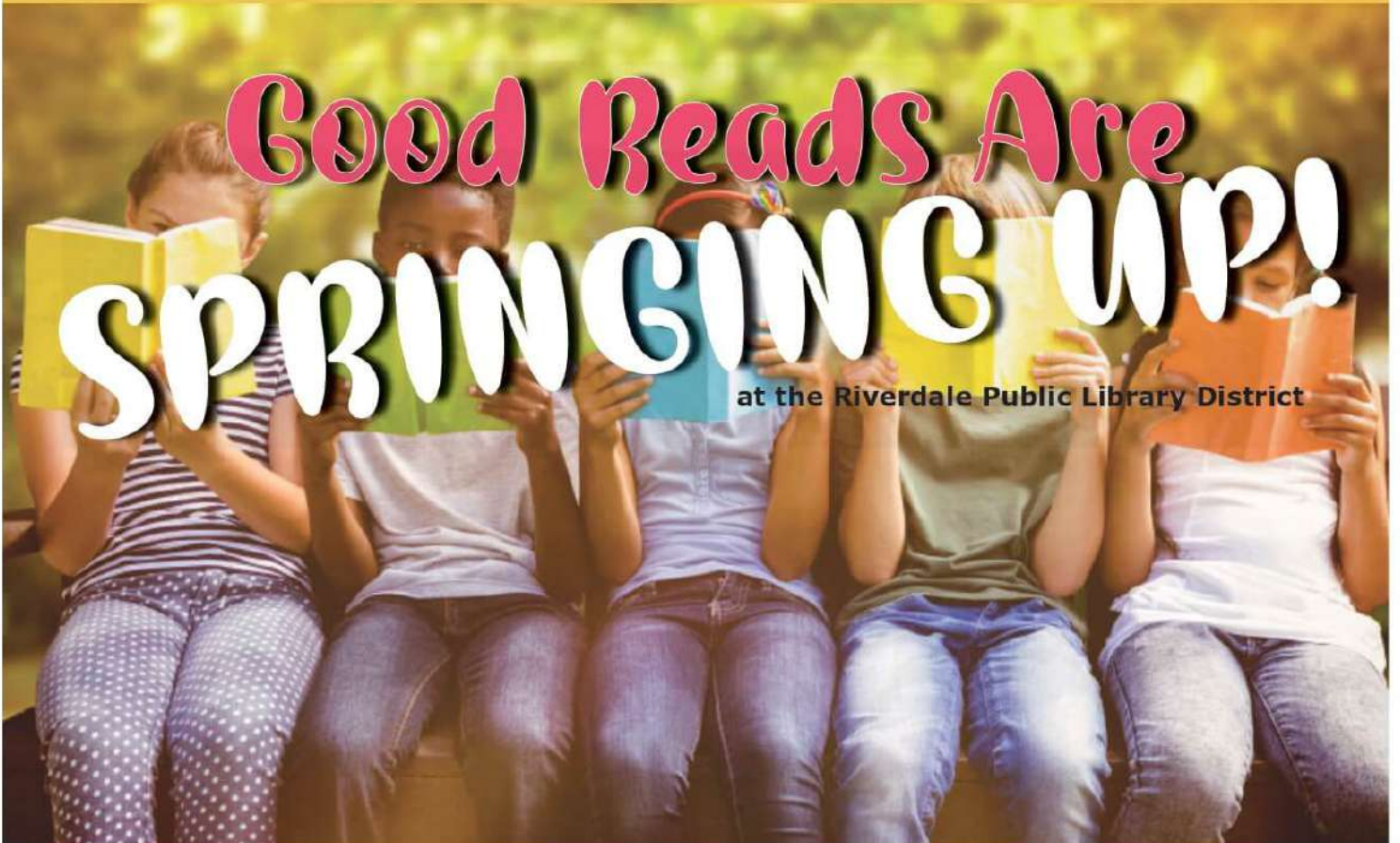




RIVERDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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Good Reads Are SPRINGING UP!

at the Riverdale Public Library District



did you know?

