The MakerSpace: Your Place to Create

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As a part of this generous and cooperative community, the Library looks to develop and nurture relationships with a wide variety of community organizations. One of our strongest partners is the Friends of the Deerfield Public Library. In the past 12 years, they’ve raised over $125,000 to supplement library programs and services. Most recently, they donated $25,000 for the laser engraver in the Library’s new MakerSpace. Following are just a few more examples of our many treasured partnerships.

The Library has had a long-standing partnership with DPS 109. Our School Outreach Coordinator has cultivated relationships with school librarians, teachers, administrators, and students. With Jewett Park in our backyard, we have worked with the Park District staff on a variety of projects.

In fact, at Jewett, there’s a bookshelf by the reception desk stocked with books selected by our Youth Services staff. We have worked with graphic design students at Deerfield High School to design our annual Summer Reading Program logo. This is the sixth year of our partnership. The logos fit our annual theme, and are used both digitally and in print. We are thrilled to have the opportunity to work with so many talented students.

Every spring, we have a food drive to help the West Deerfield Township Food Pantry stock their shelves. Annually, from September through the end of the year, we collect winter coats for Lake County veterans and Rotary, and also take donations for the Toys for Tots program.

Public libraries serve their communities in so many different ways. Nurturing our partnerships is one of them.

Amy Falasz-Peterson, Library Director

Create. Innovate. Collaborate.

In the mood for a little technology tinkering?

Ready to take your craft ideas from inspiration to creation?

Opportunities abound at your community’s newest creative place: the Deerfield Public Library MakerSpace!

Waves of people from Deerfield and neighboring communities came to explore the sunny, colorful new MakerSpace at the grand opening at the end of November. Many attendees already had multiple projects in mind, and were back the next day to get started. Here’s what the many visitors have been using, and are available to all inventive and crafty spirits:

- 3D printers
- Laser engraver (generously donated by the Friends of the Deerfield Public Library)
- Sewing machine
- Serger
- Embroidery machine
- Vinyl cutter
- Digital Media Lab equipment (for converting older technologies to digital files)
- Large format printer

In addition, the space has a button maker, Dremel rotary tool, soldering iron, voltmeter, and more. Additional STEAM-related equipment includes a virtual reality station and an augmented reality sandbox.

The MakerSpace is generally a self-directed workspace, but when you make an appointment to use MakerSpace equipment a staff member will be on hand to help guide you for the duration of your appointment.

Check the Adult and Youth Programs in this issue for upcoming MakerSpace-centered programs. No experience needed!

The MakerSpace equipment is available during the following hours:

- Monday – Thursday: 10:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.
- Friday: Closed
- Saturday: 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
- Sunday: Closed

The MakerSpace is open to all patrons of the library. Certain pieces of equipment require waivers before use, and patrons under 18 will require a parent or guardian’s signature.

Deerfield Public Library cardholders can reserve equipment ahead of time by using the online form, by phone, or in-person. Equipment and services are available to all patrons on a walk-in basis, subject to availability.

Full details about the MakerSpace equipment and use, and access to the online reservation form are available at deerfieldlibrary.org/makerspace.
Thursday Book Discussions
Copies available at the Adult Services desk a month prior. Drop in.

Warlight by Michael Ondaatje
Thursday, March 12, 10:30am
Decades after World War II, Nathaniel Williams reflects on his experiences in 1945, when his parents left him and his sister in the care of a mysterious neighbor.

That Kind of Mother by Rumaan Alam
Thursday, April 9, 10:30am
Overwhelmed by new motherhood, Rebecca, a white woman, asks a kind black woman, Priscilla, to become her family’s nanny, only to have her perspectives changed about her own life of privilege, a situation that compels her to take on unanticipated challenges in the aftermath of a tragedy.

Washington Black by Esi Edugyan
Thursday, May 14, 10:30am
Unexpectedly chosen to be a family manservant, an 11-year-old Barbados sugar-plantation slave is initiated into a world of technology and dignity before a devastating betrayal propels him throughout the world in search of his true self.

