

Kids News & Events

Storytime runs January 30– March 29: Main Library

WINTER STORYTIME!

Nine weeks of stories, songs, puppets, finger rhymes, crafts and weekly themed fun for your little ones!

Promotes listening skills & a love of books!



3-Year-Old Storytime: Wednesdays, 9:30 AM
2-Year-Old Lapsit Storytime: Wednesdays, 10:30 AM
4-6 Year-Old Storytime: Thursdays, 2 PM
3-6 Year-Old Storytime: Fridays, 10:30 AM

STEAM Power

1st Thursday @ 4 PM: Sunnyland Branch Library

January 3—Chalkboard Slime

February 7—Kinetic Sand

March 7—Kinetic Slime

April 4—Grow Your Own Crystals

May 2—TBA

Ages 3+; no registration.



Valentine's Tea Party

February 2 @ 10 AM: Main Library

We are hosting a Valentine's Tea Party!

The Washington District Library invites young ladies and gentlemen (ages 3-10) to dress up in fancy clothes and join us for a special morning. We'll decorate cookies, make Valentines, and sip on lemonade and tea! Registration required.



Brown Bag It

2nd Wednesday @ 11:30 AM: Main Library

Bring your lunch to the library and enjoy terrific visitors and projects! Snacks & drinks provided.

January 9—Forest Park Nature Center

February 13—Communication Junction

March 13—Music & More

April 10—Washington Fire Department

May 8—TBA

All ages; no registration.



Family Game Time (Sponsored by the WCHS Game Club)

Saturday, February 9 @ 2-4 PM: Main Library

WCHS Game Club members will be on hand to teach us and play games. Come make new friends, learn a new game, and have fun! All ages.



Bingo Night

Tuesday, February 19 @ 6:30 PM

Sunnyland Branch Library

All ages. No registration. Kids can win great prizes!



STEAM Power: Lights On, Lights Out

Saturday, January 12 @ 10 AM: Main Library

Kids will learn how electrical circuits and switches can transfer energy and illuminate their lives. Ages 8-12, takes about 1.5 hours. Registration required.



Kids Crafternoons

3rd Thursday @ 4PM: Sunnyland Branch Library

All ages; no registration.

January 17—Tissue Paper Mache Bowls

February 21—Velcro Bracelets

March 21—Ribbon Bookmarks

April 18—Bird Feeders



Paws to Read

Saturday, March 9 @ 10:00, 10:20 or 10:40 AM: Main Library

Read to the pups! The Peoria Humane Society will bring their certified therapy dogs for us to read to!

Sign up for one 20-minute session.

Ages 2+; registration is required!



Communication Junction Sign & Sing Storytime

April 9 @ 6:30 PM: Sunnyland Branch Library

Special story time for National Library Week.

All ages. No registration.



LIBRARY LEGO CLUB

Last Tuesday @ 4 PM: Main Library

January 29, February 26, March 26, April 30, May 28.

Use library-supplied Legos to build original creations that will be displayed for one month! Ages 5+; no registration required.



National Library Week Storytimes

April 10 @ 9:30, April 11 @ 2 PM, April 12 @ 10:30 AM

2-Year-Old Lapsit April 10 @ 10:30 AM: Main Library

Come celebrate National Library Week with us! Share some fun stories and activities. No registration required.



Teen News & Events



A.N.I.M.E.
6-7:30 PM: Main Library
January 8
February 12—Cosplay
March 12
April 9—Cosplay
May 14



Watch anime, eat ramen, draw, meet other fans, and more!

Teen Movie Night

Tuesday, January 15 @ 5 PM: Sunnyland Branch
Featuring **Venom**. Pizza and other snacks provided!



Ramen Cook-off

Thursday, January 24 @ 5-6 PM: Main Library

Come with a group or by yourself to test out your cooking skills with ramen! Using a microwave and the ingredients provided you will make a dish to put before our judges. Prizes will be awarded to the best cooks!



WABoT

Washington Advisory Board of Teens

Thursday, February 7 @ 5-6 PM: Main Library

Got an idea for something the library could do? Join WABoT and help plan our summer library events!



Chinese New Year Party

Friday, February 8 @ 5-7 PM: Main Library

Celebrate at the library with food, candy sushi, a movie, and a fortune cookie hunt!

Teen Book Chatters

Thursday, February 21 @ 5-6 PM: Main Library

Meet with friends at the library to share what you are reading and hear about other great books! Peruse our selection of Advance Reader Books and enjoy snacks!

DIY Night - Marbled Mugs

Thursday, March 7 @ 5-6 PM: Main Library

Get crafty and create your own Marbled Design Mug! Sign up required.



Board Game Night

Tuesday, March 19 @ 5-7 PM: Sunnyland Branch

Bring your friends to play board games! Snacks!



DIY Night - Book Hedgehog

Tuesday, April 23 @ 6-7 PM: Sunnyland Branch

Grab a paperback and fold your copy into a hedgehog design!