Laptops are available for use on Library property along with earphones and a mouse if requested.

Hotspots allow you to connect to a WIFI network and are available for a two week checkout period.

Call 708-841-3311 for more info!




Let us know how we're doing!



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PROVIDING READING ENJOYMENT AND INFORMATION WHILE BUILDING COMMUNITY

SPECIAL EVENTS - MARCH



Teen Tech Week (AAYD STEM Program) March 5th and 7th 4:00pm - 5:00pm

This Teen Tech Week we want to encourage our youth to make the most of the digital hardware available at their fingertips and help expand their horizons by exposing them to a program that they may not otherwise have access to. That's why we partner with Adults Active in Youth Development (AAYD). Youth development isn't just their business, it's their passion! All participants must have a signed permission form that will be provided by the library and the form must be signed upon registration.



GED Classes Monday - Thursday March 11th - May 23rd 11:00am - 2:00pm

The Riverdale Public Library District, South Suburban College's Adult Education classes may be right for you! These free classes will not only give you the education skill needed to earn your High School Equivalency, but they will also make you college ready. Class topics cover all areas required for your GED exams, English/Language Arts, Science, Social Studies, and Math. Register in person at the South Suburban College 15800 State St, South Holland, IL 60473.

Cardio DRUMMING

Saturday, March 16th
12:30pm - 1:30pm

Cardio drumming combines cardio exercise and drumming to the rhythm of the music in an easy but effective workout. Recommended for adults and seniors. *Registration is required to attend the class and can be found on our Riverdale Public Library District Eventbrite page. Limit: 15



St. Patrick's Day Thursday, March 14th 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Face painting, St. Patrick movie, and snacks!



Equali Tea Party

Saturday, March 23rd
12:00pm - 1:30pm

Join us for tea as we watch interviews and listen to varying opinions on topics connected to women's rights, such as race, the anti-suffrage movement, reproductive rights, pay equity, and the Equal Rights Amendment. Attendees will engage in conversation concerning these topics and share their views during open discussion. Cookies and cakes will be served along with diverse flavors of tea.

*Registration will be located on our Riverdale Public Library District Eventbrite page.

EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH



Egg Hunt

10:30am - 1:30pm

Get "egg"-cited! It's time for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Treat filled eggs will be hidden throughout the library for children to hunt. Find the golden egg and you will receive a very special GIANT golden egg filled with all kinds of goodies.

Build-a-Stuffie Animal Workshop

12:00pm - 1:00pm

Each furry friend comes unstuffed with a kit that includes, stuffing packer, wish star to place inside, birth certificate, and a buddy bag. *Registration will be located on our Riverdale Public Library District Eventbrite page. Limit: 15



Easter Egg Painting

12:00pm - 1:00pm

Get creative decorating eggs to your heart's content! Supplies and eggs will be provided.



*register through the Library Eventbrite by scanning the QR code or call 708-841-3311

SPECIAL EVENTS - APRIL



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK "READY, SET, LIBRARY!"

Monday, April 8th

We're kicking off this national library week with a free giveaway!

Stop by the library to grab a special trinket (while supplies last) and/or write a short essay themed "Ready, Set, Library!".

Submissions will be accepted April 8th - 12th. Best essay will win a prize.

Tuesday, April 9th

Leave a short snippet on how a library worker has enhanced your life to be posted in our display.

Wednesday, April 10th

Free print/copy services. Print your first 10 pages on the house!

Thursday, April 11th

Return those long overdue library books that have been presumed lost free of charge.

Friday, April 12th

Our faxing service will be available for free today, limit 10 pages.

Saturday, April 13th 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Join us today for light refreshments. Essay contest winner will also be announced.

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YOU
know



Tax assistance will be available at the library March through April.

Call 708-841-3311 for dates and additional info!



Seed Bank April 1st - 30th (while supplies last)

Up for grabs!

Visit the library to browse through our seed bank filled with flower and vegetable seed packets and choose a few to add to your garden this spring!



Poetry Slam! April 15th

4:00pm - 5:30pm

Are you fire on the mic?