Classic Book Discussions
Copies available at the Adult Services desk a month prior. Drop in.

In Our Time by Ernest Hemingway
Thursday, March 26, 7:00-8:00pm
Hemingway’s first collection of stories established the author as a major force in American literature. We’ll discuss how this early work comments on war, masculinity, and alienation as well as Hemingway’s hugely influential and experimental style.

Waiting for Godot by Samuel Beckett
Wednesday, May 13, 7:00-8:00pm
Vladimir and Estragon are waiting for the arrival of Godot (who famously never shows up) in this existential, classic play that was voted “the most significant English language play of the 20th century.” Our discussion will also consider other short works by Samuel Beckett.

Books With A Twist
Offsite location TBD. Check library website. Copies available at the Adult Services desk a month prior. Drop-in.

The Island of Sea Women by Lisa See
Monday, March 16, 7:30pm
Mi-ja and Young-sook, two girls living on the Korean island of Jeju, are best friends that come from very different backgrounds. When they are old enough, they begin working with their village’s all-female diving collective. Little do the friends know that after surviving hundreds of dives and developing the closest of bonds, outside forces will push their friendship to the breaking point.

Things You Save in a Fire by Katherine Center
Monday, May 18, 7:30pm
When her estranged, ailing mother asks her to move to Boston, firefighter Cassie Hanwell becomes the only woman in her new firehouse, where she faces discrimination, low funding, and her unwanted attraction to a fellow firefighter.

For Film Buffs
No registration required.

Tuesday ‘New Movie’ Night
Tuesdays, March 10, 24, April 7, 21; May 5, 19
TUESDAY FILMS BEGIN AT 6:30pm
On select Tuesdays we preview the hot new release of the week. As we get closer to each date, you can check our website or ask at the Media desk for a listing of upcoming showings.

Thursday Afternoon Movie
Thursday, March 5, April 2, May 14
THURSDAY AFTERNOON FILMS BEGIN AT 2:00pm
We’ll start each film with a brief introduction and then show the movie. Feel free to stay after the film and talk about it more with our Multimedia Librarian.
Make It!

Charcoal Animal Drawings
**Wednesday, March 18, 6:30-8:30pm**
Drawing is both challenging and a pleasure! Learn to draw animals with artist Cheryl Steiger as she emphasizes the construction of animal anatomy using charcoal and pencil. Feel free to bring a picture of a beloved pet or favorite wild animal to work from. *Co-sponsored by the Deerfield Fine Arts Commission.*

Laser Engrave a Family Photo
**Tuesdays, March 24; April 21, Tuesday, May 19 • 6:30-8:30pm**
Explore all that our new MakerSpace has to offer and learn how to create a beautiful family photo on our laser engraver. While you’re waiting for your spin at the machine, design a unique stand for the picture you’ll be creating! *Register for one class, only.*

Wire Weaving: Herringbone Weave
**Thursday, April 30, 6:30-8:30pm**
Susan Barzacchini returns to teach the extraordinarily popular wire weaving class! During this class, we will create a herringbone wire weave around a single bead to attach to a chain or a bracelet. Each person will finish one bead with jump rings and if time allows, we invite you to create another. *Bring reading or magnifying glasses to the class if needed.*

Handmade Journals with Twisted Fiber
**Tuesday, May 12, 6:30-8:30pm**
During this class, we will be using hard cover books, scrapbook and watercolor papers, duct tape, and heavy thread to make a simple journal. With the addition of collage, paint, ink, and stamps, you will turn simple materials into a colorful and one-of-a-kind journal for your art, thoughts, summer travels, and more. *Co-sponsored by the Deerfield Fine Arts Commission.*

A History of Knitting
**Thursday, March 19, 6:30-8:00pm**
From 10th century Egyptian artisans to modern day online forums, knitting has always reflected an important part of the human experience. Knitters and non-knitters alike will enjoy presenter Liz Kristan’s blend of historical images, antiques, and reproductions to tell the story of the ancient craft of hand knitting.

