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Friday, March 20 for Staff Day  
Sunday, April 12 for Easter

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## Wilmette/Kenilworth Chamber and SCORE Roundtable

Thursday, March 12, 7:30 am

This month's roundtable topic is small business prospecting in mid-size to large corporations. Library staff will review resources available to business owners. The event is in partnership with SCORE and the Wilmette/Kenilworth Chamber of Commerce, and is sponsored by Wintrust/North Shore Community Bank. A light breakfast will be served. Registration required.

## English Language Conversation Café

Drop-in, Saturdays, March 14 and April 18, 2:00-3:00, Mondays, March 23 and April 27, 9:30-10:30

Practice speaking English in an informal setting with other English language learners. Susan Zonia leads participants in conversation topics designed to be fun while learning new ways to express yourself in English. Adults only please.



## Intelligent Lives Screening & Discussion

Saturday, March 14, 2:00

Join us for a screening and discussion of *Intelligent Lives*, a documentary by filmmaker Dan Habib following three young adults with intellectual disabilities as they navigate high school, college, and the workforce. The film will be open-captioned.

*All programs are free and open to the public. Some programs may require registration; registration may be completed in person, by phone, or online, unless otherwise noted.*

## Casting an Historic Vote: Women's Suffrage in Illinois

Sunday, March 15, 2:00

Historian Jeanne Schulz Angel will explore the hard-fought battle for women's suffrage and the diverse group of activists in Illinois, from attorney Ellen Martin, the first woman to vote in Illinois, to Ida B. Wells, a woman who did not let racism stop her voice.



## The Hidden Life of Trees: What They Feel, How They Communicate

Wednesday, March 18, 7:00

Explore Peter Wohlleben's magical book, *The Hidden Life of Trees*, as we discuss the unknown world of trees, how similar they are to human families, and how they communicate in ways that we can only imagine. Cindy E. Anderson, PhD Candidate, faculty member at the School of Architecture and Urban Planning at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and Master Gardener Volunteer from the Chicago Botanic Garden will be present to lead the book discussion.



## Accessible and Affordable Public Transportation

Wednesday, March 18, 1:00

Learn to use accessible Metra, Pace and CTA buses and trains from the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA). Stay informed about accessible and reduced rate or free public transportation options for older adults and people with disabilities.







## International Film Screening

Thursdays 9:30

March 19: *Leviathan*, Russia

April 16: *Under the Same Moon*, Mexico

## Death Café

Sunday, March 22, 2:00

Share your thoughts, and fears about death in a relaxed setting over a cup of coffee or tea. The goal is to increase awareness of death with a view to helping people make the most of their lives. Led by a Death Café facilitator. Registration required.



## Introduction to Genealogy

Monday, March 30, 7:00

Genealogist Dan Hubbard looks at some of the basics of how to think about genealogy and develop a healthy skepticism; including the basic records, where to find them, keeping track of them, and more.

## Intro to Magic for Adults with Magician Trent James

Tuesday, March 31, 7:00

Learn close-held tricks from a professional magician in this hands-on workshop. Space may be limited. Please arrive early to ensure your spot.

## How To Talk Across the Political Divide

Saturday, April 25, 2:00-4:30

Finding it difficult to have respectful conversations across the divide? This workshop, presented by Better Angels, will help you learn to clarify differences, identify common ground, and affirm the importance of the relationship. Learn more about Better Angels at [better-angels.org](http://better-angels.org). Registration required.

## Making Sense of the Census

### What is the Census?

The Census is a count of every person living in the United States, taken every 10 years. It is a requirement of the Constitution.

### Who gets counted?

Everyone! The goal of the Census is to get an accurate count of who lives in America, including children, immigrants, and those with unstable housing. The Census form is offered in 18 languages.

### How is the information used?

The information from the Census is used to apportion representation in the US House of Representatives, and the distribution of more than \$675 billion in federal funding. When residents don't respond to the Census, the population may be under-counted, and your area may lose valuable federal funding and representation.

### How do I get counted?

For the first time, you will be able to respond to the Census online. Beginning in March, households will receive a mailed invitation to complete the Census online. Households may also respond by calling a telephone number provided in the mailing. An opportunity for a written response will also be available.

