collection Updates

This fall, staff has been busy adding colored tape to the spines of the readers collection to help caregivers identify the right book for their beginning reader. Yellow tape is for kids who are starting to read on their own and include simple words and sentences to build confidence. Green tape is for kids who are ready to start reading stories but are still building their skills. Lastly, the orange tape is for kids who feel confident to read independently. There is some overlap between the levels, but they should help you get started. (Don't worry—you won't need to remember all of this as we have a guide on the top of the reader shelves.) Please be patient as we finish this work.

Also, CAPL recently received a grant from the Rotary Club of Cary-Grove to expand our Phonics Kit collection for beginning readers. The project was spearheaded by Youth Services staffers Andi and Laurie, with help from Hannah, our Community Engagement Liaison. Sue from the Rotary Club presented the check in early October. We should have the additional Kits ready for borrowing this winter, so stay tuned for that announcement!

Favorite Things



these
are a few
of my



Winter Reading • December 13-January 24

Sign up for our all ages Winter Reading Challenge beginning December 13 and receive a goodie (while supplies last). Readers can earn tickets into the grand prize drawing for each book or activity completed. Those who complete the required reading will earn a finishing prize (while supplies last).

To track your books, we recommend downloading the Beanstack app to your device but you may also log your reading online through our website on Beanstack or on a paper log, which you can access beginning December 13 | caryarealibrary.org/winterreading



Winter Wear Drive

During Winter Reading we will be collecting new and gently used winter wear/clothing items to benefit the local charity Blessing Barn. *Psst: If you donate an item, you can earn an extra Winter Reading badge!*



Our favorite (library) things



The **cushy armchairs** near the magazines. This space seems hidden away from the others in the Library. A pair of earbuds, a great audiobook, and one of those chairs is like my dreams have come true. —Rita



I love the **youth section!** It has so many resources for kids: books, kits, toys! It's a cozy place for families to hang out, and the kids love it! —Laurie



Homebound Delivery. I deliver for homebound and just seeing the joy it brings to people truly warms my heart. —Diane

Our **Babel drum.** It always makes me smile to read the plaque and remember Mary. Also, my kiddo has to play it both when we enter the Library, and when we leave. Our visit isn't complete without it! —Kelly

The **Seed Library.** It encourages interaction with nature and allows people to try growing and cooking with new varieties more easily. And gardening can become a family activity that's screen-free! —Mona



The **Spanish collection.** It gives me the opportunity to reconnect with a piece of my culture. —Miguel

Hoopla, my favorite audiobook platform. I like that you can see how much time you have left in the chapter and book. And I love the instant borrows—it's like grabbing a book right off the shelf! —Hannah

The **StoryWalk.** It's something that my daughter and I like to do together as a daddy/daughter day activity. We get ice cream and walk the path while reading the story together. —Chuck

I love the **True Crime Book Club** (I am biased)! It's a collaborative environment, an excuse to talk to like-minded people, and it builds a creepy community that I value. —Natalie

Read-along books (Vox and Wonderbooks). The way my son lights up when we read these books together is unlike anything else :) —Stephanie

The **study desks** by the Teen section. It's in a quieter part of the Library and the barriers make me feel more comfortable and focused. It's also next to the teen horror books that I can browse through as a break. —Jean

Libby. I have access to ebooks or audiobooks at anytime I want as long as I have my phone or tablet. I also love that I can read in bed without disturbing my husband by having a light on if I were to be reading a physical book. —Sara

The **trees in front of the Library** in the spring/summer. They look pretty when they bloom and you can see them from the Service Center. —Jenene

The **charging station** in the back of the Library. This is great for those times when I forget my charger. Plus this is a great resource that not a lot of people know about. —John

Pickleball Paddle Set (Library of Things). They're so convenient for when I want to play with my friends or family, and since there are 2 kits for checkout, we can play with 4 people! —Jessica

Adults

RR = registration is required

The Beatles: After the Break-Up

Wednesday, December 4, 6:30-8 pm

Music historian and Beatles expert, Professor Moptop (Gregory Alexander), will discuss the band's final days and solo careers. There will be lots to learn for long-time fans, as well novices looking to learn more. [RR](#)

Gleeful Gift Wrapping

Saturday, December 14, 1-3 pm

Wrap presents without curious eyes trying to peek. BYOP (bring your own wrapping paper), listen to festive music, and sip and snack on holiday treats. We'll provide tape, labels, string, markers, and scissors.