Introduction to Microsoft Office
**Friday, April 3, 3:00-4:30pm**
Get started with the Microsoft Office Suite in this overview class. We’ll take a look at MS Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. You’ll get a basic understanding of what each program does and some of the fun things you can create!

Understanding Cannabis in Illinois
**Wednesday, March 11, 6:30-8:00pm**
Legalized cannabis – what does it mean for you and your community? Get answers to your questions and concerns. Kirsten Velasco, Board Member of Illinois Women in Cannabis and Outreach Manager with The Medical Cannabis Community will cover the history, medical options, safe use, and the new law in Illinois.

Genealogy Drop-in
**Thursdays, March 12; May 14 • 3:00-4:00pm**
Interested in learning more about your family history and not sure where to start? Deep into your ancestry research and hit a snag? Library staff will be available in the lobby to help answer all your research questions!

Job Search Like a Pro!
**Sunday, March 15, 1:30-4:30pm**
Erica Reckamp from TopResume, Monster.com and ZipJob will discuss current research and trends in resumes, LinkedIn profiles and job search letters. Learn how to avoid screen-out factors, present your work history in the best light and stand out from the competition when submitting to a hiring executive or online. Participants receive a complimentary review of letters covered in this program following the event.

Please register in advance at the Library, by phone at 847-945-3311 or at deerfieldlibrary.org. *Registration opens Wednesday, February 19.*
Adult Programs

Advocacy and Fraud Protection for Seniors
Monday, April 20, 2:00-3:00pm
Ryan Aderman, Community Outreach Liaison for the Illinois Attorney General’s Office will discuss identity theft and scams to be aware of, such as schemes involving imposters, phone calls, home repair, charity, and health care. Learn who to call if you are affected by a scam and the steps required to file a complaint.

Earth Day! George Fell: Founder of the Nature Conservancy
Wednesday, April 22, 6:30-8:00pm
Celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day by learning about George Fell, founder of The Nature Conservancy and the Illinois Nature Preserves system. Our presenter, author Arthur Melville Pearson, has written extensively about efforts to protect our natural lands and the birds and other creatures that depend on them for their survival. Patrons will be given a small sapling to plant and nurture at home.

PLACE Program: Movie Night
The Greatest Showman
Thursday, April 23, 6:30-8:30pm
PLACE (Public Library Access and Community for Everyone) programs welcome adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities as well as their parents and caregivers. Join us for an evening of music and fun with a sensory-friendly viewing and discussion of the 2017 smash hit, The Greatest Showman. Come enjoy this infectious movie-musical for the first time, or as a repeat viewing. Prepare to sing and dance along to all the hits! Light refreshments will be served. Parents and caregivers encouraged to attend.

Cook It!
Modern Jewish Cooking: Passover
Monday, March 9, 7:00-8:00pm
Dylan Maysick, of Chicago’s popular Diaspora Dinners, returns to share his modern twists on traditional Passover cooking. The presentation will include stories and recipes (and samples!) from years of kitchen experiments and research.

Summer “Entertaining” Appetizers with Chef Maddox
Thursday, May 7, 6:30-8:30pm
Enjoy an evening of learning as well as sampling some great “starters” for your Summer gatherings. Chef Susan Maddox will demonstrate some exciting new recipes which will liven up your guest’s taste buds. This presentation will cover a range of flavors, textures, and tastes to get you ready whether you are hosting or bringing completed items to a party.

Troublemakers: Chicago Freedom Struggles Through the Lens of Art Shay
Live Podcast and Book Signing
Saturday, April 25, 2:00-3:30pm
Join us for a live podcast recording as author Erik Gellman returns to discuss his new book Troublemakers: Chicago Freedom Struggles Through the Lens of Art Shay, which demonstrates how racial and economic inequality gave rise to a decades-long struggle for justice in the Chicago area, including Deerfield.

