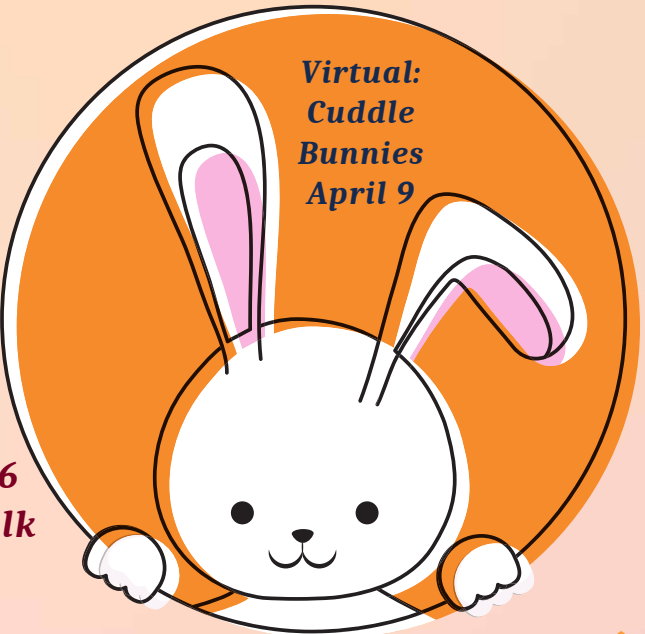


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Children's Programs

See our website for current safety protocols.

Storytime Registration: March & April

Register your child for each program date you want to attend - limit of one date per child per week.

woodridgelibrary.org/events



Weekly Storytime Schedule:

Baby Lapsit I, Ages 0 - 12 Months

9:30 a.m., Thursday REVISED 2/16/2022



Baby Lapsit II, Ages 12 - 24 Months

11 a.m., Monday or Tuesday



Toddler Time, Ages 2 - 3 Years

10:15 a.m., Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday



Preschool Storytime, Ages 3 - 5 Years

9:30 a.m., Mon., Tues., or Wed.

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Stories in the Park

Woodridge Public Library &
Woodridge Park District Events

Stories in the Park at Echo Point Park

Location: 8115 Woodridge Drive
Friday, April 8, 10 a.m.

Stories in the Park at Ide's Grove East Park

Location: 8127 Meadowwood Avenue
Friday, May 13, 10 a.m.

Grab a blanket or a lawn chair and meet Miss Mary Ann at the park for stories, songs, and lots of fun. The Woodridge Park District is bringing a craft project, too! This is a free program, open to the public.

Invite your friends and neighbors; no registration. Parking is available at each park we are visiting. See the Park District website for park details.

Chickenstock is a little like Woodstock...except with birds and chickens! Take part in the fun:

Chickenstock '22



Chickenstock Drop-In Week

Saturday, March 26 - Friday, April 1

Kids of all ages: visit the library for crafts, fun activities, a scavenger hunt & hilarious chicken jokes.

Why did the chicken cross the road? To win a Buffalo Wild Wings gift card! Enter our first-ever **Chicken Joke Contest**. Details at the library or online in March. All ages - adults too!



Virtual Raptor Show

Saturday, March 26, 11 a.m.

See an owl, falcon, and hawk during a close-up and fascinating look at birds of prey from the Wings & Talons raptor group, live from Itasca, IL. **Pre-register** to receive a Zoom link to attend online. Q&A. All ages.

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Family
Game
Nights
Fridays
6 - 7:30 p.m.
Mar. 25.
Apr. 22 &
May 20

Virtual Chickenstock! Songs & Music with Mr. Patrick

Premieres Saturday, March 26, through April 30

Tune in for funny chicken songs and kid-friendly tunes with Mr. Patrick as he plays the guitar and sings. Sing & dance along at home! Find on our YouTube channel or Events calendar. Kids & families.



Children's Programs

Some programs require pre-registration. Register at woodridgelibrary.org/events



Bunny Storywalk April 9 – April 16 All Ages

Take a storywalk outside the library! Read a funny bunny story as you walk (or hop) from page (sign) to page (sign). Drop-in program, during daylight hours.