At the library, we will be providing assistance with filling out the online forms in partnership with the League of Women Voters of Wilmette. Community members are invited to stop by the library for assistance with logging into the Census site and filling out the form. The dates for Census assistance are:

- Wednesday, April 1, 1-4pm
- Tuesday, April 7, 10am-1pm
- Thursday, April 16, 6-8pm
- Saturday, April 25, 10am-1pm





## Speaking of Books

### American Dirt in Conversation

Earlier this year, we announced *American Dirt* by Jeanine Cummins as our 2020 One Book, Everybody Reads selection. While debuting at #1 on the *New York Times* best-seller list and also being selected by Oprah's Book Club, the novel has since drawn criticism from the Latinx community and has raised concerns about representation and equity in the publishing industry. The book's publisher responded by cancelling the author's tour, on which our One Book event was a planned stop in May. After much discussion, we decided that without our signature culminating author event we would not go forward with our regular One Book programming this spring.

We know that many of our patrons have read or are planning to read *American Dirt*. We recognize that this work of fiction and the conversations people are having about it are timely and complex. To offer a place for our community to have meaningful conversations, we will continue to facilitate book discussions about this title and present the following events to provide additional context to the story.



### American Dirt Book Discussions

Led by an Adult Services librarian.

Tuesday, April 21, 7:00

Sunday, April 26, 2:00

### Migration from Mexico to the United States: A Literary History of the U.S.

Thursday, April 23, 7:00

Northwestern University Professor of English John Alba Cutler surveys the literature depicting migration from Mexico to the United States. Examining such works as Sandra Cisneros's *Caramelo* and Oscar Casares's *Where We Come From*, Professor Cutler will show how the genre of the migration story has evolved, and how conditions related to border security, transnational drug violence and the Own Voices movement are driving migration stories in new directions.

### All Come to Look for America: Immigrant Stories

Tuesday, April 28, 7:00

Mexican immigrant Monzerrath Gaytán, Guinean immigrant Mamadou Camara, and Syrian immigrant Heba Kalaji describe their trying migrations and relocations to the United States. Moderated by Jack Doppelt, Northwestern University professor of journalism.

### Classics and Contemporary

*The Good Soldier* by Ford Madox Ford  
Tuesday, March 10, 10:30

*American Dirt* by Jeanine Cummins  
Tuesday, April 14, 10:30

### Mather Readers

This book group meets on the first Wednesday of the month at Mather Place of Wilmette, 2801 Old Glenview Road, Wilmette.

*There There* by Tommy Orange  
Wednesday, March 4, 7:30

*The Library Book* by Susan Orlean  
Wednesday, April 1, 7:30

### The D-Word Book Club

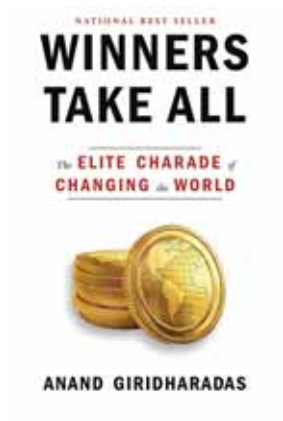
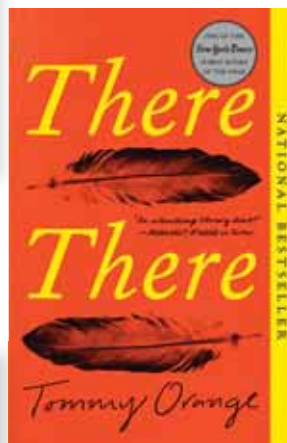
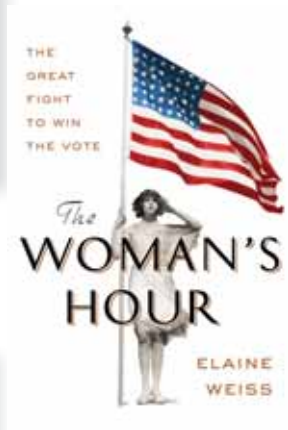
Join us for a book club where we'll discuss death, dying, mortality, and grief through the exploration of both fiction and non-fiction titles.

*Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers* by Mary Roach  
Wednesday, April 15, 7:00

### LWV of Wilmette and WPL Book Group

*The Woman's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote* by Elaine Weiss  
Wednesday, March 25, 11:00

*Winners Take All: The Elite Charade of Changing the World* by Anand Giridharadas  
Wednesday, April 22, 11:00



## Concerts at the Library

### Soprano Kirsten Leslie and Baritone Aaron Wardell in Concert

Sunday, March 8, 2:00

Enjoy a concert of classical pieces and show tunes. Kirsten Leslie has performed nationally and internationally as both singer and actress, including New York City's Carnegie Hall. Baritone Aaron Wardell is in demand as a performer of opera, oratorio and concerts in the Midwest and beyond. He regularly appears with Chicago-based groups including Chamber Opera Chicago, Chicago Fringe Opera and Haymarket Opera.

