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SUMMER  
2017



*SUMMER READING IS FINALLY HERE!*

We have exciting plans for all ages! There's the *Build a Better World* Summer Library Challenge for kids and teens, and a Chicago-themed reading club called *Sweet Home Chicago* for adults.

We have prizes, parties, and a great collection of books, eBooks, and audiobooks for every interest. Check inside for information about how the whole family can have a summer of fun reading!



# ADULT

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. Register online, in-person, or by calling (708) 246-0520.



## Adult Summer Reading Program ★ ★ ★ ★ 2017

# SWEET HOME CHICAGO

This summer, you can delve a little deeper into this place we call home with the Adult Summer Reading Program, Sweet Home Chicago. *Sign up beginning Wednesday, June 7*, either online or at the Library Reference Desk. You read whatever you like, and only one item needs to be theme related. Displays and lists at the Library will help you find books, music, and movies that take place in Chicago, are about Chicago topics, or were created by Chicagoans.

Over the course of the summer, check out 6 items and record them on your log. For every item on your log you will receive a ticket to enter drawings for some great prizes, including Garrett's Popcorn, walking tour tickets from the Chicago Architecture Foundation, Art Institute passes, and more! You will also receive a snazzy tote bag for completing your first log.

## Pub Trivia Night: Chicago Edition

Tuesday, June 20, 7:30 p.m.

Venue: Salerno's Pizzeria and R Bar at 821 Burlington Avenue

Think you know everything about sweet home Chicago? Match wits against other local trivia buffs at our very first Pub Trivia Night! Grab a bite to eat while your team competes in five rounds of Chicago trivia for fun prizes and the glory of first place. No registration required.

### Shibori Dyeing Workshop

Tuesday, June 27, 7 p.m.

Experiment with this Japanese method of folding and wrapping fabric before dyeing it to create interesting geometric effects. Take home a throw pillow cover with your unique design. Wear clothes you don't mind getting stained! Materials will be provided.

### Gauguin Landscapes Paint Party with No Corner Suns

Wednesday, July 12, 6:30 p.m.

Learn about Paul Gauguin's lovely landscape paintings, then paint your own landscape on canvas! Bring inspiration from your own vacation photos or get ideas from instructor Heather Kostal from No Corner Suns art studio. Never painted before? Not a problem! This will be a relaxing night of creativity and fun. All supplies will be provided. \$10 fee.

### Better Together: Adult and Child Painting Night

Thursday, July 6, 6:30-8 p.m.

Recommended for 5-10 year-olds with an adult.

In this process art program, parents and children will work together to use tape or a stencil on canvas. We'll then paint over our stencil or tape creations. The finished product will be a painting worthy of any wall. Canvas and materials will be provided.

# A SOLAR ECLIPSE IS COMING!

Monday, August 7, 7 p.m.

On August 21, 2017, for the first time in almost 30 years, a total solar eclipse will be visible from the continental U.S. in a 71-mile-wide path stretching from Oregon to South Carolina. From the Chicago area, about 85% of the Sun will be covered by the Moon. Learn about eclipses and how you can enjoy this exciting event!

## Chicago's Sweet Candy History

Wednesday, July 19, 7 p.m.

For most of its history, Chicago produced one-third of the nation's candy. You probably know some of them—Brach's caramels, Mars Snickers bars, Wrigley's gum, Cracker Jack, Curtiss Baby Ruth bars, Tootsie Rolls, Frango Mints, Dove chocolates. Historian Leslie Goddard will tell us the history behind these tasty treats and explore what made Chicago such a powerful location for candymakers. Delicious!

# TEEN

Teen programs are open to those in grades 6-12.

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.

## Teens Talk TED

Tuesdays, June 13, July 11, 7-9 p.m.

7th-12th grade

Share your favorite TED Talks and continue the conversation in this small group discussion, similar to a book club. Each session will look at "ideas worth sharing" around the summer theme, *Build a Better World*, and will be inspired by YA books on the current bestseller list.

June: *The Hate U Give*

July: *The Sun is Also a Star*

## Shibori Tie-Dye Tees

Tuesday, June 27, 3-4 p.m.

6th-12th grade

Bring a pre-washed, 100% cotton T-shirt and turn it into a work of art using a Japanese tie-dyeing method. Wear clothes you don't mind getting stained!

## Gaming Club

Fridays, June 16, July 14, 6-10 p.m.

