



Ready, Set, Library—Your 2024 Destination!

PARTICIPATE IN OUR
Winter Reading Challenges
FEBRUARY 1 - 29, 2024



Youth & Teens

Read to Succeed with the Chicago Wolves!

- ✓ Pick up a reading log from the Youth Services Desk
- ✓ Read (or listen!) to 30 minutes a day for 10 days and record them on your reading log
- ✓ Turn in your reading log by February 29 and receive Chicago Wolves tickets (*while supplies last*)

Adults & Seniors

We challenge you to read 20 days this month!

- ✓ Pick up a reading log from the Adult Services Desk
- ✓ Mark every day that you read (or listen!) to a book on your reading log
- ✓ The goal is to read for at least 20 days this month
- ✓ Turn in your reading log by February 29 and be entered into a giveaway for a mystery prize pack.

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THE NEW
SWAN LIBRARIES +
APP [Learn more on page 2](#)

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We're all that *and a bag of chips!*

Here's the 411—We're gettin' jiggy with a family friendly night of music & games! Dress up in your 90s best, jam to fresh songs, & play beloved 90s board games! We'll also have fan favorite snacks! It's going to be da bomb!

Open to all ages,
registration recommended
(scan QR code).



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Library Happenings

New SWAN Libraries + App

SWAN is kicking off the New Year with a brand new SWAN Libraries + App. Manage your library account, find books, and access your virtual barcode all from one spot! Learn more at <https://swanlibraries.net/>

Please Note: You will have to uninstall the old SWAN Libraries App and download the new SWAN Libraries + App from the Google Play or Apple App Store.



Mark Your Calendars! Today is a Day to Celebrate!



Join us as we celebrate National Days with a small giveaway at checkout!

- Jan 5 - National Bird Day
- Jan 19 - National Popcorn Day
- Feb 1 - Dark Chocolate Day
- Feb 14 - Valentine's Day
- Mar 6 - Oreo Cookie Day
- Mar 14 - Popcorn Lovers Day
- Apr 22 - Earth Day
- Apr 26 - National Pretzel Day
- May 21 - International Tea Day
- May 31 - National Smile Day

NEW Faxing & Scanning ScanEZ Station



We have a new self-service ScanEZ Station located by the Self Checkout / Circulation Desk! Scan your documents to email, fax your documents, or scan to print your documents! Some fees apply. Faxing is now only \$1.00 per page. Usual print charges apply.



Library Card Reminders

Don't forget to stop in and upgrade if you haven't already.

- ✓ Update to a digital signature and we'll upgrade your card so that it never expires! (Account may still be removed if inactive for several years)
- ✓ If you've recently turned 18, make sure you upgrade to an adult card! (Youth cards will expire automatically 3 months after the birthday month)

Check out our Monthly Drawing

Check out a new or display item and be entered into our monthly drawing. See Circulation Desk for details. Runs monthly through May.

Experience the Eclipse Monday, April 8

Pick up FREE Eclipse Viewing Glasses (while supplies last) at the Youth Services Desk starting April 1.



Eclipse Viewing Party

Monday, April 8
1:45-2:15pm

Watch the Eclipse at the library! We'll have glasses available to safely view the Eclipse and a small craft for kids.
Open to All Ages.

Hidden Messages in Negro Spirituals on the Underground Railroad *with Connie Martin*

Saturday, February 10 @ 11AM

Powerful, sacred songs that derived from the heart of the Antebellum enslaved African were melodic outflowing of religious expression, passion, and hope to be free. Join Connie Martin as she explains the connections of Plantation songs, or Negro Spirituals with meanings and interpretations of lyrics of some songs used in regions of the South that signaled a multiple of signs and tips that aided enslaved freedom seekers to find freedom. *Open to all ages*



More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: www.richtonparklibrary.org

Celebrating 50 Years of being YOUR Library!

We're Celebrating being YOUR Library for 50 years in 2024! It's been an amazing 50 years in Richton Park and we can't wait to celebrate with you! We need YOUR help to make this the best year (so far!):



- Share your favorite memory of our library or a special photo for our display
- Share a recipe for our **50th Anniversary Cookbook**
- Join the **Friends of the Library** and help us put together our Cookbook & plan our Anniversary Celebration this fall

You can drop off memories, pictures, and recipes at the library or email them to library@richtonparklibrary.org



Scan the QR Code for a brief history of the Richton Park Public Library District



National Library Week is April 7-13

Ready, Set, Library! Join us this week and checkout our different collections, participate in our "We Love Our Library" wall, pick up a cool bookmark, and pick up a FREE gift with checkout (*while supplies last*).