### Banna Irish Duo in Concert

Friday, March 13, 7:00

Celebrate Saint Patrick's Day with the Banna Irish Duo. Named for one of the most beautiful beaches in Ireland, the duo has been together since 2001 blending vocals, guitar and keyboard.

### Katherine Andrick Trio

Friday, April 17, 7:00

Enjoy an evening of jazz with violinist Katherine Andrick and her trio. Katherine has performed internationally in a variety of ensembles encompassing numerous genres including jazz, country, zydeco, blues, rock, classical and fusion. Katherine has performed with Michael Bubl , Brad Paisley, rock group Disturbed, and is currently performing with the Chicago-based Matt Jones Orchestra.







# Digital Universe

All workshops require registration. Call 847-256-5025 or register on the online calendar.

## E-Books

*Wednesday, March 4 or April 8, 3:00*

Learn to download E-books, audio books, magazines and more with your library card.

## Excel 2016: Intermediate

*Wednesday, March 11, 7:00*

Learn to create conditional formatting rule. Basic knowledge in functions and formulas is required.

## Computer Fundamentals for Seniors

*Monday, March 16, 2:00*

Learn basic computer skills and how to use a web browser.

## Podcasts 101

*Tuesday, March 17, 7:00*

Learn how to navigate and enjoy podcasts on different platforms. Smartphone required.

## Mobile Payment Apps

*Wednesday, March 18, 3:00*

Learn basics of digital wallet apps including Venmo, Google Pay and Apple Pay. Bring your own device.

## One-on-One Tech Help

*Wednesday, March 18, 7:00- 8:15*

Register online for a personalized 15-minute session. Then the instructor will call you to set up a specific time slot. Please note that we don't do repairs.

## Google Applications

*Tuesday, March 31, 7:00*

Learn about various Google Applications and how to navigate them.

## Cloud Storage 101

*Tuesday, April 14, 7:00*

Learn about various cloud storage options with a focus on Google Drive.

## Wilmette Library App

*Wednesday, April 15, 3:00*

Learn about the library's mobile app to search and manage your account. Bring your own device.

## Word 2016: Essentials

*Monday, April 20, 2:00*

Create and manage documents in Microsoft Word. Beginner level.

## Google Applications

*Wednesday, April 22, 7:00*

Learn the various types of Google apps, and how to create documents, share, save, edit and more using Google Drive.

## PowerPoint 2016: Essentials

*Tuesday, April 28, 7:00*

Learn to develop a Powerpoint presentation. This class will identify the basic features and functions of PowerPoint.

## Excel 2016: Intermediate

*Wednesday, April 29, 7:00*

Learn logical function and nested statements. Basic knowledge in functions and formulas is required.



# MONEY SMART WEEK

APRIL 4-11, 2020



## Wills, Trusts and Estate Planning Basics

*Saturday, April 4, 10:00*

Learn about wills, trusts, powers of attorney, probate and guardianship from attorney Jacob K. Ehrensaft. Take the first steps to create or update a plan that is appropriate for you.

## Politics and Portfolios

*Wednesday, April 8, 7:00*

With the 2020 elections soon upon us, learn how the politics may impact your investment portfolio. Ed Gjertsen II, CFP® will discuss the upcoming elections and those of the past to gain insights on what may lay ahead for investors.

## Check I-Cash for Illinois Unclaimed Property

*Monday, April 6, 2:00-5:00*

Check I-Cash, the state fund for lost and abandoned assets, to find out if you have any missing money or assets. Typically, one in four people who use the I-Cash service will find lost assets for themselves or their relatives.

## What Are Your Coins Worth?

*Thursday, April 9, 10:30*

Learn about coin collecting and their values from Dave Ekstrom, a lifelong coin collector and member of the American Numismatic Association. You will have an opportunity to have up to three coins appraised for free after the presentation.

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## Ongoing Meetings & Events

Please see our online calendar for details about each of these programs.

### Armchair Travels

*Thursdays, 1:00*

### Fiber Arts Group

*Thursdays, 10:00*

### Wilmette Writers Group

*Sundays, 7:00*

Read and critique group members' work and learn useful literary techniques. Facilitated by Julie West Johnson, a former New Trier English teacher.