7th-12th grade

Join the LTHS Board Game Club for some after-hours gaming fun. Pick up a new game, bring your favorite, or check out the current D&D campaign. Snacks provided.

## Build a Better World in the Teen Lounge

Stop by the Teen Lounge for rotating activities throughout the summer to test your construction skills (including making an eclipse viewer!), create positive changes, and build community.

Build  
a Better  
World

Teen  
Summer  
Library  
Challenge



## YOU'VE GOT THE KEYS... NOW WHAT?

Monday, June 19, 7-9 p.m.

9th grade and up

New drivers and soon-to-be drivers! You've got the rules of the road down, now learn the "codes of the car" in this hands-on session that will teach you tips, tricks, and the basics of car maintenance that every driver should know.

## Next Chapter Book Club

Tuesdays, June 20, July 18,  
3-4 p.m.

NCBC is a program for those with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This summer, we will get to know one another and decide as a group how we want to spend our reading time. Teens and young adults through age 22 with disabilities and their friends are encouraged to join. Snacks will be served!



June 7-  
August 4  
6th-12th grade

Register online to earn a paperback book, then pick up an activity log to *Build a Better World* all summer long.

Prizes by Anderson's Bookshop, Tropical Sno, Beats, GoApe, Chipotle, and more, plus a special chance to meet an author! Full details online.





# TWEEN SPACE

New stuff for the  
not-quite-teens!

Grades 4-8

## Lunchtime STEAM Club: Paper Roller Coasters

Wednesdays, June 14, 28, July 12, 26

11:45 a.m.-1 p.m.

4th-8th grade

Making unexpected things out of paper can be really fun, and this summer we'll use paper and tape to plan, build, test, tweak, and play with a marble-run roller coaster! Bring your brown bag lunch and take a break from the heat at this four-session program. Drinks provided!

## Bike Basics with The Wheel Thing



Thursday, June 15

1 p.m.

Youth 4th grade and up

Two wheels are all you need to get around town, but what happens if you get a flat or your gears go funny? Learn the basics of maintaining your bike with Kevin from The Wheel Thing.

## Candy Mazes

Thursday, June 22, 1-2 p.m.

4th-8th grade

Use candy to create a "marble maze" that doubles as a sweet treat. Email [heather@fordlibrary.org](mailto:heather@fordlibrary.org) with food sensitivity needs.

## CD Scratch Art

Thursday, July 20, 1-2 p.m.

4th-8th grade

What can you do with scratched-up CDs? Scratch them up some more and turn them into art!

# YOUTH

**Registration is required for all programs and storytimes unless otherwise noted and begins on Monday, June 5.** Have your library card

ready to register online, in person, or by calling (708) 246-0520. First preference will be given to Western Springs residents.

## Father's Day Special

Tuesday, June 13, 1-1:45 p.m.

Ages 4 yrs. and up

In honor of the special men in our lives, we'll read *I WONDER: Celebrating Daddies Doin' Work* by Doyin Richards, then create a surprise gift for Father's Day!

## R.E.A.D. to the Dogs @ the Library

Tuesdays, June 13, July 11, and

August 8, 7-8 p.m.

Beginning or independent readers love to practice reading aloud to one of the dogs from Hinsdale Humane Society's Pet Assisted Learning Program because it's pressure-free! Reading time is a one-on-one experience; no parents or siblings allowed. Sign up for one 15-minute time slot in person or by phone.

## Kickoff

SEE THE SHOW!  
BECOME THE PRO!



Tuesday, June 6, 7-8 p.m.

Venue: McClure Junior High Gym,  
4225 Wolf Road

Families welcome; no registration

Our kickoff Summer Library Challenge event is an interactive program where kids of ALL ages become "rockstar" jugglers and balancers, just like pro juggler Jason Kollum! A variety of objects will be sent flying through the air, leading up to a big balancing and juggling finale! Then, there's a hands-on workshop where children will get to try out skills they saw in the show! Thank you to the Western Springs Library Friends for sponsoring this event.

## Finale

Build a Better World  
Finale with

**FRANKIE ACE**



Friday, August 4, 7-8 p.m.

