

WINTER 2017-2018

NOVEMBER—JANUARY

FEATURED PROGRAMS



It's almost time for READ TO FEED, Harvard Diggins Library's Winter Reading Program! Local businesses have pledged funds towards the Harvard Food Pantry if our patrons are able to meet our cumulative reading goal. This year, we're striving to read 250,000 minutes all together! Kids, teens, and adults are welcome to sign up and record every minute they read from *January 1st to February 19th* to help us reach the goal. The Food for Fines program will return from *Jan 22nd to Feb 3rd*, which is a great opportunity for anyone to lower their library fines *and* donate nonperishable food to the food pantry. Keep an eye out for more information about this and other fun activities during Read to Feed. Early registration opens on *December 1, 2017* so head over to the library and read for a good cause this winter!



96 YEARS: BEARS VS PACKERS

Sat Nov 11, 3:30pm Ŗ

Brush up on your Bears vs. Packers history the day before the big game! There has never been a better time to look back at the most storied rivalry in NFL history. Jim Rice, author of four Green Bay Packers books, will guide us through the journey from 1921 to 2017 with photos of old football cards, newspapers, and magazines about both franchises. The presentation will highlight the best games and players of each decade, and bring us right up to 2017!

SUPER COUPONING 101 WITH JILL CATALDO

Sat Nov 25, 1pm 🛛 🤶

Spending too much money on groceries? Want to learn a fun, easy way to save money and shop smarter? With Super-Couponing®, you'll learn how to maximize your grocery savings and purchase hundreds of dollars worth of groceries for pennies! Nationally recognized coupon expert Jill Cataldo will teach you the couponing secrets of the pros, which stores will let you stack store and manufacturer coupons, and how to track sales and discounts online. Jill is the founder of Super-Couponing® workshops and author of the nationally-syndicated newspaper column and video series "Super-Couponing Tips" enjoyed by over 20 million people each week. She has shared her coupon expertise with Inside Edition, Fox News, TIME Magazine, ABC World News, PBS, and more, and now she'll be at our very own Harvard Diggins Library to conduct her famous Super-Couponing Workshop!



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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Welcome to the winter edition of the library's Program and Event Guide. This edition is packed with programs galore, so browse at your leisure and find one or two of interest. Be sure to call us or stop by to register, as many programs fill up fast.

Last April, voters in Harvard had two referendum questions on the ballot pertaining to the parks and library. Passage of one of the questions would have resulted in additional funds for the library. However, that question did not pass. After discussion and review of the library's needs, the City Council approved placing the question on the ballot again in March 20, 2018.

Despite being 16 years old, the library still looks good. However, large and small maintenance projects hover on the horizon, including roughly \$500,000 to replace the roof, carpeting, painting, and parking lot. This is only a portion of the expenses that we'll face as the building continues to age.

In 2019, the construction bond issued to build the library will be paid off. The \$150,000 per year that is currently levied for the bond could be allocated to the library's general fund and used to pay for the needed maintenance. This reallocation would not result in a tax increase for Harvard residents. Rather, it would shift the distribution of funds already earmarked for the library.

The question that will be on the ballot in March 20, 2018 will be worded as follows:

"Shall the extension limitation under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for the City of Harvard, McHenry County, Illinois, be increased from the lesser of 5% or the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index over the prior levy year to 14% per year for 2018?"

The wording of the question is determined by state statute and asks voters to approve an increase in the property tax rate equivalent to the expiring bond levy. If voters approve the referendum question, the current tax rate will rise by the amount of the expiring bond levy at the same time that the bonds expire, resulting in a net zero increase in property taxes. The owner of a home valued at \$100,000 currently pays about \$50 per year toward the library construction bond. Passage of the referendum would shift that money to the library's general levy to help fund future maintenance projects.

Our community is blessed to have a beautiful library. The referendum will be an opportunity for the community to consider the value and future of the library.