Virtual Cuddle Bunny Visit Sat. April 9, All Ages

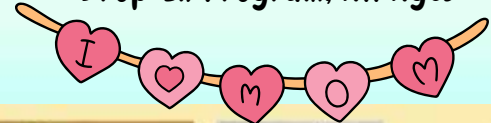
Meet adorable and unique bunnies and chat about their care and special qualities when you join us on Zoom to see bunnies. Pre-register for Zoom link.

Pokémon Trivia Night Families
Thurs., March 17
6 – 7:30 p.m.
Limited space – register now!



Mother's Day Craft Week

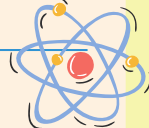
SAT., APRIL 30 – FRI., May 6
Drop-In Program, All Ages



During craft week, you can make great gifts for mom, grandma, aunt, and other loved ones: paper flower bouquet crafts, a flower crown craft, and DIY greeting cards will be waiting for you. Moms are invited, too!

Children's Programs Registration Required

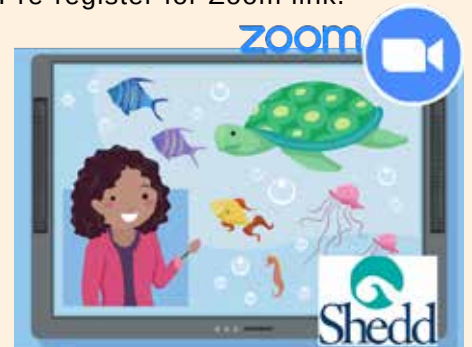
| GRADES | PROGRAM | DATE & TIME |
|--------|---------------------------|---|
| PreK | Movin' & Groovin', | Fri., Mar. 4, 10 a.m. OR 11 a.m. |
| All | Sing-Along, | Saturday Sat., Mar. 5, 11 a.m. |
| 1 – 3 | Pop-Up Makerspace, | Thurs., Mar. 10, 3:30 p.m. |
| 4 – 8 | STEAM Newton's Cradle, | Mon., Mar. 14, 4:30 p.m. |
| 4 – 8 | Pop-Up Makerspace, | Mon., Mar. 21, 6:30 p.m. |
| K – 3 | Book Magic: Birds, | Thurs., Mar. 24, 4 p.m. OR 7 p.m. |
| 1 – 6 | Kids' Birdy BINGO, | Thurs., Mar. 31, 4 p.m. OR 7 p.m. |
| PreK | Little Artists, | Fri., Apr. 1, 10 a.m. OR 11 a.m., |
| 4 – 8 | STEAM Zeetrope, | Mon., Apr. 11, 4:30 p.m. |
| K – 3 | Book Magic: Spring, | Mon., Apr. 11, 7 p.m. OR Tues., Apr. 12, 4 p.m. |
| 1 – 3 | Pop-Up Makerspace, | Thurs., Apr. 14, 3:30 p.m. |
| 4 – 8 | Pop-Up Makerspace, | Mon., Apr. 18, 6:30 p.m. |
| 1 – 6 | SPRINGO – Bingo for Kids, | Thu., Apr. 21, 4 p.m. OR 7 p.m. |
| All | Sing-Along Saturday, | Sat., Apr. 30, 11 a.m. |
| K – 3 | Book Magic: Gardens, | Thurs., May 5, 4 p.m. OR 7 p.m. |
| 4 – 8 | STEAM Best of the Year, | Mon., May 9, 4:30 p.m. |
| 1 – 3 | Pop-Up Makerspace, | Thurs., May 12, 3:30 p.m. |
| 1 – 6 | Bingo for Kids, | Sat., May 14, 10:30 a.m. OR 2 p.m. |
| 4 – 8 | Pop-Up Makerspace, | Mon., May 16, 6:30 p.m. |
| All | Sing-Along Saturday, | Sat., May 28, 11 a.m. |



Virtual: Lunar Eclipse! Skywatching with the Adler Planetarium

Thurs., May 12, 7 p.m., All Ages

Search the sky using only your eyes. Get tips for the May 15 moon eclipse. Pre-register for Zoom link.



Virtual: Live from Behind the Scenes: Turtles at the Shedd

Tues., May 31, 1 p.m.

Take a turtle tour of the Shedd! Using turtles as our guide, kids will follow animal care staff, make observation rounds in the aquarium and interpret x-rays in the animal hospital. Pre-register for Zoom link.