Make your voice heard at our poetry slam and connect with other creatives. You will have the opportunity to express yourself through poems, songs and instruments. Please invite your parents and friends to watch you rock the mic!

Register in-person at the Riverdale Public Library District to be added to the Poetry Slam line-up.

All Ages



Earth Day Volunteering at the Kickapoo Woods Saturday, April 27th

Volunteer alongside a group of library staff to help clean up one of our local forest preserves *The Kickapoo Woods*.

We will be meeting up at the library before heading over at 10:30pm.

*Registration is required.



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SPECIAL EVENTS - MAY



Cinco De Mayo
Thursday, May 2nd
4:00 - 5:30pm
 Come join us for some CINCO DE MAYO fun including music, food, games, crafts, and more! Learn about the history of the holiday, how, and why it's celebrated.



Free Comic Book Day
Saturday, May 4th
11:00am - 1:00pm
 Join us for the biggest event in the comic book industry. During Free Comic Book Day participating comic book stores give away free comics to anyone who visits their store. This year *Alternate Comics* has partnered with us to bring these free comic books to the library. Join us for pizza and snacks all while watching *Guardians of the Galaxy vol 3*.
 *Registration will be located on our Riverdale Public Library District Eventbrite page.



Mother's Day Brunch
Saturday, May 11th
10:30am - 1:30pm
 Come dressed in your most fashionable attire to be entered into a raffle to win gift cards and prizes. Children are welcome to join us for some brunch before taking part in local author, Jessica Brook's Dream Book program in the children's area. Her book *Things Mommy Wants You To Know* will also be available for purchase.
 *Registration will be located on our Riverdale Public Library District Eventbrite.

BEGINNER LINE DANCING WITH DAWN THE DANCIN' DIVA

"Dance Like There's No Tomorrow"

Thursday, May 9th and 23rd
12:30 - 1:30pm



Line Dance (aerobic/social dance) is moderate dance that combines exercise and dance into one. Line dance is a fun exercise for adults and seniors alike! Participants are encouraged to go at their own pace. *Registration will be located on our Riverdale Public Library District Eventbrite page.

Limit: 20



Check out these New Items and more now on Shelf!



*register through the Library Eventbrite by scanning the QR code or call 708-841-3311

LIBRARY SERVICES & RESOURCES

Books/Playaways	E-Books	EZ-Scan	Public Computers	Food Pantry
DVDS/Blu-Rays	Magazines	Fax	Laptops	Home Delivery
CDS	Free WIFI	Copy Machine	Hotspots	Museum Passes
Interlibrary Loan	Wireless Printing	Laminating	Meeting Room	Notary Services

MONTHLY PROGRAMS

Storytime with Ms. Cheryl

Every Tuesday

11:00am - 12:00pm

Introduce your child to books, rhymes, sing-a-longs, and crafts!

Children

Kids Wanna BINGO TOO!

Mondays

March 25th, April 29th, May, 27th

4:00pm - 5:00pm

Come play for fun and get some cool prize bags.

Children



Tutoring & Downtime

Every Tuesday and Thursday

3:30pm - 5:30pm

We're here to help!

Receive homework assistance and afterwards enjoy games & fun.

Grades K-5th

MAC Club

Saturdays

March 16th, April 20th, May 18th

12:00pm - 1:00pm

Watch, read, and discuss your favorite manga, anime, and comics.

Teens

Jewelry Making Classes

Tuesdays

March 12th, April 9th, May 14th

4:00pm - 5:00pm

Join this beginner basics jewelry class and create your own swoon-worthy jewelry designs.

All Ages

Let's Learn Together

Thursdays

March 7th, 21st, April 4th, 18th

3:30pm - 5:00pm (Ages 14+)

May 2nd, 16th, 30th

1:00pm - 2:00pm (Adults/16+)

Every other week we take on a new journey of learning new creations doing everything from felt flowers and origami, to fairy jars and more!

All Ages

It's Showtime!