Family Programs

REGISTER FOR FAMILY PROGRAMS ONLINE, IN PERSON, OR OVER THE PHONE!

Fun with the Fam!

Family: Join us for a different fun activity each week, including storytimes, crafts, games, and more!

*Tuesdays: Jan 9 through April 30
(No Meeting Feb 13 & Mar 26)
6-7pm*



No School? No Problem! Join us for a Movie Break



Family: Join us on your day off school for a movie! Bring a snack or bag lunch to enjoy during the movie.

Jan 12: Elemental
Feb 9: Soul
Mar 22: Trolls Band Together
12-2pm



Family Bingo

Family: It's Bingo Time! Join us for a family-friendly night of bingo!

*Fridays: Jan 19, Feb 16, Mar 15,
& Apr 19*

6-7pm



Icy Science

Family: Join us for some winter science demos & hands-on experiments!

*Friday, January 5
11am-12pm | Registration Required*

Board Game Bonanza

Family: Join us for board games, cards games & snacks! You can bring your own snacks, too!

*Saturdays: Jan 20, Feb 17, Mar 16,
Apr 20, & May 18
12-1pm*



Green Science

Family: Join us for Spring-themed science demos & hands-on experiments!

*Friday, April 5
11am-12pm | Registration Required*



All programs are drop-in programs (no registration required) unless otherwise noted.

Youth Programs

Storytimes

Winter Family Storytime

Family: Enjoy winter stories, create a winter craft & enjoy snacks.

Saturday, January 27
11am-Noon



Check out our updated Toddler Play Area!



Family Valentine's Day Storytime

Family: Celebrate Valentine's Day early with a fun Valentine's themed storytime.

Tuesday, February 13
6-7pm

Baby Valentines Storytime

Birth-PreK & Caregiver: Celebrate Valentine's Day with a fun Valentine's Day themed storytime.

Wednesday, February 14
10:30-11:30am



NEW Early Literacy Baby Bags

New Parents can come to the library and pick up a FREE Early Literacy Baby Bag at the Youth Services Desk. Bag includes Early Literacy Resources, a book, and a cute baby bib. Available while supplies last.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library



Family Dinosaur Storytime

Family: Enjoy stories, create a craft, enjoy snacks, & take a photo with a Dinosaur!

Saturday, February 24
11am-12pm



Let's Get Messy!

Birth-PreK & Caregiver: Drop in for some messy sensory fun! Wear clothes you don't mind getting messy.

Mondays: Jan 8 through May 20
10:30-11:30am

Family Easter Storytime

Family: Enjoy Easter stories, create an Easter craft & enjoy snacks.

Tuesday, March 26
6-7pm



PreK Playdate

Birth-PreK & Caregiver: Make friends & play with our pop-up toys, blocks, balls & play doh! Coffee & conversation for the grown-ups!

Thursdays & Fridays:
Jan 11 through May 24
10-11:30am



Baby Easter Storytime

Birth-PreK & Caregiver: Join us for a special Easter storytime with stories, a craft, & snacks!

Wednesday, March 27
10:30-11:30am

Spring Family Storytime

Family: Enjoy Spring stories, create a Springy craft & enjoy snacks.

Saturday, April 27
11am-12pm



PreK Craft

PreK: Drop in to make a different craft each week!

Tuesdays: Jan 9 through April 30
10-11:30am

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Challenges & Activities

Kids Scavenger Hunt

K-Gr.5: Can you find all 10 numbered shapes in Youth Services? Each month we'll have a new challenge and if you find them all you can get a small prize!



Check out our NEW Science Corner!

Monthly Challenge

K-Gr.5: Pick up our monthly challenge activity in Youth Services and when you complete it you will get a small prize!



Prize Pass

Kids & Teens: Pick up a Prize Pass sheet at the Youth Services Desk. When you attend a program, you'll get a sticker to add to your pass. Once you've filled up your sheet, turn it in and get a prize from the Treasure Chest.



1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Birth - PreK: Pick up a reading log in Youth Services and challenge yourself to read 1,000 books to your child before Kindergarten. Children receive small prizes for every 100 books read.