Stories Behind the Best-Loved Songs of Christmas

Wednesday, December 18, 7-8 pm

Jenny Riddle will sing and share the stories behind our most beloved Christmas songs, based on Ace Collins' book of the same title. Jenny will be accompanied by pianist Jeffrey Panko. Get ready to sing along! [RR](#)

Wits Workout

Wednesdays, January 8, 15, 22, 29, 1:30-2:30 pm

Ages 60+. Social connectedness and intellectual engagement contribute to your brain's health. We'll engage in interactive puzzles and games, and learn what you can do to keep your brain healthy. [RR](#)

Dead Air: The Night Orson Welles Terrified America

Wednesday, January 8, 7-8 pm

In 1938, during a broadcast of *War of the Worlds*, Orson Welles held his hands up for silence in the studio while millions of people ran out into the night screaming and hid from presumed Martians. He turned six seconds of radio silence into absolute horror. [RR](#)

Winter White Landscapes

Wednesday, January 15

6:30-8 pm

Follow artist Terri Murphy in drawing a cottage snowscape in white pencil on black paper. Mounted on cardstock with an attached stand, it'll be a perfect seasonal display for your home. [RR](#)



3D Printing Pens

Saturday, January 18, 10-11:30 am

Choose from a variety of winter-themed designs that you can make to celebrate the season. [RR](#)

Winter Sowing

Wednesday, January 22, 7-8 pm

Master Gardener Doug Moore will provide hands-on instruction on how to sow your seeds indoors, using materials you probably have around the house. [RR](#)

Valentine's Day Card Paper Quilling

Saturday, February 1, 1-2:30 pm

Karina Guico will show you how to create your own paper quilling card to give to your Valentine (or keep for yourself!). [RR](#)

Celebrating the Lunar New Year

Wednesday, February 5, 7-8 pm

Educator Yvonne Wolf will tell us about the Chinese calendar in relation to the Chinese New Year, the rites, activities, symbols, and foods associated with it. Whether it is your first time or part of your annual routine, welcome the Year of the Snake with us. [RR](#)

Regional Transit Authority's Group Transit Seminar

Wednesday, February 12, 7-8 pm

Learn how older adults and people with disabilities can save money and the options available on public transportation. [RR](#)

Google Workspace 101: Intro to Gmail

Saturday, February 15, 10-11:30 am

Learn how to use your Gmail account. We'll provide laptops, but you can bring in your own device to practice on something familiar. [RR](#)

Emancipation to Inauguration: Chicago's Black Experience

Wednesday, February 19, 7-8 pm

From its first settler to legendary figures of politics, societal issues, and the arts, Chicago's African American legacy is lengthy, rich, and deep. Clarence Goodman presents this overview of the impactful people, places, and events. [RR](#)

Common and Migratory Birds

Wednesday, February 26, 7-8 pm

Discover the migration patterns, unique adaptations, and calls of different bird species as they navigate the changing seasons with The Wildbird Shack. [RR](#)

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Great Decisions

Thursdays, Dec. 5, Jan. 2, Feb. 6, 6:30-8 pm

Discuss foreign policy issues led by Professor Gary Midkiff. Participants must read a chapter prior to each meeting from the briefing book. January begins the new briefing book (\$15; no refunds). [RR](#)

Adult Book Discussion Groups [RR](#)

Books are available each month at the Service Center. *The December 4 and 12 dates will be held offsite at a festive location in the Cary Community.