-*Karen Sutera*, Library Director

ALL AGES PROGRAMS



CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

WILDLIFE OF MCHENRY COUNTY

Thurs Nov 9, 6pm

Get an up close look at animal skulls, furs, and feathers and learn all about amazing wild animals that call McHenry County home. A LIVE animal will visit the library! Presented by the McHenry County Conservation District. All ages.



TURKEY BINGO

Sat Nov 11, 1:30pm R

It's back! Everyone loves bingo, especially when prizes are involved. And when those prizes are parts of Thanksgiving dinner? Even better! Register today to participate in the library's annual Turkey bingo. All ages welcome, but register soon—seats are limited!

HARVARD HIGH SCHOOL MADRIGALS

Mon Dec 4, 6pm

Join us as the very talented Harvard High School madrigal group fills the library with the sounds of the season. Walk-ins welcome. Seating is limited.



WINTER WONDERLAND MARIONETTE SHOW

Sat Dec 9, 1pm 🛛 🤶

Frosty the Snowman and his North Pole friends are coming to town, so spread some holiday cheer! Kids of all ages will enjoy Frosty's Winter Wonderland presented by Dave Herzog's Marionettes. Great fun for the whole family.



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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

KID'S CRAFTERNOON!

Wed Nov 8, 1:30pm-5pm

Whoooo loves to craft? If you do, then this is for you! We'll turn a pine cone into a friendly owl with pipe cleaners and felt. For kids in preschool through 5th grade with an adult helper.

Wed Dec 13, 1:30pm-5pm

Join us to make some cute ornaments for your Christmas tree. For kids in preschool through 5th grade with an adult helper. Registration is mandatory due to limited supplies.

Mon Jan 15, 1:30pm-5pm

Turn an empty mint tin into a fun game to play on the go. For kids in preschool through 5th grade. Registration is mandatory due to limited supplies.

ROCKIN' READERS FOR K-3RD GRADE

Mondays at 10am, beginning Jan 8 \mathbb{R}

This special eight-week program for homeschooled students in Kindergarten through 3rd grade will feature books on the 2018 Monarch Award list. Participants will read all 20 of the titles and participate in activities to enhance their reading. At the conclusion of the program, young readers will vote on their favorite book as part of the award program. The Monarch Award is an annual program sponsored by the Illinois School Library Media Association. For more information, contact Mrs. Karen.

MOVIES @ YOUR LIBRARY!

Doors open 15 minutes before movie start time. Participants are welcome to bring food/snacks and drinks with a lid. All ages.







ALTOIDS



BUILD IT! CLUB

Wed Nov 29 & Jan 24, 6pm 🛛 🤶

Spend an evening building cool stuff with Legos, K'Nex, and more! For kids in preschool through 5th grade.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Tuesdays at 10am R

Stories, songs, and crafts with Mrs. Karen and Ms. Anna for children ages 3-5 and their caregivers. No Storytime on Nov 7, Dec 26, or Jan 2.



FAMILY READING NIGHT: HARVARD HEROES STORYTIME

Mon Nov 13, 6pm 🛛 🥂

Celebrate Family Reading Night at the library with our very special guests. "Heroes" of Harvard including Mayor Kelly, Officer Lara, Firefighter Kara Bough, and Land Conservancy Executive Director Lisa Haderlein will take turns reading stories aloud (all guests are tentative). We'll conclude the evening with a special activity. All ages.

NEW YEAR BANNER TAKE-HOME CRAFT

Wed Dec 2 - Sat Dec 30

Get ready for a Happy New Year by creating a banner to decorate your house. All supplies provided in a handy bag to take home. You supply the glue! Limited quantities available. Stop by the library to pick up your banner kit.



TEEN PROGRAMS

HALF DAY HANG OUT

Wed Nov 8 & Dec 13, 1pm \,

Got out of school early today? Come to the library to play board games with friends and have a yummy snack! Gr. 6-12.

TEEN ADVISORY GROUP (TAG)

Mon Nov 27, Dec 11, & Jan 29, 3:30pm \, 🤻

Join our Teen Advisory Group every month for a snack and to discuss programs, books, and TAG Members Only events! Gr. 6-12.