Zombie Night

Friday, April 26 @ 4:30-9 PM: Main Library

Pre-register and pick up permission slips at the library for Zombie Night! Bring your nerf guns to play Humans vs. Zombies! Then, watch *Warm Bodies*. Pizza and other snacks provided! PERMISSION SLIPS ARE REQUIRED. PRE-REGISTRATION BEGINS April 1st
Rain Date: May 10



Make-It Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 7 @ 5-7 PM: Main Library

Make bath bombs for your mom! Stop in the library to craft a present for Mother's Day and watch a movie while we work.



Harry Potter Escape Room Wednesday, April 17 @ 3:30-8 PM: Main Library. Details under Adult Events on next page.

Adult News & Events

One-on-One Tech Help 2019

Have a question about ebooks, devices or computers?
First come, first serve availability.

Mondays, 10-11 AM: Main Branch

Jan 14 Feb 11 Mar 18 Apr 22 May 20

Wednesdays, 2-3 PM: Main Library

Jan 16 Feb 13 Mar 20 Apr 24 May 22

Fridays, 9 AM-1 PM: Branch Library

Jan 18 Feb 15 Mar 22 Apr 26 May 24

WDL cardholders can contact Erin for individual appointments.

The Friends of Washington Library hold just three meetings per year.

Attend the next Friends meetings held at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, January 8, April 9 and October 8 at Main Library. New library-loving members welcome!

Tech Classes at the Main Library

Bring Your Own Device

Tues, Jan 15 @ 2 PM & Thurs, Jan 17 @ 6:30 PM

iPhone Help

Tues, Feb 19 @ 2 PM & Thurs, Feb 21 @ 6:30 PM

Android Phone Help

Tues, Mar 19 @ 2 PM & Thurs, Mar 21 @ 6:30 PM

TBR: Using Apps and Websites to Find Your Next Great Read

Thursday, April 25 @ 6:30 PM

Put a Pin in It: Pinterest Basics

Thursday, May 23 @ 6:30 PM

It's Time to Cheer for 2019 Super Bowls

Every January Friends of Washington Library (FOWL) sponsors the Super Bowls silent auction. We ask patrons and businesses to donate any themed basket of items to display for two weeks. These "bowls" make wonderful birthday gifts and Valentine surprises. Popular themes are sports, food and wine packages, new baby baskets, quilting items, coffees and teas, spa products, reading-themed items, etc. This year we encourage people to donate "services" like a year of homemade cookies, a day of yard work, etc. As with all FOWL projects, all proceeds help the library to add to its collection and sponsor events. Bring Super Bowls to the Main Library from January 14-20. They will be displayed January 21-February 2. Questions? Call Sue at 444-7621.

Knit Night

Wednesdays, January 2, February 6, March 6,
April 3 @ 6:30 PM: Main Library

Bring your latest project for a laidback evening of conversation and yarn work. All skill levels welcome. Don't knit? We'll be happy to help you get started!



AARP Tax Help


Free AARP tax help will again be offered in 2019. Please call the library in the early January for more information.

Get Organized in 2019

Saturday, January 5 @ 2 PM: Main Library
Has getting organized been in your top five New Year's resolutions for too many years? Professional organizer Kate Varness will help you make this the year you reach your organizing goals!

Adult News & Events


Book Chatters


January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1 @ 11 AM: Main Library 
Discuss your latest reads, get recommendations and learn about upcoming and recently released titles. Take home an exciting new book before its official publication! Light refreshments provided.

Preparing for Retirement


Wednesdays, January 9 & 16 @ 5:30 PM: Main Library
Silver Evolutions presents a two-part series on retirement planning. A light dinner and snacks will be provided.
January 9: Part One – The upsides of downsizing and marketing your home.
January 16: Part Two – Financial planning and living options for retirement.

WDL Book Club


Thursdays, January 10, February 14, March 14, April 11, May 9 @ 6:30 PM
Main Library
Contact Erin for more details. 

Morning Movies @ 10 AM: Sunnyland Branch Library
Come enjoy a recently released film! Popcorn will be provided.
January 21: *Crazy Rich Asians* (2018); Rated PG-13
February 25: *First Man* (2018); Rated PG-13
March 18: *The Old Man & the Gun* (2018); Rated PG-13
April 22: *The Hate U Give* (2018); Rated PG-13 


A Ugandan Coffee Adventure


Wednesday, January 23 @ 6:30 PM: Main Library
Yvonne Andreson of The Blend presents on her travels in Uganda researching coffee farming.

Genealogy Meetup


January 25, February 22, March 29, April 26 @ 2:30 PM: Main Library
Share your recent genealogical finds with others! Light refreshments provided.

Cardstravaganza!


Wednesday, January 30 @ 6 PM: Main Library
Adults: let's make some cards! Supplies and instruction will be provided for at least three card styles. **Registration required—limited to the first 20 people.**

Book Speed Dating

Wednesday, February 13 @ 6:30 PM: Main Library
On the lookout for the book of your dreams? Get introductions to tons of titles in a fun speed dating-like format while enjoying some chocolatey refreshments.