Hooked on Books • Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 am
Dec. 4*: *All the Children Are Home* by Patry Francis
Jan 22: *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks
Feb 26: *Born a Crime: Stories From a South African Childhood* by Trevor Noah

Turning Pages Together • Thursdays, 7-8 pm
Dec. 12*: *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver
Jan. 23: *Bright Young Women* by Jessica Knoll
Feb. 27: *A Pair of Wings* by Carol Hobson

Books on Tap @ Cary Ale House

Tuesdays, Dec. 17, Jan. 21, Feb. 18, 7-8:30 pm
Socialize with other bibliophiles in their 20s-30s and discuss the title chosen by the group. To join email jking@caryarealibrary.info.

True Crime Book Group

Thursday, February 20, 7-8:30 pm
Adults and teens 16+. We'll discuss *Under the Banner of Heaven: A Story of Violent Faith* by Jon Krakauer. Copies available for checkout at the Service Center 60 days prior. [RR](#)

Cary Area Writers Group

Second Saturday of each month, 12-3 pm
Writers ages 21+. Bring copies of your writing to pass around for gentle, constructive critiques. Questions? Email kurterickwalters@gmail.com.

ONLINE EVENTS

Illinois Libraries Present

Zoom. These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration between public libraries. [RR](#)

The Magic of Raina Telgemeier

Tuesday, December 10, 7-8 pm

Experience Little Women: The Musical

[video on demand] • December 20-22

Chicago Pizza: Past, Present and Future with Steve Dolinsky

Thursday, January 9, 7-8 pm

Love and Laughs with Michelle Buteau

Thursday, January 23, 7-8 pm

James McBride

• Tuesday, February 4, 7-8 pm

Amy Tan

• Wednesday, February 19, 7-8 pm

Classroom Kitchen Seasonal Series

Zoom. Each class is a cook- or bake-along in your kitchen as chef Kristyn Slick works in hers. Recipes will be provided via email two weeks prior to the class. Class recordings will be sent to all registrants. [RR](#)

Holiday Sugar Cookies with Royal Icing

Wednesday, December 11, 6:30-8 pm

New Year's "Eve Eve" Celebration

Monday, December 30, 6:30-8 pm

Vegan Comfort Food

Wednesday, January 15, 6:30-8 pm

Chocolate Lovers

Wednesday, February 12, 6:30-8 pm

Board Game Arena Virtual Game Night

Monday, February 10, 6:30-8 pm

Zoom. Play together on Board Game Arena. First time players will need to create a free Board Game Arena account. [RR](#)

Teens

RR = registration is required

Teen Volunteer Board

Tuesdays, December 3, January 7, February 4, 7-8 pm
Grades 6-12. Join this fun service club to help with library projects. Participants will get volunteer hours for every meeting they attend. RR

Dungeons & Dragons: Character Workshop

Monday, December 9, 6-7:30 pm
Grades 6-12. Create your very own Dungeons & Dragons character! You'll receive a printed copy of your character and it will be saved in our system, ready for you if you register in one of our Library games! RR

Robotics Basics

Monday, December 9, 6:30-8:30 pm
Grades 6-12. Intro to our LEGO SPIKE Prime robot's hardware and software. You will learn how to program the robots to move straight and turn. This class is the prerequisite for the Robotics Workshops. RR

Ugly Sweater Sugar Cookie Decorating Contest

Tuesday, December 10, 7-8 pm
Grades 6-12. Sip hot chocolate and listen to jingles while competing to create the most festive ugly sweater cookie. The winner wins a prize! RR

Teen Gaming

Tuesdays, Dec. 17, Jan. 28, Feb. 25, 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.

Magic the Gathering

Thursday, December 19, 6:30-8 pm
Grades 6-12. Come and play Magic the Gathering! Are you an experienced MTG player? Great! Never played before? We'll teach you! RR

Dungeons & Dragons [Zoom]

Saturday, Dec. 21, Jan. 18, Feb. 22, 1-4 pm
Grades 6-12. New and returning players welcome for this fantasy role-playing game. Cooperative play is emphasized, so log on and help your group succeed! RR

Robotics Workshop

Mondays, January 13, February 24, 6:30-8:30 pm
Grades 6-12. Develop programming skills with the LEGO SPIKE Prime robots. Each workshop will have different challenges. You must have attended the Robotics Basics to attend these workshops. RR