HARRY POTTER NERD FEST

Mon Jan 8, 3pm 🛛 🛛 🕅

Nerd night out for Harry Potter lovers! Laugh like Luna while playing Harry Potter games and doing a craft. Gr. 6-12 only.



ART ATTACKS

Wed Nov 1, Dec 6, & Jan 3, 3:30pm 🥂

Create new art like old masters. November will be Picasso, December will be Monet, and January will be Seurat. Gr. 6-12.



PIZZA AND FINALS

Tues Dec 19, 5pm R

Pass the class! High school students are invited to the library to study in a quiet place and eat delicious pizza. Gr. 9-12.





NEVER TOO OLD FOR LEGOS

You're never too old to play with Legos! Hangout with friends and build with Legos while watching *The Lego Batman Movie*, Gr. 6-12.

Tues Nov 14, 5:30pm R

CRAFT LAB: GLITTER BOOK ORNAMENTS

Wed Nov 29, 3:30pm R

Join us as we create festive holiday ornaments from the pages of recycled books. All materials provided. Gr. 6-12.

PAPER AIRPLANE CHALLENGE

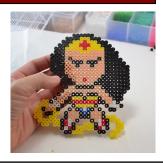
Wed Jan 24, 3:30pm \, 🤶

See who can make the farthest flying paper airplane with new and fun folding techniques. Gr. 6-12.

SUPERHERO PERLER BEADS & MOVIE

Tues Jan 16, 5:30pm <u>R</u>

Watch a superhero movie while making superheroes out of Perler Beads! Gr. 6-12.





TEEN MOVIE TUESDAYS

Bring your own dinner or snacks to watch a free movie on the library's big screen. We'll provide dessert! Gr. 6-12 only.



Tues Nov 7, 5:30pm Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children (PG-13)



Tues Dec 5, 5:30pm Elf (PG)

ADULT PROGRAMS

HOLLY JOLLY HEALTHY HOLIDAY TIPS

Sat Nov 4, 2pm \,

As much as we look forward to holiday parties and dinners, many of us fear enjoying it too much – and packing on the pounds. Join Joyce Lande, Certified WellPRO Wellness Coach at the library to discover ways to enjoy the holidays with healthy tips for yourself and your family. Participants will get recipes, tasty samples, tips for eating on the go, and other tips to avoid enjoying the holidays "too much"!





PEARL HARBOR: A DAY THAT WILL LIVE IN INFAMY

Thurs Dec 7, 1pm ℝ

Historian Jim Gibbons will present the story of Pearl Harbor on Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. On December 7, 1941, the United States was suddenly and deliberately surprise-attacked by Japanese Naval and Air Forces and then thrust from isolationism into World War II. Gibbons will show you the beginnings of the storms of war that led to the predawn attack, how our government in Washington and the people of the United States were wooed to vulnerability and then struck hard by the Empire of Japan, and how the people of the United States, as President Franklin Delano Roosevelt stated, "In their righteous might [did] succeed to absolute victory!"

MERCY HEALTH WELLNESS STATION

Sat Dec 9 10am-1pm

Professional staff from Mercy Health System will be available at the library for free blood pressure screenings, vaccine and virus information, and activities for children.

DIY: SCENTED BATH SALTS

so registration is mandatory to participate.



Mon Dec 11, 6pm R 'Tis the season for a warm, cozy bath! Create a jar of peppermint bath salts (or other scent of your choice) for yourself or as a gift. Ages 16 and up. Supplies are limited,

HEADSTONE CERAMIC PHOTO MEMORIALS WITH LAUREL MELLIEN

Sat Jan 20, 1pm 🛛 🥂

Author and historian Laurel Mellien of Headstones and History presents the history of the photographic memorials placed on headstones and the significance of their use by varying religious groups and nationalities. Q&A to follow the presentation.