Venue: Grand Avenue Community Center, 4211 Grand Avenue

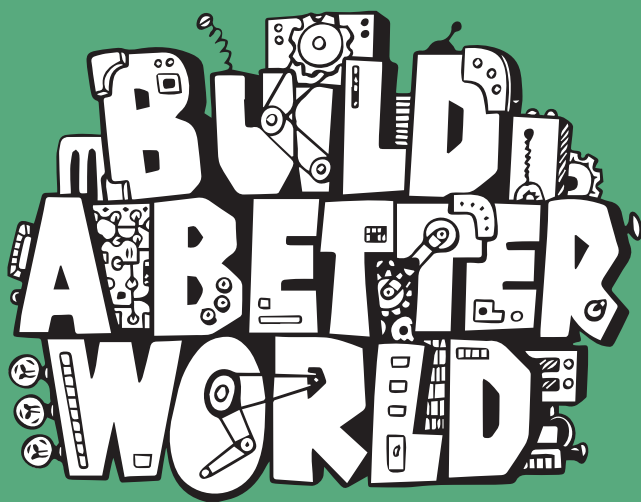
Families welcome

For over 20 years, Frankie Ace has been performing high-energy, family-friendly, audience-interactive comedy magic. Lots of gasps, laughter, and FUN! Frank is a member of our library and his comedy magic is a gala finale to our Summer Library Challenge this year. Thank you to the Western Springs Library Friends for sponsoring this event.

This summer, the Youth Services department invites all young readers from birth through 5th grade to participate in the Summer Library Challenge. This summer's theme is "Build a Better World." We've lined up fascinating programs, crafts, and storytimes that reflect the theme.

*The Summer Library Challenge begins June 7th and ends August 4th.*

Registration begins Wednesday, June 7th, and can be done online or in person. Join the Library Challenge and earn prizes for meeting goals this summer! Goal prize distribution begins Monday, June 12, and your child can participate in daily and weekly activities at the Library.



### Reel Reads

Thursdays, June 15 and July 13

6-8 p.m.

All Ages

After reading a chapter of the book, we will pop popcorn and watch the movie together. Feel free to bring a pillow and blanket and get cozy!

**June 15:** *Hugo* and *The Invention of Hugo Cabret*

**July 13:** *Cloudy With A Chance of Meatballs*

### Passport Fun!

Saturday, June 17, Passport Fun: France

Saturday, July 15, Passport Fun: Kenya

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Grades K-3

Travel around the world without leaving home! Come learn fun facts, sample food, hear the language, and explore the culture of a foreign country. Hosted by the Thomas Ford Library Teen Board. If you have attended a previous Passport Fun program, bring your passport back for a fun new stamp!

### Build a Better World Friendship City

Tuesday, June 20, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Grades 1-3

What would the world look like if we could all get along? Build a city dedicated to diversity, friendship, peace, and justice. Use recycled materials, patterned papers from around the world, mini flags, jewels, and more. Bring your best ideas about creating a model design for a more perfect union.

### Family Storytimes

Thursdays, June 22 and July 20

6:45-7:30 p.m.

Best suited for ages 2 yrs. and up

**June 22: Family Yoga Storytime**

Celebrate International Yoga Day with Liz Skrodzki, yoga enthusiast, as she leads us in this story-based yoga program.

**July 20: Three Little Pigs Architectural Challenge & Storytime**

Join us as we share stories and songs. Then we'll work together to build houses to withstand the Big Bad Wolf's huff-n-puffs!



## Young Engineers

Tuesdays, June 20, July 25,

and August 1

6:30-7:30 p.m.

Grades 3-5

Students will "build a better world" by working in small teams to solve engineering challenges. Along the way, they will discover and learn important scientific concepts that power big engineering projects in the real world. Each class will have a different theme for students to explore.

June 20 - Speed

July 25 - Height

August 1 - Flight

## MAD SCIENCE EVENT

### Icky Goopy Bubbly

Wednesday, June 21

2-3 p.m.

Grades K-2,

parents welcome

Children will explore chemical reactions that will make colors change before your eyes—untouched by human hands! They will see things melt, make bubbling potions, take a bubble shower, discover how to make water "disappear," and lots more!

# YOUTH

## Justin Roberts



## Family Concert

Tuesday, July 18, 1:30-2:15 p.m.  
Recommended for 3 yrs. +

Two-time Grammy-nominated Justin Roberts is truly one of the "all-stars" of the indie family music scene. For nearly 20 years, Roberts has been creating the soundtrack to families' lives with his smart, fun, and moving tunes about growing up. Expect a spirited, funny, and sweet interactive concert that will appeal to anyone from 3 to 83. Thank you to the Western Springs Library Friends for sponsoring this event.