Saturdays

March 2nd, April 6th, May 4th

2:00pm - 4:00pm

Free movie showings with popcorn and drinks every 1st Saturday of the month.

March: Woman King (pg-13)

April: The Little Mermaid (pg)

May: Guardians of the Galaxy Vol 3 (pg-13)

All Ages



Stress Reduction Meditation

Wednesdays

March 13th, April 10th, May 8th

4:00pm - 5:00pm

Enjoy this guided meditation and let go of stress.

Meditation begins promptly at 4 and cell phones must be turned off before entering the Meeting Room.

Adults/Seniors



Who Wants To BINGO?!?!

Mondays

March 25th, April 29th, May, 27th

10:30am - 12:30pm

Have some fun with us at our monthly themed Bingo events.

Themed prizes will be awarded.

Adults/Seniors

Quilting Club

Wednesdays

April 3rd, 17th May 1st, 15th,

3:30pm - 5:00pm

We're starting a brand new group project in April. Patterns and supply lists will be available at our first meet-up. We'll see you there!

Adults/Seniors

BOOKIES BOOK CLUB (Adults)

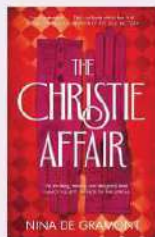
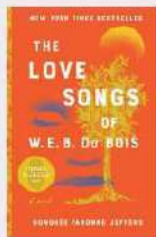
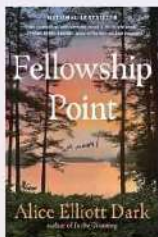
Pick up your copy of the current title at the Circulation Desk.

March 27th

4:00pm - 5:00pm

Fellowship Point by Alice Elliott Dark

Agnes and Polly are lifelong octogenarian friends, whose families jointly own the pristine slice of coastal Maine known as Fellowship Point which they are trying to protect from developers. Celebrated children's book author Agnes Lee is determined to secure her legacy—to complete what she knows will be the final volume of her pseudonymously written Franklin Square novels; and even more consuming, to permanently protect the peninsula of majestic coast in Maine known as Fellowship Point. To donate the land to a trust, Agnes must convince shareholders to dissolve a generations-old partnership. And one of those shareholders is her best friend, Polly.



April 24th

4:00pm - 5:00pm

The Love Songs of W.E.B. Du Bois by Honorée Fanonne Jeffers

To come to terms with her own identity, Ailey Pearl Garfield embarks on a journey through her family's past, uncovering the shocking tales of generations of ancestors—Indigenous, Black, and White—in the deep South. The great scholar, W. E. B. Du Bois, once wrote about the problem of race in America, and what he called "Double Consciousness," a sensitivity that every African American possesses in order to survive. Since childhood, Ailey Pearl Garfield has understood Du Bois's words all too well. Bearing the names of two formidable Black Americans—the revered choreographer Alvin Ailey and her great grandmother Pearl, the descendant of enslaved Georgians and tenant farmers—Ailey carries Du Bois's problem on her shoulders.

May 29th

4:00pm - 5:00pm

The Christie Affair by Nina de Gramont

The greatest mystery wasn't Agatha Christie's disappearance in those eleven infamous days, it's what she discovered. London, 1925: In a world of townhomes and tennis matches, socialites and shooting parties, Miss Nan O'Dea became Archie Christie's mistress, luring him away from his devoted and well-known wife, Agatha Christie. The question is, why? Why destroy another woman's marriage, why hatch a plot years in the making, and why murder? How was Nan O'Dea so intricately tied to those eleven mysterious days that Agatha Christie went missing?

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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 10pm - 6pm
 Friday: 10am - 5pm
 Saturday: 10am - 2pm
 Sunday: CLOSED
 Book Drop open 24/7

LIBRARY CLOSED

Friday, March 29th - Good Friday
 Monday, May 27th - Memorial Day

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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BOARD MEETING DATES

Monday, March 11th
 Monday, April 8th
 Monday, May 13th

All regular board meetings begin at 6pm.
 Members of the public are welcome to attend.

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 the Library's Survey.

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 COMING SOON THIS AUGUST