Take & Make Crafts

Children, Pre-K through Grade 3
& Tweens, Grades 4 through 6

Pick Up at the Circulation Desk
While Supplies Last

- Feb. 28 – Mar. 6 Jester Hat
Mar. 14 – 20 Pot O' Gold
Mar. 21 – 27 Tween DIY Slime
Mar. 28 – Apr. 3 Funny Chicken

April 11 – 17
EGGS-TRAORDINARY

Spring Take & Make Craft Kit



Funny Egg + Bunny Mask + Lolly Bunny

April 18 – 24 Tween Friendship
Bracelet Key Chain

April 25 – May 1 Garden Craft:
DIY Chia Pet

May 9 – 15 Moon Eclipse

May 16 – 22 Tween Picture Frame

May 23 – 29 Sea Turtle Craft



Brainy Babies Take-Home Kits

Ages 0 – 2 Years

March 1 - 8 Science

April 5 - 12 Art

Help your little one jump-start their development with our easy-to-do brain-boosting activities. You'll be inspired! Pick up at the Circ. Desk, while supplies last.



Children's Programs

KIT

GET READY FOR SCHOOL

NEW KIT EACH MONDAY
FOR AGES 3 TO 5



Practice 123 & ABC Skills
& So Much More!

KITS CONTAIN:

- CHILD-FRIENDLY & FUN ACTIVITIES
- INCLUDING WORKSHEETS OR HANDS-ON MINI-ACTIVITIES
- ATTRACTIVE LEARNING TOOLS (MANIPULATIVES)

AVAILABLE: CIRCULATION DESK OR CURBSIDE
MONDAY – SUNDAY, WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

We are bringing
storytime
to your house!

New virtual storytimes premiere on the
3rd Wednesday of each month.
Tune in for stories & songs.

You
Tube

You can find recorded storytimes through the
Woodridge Library Events Calendar or on our
YouTube Channel.



Camp Woodridge

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Save-the-Date
Summer Reading Program
Begins May 26



Poetry Writing Contest

Teens Adults Children



Let your creativity soar and enter our poetry contest.

Maximum length: 250 words.

**Anyone ages 6 and up may enter
up to two (2) poems**

and submit them between April 1 - 15, 2022.

Winners will be notified after April 25.



**Release
your inner
poet!**

Entry Details:

1. Entries must be written by you, and include your full name and age division.
2. Entries must be in a Word or Google document file with the poem title as the file name.
3. Submit your entry through email to community@woodridgelibrary.org during the application period of April 1 - 15.

Questions? Email us at community@woodridgelibrary.org

Prize Details:

Prizes, including ribbons and gift cards, will be awarded in four age divisions:
Children 6 - 9
Tweens 10 - 12
Teens 13 - 19
Adults 20 and up

Open to everyone (you do not need to have a Woodridge Library card).

Winning entries may be published online and may be featured at the library.

Winners will be acknowledged during the Virtual Poetry Reading Program with Illinois Poet Laureate Angela Jackson on May 10.

Teen Programs

Teen Take & Make Kits

Pick Up at the Circulation Desk
While Supplies Last

Kawaii Eye Mini Notebooks March 7 - 13

Create a mini-notebook with personality! Use our directions to cut and fold your mini-notebook out of a single sheet of paper (5 included sheets). Create cover designs with patterns and Kawaii ("cute") eye drawing tips. You provide your own markers.



Junk Food Paper Squishies April 4 - 10

Once you learn how easy it is to create these squishable crafts you'll want to make more! Pick up a kit with patterns and supplies to make 4 "junk food" paper squishes, including candy bars, crunchy snacks and other treats.



Are you an aspiring writer?

Meet Illinois' Poet Laureate during a live Poetry Reading Zoom program on Tuesday, May 10 at 7 p.m. Register to receive a Zoom link to attend.



Bubble Tea Origami Cup May 9 - 15

You'll be amazed at the 3D cup you'll create with an intricate origami cutout and careful folding and cutting. Pick up a kit with a color printout of a DIY origami bubble tea cup. Kit is actually 3 different projects - straw, dome lid, and bubble cup.