Children's Book Week is May 6-12

We're celebrating Children's Book Week with a Bookmark Design Contest! Students can pick up an entry form in Youth Services. Winning bookmarks will be printed out and available at the library! *Details available at the Youth Services Desk.*



Mother's Day Craft

PreK-Gr. 8: Drop in and make a craft for the Mom figures in your life.
Saturday, May 11
11am-1pm



Photos with the Easter Bunny

Family: We're going to have a hopping good time as we make a craft and take photos with the Easter Bunny!

Saturday, March 23
11am-12pm



After School Artists

Gr. 3-8: Join us each Wednesday afternoon for a different crafty creation!
Wednesdays: Jan 10 through May 29
3-4pm



Fun Club

K - Gr. 8: Come join us as we do a different craft or activity every week!
Thursdays: Jan 11 through Apr 25
4-5pm | Registration Recommended



Drop-in Origami

K-Gr. 5: Drop-in and learn how to make new origami creatures every month!

Saturdays: Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 9, Apr 13, & May 11

All day



Drop-in Gaming

Gr. 3-8: Drop in to play video games in our study room! Sign up for your time slot at the Youth Desk.

Fridays: Jan 12 through May 31
3-5pm | Check-in at the Youth Desk



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Youth Programs

Lego Robotics Club

A Project Next Generation Program

Gr. 5-9: Do you like building with Legos? Want to learn how to program them? Build & code a new robot each meeting with Lego Spike Prime

Tuesdays: Jan 23, Feb 6, Feb 20,
Mar 5, Mar 19, Apr 2,
Apr 16, Apr 30, & May 14
4-5pm | Registration Required



Photography Club

A Project Next Generation Program

Gr. 5-9: Join us as we explore the magical world of photography! Learn how to use professional cameras & different ways to take stunning photographs.

Mondays: Jan 29, Feb 12, Feb 26,
Mar 11, Mar 25, Apr 8,
Apr 22, & May 6
4-5:30pm | Registration Required



Arduino Club

A Project Next Generation Program

Gr. 5-9: Get started with learning electronics through Arduino! Build a new electronic model every meeting.

Mondays: Jan 22, Feb 5, Mar 4, Apr 1,
Apr 15, Apr 29, & May 13
4-5:30pm | Registration Required



A Note about Project Next Generation Programs:

Funding for Project Next Generation is provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services to the Secretary of State/Illinois State Library under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

Homeschool Programs

Homeschool Lego Robotics Club

A Project Next Generation Program

Gr. 5-9: Do you like building with Legos? Want to learn how to program them? Build & code a new robot each meeting with Lego Spike Prime

Tuesdays: Jan 30, Feb 13, Feb 27,
Mar 12, Mar 26, Apr 9,
Apr 23, & May 7
2-3pm | Registration Required



Homeschool Digital Art

Ages 12 & up: Are you interested in digital art but have no idea where to start? Join us as we test out drawing software and learn to draw with a non-display tablet.

Tuesdays: Jan 16, Feb 20, Mar 19,
& Apr 16
1-2pm | Registration Required



Homeschool Game Day

All Ages: Join us for a fun social hour of video games, board games, & snacks!

Tuesdays: Jan 9, Feb 13, Mar 12,
Apr 9, & May 14
1-2pm



Homeschool Crafts

Ages 12 & under: Make a craft and hang out with friends!

Tuesdays: Jan 16, Feb 20, Mar 19,
& Apr 16
1-2pm



Homeschool STEM Hour

All Ages: Come and play with our STEM Kits!

Tuesdays: Feb 6, Mar 5, Apr 2, & May 7
1-2pm



Homeschool D&D

Ages 12 & up: Learn how to play D&D and join our campaign!

Tuesdays: Jan 23, Feb 27, Mar 26,
& Apr 23
1-2pm



Homeschool Readers Theater

Ages 12 & under: Join us for a readers theater! Scripts & dress up props provided!

Tuesdays: Feb 27, Mar 26, & Apr 23
1-2pm

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Teen Programs



Teen Drop-in Craft

Gr. 9-12: Make a craft with us!

*Saturdays: Feb 3, Mar 2, Apr 6, & May 4
11am-12pm*

Anime Club Movie Nights

Gr. 6-12: Calling all anime fans! Join us every other month as we watch a movie adaptation of your favorite anime & manga series! We'll have popcorn & pocky!