More information on Deerfield photographer Art Shay and the Fight to Integrate Deerfield can be found at deerfieldlibrary.org/FID. Listen and find out more about the popular Deerfield Public Library Podcast at deerfieldlibrary.org/podcast.
Adult Programs

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**Secret Chicago: The Weird, Wonderful and Obscure**
*Wednesday, May 6, 6:30-8:00pm*
Author Jessica Mlinaric details 90 unique and unusual places around Chicago, like a grave in a junkyard and a pool under the Loop. Jessica’s work covering culture and travel has appeared in Condé Nast Traveller, GQ, The Architect’s Newspaper, Chicago Magazine, Chicagoist.

**Lunch and Learn! Bring your lunch; desserts and coffee are on us!**

**Lunch and Learn: Fleetwood Mac -The Chain… Broken**
*Tuesday, April 7, 12:00-1:30pm*
This modest blues band launched in the mid-60s achieved monumental success in the mid-70s and still makes headlines today. Using interview and performance video, music historian Gary Wenstrup will trace the band’s career with a focus on their blockbuster album *Rumours* and the band’s classic line up of Stevie Nicks, Lindsay Buckingham, Christine McVie, John McVie and Mick Fleetwood. Fleetwood Mac is a soap opera set to music.

**Lunch and Learn: Mind Games**
*Wednesday, May 13, 12:00-1:30pm*
In this engaging program, William Pack demonstrates the science of how our brains trick us into seeing and believing things that don’t exist. Experience how optical illusions work, why people fall for scams, and how we make thousands of choices every day that are influenced subconsciously. Attendees will learn proven, scientific, actionable techniques to preserve brain health. *Sponsored by Elevate Care.*

**Fun & Games**

**Paranoia Role-playing Game One-Shot**
*Saturday, March 28, 10:00am-12:00pm*
Step into the dystopian world of Friend Computer and learn more about the role-playing game system of Paranoia. Your new troubleshooter has been assigned to a mission for Friend Computer, but there’s a catch – while you search for traitors, you yourself are a traitor. Fun is mandatory!

**Adult Dungeons & Dragons @ the Library**
*Mondays, March 2, April 6, May 4 • 6:30-8:30pm*
Join us on an adventure through the roleplaying game of Dungeons & Dragons. Bring your own 5th level character or play with one of ours as you explore and learn more about the magical world of Stenhead. No experience required.

**Thinks and Drinks Trivia**
*Wednesday, April 29, 7:30pm @Deerfield Golf Club, 1201 Saunders Rd. • Adults Only*
Think you know it all? Prove it! The Library is hosting its popular trivia night at the Deerfield Golf Club. Play individually or team up in groups of up to 4 people and test your knowledge of random facts. Refreshments will be served and prizes will be awarded to the biggest know-it-alls!
Calling all S.T.A.R. Volunteers!

- Teen volunteers going into grades 7-12 are needed for the Library’s upcoming Summer Reading Program. Volunteers assist with signing participants up for the Reading Program, handing out prizes, and putting together goody bags.
- Interested in being a Big Buddy? Volunteers in our Book Buddies program will be matched with young readers and meet once a week for six weeks to read aloud together, play games, make crafts, and have fun!
- You can be a Summer Reading volunteer or a Big Buddy or both! Pick up an application at Youth Services beginning April 1. Applications must be submitted by Sunday, May 3.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting

Looking for ways to be seen and heard at the Library? As a TAB member you can help Nina, the Teen Librarian, plan programs, create content for our website, and keep the Teen Space awesome! There are plenty of snacks and drinks for all AND any hours you contribute to TAB meetings and programs count as volunteer service in the community.

Upcoming meetings: Wednesdays @ 5:00pm: March 11, April 15, May 13

For more information contact Nina Michael at nmichael@deerfieldlibrary.org

Robotics in the Library!