Third Fridays Club **NEW!**

Fridays, January 17, February 21, 2-3 pm
This relaxed, daytime club is perfect for homeschoolers in grades 6-12 to hang out and try new activities including STEM, crafts, art, games, and more! RR

Build-A-Robot

Sundays, January 19, February 16, 1:30-4 pm
Grades 6-12. Build one of the LEGO EV3 robot designs and then download the program to activate it. RR

3D Wooden Puzzle

Wednesday, January 29, 7-8 pm
Grades 6-12. Celebrate National Puzzle Day by building a 3D wooden puzzle to take home. RR

Limitless Possibilities

Tuesday, February 18, 7-8:30 pm
Grades 6-12. Artists of all skill levels are invited to create a work of art with limitless possibilities. Artists will be provided painting supplies including a canvas to take home. Creativity and experience are not required. The only requirement is to have fun. RR

@Home Kit

Upcycled Winter Votive

Kit pickup begins Friday, December 20, 10 am
Grades 6-12. Use a recycled glass yogurt jar to make an adorable winter decoration with this take home kit that includes the needed supplies. RR



Hate having to wait for your read? Download ebooks and audiobooks instantly on hoopla with your CAPL card—no wait times | [hoopladigital.com](https://www.hoopladigital.com)

Multi-Age & Family

RR = registration is required

Puzzle and Board Game Swap

Saturdays, Dec. 7, 1-2 pm and Feb. 15, 11 am-12 pm
Calling all board game and puzzle fanatics! Bring in board games and/or puzzles with no missing pieces and swap 1/1 with ones new to you. Drop-in.

Second Annual Jigsaw Puzzle Competition

Monday, January 4, 12-3 pm
Compete to see which teams of up to four can complete a 500 piece puzzle the fastest. We'll have two categories: adults (all group members 18+) or family (at least one group member over 18, and at least one member under 18). If you are a group of one, please note this in the comment field during registration and we'll try to form a team with other singles. *RR with a CAPL card*

Family LEGO Fun!

Sunday, January 5, 2-3 pm
Work together as a family to create your own LEGO creation! *RR*

Chess: Fast, Cool Historic Games

Saturday, January 11, 10:30-12 pm
Attacks that lead to fast and genius wins make chess rock! See games from Napoleon Bonaparte; American genius Paul Morphy; Greco, destroying players in 1620 Rome; and the best Queen sacrifice for a Checkmate in 1750 Paris, done in only 7 moves! Resources and a guide to writing out chess games will be provided. *RR*

Bullet Journaling for Beginners

Saturday, January 11, 11-12 pm
Grade 6-adult. Learn the basics of bullet journaling, including sample layouts and possible uses to find the right fit for you to remove some stress with artful organization with Jez Layman. *RR*

Family Game Night

Tuesday, January 14, 6-7:30 pm
Children must be school age or older. Join us for an evening playing board games with other area families. Bring a game or choose from our selection. Snacks will be provided. Registration preferred (register under one name then list number in your group), but not required.

Trivia Night

Thursday, January 16, 6:30-8 pm
Compete in teams of up to 4 people. Bonus points for coming dressed for your aspirations in the New Year! Register under one name but enter your total group number. Limited to 8 teams. *RR*

Firefly Family Theatre: Spark's Snow Day

Saturday, January 25, 10:30-11:30 am
Ideal for ages 2-7, but has something for all ages. Join Spark as she learns all about snow, hibernation, and exciting winter activities like sledding and ice skating. Spark's Snow Day includes puppets, original music, interactive movement and lots of winter fun! Please register each person attending. *RR*

Miss Jill's Vintage Storytime

Thursday, February 13, 6:30-7:15 pm
Families, best for school-age children. Miss Jill has vintage children's books that you might not hear anywhere else. Blankets, pillows, and PJ's encouraged! Registration preferred, but walk-ins welcome.

Juggling Funny Stories!

