Plug In @ Your Library

The library has books, magazines, newspapers, and CDs, but it also provides a number of electronics to help you plug in and get connected:

**eReaders:** Four Sony Readers, four NOOK Colors, and six Kindles can be borrowed for three weeks from the Information Desk. Want to know more about eReaders? Attend **eReaders @ Your Library on Saturday, November 12 at 11:00 a.m.**

**Laptops:** We have 18 laptops for use within the building, and four that can be taken home for a three-day loan.

**Playaway Views:** Great for family road trips, Playaway Views offer a portable storytime for the kids. The visual and audio component keeps them entertained with classic titles. More titles coming in 2012!

**MonoMouse Magnifier:** Magnify books, recipes, and more onto your TV using the MonoMouse.

Want to learn more before plugging in? Join us for our **Technology Petting Zoo on December 10 at 10:30 a.m.** Best Buy’s Geek Squad will be here showing off eReaders, tablets, smartphones and more...just in time for Christmas! Play with their electronics or bring your own.

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**Family Reading Night:**

**Reading Takes You Places**

Read together, grow together!

Families are invited to join Youth Services on Thursday, November 17 from 7-8 p.m. for Family Reading Night, sponsored by the Office of the Secretary of State of Illinois.

Every year, thousands of Illinois families participate in Family Reading Night and enjoy reading together.

Come to the library and check out our collection of great books and read together—we’ll provide some cookies to keep you reading, plus a raffle.

Take part in our Bring One/Take One Book Exchange by bringing a gently loved children’s picture book from home to trade with another family.

There is no registration required; just drop in. The event is open to kids of all ages accompanied by an adult.

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**Holiday Family Pajama Storytime**

Come one, come all to our 8th annual Holiday Family Pajama Storytime on Friday, December 16 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

We’ll have stories, crafts, sing-along music and refreshments. Be sure to bring your list because Santa Claus will be here.

Admission is free, but registration is required. This event is open to kids of all ages accompanied by an adult.

Many youth volunteers in 6th grade and older are needed for this event. If you’re interested, please let us know.

Please call the Youth Services Department at (708) 485-6917, extension 140 to volunteer or to register for the program.

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Adult Programs and Events
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Space is limited and registration is ongoing until programs fill.

How to Decide if a Career Change is Right for You
Thursday, November 3 at 3:00 p.m.
During this one-hour webinar, participants will learn crucial steps that are helpful in changing careers; from 15 questions to ask yourself when you are contemplating a career change to creating and executing a successful career change plan.

General Health Begins with a Healthy Mouth
Wednesday, November 9 at 7:00 p.m.
Come to find out how your dental health can affect your physical health condition. Some simple steps can help to maintain your overall health for you and your entire family.

eReaders @ Your Library
Saturday, November 12 at 11:00 a.m.
Learn about the circulating eReaders available at the Library, and how to use them with My Media Mall.

Business Brown Bag: Continuing Education (Mango Languages and Universal Class)
Monday, November 21 at Noon
Learn how you can expand your business skills with Mango Languages and Universal Class.

Technology Petting Zoo
Saturday, December 10 at 10:30 a.m.
Ereaders, tablets and smart phones. Oh My! What's the best gadget to get? Representatives from Best Buy's Geek Squad will be on hand to discuss the top gadgets of the holiday season. They will also bring various gadgets that you can test out for yourself.

Knitting Club
Wednesday, Nov. 2 & 16; Dec. 7 at 7:00 p.m.
Knitters of all skills are welcome.

Celebrate Frank Lloyd Wright

Frank Lloyd Wright: Prairie Style Architecture
Monday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m.
Jan Kieckhefer from the Frank Lloyd Wright Preservation Trust discusses Frank Lloyd Wright and his influence on prairie style architecture.

The Women Book Discussion
Monday, November 14 at 2:20 p.m., Wye Valley Apartments
Recounts the life of Frank Lloyd Wright as told through the experiences of the four women who loved him.

Loving Frank Book Discussion
Tuesday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m.
Edwin Cheney hired Frank Lloyd Wright to design a house. Wright built the house, but then ran off to Europe with Cheney’s wife. Blending fact and fiction, this novel tells the story of the affair that scandalized society and its tragic consequences.

Regretting Mr. Wright: Mamah Tells Her Own Story
Saturday, November 19 at 2:00 p.m. at the British Home
Elle Carlson presents an interpretive look at Mamah Borthwick Cheney, the woman for whom Frank Lloyd Wright left his wife and built Taliesin in Wisconsin.
Note: To accommodate a larger crowd, this program is being held at the Wye Valley Apartments on the British Home campus.
### Book and Film Discussions, Computer Classes

Register in person, by phone, (708) 485-6917, or online @ www.brookfieldpubliclibrary.info/calendar
Space is limited and registration is ongoing until programs fill.