**Thursday, March 12, 5:30-7:00pm**

Join us for another exciting hands-on experience with Deerfield High School First Tech Challenge Robotics! The First Tech Challenge (FTC) exemplifies the intersection of engineering, math, and science, while exploring the incredible and fun applications of robotics. Come drive the robotics and get hands on experience with the tools and parts we use. Absolutely no prior robotics experience necessary, and be sure to bring your friends to spread the FTC spirit!

Make-it March!

Join us throughout the month of March for a variety of drop-in and registered crafty programs. We’ll test out the MakerSpace, try our hand at different paint techniques, and grab-n-go some projects in the Teen Space. Register for the following programs or just visit the Teen Space anytime in March to get your craft on!

Dot Painting Totes

**Wednesday, March 25, 7:00-8:00pm**

Learn about this fun and creative way to add a splash of color to your tote bag. Use a stencil to guide your design or free hand something of your own. Add paint to your project and go home with an awesome new bag. Bags will be given to participants free of charge, and dress for mess!

Laser Engrave a Water Bottle

**Monday, March 30, 7:00-8:00pm**

Join us in our new Maker Space and learn how to use the laser engraver to design your own water bottle. You can create your own monogram and small design to add to the object. Bottles will be supplied for free.

Money Smart Teens

**Throughout the month of April**

Money Smart Week is April 4-11. Keep an eye out for available resources in the Teen section of our website throughout April, including tips for budgeting as a Teen, saving for college and other expenses, and fun trivia to get your brain in gear.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament

**Thursday, April 2, 5:30-7:30pm**

Grades 6-8

Battle it out with your friends in our rotating Nintendo Switch game tournament. We’ll use our large projector screens to bring the contest up close and personal, and one winner will receive a GameStop gift card.

Pizza and Paperbacks

**Monday, April 20, 7:00-8:00pm**

Join Nina, the Teen Librarian, for a discussion of On a Sunbeam by Tillie Walden. Pizza will be provided, and please register in advance, as free copies of the book will be given to participants to keep.

Grants, Scholarships, and Loans: A College Financial Aid Overview

**Wednesday, April 1, 7:00-8:30pm**

High School Students and/or Parents/Guardians

We welcome back My College Planning Team to answer questions and provide information on college financial aid. Hear about various financial aid options, and also some of the biggest college planning mistakes. Learn about unique techniques to reduce the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) that can save thousands on college costs.

FREE ACT and SAT Practice Tests @ the Library

**ACT Practice Test**

Saturday, March 21, 9:30am-1:00pm

**SAT Practice Test**

Saturday, April 11, 9:30am-1:00pm
All children's activities, except those designated as “drop-in”, require registration. Please register in advance in person, online at deerfieldlibrary.org under “Programs”, or by calling 847-580-8962. Registration for all of the programs listed here begins on **Wednesday, February 19**.

**Family Friendly programs with multi-age appeal and group registration option.**

In addition to specific programs offered for children with special needs, we are also happy to make reasonable accommodations so that your child can participate in all our programs. For more information about programs and services for children with disabilities, please contact Julia Frederick at jfrederick@deerfieldlibrary.org.

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**Drop-In Activities**

**Family Storytime**
*Saturdays at 10:00am*
*March 7-May 30*
*Children with an adult*
Come to the Youth Program Room for a drop-in storytime the whole family will enjoy! **FF**

**Drop-in Storytime**
*Wednesdays at 10:30am or 1:00pm*
*March 11, 18; April 1, 8, 15, 22*
*Children with an adult*
Enjoy stories, songs, and fingerplays in this drop-in storytime for all ages! **FF**

**Drop-in Crafts**
*Monday, March 2 - Sunday, March 8*
*Monday, April 13 – Sunday, April 19*
*Monday, May 4 – Sunday, May 10*
Stop by the Youth Services department to make a fun craft! **FF**

**Friday Fun Times**
*Fridays at 10:30am*
*March 13, 20; April 3, 10, 17, 24*
*Children with an adult*
Join us for an educational and entertaining time at the Library. There’ll be stories, music, and fun! **FF**

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**STORYTIMES**

Registration for all programs listed here begins on **Wednesday, February 19**.