Feb 2: Knights of the Zodiac

Apr 5: Bleach

*Fridays: Feb 2 & Apr 5
4-6pm*



Tween Anime Club

Gr. 6-8: Calling all anime fans! Join us every other month as we put two Anime series to the test in a Vs. match!

Shows are rated up to TV-PG/PG.

*Fridays: Mar 1 & May 3
4-5pm*

Teen Anime Club

Gr. 9-12: Calling all anime fans! Join us every other month as we put two Anime series to the test in a Vs. match!

Shows are rated up to TV-14/PG-13.

*Fridays: Mar 1 & May 3
5:30-6:30pm*



Hang out in our updated Teen Space!

Chopped: Teen Edition

Gr. 9-12: Creative in the kitchen? Join us each month as we challenge you with a new set of mystery ingredients!

*Wednesdays: Jan 10, Feb 7, Mar 6,
& Apr 10*

5-6pm | Registration Required



Teen Crafts

Gr. 9-12: Relax afterschool and join us as we make a new craft project each month.

*Wednesdays: Jan 17, Feb 14,
Mar 13, & Apr 17*

5-6pm | Registration Required

Teen Painting

Gr. 9-12: Do you enjoy painting? Come join our fun and engaging guided painting! All materials provided.

*Wednesdays: Jan 24, Feb 21,
Mar 20, & Apr 24*

5-6pm | Registration Required



Teen Sewing

Gr. 9-12: Learn the basics of sewing and create a masterpiece at the end. Attendance at all dates recommended.

*Wednesdays: Jan 31, Feb 28,
& Mar 27*

5-6pm | Registration Required

Teen Volunteers

Teen Volunteer Program

Gr. 7-12: Join our Teen Volunteer team! We are now accepting applications for the 23-24 School Year. *Applications available at the Youth Services Desk*

Teen Volunteer Fair

At Matteson Public Library

Ages 13-18: Come out and learn about volunteer opportunities from local non-profit organizations.

*Saturday, April 27
2-4pm*



Teen Scavenger Hunt

Gr. 6-12: Can you find all 10 numbered shapes in the Teen Space? Each month we'll have a new challenge and if you find them all you can get a small prize!



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Adult Programs

Business & Finance

Starting a Business Basics

Presented by Governor's State University

Adults: Interested in starting a business? Join us as we learn the basic steps for starting your own business. Learn what needs to go into your business plan and all the other considerations involved with becoming your own boss.

Thursday, February 29

6-7:30pm | Registration Required



Home Buyer's Seminar

Presented by Aaron Joiner

Adults: Join us as we learn about the ins and outs of purchasing a new home. From learning about the Real Estate Market all the way through Closing and the final walk-thru.

Thursday, March 28

6-7:30pm | Registration Recommended



Starting a Non-Profit Business Basics

Presented by Governor's State University

Adults: Interested in starting a Non-Profit Business? Join us as we learn the basic steps for starting and maintaining a business with non-profit status!

Thursday, March 14

6-7:30pm | Registration Required



Improving Credit & Managing Debt

Presented by Chase Bank

Adults: Join Brandon Mells as he explains how to improve credit and manage debt. He will explain how credit works, how to build positive credit, how to reduce credit utilization, as well as how to deal with delinquent debt. Bring your questions and prepare to learn how to make your money work better for you!


Monday, April 15

6-7pm | Registration Recommended



Mobile DMV

Monday, April 22 10am



The Illinois Mobile DMV will be at the library to provide basic DMV services. See our website for more information.

Health & Wellness

Seated Yoga

Sponsored by AgeOptions

Seniors: Join us for a weekly light exercise where we stretch and work on building strength with chair yoga. Wear comfortable clothing. Exercise Waiver signed at first attendance.

Mondays & Wednesdays:

Jan 8 through May 29

(No Meetings on Holidays & Apr 22)

2-3pm



Ditch the Dieting

Presented by Community Wellness

Adults: Join Community Wellness for an enlightening presentation that busts the diet myths and provides you with valuable insights into the world of nutrition.

Thursday, February 22

6-7pm | Registration Recommended



Beautiful Sounds: Singing Bowls

Adults & Teens: Dating back as far as the 12th century, singing bowls have been used throughout Asia for meditation, ritual, and healing ceremonial purposes. This full-body listening experience will take you on a sonically guided meditative journey, as vibrations gently ease away stress and tension, opening up space for clarity and expansive energy toward your goals.