### Current Events Roundtable

*Mondays, March 2 & 16, April 6 & 20, 10:00*

### Drop-in Adult Coloring

*Tuesdays, March 3 & April 7, 2:00-3:30*

Discover the therapeutic benefits of coloring at this drop-in adult coloring program. Coloring supplies provided; feel free to bring your own.

### Veterans' Roundtables

*Wednesdays, March 18 and April 15, 10:00*

### Career Counseling Appointments

Meet one on one with a career counselor at the library. Call 847.256.6930 to make a 30-minute session. Counseling provided by human resources professional Linda Saltzman.

### Small Business One-on-One Counseling

Schedule a free, one-hour session with a SCORE mentor. Go to [wilmettelibrary.info/score](http://wilmettelibrary.info/score) to sign up.

### Support Groups

#### ADHD Group

*Wednesday, March 4 and April 1, 7:00*

#### Dementia Caregivers Support Group

*Mondays, March 9 and April 13, 6:45*

*The Type 1 Diabetes Support Group is on hiatus.*

# Teen Talk



Teen programs are open to teens ages 13-18 and meet in the Teen Room unless otherwise noted.

## Teen Board Meetings

*Monday, March 9, 6:30–7:00*

Come to TAB. Eat pizza. Hang out. Plan events. Serve others. Pizza will be served at 6:30pm. These programs meet before the Teen Only programs starting at 7pm.

## Teen Only: Game ON

*Monday, March 9, 7:00–8:00*

Get together and play our ever-expanding selection of board games, card games, and Nintendo Switch games. You can also use this time to suggest new games for purchase!

## Special Teen Board Meeting: 3D Printer Design

*Monday, April 20, 6:30–8:00, Youth Program Room*

This is your chance to pilot our new 3D printer! Be among the first to learn Tinkercad and design your creation to be 3D printed. Participants will pick up their projects at a later date. Registration opens on April 6.

## Gaming at the Library

### Super Smash Bros. Tournament

*Fridays, March 13 and April 3, 4:00-5:00  
(Practice starts at 3:30)*

Do you have the skills to impress your friends in Super Smash Bros. Ultimate? Slots are first-come, first-served to compete; watchers welcome too. Tournament is casual; beginners and experienced players welcome.

### Dungeons & Dragons: Friday League

*Fridays, March 27 and April 24, 5:00 – 8:00,  
Grades 7-12, Auditorium*

Join your friends in an adventuring party and delve into dungeons, confront monsters, find treasure, and tell a great story. You'll be matched up with a DM and other players at the program. Registration is required; visit our online events calendar to sign up. Registration opens two weeks before the program date. Visit [wilmettelibrary.info/dnd](http://wilmettelibrary.info/dnd) for more information and to join our mailing list.



# Maker Programs

## Maker Lab

*Thursdays, March 12 & April 23, 6:00–8:00, and  
Saturdays, March 28 & April 11, 2:00–4:00,  
Youth Program Room, All ages*

Drop by this pop-up Maker space to use our vinyl cutter, 3D printer, and jewelry making tools. Make stickers, key chains, pet tags, or wacky inventions of your own devising. We will have supplies for self-directed introductory projects, but you are also welcome to bring your own materials and projects.

## Maker After Dark: Botanical Print

*Wednesday, March 18, 7:00–8:00,  
Youth Program Room*

Look forward to spring and create a beautiful botanical print on fabric or paper for your home with a technique called flower pounding (yes, this will involve hammers). This program is open to those 18 and over. Registration opens March 4.





# Youth Services

All events are in the Youth Program Room unless otherwise noted. Programs marked with an **R** require registration by phone, in person, or via our online calendar. Sign-up begins on the date following the program description.

## Bookmark Contest

Design a bookmark for the Library! Entries will be accepted from March 1 to 31. We will have winners in three categories: grades K-1, grades 2-4, and grades 5-8. Complete rules and entry forms will be at the Youth Services Desk and on the Library's website beginning March 1. Winning bookmarks will be available starting April 19 in honor of National Library Week. Sponsored by the Friends of the Wilmette Library.

## Let's Play! Cardboard Fort Building

*Saturday, April 4, 11:00–4:00, Northfield Park District gym, For the whole family*

Drop in and join The Alliance for Early Childhood and community partners Glencoe and Winnetka-Northfield public libraries to think outside of the box and get creative at this cardboard fort building experience. This event will take place at 401 Wagner Road in Northfield.