Please register in advance in person, online at deerfieldlibrary.org under “Programs”, or by calling 847-580-8962.

**Baby Lapsit Storytime**
*Mondays OR Thursdays at 11:30am*
*Monday, March 9, 16, 30; April 6, 13, 20*
*Thursday, March 12, 19; April 2, 9, 16, 23*
*Ages 0-12 months with an adult*
It’s never too early to start reading to your baby! Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs for you and baby, plus social time after the program. **R**

**Toddler Time**
*Mondays OR Thursdays at 10:00am OR 10:45am*
*Monday, March 9, 16, 30; April 6, 13, 20*
*Thursday, March 12, 19; April 2, 9, 16, 23*
*Ages 1-2 years with an adult*
One and two-year-olds with their caregivers are invited to a special weekly storytime, including songs and movement activities designed just for them, plus social time after the program. **R**

**Preschool Storytime**
*Tuesdays at 10:30am • March 10, 17, 31; April 7, 14, 21*
*Ages 3-5 years*
Three- to five-year-olds have a program just for them! We’ll listen to stories, sing songs, and have fun while building early literacy skills. **R**

**Drop-in Storytimes**
No registration required!
See above.
Children’s Programs

**Youth Advisory Board**
*Wednesdays, March 4; April 1; May 6*
*4:30-5:30pm, Grades K-5*
Do you have a great idea for a program you’d like to see at the Library? Or a book you’d like to share? Or just a way to make your Library awesome? Join our new Youth Advisory Board to make your voice heard at the Library. Each month we’ll play games, eat snacks, do a project, and share ideas!

**3D Design and Print**
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**Candy Art**
*Monday, March 16, 4:30-5:30pm*
*Grades 3-5*
Satisfy your sweet tooth and learn to make artistic creations using candy. Please notify us in advance about any food allergies or restrictions.

**Stuffed Animal Sleepover**
*Tuesday, March 31, 6:30-7:15pm*
*Ages 4-7 with an adult*
Wear your pajamas and bring a stuffed animal to the Library! We will play games, make a special project and read bedtime books. You’ll head home to bed, but your stuffed animal will spend the night here! NOTE: The stuffed animals will be available after Noon on April 1.

**Spring Break Family Movie**
*Thursday, March 26, 2:00-4:00pm*
*All Ages*
Join us for a showing of Toy Story 4 (G, 1 hr. 40 min), feel free to bring your own snack, and enjoy a movie at the Library!

**Keith Haring:**
*Painting with Symbols*
*Saturday, March 7, 1:00-2:00pm*
*Grades 3-5*
Join art instructor, Christine Thornton, for this fun art history themed program. Learn about artist Keith Haring and how his graffiti style art became famous. Then create your own painting inspired by his art.

**Beginning Cross Stitch**
*Wednesday, March 11, 4:30-5:30pm*
*Grades 3-5*
Learn the basics of cross stitching and create a take-home project.

**LEGO Club**
*Wednesdays, March 18; April 15; May 13*
*4:30-5:30pm, All Ages*
Join us for an hour of building and show off your creativity at LEGO® Club! Build your own design or follow the monthly challenge.

**MinecraftMornings**
*Mondays, March 30; April 20*
*4:30-5:30, Grades 2-5*
We’re going to dig deeper into Minecraft as we work together to build new projects and complete fun challenges.

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Chain Reactions
Monday, April 20, 4:30-5:30pm
Grades 2-4
Learn about energy and work with other kids to build a chain reaction machine.

Jodi Koplin’s Jigglejam
Saturday, April 18, 11:00-11:45am
All Ages
Get ready to wiggle, JIGGLE, and giggle along with Chicago-based children’s music educator and entertainer, Jodi Koplin. Delight in her wide range of musical styles from folk, rock, country to boogie & blues. Her engaging style and catchy original tunes spark imagination and promote self-esteem while silliness abounds.