Independent Volunteer Projects

Need volunteer hours for your service club or school? Check out the self-directed volunteer opportunities for teens on our website at woodridgelibrary.org/teenvol



Adult & Teen VIRTUAL Programs

Pre-register to receive a Zoom link to attend online.
Use the Events Calendar at woodridgelibrary.org to register.



Guide to Spring Tree Planting

Tues., March 15, 7 p.m. [Virtual program.](#)
Planting one new tree or several? ISA-certified arborist Debbie Fluegel takes you through the process: assessing your current yard, questions to ask at the nursery, ideal tree species, and conditions. With experience helping communities and homeowners recover from wind events and other disasters as part of the Illinois Urban Forest Strike Team, she will focus on proper planting and care issues for homeowners.



Everything Old Is New Again: Get Ready for the "1950 U.S. Census"

Wed, March 23, 7 p.m. [Virtual program.](#)
The 1950 U.S. Census will be released on April 1, 2022. What new information will you learn about your family history? Genealogist, and past president of the Illinois State Genealogical Society, Laura Kovarik will discuss the Census and look at how you can prepare to dive into these newly released census records to search with confidence.



The Great British Baking Tour

Thurs., April 14, 6:30 p.m. [Virtual program.](#)
Travel consultant & former UK resident Claire Evans shares a delightful culinary tour of the UK, inspired by "The Great British Baking Show." Learn about making a proper cup of tea, regional specialties, their origins, and where in the UK they hail from. She'll translate the trickiest parts of British recipes and useful travel tips.

Recipes will be emailed to attendees.



"Poetry is the language of the heart, brain, body and soul."



Illinois Poet Laureate Angela Jackson

Tues., May 10, 7 p.m. [Virtual program.](#)
You're invited to a night of poetry with Illinois Poet Laureate Angela Jackson, award-winning poet, novelist, and playwright, whose predecessors include Carl Sandburg and Gwendolyn Brooks. Ms. Jackson will share her poetry, talk about her life experiences--born in Greenville, Mississippi, and raised on Chicago's Southside--and give insights to aspiring poets & writers in a live Zoom event. Presented with support from Illinois Humanities Road Scholars Speakers Bureau.

Lunar Eclipse! Skywatching Using Your Eyes

Thurs., May 12, 7 p.m. [Virtual program.](#)
Adler Planetarium's Michelle Nichols brings us an exciting presentation that will focus on celestial observations of the night sky you can do with just your eyes--without a telescope--including moon phases, eclipses, planets, and stars. Michelle's tips will be of interest to skywatchers of all ages and just in time for you to plan to watch the upcoming full lunar eclipse (Sunday, May 15).



Adult & Teen Take & Make Crafts:

Pick Up at the Circulation Desk While Supplies Last



Spring Paper Wreath

March 14 - 20

Craft a lovely 9-inch wreath perfect for your spring decor! Contains scrapbook pages cut to size (various spring patterns and colors), *hello spring* paper badge & twine. Use your own hot glue or scotch tape.



Bird Seed Cake

March 28 - April 3

Pick up a DIY birdseed cake kit and recipe; make several cakes to hang in your yard, perfect for attracting birds. Kit has string and cake ingredients, including gelatin and various seeds.

Use your own muffin tin or cookie cutter to shape.



Yarn Bird

April 11 - 17

You'll be amazed at how easily this sophisticated craft comes together! We'll provide the materials and directions needed to create a lovely spring bird decoration - perfect to perch on a windowsill.



Lavender Sugar Scrub

May 2 - 8

Pick up a DIY sugar scrub kit, recipe, and gift tag to make a lovely homemade spa gift for yourself or someone special. Kit includes sugar, coconut oil, lavender oil, and a plastic jar, along with craft paper and twine.



Adult Programs

See website to register and for current safety protocols.

NEW!

Adult Puzzle Packs

Pick up a new pack each month at the Circulation Desk while supplies last.

Enjoy a variety of delightful puzzles and games! Handpicked puzzles range from easy to challenging and may feature word seeks, trivia sheets, fun facts, coloring, and other unique puzzles in an easy-to-read format. Look for a new theme each month. Stop by the week of March 9 to get our first Puzzle Pack and a special introductory button!