DIGG'IN BOOK CLUB

A monthly meeting of those who love to read. Organized by community members, hosted by the library. This month's book selection is available for checkout at the Circulation Desk.



Wed Nov 8, 6:30pm Blessings By Anna Quindlen



Wed Dec 13, 6:30pm A Man Called Ove By Fredrik Backman



Wed Jan 10, 6:30pm TBA

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BILINGUAL ADULT COMPUTER LITERACY COURSES

These courses are funded by a grant that was awarded to Harvard Diggins Library by the McHenry County Community Foundation. Thanks to this grant, the library was able to purchase new technology equipment and is offering the courses in English and Spanish!

Harvard Diggins Library ofrecerá nuevas clases de computadora en inglés y español. Estas clases son financiadas por una beca por la Fundación de la Comunidad del Condado de McHenry.



MICROSOFT WORD (ENGLISH) Tues Jan 16 & 30, 6pm R

Continue your computer practice by learning the basics of the word processing software Microsoft Word, where you can write vour own letters, resumes, and other documents.

Please register in advance. Por favor registrate antes de la clase.

COMPUTER BASICS (ENGLISH)

Wed Nov 8 & Dec 6; Tues Nov 21 & Dec 12, 6pm 🛛 🕅

Learn basic computer skills such as mouse and keyboarding, as well as internet, email and web browsing.

CONCEPTOS BÁSICOS DE LA COMPUTADORA (EN ESPAÑOL)

Thurs Nov 2 & 16; Dec 14 & 21, 6pm 🛛 🕅

Aprenderá los principios básicos de la computadora, como el ratón de computadora, el teclado, para usar la Internet, el correo electrónico y la navegación

MICROSOFT WORD (EN ESPAÑOL)

Thurs Jan 25, 6pm R

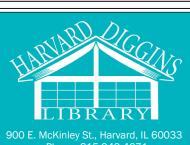
Continúa tu práctica en la computadora y aprende los conceptos básicos del software Microsoft Word, donde puedes escribir tus propias cartas y otros documentos.

SUPPORT THE LIBRARY WHILE YOU SHOP THIS SEASON

Friends of the Harvard Diggins Library is now part of Amazon Smile. Whenever you shop on smile.amazon.com, you can opt to support our Friends group and 0.5% of your purchase will go towards the them, which raises money for your library. It's a great way to give back this holiday shopping season! Support your library by choosing "Friends of the Harvard Diggins Library" as your selected charity before checkout.



You can also support the library by shopping at Crystal Lake Barnes & Noble on Saturday November **18th**! Barnes & Noble will donate a portion of proceeds that day to Harvard Diggins Library. See a staff member to obtain a coupon that allows your purchase to support the library.



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Library Hours: M-Th 9am-8pm F-Sa 9am-5pm Sunday: Closed **Upcoming Closings:** Nov 22–Closing early at 5pm Nov 23—Thanksgiving Nov 24—Thanksgiving Observed Dec 25–Christmas Day Dec 26–Christmas Day Observed Jan 1–New Year's Day Jan 2–New Year's Day Observed

ALL PROGRAMS MARKED WITH " \mathbb{R} " **REQUIRE ADVANCE** REGISTRATION

Walk-in programs without the symbol are first-come first-serve.

To sign up for a program, visit the circulation desk or call the library.

All of our library programs are FREE unless otherwise stated.

SHOP SMALL THIS NOVEMBER!

Wed Nov 1-Tues Nov 30

Harvard Diggins Library is celebrating Small Business Saturday all November! Bring in your receipts from any Harvard small business during the month of November to receive a FREE Shop Small book bag (while supplies last) and be entered in a drawing

for a set of gift cards. Write your full name and phone number on the back of your receipts. Each receipt is one entry, and you can enter as many times as you like! (One bag per person, please.) Drop off your receipts and redeem your tote bag at the Circulation Desk any time during open hours. Winner will be contacted on December 1st. Give your support to our Harvard small businesses and Shop Small this holidav season!