Little KiDLS: Whoosh!
Saturday, April 25, 11:00-11:45am • Ages 4-6
Birds and balloons and other things that fly! We’ll read about them and explore through crafts, games, and experiments.

KiDLS: Things That Fly
Saturday, April 25, 1:00-2:00pm • Ages 7-10
Whether it’s a bird or a plane or your favorite superhero, we’ll explore the science of flight through crafts and experiments.

Free Comic Book Day
Saturday, May 2, All Day
Join us for a celebration of Free Comic Book Day! FCBD is an annual event when major publishers release special issues of comics that are given away for free at comic book stores and libraries across North America. Visit the Library to join in the celebration of comics and all things pop culture; answer trivia for a chance to win prizes, and pick up a free comic while supplies last!

Read It/Make It:
The Cardboard Kingdom
Monday, May 4, 4:30-5:30pm
Grades 3-5
Join us as we discuss The Cardboard Kingdom by Chad Sell and make cardboard constructions. Free copies of the book will be given to participants.

Homeschool Programs
Note: All programs for ages 7 and up

Homeschool Hangout
Tuesdays, March 17; April 21; May 12
3:00-4:00pm
Enjoy the company of friends while using the Library’s Discovery Kits and board games, and doing other fun activities.

Homeschool @ the Library
Tuesdays, March 3; April 7, 14, 28; May 5, 19, 26
3:00-4:00pm
From the Science Fair in March to global explorations in April to an artistic May, homeschool students will enjoy a wide variety of experiences.

Homeschool Book Club
Tuesday, March 10 • 3:00-4:00pm
Vote for your favorite title off of the Bluestem list!
Let’s get right to the point. Your participation in the 2020 Census is extremely important. The results will impact your life for the next 10 years. Census results determine dozens of major representation and allocation issues. This includes:

- Number of seats in the U.S. House (Illinois is in danger of losing 1-2 seats)
- Federal funds (out of a national total of $675 billion) for:
  - Schools and Libraries
  - School meal programs
  - Roads and Highways
  - Public Transportation
  - Medicaid
  - SNAP and WIC
  - Housing assistance
  - Community services grants

The good news – it will be easier than ever to participate! There will be three ways to submit your Census form:

- Online / computer or mobile app (first time in history)
- Phone
- Paper

Help us get a complete count!

2020 Census

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Your annual membership will enhance the materials and programs at our library so that it will better serve you and your family. I would like to become a member of Friends of the Deerfield Public Library for a year at the following level:

____$15–$29  Good Friend  ____$30–$49  Family Friend  ____$50–$99  Dear Friend
____$100–$249  Best Friend  ____$250–$499  Loyal Friend  ____$500+  Partner

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2) Checks payable to: Friends of the Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Rd. Deerfield, IL 60015

The Friends are a 501(c) (3) nonprofit group. Contributions may be deductible under IRS regulations. Does your company have a matching gift program?
Upcoming Holiday Closings and Late Openings

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FOOD DRIVE
Benefiting the West Deerfield Township Food Pantry
March 1-22

The Food Pantry serves approximately 250 township residents each month who find themselves in need, either on a long-term or temporary basis. Starting March 1, you can drop off donations in the Library’s lobby of non-perishable foodstuffs, household cleaning items, and personal hygiene products, including:

- Canned protein (tuna, chicken, ham)
- Cereal (esp. Cheerios)
- Coffee & Tea
- Granola Bars
- Oatmeal canisters
- Pasta Sauce
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Rice (white, boxed)
- Laundry detergent (small)
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Feminine hygiene products
- Razors & shaving cream
- Deodorant

Please check the expiration date, and donate non-expired foods, only!

Couldn’t Have Done it Without You!

Sunny thanks to GRNE Solar for their illuminating presentation on “Going Solar in Illinois”. Melodious thanks to the inspired musicians of the Deerfield High School Chamber Orchestra for the holiday music concert.