#### Computer Classes

**Registration, with a 24-hour cancellation policy, is required for all computer classes.**

**Computer Basics:**
Tuesday, November 1 at 7:00 p.m.
Monday, December 5 at 2:30 p.m.

**Introduction to Windows 7:**
Tuesday, November 8 at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 6 at 7:00 p.m.

**Introduction to the Internet:**
Tuesday, November 22 at 7:00 p.m.
Monday, December 12 at 2:30 p.m.

**Introduction to Email:**
If you need an email account, arrive at 6:30.
Tuesday, November 29 at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 p.m.

**Introduction to Microsoft Word:**
Monday, November 14 at 2:30 p.m.

**Introduction to Microsoft Excel:**
Saturday, November 5 at 11:00 a.m.

#### Film Discussions

**Little Sparrows (Australia)**
Tuesday, November 8 at 6:30 p.m.
Three sisters deal with their own struggles as their mother’s cancer returns.

**The Human Resources Manager**
(Israel, Germany, France)
Tuesday, December 13 at 6:30 p.m.
An Israeli HR manager travels to Romania to make amends to the family of a killed co-worker.

**Loving Frank**
Tuesday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m.
Frank Lloyd Wright built Edwin Cheney a house, then ran off to Europe with his wife. Blending fact and fiction, this novel tells the story of the affair that scandalized society and its tragic consequences.

#### Book Discussions

**Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club**

November 12 (Sat.), 4:00 p.m.
*The Gunslinger* by Stephen King
The first of the Dark Tower series, a magical mix of fantasy and horror.

November 14 (Mon.), 7:00 p.m.
*Friendship Bread* by Darien Gee
The mysterious present of starter bread batter expands to show how the smallest gifts can change entire lives.

December 12 (Mon.), 7:00 p.m.
*Lakeshore Christmas* by Susan Wiggs
Maureen finally gets to direct the holiday pageant, but the court-ordered co-director is a big Grinch.

**Wye Valley Afternoon Book Club**

Meets at the Wye Valley Apartments, British Home

November 14 (Mon.), 2:30 p.m.
*The Women* by T.C. Boyle
Recounts the life of Frank Lloyd Wright as told through the experiences of the four women who loved him: the Montenegrin beauty Olgivanna Milanoff; the passionate Southern belle Maud Miriam Noel; the spirited Mamah Cheney, tragically killed; and his young first wife, Kitty Tobin.

November 15 (Tues.), 7:00 p.m.
*Loving Frank* by Nancy Horan
Frank Lloyd Wright built Edwin Cheney a house, then ran off to Europe with his wife. Blending fact and fiction, this novel tells the story of the affair that scandalized society and its tragic consequences.

Stop by the Hold Shelf to pick up a copy of Book Club books. New participants are always welcome!
Children’s Programs & Events

Register in person, by phone at (708) 485-6917, extension 140, or online @ www.brookfieldpubliclibrary.info/calendar

Youth Services Fall Reading Program

Kick It Up — Read!

Our Fall Reading Program ends on Saturday, November 19. Be sure to report your books & pages read and don’t forget to pick up your final prize.

STORYTIMES—REGISTRATION REQUIRED

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READ TO THE DOGS

For readers in Grade 1 and up
Wednesday, Nov. 9 & Dec. 14
6:30-7:30 p.m.—15-minute time slots

Improve your reading confidence by sharing stories with a new furry friend. Dogs and handlers are insured for liability and trained for animal-assisted therapy and reading education. Parents MUST sign a permission slip before the child can participate and are asked to wait in the library while their child is reading to the dog. Limited to 8 participants per session.

Thanksgiving

Book Buddies Program

The Book Buddies Program pairs youth volunteers with kids who want reading practice. Book Buddies can set their own mutually agreeable schedules once a month, or more often.

Potential youth volunteers in grade 6 and older and parents of special needs and other children who wish to participate can call the Youth Services Department at (708) 485-6917, extension 140, and sign up to be a Book Buddy. Pictured here are Book Buddies Shawn and John—come join the fun!
Children’s Programs & Events

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS
REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Wooly Bully Book Club  Grades K-2
Thursday, November 10—4:30-5:15 p.m.
Read a picture book at home with Mom & Dad, then join Wooly Bully as he explores it further through crafts and fun. Book available at registration; pre-readers welcome.