Saturday, April 6

11am-12pm | Registration Required



Learn more about AgeOptions and the services they provide by visiting them online at www.ageoptions.org

More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: www.richtonparklibrary.org

Adult Programs

Crafts & Hobbies

Coffee & Crochet

Adults: Grab your hooks and come work on your latest project at the library with the Library Director! Light refreshments will be available. (Knitters & Fiber Artists welcomed too!).

Mondays: Jan 8, Feb 5, Mar 4, Apr 1, & May 6
10:30am-12pm



Maker Mondays

Adults: Join us as we make a cute project with the sewing machine and customize it with our Cricut! Beginners welcome!

Mondays: Feb 26, Mar 25, & Apr 22
6-7:30pm | *Registration Required*

Brews & Brushstrokes

Adults: Awaken your senses with some delightful brews (coffee & tea) and join us for a simple paint-a-long! All materials provided.

Saturday, March 23
11am-1pm | *Registration Required*



Celebrating National Craft Month With Diamond Painting

Adults: Celebrate National Craft Month and join us for Diamond Painting! Learn how to Diamond Paint & try it out to see if this crafting hobby is for you!

Wednesday, March 27
6-7:30pm | *Registration Required*



Roku Streaming Device Kits

Did you know? You can check out a Roku Streaming Device at the library!
Great for trying out Streaming on your television or to binge your favorite shows!

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IN-PERSON OR OVER THE PHONE**

Check Out the Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra:

Get *FREE* tickets at the library to upcoming Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra performances through April 2024. *Limited passes available per show, visit the Adult Services Desk to check for availability.*

Fun & Games

Classic Movie Matinee

Sponsored by AgeOptions

Seniors: Join us as we watch a classic movie together. Feel free to bring your own lunch. Water, coffee, or tea will be provided.

Thursdays: Jan 11, Feb 8, Mar 14, Apr 11, & May 9

1-3pm



Friday Fun Day

Sponsored by AgeOptions

Seniors: Let's play cards or try new board games! Join us as we hang out for an hour and enjoy spending time with each other with fun activities each week.

Fridays: Jan 12 through May 31
(*No Meeting on Feb 2*)

2-3pm



Reading & Writing

Evening Book Club

Adults: Join us each month as we discuss what we're reading and talk about books we've read. Ask for this month's title at the Adult Services Desk!

Thursdays: Jan 4, Feb 1, Mar 7, Apr 4 & May 2

6:30-7:30pm



Writers Group

Adults: Working on improving your writing? Need help with your story or poetry? Join us for our monthly Writers Group where we'll hang out, write, and help each other.

Thursdays: Jan 18, Feb 15, Mar 21, Apr 18, & May 16

6-7:30pm



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Adult Programs

**REGISTER FOR ADULT & SENIOR PROGRAMS
IN-PERSON OR OVER THE PHONE**

Computers & Technology

Drop-In Device Help

Adults: Have a quick question about your device and need a little help? Drop on by and we will see if we can assist.

*Wednesdays: Jan 24, Feb 28,
Mar 27, Apr 24,
& May 22*

3:15-4pm



Technology Learning Lab

Adults: Do computers make you nervous? Do you want to learn new computer skills but don't know where to begin? Join us as we teach you how to use online self-paced courses to learn new skills.

*Wednesdays: Jan 24, Feb 28, Mar 27,
Apr 24, & May 22*

6-7pm



AI: ChatGPT and Beyond

Meets Virtually & In-Person

Adults: Join Mike Gershbein of Very Smart People as he dives into the world of Artificial Intelligence and explores the social and cultural impacts of this ever changing technology. A great introduction to AI & ChatGPT for beginners and those who want to learn more about the basics of AI.

*Monday, February 12
6-7pm | Register for Zoom*



Looking for your next magazine read?

Check out the collection in Libby. Right alongside your ebooks and audiobooks!

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The library reading app



Illinois Libraries Present

Your Favorite Authors Live on Zoom

Join us for a wonderful evening of conversation with beloved authors from across the genres. You can register on our website to watch the streams at home, or drop-in (*no registration needed*) and join us to watch the live stream in our meeting room (we'll have cookies!)

Speculating our AI Future Panel with Corry Doctorow, Ken Liu, & Martha Wells

Adults: Join us for a virtual panel discussion featuring science fiction authors as they discuss the promise, perils, and possible impacts that AI will have on our future, as well as AI in contemporary and future science fiction writing.