## Better Together: Adult and Child Painting Night

Thursday, July 6, 6:30-8 p.m.  
Recommended for 5-10 year-olds with an adult

In this process art program, parents and children will work together to use tape or a stencil on canvas. We'll then paint over our stencil or tape creations. The finished product will be a painting worthy of any wall. Canvas and materials will be provided.

## Book-to-Art Club

Tuesday, July 11, 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Grades 1-3

We'll read together and discuss *Plant a Pocket of Prairie* by Phyllis Root, then create our own insect hotels to attract beneficial insects to our gardens.

## Butterfly Birthday Story Hour and Craft

Friday, July 21, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Ages 5-9 yrs.

Local author/illustrator Lori Harris reads her book, *Butterfly Birthday*, to children ages 5-9. Blend your observation skills with personal creativity in the accompanying craft segment as we celebrate butterfly birthdays everywhere!

## Junior Lego League

Saturday, July 15, 1-2 p.m.

Grades K-3

Drop-in event; no registration required  
Build with our Legos and participate in a special Saturday edition of our Lego League. Once you've finished your sculpture, it will be on display in the Youth Services Department for all to see!

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*Read 'n' Rhyme Romp and Toddler Time work best if there is one child to one adult.*  
Sessions fill up quickly. Please help us by attending those programs for which you are registered. If you cannot attend all of the dates in one session, let us know. We will put your name on the waiting list for open spots.

## SUMMER Storytimes

June 12 - July 28

### Toddler Time

Wednesdays, June 14, 28, July 12, 26,  
10-10:30 a.m. or

Thursdays, June 15, 29, July 13, 27,  
10-10:30 a.m. or

Thursdays, June 15, 29, July 13, 27,  
11-11:30 a.m.

2-3.5 years w/adult

Introduce your toddler to early literacy storytimes which help in building the foundation of reading. We pair short books with songs and rhymes to engage them. Toddlers love to wander and listen during our time together.

### Storytime Pals

Mondays, June 12, 26, July 10, 24 or  
Wednesdays, June 14, 28, July 12, 26  
1-1:30 p.m.

3.5-5 years

Hear stories, sing songs, and have fun with your friends. Storytimes will highlight early literacy skills that children need to learn before they can read. Children attend this storytime *without* their grown-ups so that they can practice independence.

### Read 'n' Rhyme Romp

Mondays, June 12, 26, July 10, 24 or  
Tuesdays, June 13, 27, July 11, 25 or  
Fridays, June 16, 30, July 14, 28  
10-10:30 a.m.

3-23 months w/adult

It's never too early to help your baby grow up to love books and language! Share stories, songs, and rhymes with your little one in this "lap-sit" program.





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1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

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**Children's Drive: Quality = Dignity**

Monday, June 5-Friday, June 16



Help us "Build a Better World" and give back to our community. Cradles to Crayons is a Chicago organization that distributes *new* toys, arts and crafts, and school supplies to children in need. Drop off new markers, crayons, school supplies, clay and dough, painting supplies, and activity and coloring books *at the Youth Services desk*. Infant and toddler toys are the most needed items. *Please no stuffed animals, videos, computer games, violent toys, big plastic toys, riding toys, playhouse kitchens, or table and chair sets.*

**News from our Neighbors**

LaGrange Public Library  
(708) 215-3200  
lagrangeliblibrary.org

**Chicago River Bridges Screening  
and Q&A with filmmaker Patrick  
McBriarty**

Tuesday, June 6, 7-8 p.m.

Come join us for a film screening of the *Chicago River Bridges* (based on the award-winning book of the same title) and learn the untold history and development of Chicago's iconic bridges, from the first wood footbridge built by a tavern owner in 1832 to the fantastic marvels of steel, concrete, and machinery of today. After the screening, we will have a Q&A with the filmmaker, Patrick McBriarty.

**Investment  
Discussion Group**

Second Tuesdays  
June 13, July 11, August 8  
7:15 p.m.

Local amateur investors meet to discuss trends in stocks, bonds, and more.

**Knitting Circle**

Every other Thursday  
June 8, 22, July 6, 20,  
August 3, 17, 31  
1 p.m.

Join our knitting circle for knitting, conversation, and light refreshments. No registration required.



**JOIN A  
GROUP**

*These ongoing Library groups are  
free for all to attend;  
no registration required.*

**Western Springs  
Writers' Society**

Thursdays and Mondays  
June 8, 26, July 13, 31, August 10, 28  
7 p.m.

Have a writing itch?  
The Western Springs Writers' Society (WSWS) welcomes all writers from the community to discuss and hone their craft with other local writers.