A new puzzle pack edition will be available each month at the Circulation Desk in the Lobby on the dates listed:



March 9 - 15 Spring Edition
April 6 - 12 Golden Girls Edition
May 11 - 17 Food Edition



Spring 2022 Book Discussions

Book discussions are open to the public, please register and join us at the library. Book copies are available at the Circulation Desk one month before the discussion.

March 22, 7 p.m. *The Guncle* by Steven Rowley
April 26, 7 p.m. *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman



Senior Cards & Games

2nd & 4th Fridays, 1 – 3 p.m.

Cards and bunco are our most popular games! Drop in.

Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange

The *Friends of the Library* has a "Puzzle Exchange Shelf" in their daily Book Sale. Stop by the sale & exchange one of your gently used, complete puzzles of 350 pieces or more with a "new to you" puzzle from the shelf. No costs!



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In-Person Computer Classes

Register online, by phone or in person for hands-on computer classes at the library, open to Woodridge Library cardholders ages 12 & up. Call 630-487-2581 or email askus@woodridgelibrary.org for more information. Seats are limited.

Intro to Tinkercad

Thurs., March 3, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

or Sat., April 2, 10 a.m. - Noon

Create a **keychain** or **bag tag** and have it printed at the library as you learn to use Tinkercad. Sign up for a free Tinkercad account at www.tinkercad.com/join **before** the class.

Introduction to Word

Thurs., March 10, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Learn to create, format, save and print a document, as well as to insert pictures.

Intermediate Word

Thurs., March 17, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Requires Experience with Word

Learn to create lists, set tabs, add page numbers, format columns, and use tables.

Introduction to PowerPoint

Thurs., April 7, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Learn to create and run a basic slide show with text and graphics.

Introduction to Excel

Wed., April 20, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Learn to create, edit and format spreadsheets, and create simple formulas.

Intermediate Excel

Wed., April 27, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

or Thurs., May 5, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Requires Experience with Excel

Learn to sort & filter data, use functions (including VLOOKUP), and create a chart.

Excel: Charts

Wed., May 18, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

or Thurs., May 26, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Requires Experience with Excel

Learn to create/format charts & sparklines so that you can visualize data effectively.

Virtual Computer Class

Virtual: Learn with LinkedIn Learning

Thurs., March 24, 7 – 8:30 pm

Woodridge Library cardholders have free access to *LinkedIn Learning* which offers 16,000 online video courses from experts on business, software, wellness, and creative topics. It's a terrific resource for professional development, lifelong learning, or learning about a hobby.

See what LinkedIn Learning can offer you in this live, virtual overview with a library staffer: pre-register to receive a Zoom link to attend.



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From the Director 🥕🥕🥕🥕🥕🥕

There have been many unexpected trends that developed over the past two years, from baking sourdough bread to TikTok dance challenges. One trend we can really get behind is traditional puzzle solving. Whether your preference is Sudoku, a challenging crossword puzzle, or a relaxing word search, we've got you covered. Starting in March, we will be offering **Adult Puzzle Packs**.

Every month will have a new theme: March is **spring**, April is **The Golden Girls** and May is a **food** edition. Packs will have a curated puzzle collection, with crosswords, trivia sheets, coloring, and more. Modeled after our other popular take and makes, just stop by and pick up your free puzzle pack at the circulation desk. Watch for the release dates; each pack is available for a week, while supplies last. 🥕🥕🥕🥕🥕🥕

In April, we will celebrate all things bunny-related. We have a virtual cuddle bunny visit on Saturday, April 9th. Meet adorable and unique bunnies and chat about their care and special qualities when you meet bunnies from the **Cuddle Bunny** therapy community of Chicago. We also have bunny-themed take and makes, and a **Bunny Story Walk** outside the library from April 9th through 16th.



- Pam Dubé



In May, we have some fun and informative programs courtesy of **Adler Planetarium** and **Shedd Aquarium**. We have a virtual Lunar Eclipse program on Thursday, May 12th, presented by the Adler Planetarium. May 31st, Shedd Aquarium will present Live From Behind the Scenes: Turtles at the Shedd, a virtual program. Take advantage of these live programs, along with special presentations from our local experts, that you can watch on Zoom!



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CLOSED: May 30 Memorial Day

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 Please contact us five days before a program if you are in need of accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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OUR VISION
We aspire to foster curiosity and delight.

Now Registering for Spring Programs
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