Thursday, January 7 | 7pm | Register for Zoom

A Conversation with Jerry Craft: From Mama's Boyz to New Kid and Beyond

All Ages: Learn about life, art, and telling your story with bestselling author, illustrator and syndicated cartoonist, Jerry Craft. Includes a drawing demo that will be fun for the whole family!

Tuesday, February 6 | 7pm | Register for Zoom

Romance & Regency with Bridgerton's Julia Quinn in Conversation with Sarah MacLean

All Ages: Julia Quinn, the #1 New York Times bestselling and award-winning romance author, has written close to 40 novels including her popular series about the Bridgerton family which was adapted into an Emmy-nominated series on Netflix.

Tuesday, February 20 | 7pm | Register for Zoom

View more upcoming Illinois Libraries Present programs on our website

A Note about Illinois Libraries Present Programs:

This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. ILP is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA). ILP is committed to inclusion and accessibility. To request accommodations, please email illinoislibrariespresent@gmail.com.

More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: www.richtonparklibrary.org

Friends of the Richton Park Library

Let's Be Friends! We meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm to help promote, support, and enhance the use of the Library by sponsoring programs, providing necessary materials & services, and furnishing community cultural enrichment.



Scan the QR Code to learn more about the Friends and to download the membership form today!

Upcoming Meetings: Mar 12, Apr 9, & May 14 @ 7pm

Friends Officers: D. Wilkerson, President; D. Washington, Vice President; C. Butler, Treasurer; & L. Johnson, Secretary

Thank you to all of our 2023 Library Partners!



Access Brokers Inc, AgeOptions, CAAN Academy, Cook County Health Department, Elementary SD 159, Family Youth Initiative (FYI), First Step Daycare, Friends of the Richton Park Public Library, Governors State University, Illinois State Library, Matteson SD 162, Midwest Express Clinic, OAI Inc, Park Forest Richton Park Neighborhood Network (PRNN), Prairie State College, Rich Township District 227, Richton Park HOAs, Richton Park Parks and Rec, Southland College Prep, Village of Richton Park, & Vitalant

From the Richton Park Public Library

Adult Programs

Puzzle & Game Swap *NEW in 2024!*

Community: Looking for a new puzzles or game for your family to play? Come and adopt a gently used puzzle or game!

Saturday, January 20 11am-1:30pm

Accepting Donations January 8-19:
Donate gently used puzzles & board games to the library to find new homes in the community. We will accept games missing pieces if noted.

Craft Supply Swap

Community: In need of craft supplies? Looking for one last item for a project you're working on? Want to try out a new craft? Come and adopt gently used Craft Supplies at the library!

Saturday, March 9 11am-1:30pm

Accepting Donations Feb 26-March 8:
Donate gently used craft supplies to the library and let them find a new home in our community! All donors will get an invitation to "shop" early on Friday Night.

Plant Swap *Our Second Year!*

Community: Love plants? Want to start a small garden? Come and adopt a new plant friend at our Plant Swap!

Saturday, May 11 11am-1:30pm

Accepting Donations May 6-11:
Donate your unneeded seedlings, propagations, & gently used supplies to the library and let them find a new home in our community! *For the health of the plants, we prefer donations to be dropped off May 10 & 11.*

No donations required to participate in the swap—items are free to good homes! Questions? library@rppld.org

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**Board meetings are held in the
 Library at 7:30pm on the
 3rd Wednesday of each month.**

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Friday 10:00am - 8:00pm
Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm
Closed on Sunday

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

New Years Day (1/1)
 Martin Luther King Jr. Day (1/15)
 President's Day (2/19)
 Good Friday (3/29)
 Memorial Day (5/27)

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The Richton Park Public Library District is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Any individual who plans to attend any program at the library and who requires special accommodations, or anyone who has questions regarding accessibility to the library is requested to phone the library at 708-481-5333 at least five working days prior to the scheduled event.

BLOOD DRIVE

**Richton Park Public Library
 Blood Drive**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3
 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.
 22310 LATONIA LN.
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To schedule an appointment, contact Karissa Davison at davisonk@richtonparklibrary.org. Or, contact Vitalant at 877.258.4825 or at vitalant.org and use group code: **ORD0063F**.

Appointments Necessary.

Prepare: Eat Well, Hydrate, and Bring ID.

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 Eligibility questions? Call 877.258.4825



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