Saturday, February 22, 10:30-11:30 am
Families. Children and adults alike will be laughing as nationally-known family entertainer Chris Fascione creates colorful characters through his unique combination of acting, storytelling, comedy, and juggling. Please register each person attending. *RR*

Finger Knitting

Saturday, February 22, 11 am-12 pm
Grade 6-adult. Jez Layman will teach us to make a fashionable scarf with nothing but our fingers. No needles or experience necessary! *RR*

Chess: Come Play a Game

Saturday, February 22, 1:30-3 pm
20 boards will be set up to accommodate up to 40 total players. After a short review of moves, participants will play games. Also meet Tim Just, author and editor of the *Rules of Chess in the United States*. Resources and a guide to writing out chess games will be provided. *RR*

Grade schoolers

RR = registration is required

Kids Game Night

Grades 2-3: Mondays, Dec. 2, Jan. 6, Feb. 3
Grades 4-5: Mondays, Dec. 16, Jan. 20, Feb. 17
6:30-7:30 pm
Make friends and discover new screen-free games! RR

LEGO Club

Sundays December 8, February 2, 2-3:15 pm
Grades 1-5. Create and build your own design that we'll display in the Library. Register children only. RR

Dungeons & Dragons: Character Workshop

Monday, December 9, 6-7:30 pm
Grades 4-5. Create your very own Dungeons & Dragons character! You'll receive a printed copy of your character and it will be saved in our system, ready for you if you register for one of our Library games. RR

Robotics Basics

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Grades 3-5. Intro to our LEGO SPIKE Prime robot. This class is the prerequisite for the Robotics Workshops. RR

I Spy Science: Wild Animal Bridges

Tuesday, December 10, 5-6 pm
Grades 1-2. Design and build bridges for wild animals inspired by the book *21 Elephants* by Phil Bildner. RR

Magic the Gathering

Thursday, December 19, 6:30-8 pm
Grades 4-5. Play Magic the Gathering. Are you an experienced MTG player? Great! Never played before? We'll teach you! RR

Andertoons: Wild World of Wacky Winter Sports

Friday, December 27, 1-2 pm
Grades K-5. Young cartoonists will draw all sorts of silly winter sports. Snowman bobsled! Reindeer ski jump! Turtle slow-skating! RR

First Fridays Club

Fridays: January 3, February 7, 2-3 pm
Grades 1-5; ages 8 and under should attend with an adult. This club is perfect for homeschoolers. Each month we'll do a different activity— arts and crafts, STEM, and learning about the Library. RR

Dungeons & Dragons

Monday, January 13 @ 6:30-8:30 pm
Grades 4-5. Join in on this popular fantasy role-playing game, no experience necessary! RR

Robotics Workshop

Mondays January 13, February 24, 6:30-8:30 pm
Grades 3-5. Develop your skills with our LEGO SPIKE Prime robots. You must have attended the Robotics Basics class to attend these workshops. RR

Wired for Science: Paper Bridges & Coke Can Races

Tuesday, January 14, 5-6 pm
Grades 3-5. How many pennies will your bridge design hold up? And see how fast your can travels using static electricity! RR

Green Over Screens: Folk Art Winter Trees

Wednesday, January 15, 4:30-5:30 pm
Grades K-1. Using watercolor and ink, we'll create our own folk tree forest. RR

Build-A-Robot

Sundays, January 19, February 16, 1:30-4 pm
Grades 3-5. Build one of the LEGO EV3 robot designs and then download the program to activate it. RR

We Love Graphic Novels Book Club

Monday, January 27, 6:30-7:30 pm
Grades 3-5. Talk about your favorite graphic novels, discover new ones, meet friends, and have snacks! RR

Button Garden Art

Tuesday, January 28, 5-6 pm
Grades 2-5. Make a mixed media garden on a small canvas using paint, markers, and buttons. RR

Green Over Screens: Georgia O'Keefe Giant Flowers

Wednesday, January 29, 4:30-5:30 pm
Grades 2-3. We sure could use bright colors at this time of year! Make your own garden from Georgia O'Keefe inspired flowers. RR