Polymer Clay Basics

Wednesday, February 20 @ 6:00 PM: Main Library
In this beginner-friendly class, Pam Miller will teach how to make a unique, fun pendant while discussing all of the tips & techniques to get started with polymer clay. **Registration required – limited to the first 30 signed up.**

Learning Circle: Finance for Everyone

Thursdays: February 21-April 4; 2:00 PM: Main Library
A learning circle is a study group that meets to work through an online course together. Join us as we take Finance for Everyone: Smart Tools for Decision-Making, provided by the University of Michigan. If you have a laptop you would like to use, bring it. Otherwise, one can be provided for you to use within the library. **Registration required—limited to the first 8 registered.**

Ken Zurski: Unremembered

Wednesday, March 27 @ 6:30 PM: Main Library
Local author and radio personality Ken Zurski discusses his newest book, *Unremembered: Tales of the Nearly Famous and Not Quite Forgotten.*



Saturday, March 2 @ 2 PM: Main Library

Wisnu Meier of Inward Journey Counseling leads this fun yet transformative activity to unleash your imagination and explore your soul! We will create personal cards that represent certain energies that are parts of who we are.
Registration required – limited to the first 20 signed up.


Your Secret Chef: A Refreshing Spring Lunch

Wednesday, March 13 @ 6:30 PM: Main Library

Personal chef Bill More demonstrates a refreshing spring lunch menu complete with appetizer, salad, entrée and dessert. **Registration required – limited to the first 25 signed up. Registration opens Monday, February 11.**


10 Steps to Financial Freedom

Saturday, March 30 @ 1 PM: Main Library

 It's Money Smart Week, and Bernie Wrezinski from the Foundation for Financial Education will be presenting on creating a budget, getting out of debt, creating an abundance mentality, saving, investing and making a difference.


Game Night

Wednesday, April 10 @ 6 PM: Main Library

Drop in game time – enjoy some snacks and play a fun board or card game from the library's collection! All ages welcome. 


Sinking of the USS Indianapolis

Sunday, April 14, 2019 @ 2 PM: Main Library

 Historian Jim Gibbons will discuss the 1945 sinking of the USS Indianapolis and its effect on history. Gibbons will also explain how the attack personally affected his family through the horrific loss of his uncle who died in the tragedy in his early 20s.


Harry Potter Escape Room

Wednesday, April 17 @ 3:30-8 PM: Main Library

Brush up on your charms and *History of Hogwarts* to help your team solve the riddles and escape in time! For those in 6th grade-adults. **Registration is required.** Signups will be for six-person teams in 30-minute time slots – if you do not have six people for a group, we will combine your registrations with others, as space allows. **Registration opens Monday, March 18.** 


AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE for age 50+

Tuesday, April 23 and Wednesday, April 24.
9:30 to 1:30: Main Library

Upon completion of this refresher class, participants may receive a discount on their auto insurance. Participants must attend both days. **Registration required. Registration opens February 4.** Cost is \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for non-members. 


Breaking Down Genealogy Brick Walls

Wednesday, April 24 @ 6:30 PM @ Main Library

We all have at least one “brick wall” in our family genealogy. That one ancestor who seems to have fallen off the ends of the earth. Professional genealogist Kimberly Mullins teaches how to use others in your family members’ circle to track them down! 

What's It Worth? Antique Appraisals with Mark Moran

Friday, May 3 @ 4 PM: Main Library

 Mark Moran, a professional appraiser and guest expert on Antiques Roadshow, will be at the Main Library to give you his opinion on the value of your items. Spectators are welcome to drop in throughout the program.

Registration required to have an item appraised – limited to the first 40 signed up. You will be limited to one item and given a spot in a one-hour time slot. **Registration opens April 1.**



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**To celebrate National Library Week, no fines on
overdue items returned April 7-13.**

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HOURS

Mon: 9-6
Tues-Thurs: 9-8
Fri : 9-5
Sat, Sep-May: 9-5
Sat, Jun-Aug: 9-1
Sun: 1-5

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Tues: 1-8
Weds: 9-6
Thurs: 1-6
Fri: 9-5
Sat, Sep-May: 9-1
Sat, Jun-Aug: Closed
Sun: Closed



ADULT "CABIN FEVER" WINTER READING

Stop by the Main or Branch Library after **January 28** to pick up a log book that lets you explore new places & genres! Read February 1-March 15. Midway prizes awarded February 22. Return completed log by **March 15** for a chance to win great prizes! Final prizes awarded March 22.

LIBRARY CLOSURES:

December 24-25
December 31 (1PM)
January 1
February 18
April 21
May 27
Occasionally closed for weather.

Friends of Washington Library (FoWL)

The Friends of Washington Library wishes to thank all donors and workers who made the fall book sale a success. The FoWL sales always include thousands of items in excellent condition. The \$2046.80 total proceeds from the October sale will enable the library to add popular items to the collection, pay for additional programs, and cover expenses for the children's department and summer reading event. The spring book sale will be April 6-11, 2019, with preview night April 5 for FoWL members. Donations will be accepted March 18-30, 2019. For more information about FoWL, call 444-7621.

Events for kids, teens, & adults inside!