## Spring Break Events

### Knuckleball Comedy Improv Show

*Saturday, March 21, 11:00–11:45 and 1:30–2:15, Auditorium, For the whole family*

Join the experienced comedians of Knuckleball Comedy for a hilarious improv performance that will involve the whole audience. Free tickets will be available in the Youth Services Department the morning of the program on a first-come, first-served basis. Limit 8 tickets per family.

*Sensory-Friendly Performance: 12:30–1:00 R 3/7*

### Paint to the Rhythm

*Tuesday, March 24, Auditorium*

Join art teacher Christine Thornton for this relaxing art program and get into the creative groove of abstract painting. Christine will teach techniques for painting to the rhythm of music, like Kandinsky did, using watercolor pencils. No art experience required! You'll leave with a small finished painting. **R 3/10**

*1:00–2:30: Grades 2-4*

*3:30–5:00: Grades 5-8*

### Design for 3D Printing

*Monday, March 23, 2:00–3:00, Grades 5–8*

Learn the basics of Tinkercad as you design a simple creation that the library will 3D print for you. Participants will pick up their projects at a later date.

**R 3/9**



### Family Movie: *Fantastic Mr. Fox*

*Wednesday, March 25, 3:00–4:30, Auditorium, For the whole family*

A wily fox uses his formidable cunning to outsmart three feeble-minded farmers, who resort to extreme tactics to protect their chickens. Based on the beloved book by Roald Dahl. Rated PG.

### Project Linus

*Friday, March 27, 2:00–3:00, Auditorium, Grades 3–8*

Create warm, fuzzy blankets for Project Linus, which distributes handmade blankets to children who are sick or in need of comfort. No sewing skills required! **R 3/13**

### Felt Flower Canvas Banners

Monday, March 2, 4:00–4:45, Grades 4–6

Create felt flower banners for canvas banners to celebrate spring! **R 2/17**

### Fairy Tale Fest

Tuesday, March 3, 4:00–5:00, For the whole family, Community Recreation Center, 3000 Glenview Rd., Wilmette

Join the Wilmette Public Library and the Wilmette Park District in celebrating ScreenBreak Week with fun and games related to fairy tales from around the world.

### Lego Club

Wednesdays, March 4 and April 1, 4:00–4:50, Ages 4–9

Your imagination is the limit as you build alone or with a friend at this monthly club. **R 2/19, 3/18**

### STEAM Lab: Tissue Paper Painting

Thursdays, 4:00–4:45

Create wall art that looks like a watercolor painting by bleeding tissue paper.

March 12: Grades 3-5 **R 2/27**

April 9: Grades K-2 **R 3/26**

### K-9 Reading Buddies of the North Shore

Wednesdays, March 11 and April 1, 6:00–7:00, Grades 1-5

Sign up for a 15-minute slot to read some of your favorite stories to a trained therapy dog. K-9 Reading Buddies of the North Shore is a Therapy Dogs International Children Reading to Dogs Program. Wilmette and Kenilworth residents only. Register in person or call 847-256-6945 beginning February 26.



### Kids' Library Council

Mondays, 7:00–8:00, Grades 5–8

Help plan library spaces and programs for kids in grades 5-8. Snacks will be served.

March 16: Design for 3D Printing

Be among the library's first to learn the basics of Tinkercad and design a creation to be 3D printed. Projects will be picked up at a later date. **R 3/2**

April 13: Repurposed Book Art

Poetry? Sculptures? Jewelry? See what you can make with discarded library books! **R 3/30**

### Parent-Child Book Club for 2nd & 3rd Graders

Thursdays, 7:00–7:45, Grade 2 or 3 with an adult

Enjoy snacks, activities, and discussion. After you sign up, stop by the Youth Services Desk to get a copy of the book to keep.

March 19: *The Show Must Go On!* by Kate Klise (Three-Ring Rascals #1) **R 2/27**

April 30: *The Wrigley Riddle* by David A. Kelly (Ballpark Mysteries #6) **R 4/9**



### Growing Neighbors

Fridays, March 27 and April 24, 4:00–5:00, For the whole family

Join us for a television visit to Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood followed by a discussion and service project or activity inspired by what we saw there.

### Mandarin-English Bilingual Storytime

Saturdays, March 28 and April 25, 10:30–11:00, For the whole family

Join us for stories, songs, and fun in Mandarin and English.