Green Over Screens: 3D Name Sculptures

Wednesday, February 19 @ 4:30-5:30 pm
Grades 4-5. Turn your name into a sculpture. Create letters and use your engineering skills to design a sculpture unique to you! RR

Book Buddies Book Club for Emerging Readers

Thursday, February 27, 6:30-7:30 pm

Grades 1-4. Introduce newly independent readers to a fun book series. Participants will be able to check out a copy of the book to read and then attend a program with fun crafts and activities at the end of the month. Book pickup begins Monday, February 3. *RR*

@Home Kits

Art Therapy

Kit pickup begins Tuesday, December 3 at 1 pm

Grades K-3. Let your feelings out! Included in the kit is everything you need to connect with your inner artist and inner emotions. *RR*

Green Over Screens: Make a Friend- Peaceful Dove

Kit pickup begins Friday, December 13 at 9 am

Grades 4-5. As soft and quiet as the snow, this felt dove makes a beautiful ornament. Please register for one kit only. *RR*

Kids in the Kitchen: Mini Fry Pan [with video]

Kit pickup begins Friday, January 24 at 10 am

Grades 1-5. Learn how to use a small whisk and wooden spoon in a mini fry pan. *RR*

Invisible Soda and Magic Water [with video]

Kit pickup begins Friday, February 7 at 1 pm

Grades 1-5. You'll see some chemical and physical changes in soda and water in these fun activities! *RR*

Babies-Preschoolers

RR = registration is required

Green Over Screens: Snow Globes

Thursday, December 12, 10:30-11:30 am

Ages 3-6 with an adult. We'll celebrate winter with sweet little snow globes! Register child's name only; up to two children per family. *RR*

Green Over Screens: New Year's Crowns

Thursday, December 19, 10:30-11:30 am

Ages 3-6 with an adult. Let's get excited for a new year with painted paper crowns! Register child's name only; up to two children per family. *RR*

STORY TIMES

Family Storytime

Ages 0-6 with an adult. Storytime content repeats each week for Monday and Tuesday sessions. No registration required; get entry tickets at the Service Center.

Mondays @ 10:30 am

December 2, 9, 16

January 6, 13, 27

February 3, 10, 24

Tuesdays @ 10:30 am

December 3

January 28

February 25

Spanish Storytime / Hora de Cuentos en Español

Wednesday, December 11, 6-6:30 pm

Ages 0-6 with an adult. We'll read stories, sing songs, and have other activities in both English and Spanish. *Edades 0-6 con un adulto. Vamos a leer historias, cantar canciones, y tener otras actividades en inglés y español.*

Sign with Katy

Saturdays, Dec. 21, Jan. 18, Feb. 8, 10-10:45 am

Ages 0-3 with an adult. Join Katy as she teaches basic ASL vocabulary to you and your little one. Each session is different, so be sure to register for each one. *RR*

Kick-Start Art! Favorite Things

Monday, December 23, 10:30-11:30 am

Ages 3-6 with an adult. Kick-start the winter holiday break *Sound of Music* style! We'll be painting our favorite things so please dress for the mess. Register child's name only; up to two children per family. *RR*

Noon Year's Eve Party!

Monday, December 30, 11:30 am-12:30 pm

Ages 0-6 with an adult. Come countdown the new year (at noon!) and celebrate with a story, music, and dancing. Register children only. *RR*

@Home Kit

Green Over Screens: Tissue Paper Collage

Kit pickup begins Friday, January 24 at 9 am

Ages 3-6 with adult supervision. Bring the outdoors inside and let's make a beautiful evergreen! Please register for one kit per family. *RR*

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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!

Library Lovers Expedition

February 1-March 31



Did you know that you can use your library card at any public library in the state of Illinois? Explore what other area libraries have to offer during the Library Lovers Expedition between February 1-March 31. Register at the CAPL Service Center to start, then check in at each library where you can take part in a fun activity and collect a brag tag. Bonus: registrants who check-in at 12 of the 15 libraries will be entered into a drawing for a basket of gift cards to local businesses. Those who visit all 15 libraries will be entered in an additional special prize drawing. Visit our website to see the list of participating libraries | caryarealibrary.org/liblovers