### Knuckleball Comedy Improv Workshop

Friday, April 10, Auditorium

Grades K–4: 2:00–3:00

Grades 5–8: 3:15–4:15

With direction and coaching from an experienced comedian, kids will learn the basics of improvisation taught the Knuckleball Comedy way—with style, confidence, and energy. **R 3/27**

**St. Patrick's Day Storytime**

*Saturday, March 14, 10:30–11:00, Ages 3+*

Celebrate the luck o' the Irish with stories and activities about leprechauns, pots of gold, and the color green.

**Pickles and Pizza Storytime**

*Monday, March 23, 4:00–4:45, Ages 4–7*

What goes together like pickles and pizza? Stories and a craft! Big kids only, please.

**Pajama Storytime**

*Wednesday, March 25, 6:30–7:00, Ages 3+*

Come in your PJs and bring your favorite blankie or lovie for bedtime stories, songs, and a craft.

**Wiggleworms Party at the Library!**

*Tuesday, March 17, Monday, March 23, and Wednesday, March 25, 10:30–11:00, Auditorium, For the whole family*

During the storytime break, bring your little ones to the Library for music and dancing with special guests from the Old Town School of Folk Music!



**Weekly Early Childhood Programs**

Read, sing, and play with your librarians. Registration is not necessary. For the enjoyment of all families, only children in the recommended age range may attend. All children 3 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

**Spring Session Dates: March 30–May 22 (Winter Session runs through March 13)**

**Babytime (Ages 0-24 months)** *Thursdays, 9:15*

A bonding experience for caregivers and babies. Songs, rhymes, tickles, and bounces, followed by a 15-minute playtime.

**Rhymetime (Ages 18 months+)** *Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 9:30 and 10:30*

Fast-paced stories, rhymes, and songs for active children who require caregiver assistance to participate.

**Preschool Storytime (Ages 3+)** *Tuesdays, 9:30 and Thursdays, 10:30*

Stories, songs, and fun for children who can sit through a longer story and take direction in a group setting. Siblings welcome with adult supervision.

**Big Kid Storytime (Ages 4-7)** *Tuesdays, 4:00*

Stories, songs, and dramatic play for bigger kids only.

**All Ages Programs**

**Drop-In Chess**

*Sundays, March 8 and April 5 & 26, 4:30–6:00, All ages*

Kids, teens, and adults, drop by to compete and learn with our expert volunteers. All levels of players are welcome.

**WPL Chess Tournament**

*Sunday, March 22, 4:00–6:00, Auditorium, All Ages*

Our Drop-In Chess attendees have formed a Library team and will compete with a neighboring library team in our first tournament! Sign up at one of our Drop-In Chess programs.

**Sing Together**

*Saturday, April 11, 10:30–11:00, All ages*

Share folk music in a casual setting. Bring an instrument if you like, or have fun with our shakers, tambourines, and scarves.

**Imagination Playground**

Come build and play with our big blue blocks!

Block play is great for developing STEM skills and creativity, but most of all, it's fun! For children of all ages. Check our online calendar for dates and times.







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### Library Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-9pm  
Saturday 9am-5pm  
Sunday 1pm-9pm

### Upcoming Closings

Friday, March 20  
Sunday, April 12

### Book Drop-off Sites

- Library parking lot
- Community Recreation Center
- Plaza del Lago
- Linden CTA Station

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## We've Been Named a Five Star Library!

Thanks to **your** visits, checkouts, wifi, and computer sessions, we've been awarded five stars in *Library Journal's* annual Star Library listing. This is our first year receiving five stars in the annual statistical analysis, which places us in the top 10 libraries in our budget category nationwide!



Learn more about the rankings at [wilmettelibrary.info/starlibrary](http://wilmettelibrary.info/starlibrary)

## Bon Voyage!

This February, we bid a fond farewell to two longtime staff members who are headed into retirement. Betty Giorgi served as an Adult Services librarian for 25 years, with the last 15 as the head of the department. Barbara Griffiths worked in Administration as our Business Manager since 2010. They were both integral members of the library team, and will be missed. We congratulate them on the next chapter in their stories!



### Books Down Under Bookstore

Monday: 11am-5pm  
Tuesday: 9am-5pm, 7pm-8:45pm  
Wednesday: 11am-5pm  
Thursday: 9am-5pm, 7pm-8:45pm  
Friday: 11am-5pm  
Saturday: 9am-5pm

Books Down Under is Wilmette's only bookstore. The huge selection of used books has something for everyone, from recent bestsellers to coffee table books to beach reads. All proceeds go to supporting library programming. Stop by and check it out!