Reading Patch Book Club  Grades 3-6
Tuesday, November 22—4:30-5:15 p.m.
Read a book from our monthly list and join us to earn a collectible patch.

We Play Wii  Grades 1-5
Tuesday, November 8—4-4:45 p.m.
Game on! Play some MarioKart and enjoy a snack.

Pokémania  Grades 2-5
Thursday, November 17—4-4:45 p.m.
Study Pokémon® on the library laptops. Bring your cards & do some trading if you like. Come “catch ’em all!”

Geek Lab  Grades 2-5
Thursday, December 1—4-4:45 p.m.
Join us for some experimental fun.

Kids’ Friday Film Fest  Grades 1-5
Friday, November 25—4-5:30 p.m.
Relax with popcorn and a movie (G or PG). Younger kids are welcome to attend with an adult. Call the Youth Services Desk to find out what’s playing.

SPECIAL EVENTS—REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Little Dragons Martial Arts Program
Ages 4 and up with adult (Limit 20)
Thursday, November 3—7:00-8:00 p.m.
Join Carlos Flores, martial arts instructor at Counterstrike Mixed Martial Arts Academy, for this exciting program. Little Dragons will provide kids with the fundamentals of fitness, as well as an introduction to the martial arts. Come kick it up!

The First Nations
For kids in grades 1-5 (Limit 25)
Thursday, November 10—7:00-8:00 p.m.
Celebrate Native American Heritage Month! Freda Horonzy will tell you all about Native American life and customs in the past and present and have some tools for hands-on exploration.

Pint-Sized Picassos
Ages 2-5 with adult (Limit 15)
Wednesday, December 14—10:30-11:15 a.m.
Come for a special art-based storytime with stories, songs and an art project. Make sure your little artist is dressed for mess and ready to have fun!

Holiday Card Workshop
For kids in Kindergarten and up (Limit 15)
Thursday, December 15—4:00-4:45 p.m.
Something homemade is the perfect gift. Come make a holiday card for your family or friends. We’ll supply blank greeting cards, markers & decorations—you supply the creativity.

Born to Read Gift Packs
Our Born to Read Gift Packs have been a great success. If you have a new baby or are new to Brookfield, we would like to welcome you and your baby to the library with a Born to Read gift pack. Each gift pack contains a Born to Read bib from the American Library Association, a board book, and information about early literacy. The gift packs are available in English or Spanish. Please ask for yours at the Information Desk. This program is generously funded by the Friends of the Library.

QUILTMAKERS—REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Learn the art of quilting! All quilts are given to Project Linus, which provides care and support for kids.

Beginning —Ages 9 and up (8 years old with adult); adults are welcome
Saturday, Nov. 12 & 26 and Dec. 10—1-3 p.m.

Advanced —Instructor consent required
Saturday, Nov. 12 & 26 and Dec. 10—3-5 p.m.

Quiltmakers Workshop—Kids with adult
Sunday, Nov. 13 & 27 and Dec. 11—1-5 p.m.
Young Adult Programs

Call the Youth Services Department at (708) 485-6917, ext. 140, or check out the website at www.brookfieldpubliclibrary.info/youngadults/blog for more information.

November—December Schedule

Our Young Adult programs are open to kids ages 11—16 unless otherwise noted; Friday night programs are for ages 12—16. Registration is not necessary, except for Picture It and Red Cross Babysitting, but let us know if you’d like a reminder call before each program.

AniManga Club—Like Pocky? Like Anime and Manga? Join the AniManga Club twice a month for a new Anime movie or series and Japanese snacks! Call us or check the blog to find out what’s showing next.

- Mondays, Nov. 7 & 21 & Dec. 5 & 19       4-5:30 p.m.

Picture It—Learn how to create your own masterpiece with art teacher Gina DeVeno. This program is limited to 15 participants, so please register early.

- Ages 10—16
- Saturday, Nov. 5             2:30—4:00 p.m.

Teens Read—What is your current favorite book? Why do you think other teens should read it? Come talk about your latest faves, hear about new books, and have some snacks at Teens Read.

- Mondays, Nov. 14 & Dec. 12            4:00 p.m.

Red Cross Babysitting with CPR—Develop your job skills with our Red Cross Babysitting Training with CPR class! The 11-hour program is taught by certified instructor Becky Huebler. A $55 fee (payable when you sign up) covers Red Cross certification and all equipment. Please register in person at the Youth Services desk. We need six students to hold the class, so please register early. Registration ends December 10 or when the class is full.

- Ages 11—15
- Wednesday, December 28—Thursday, December 29: 12:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Counting the days till The Hunger Games movie comes out? Check out these reads while you wait and enter the Hunger Games trivia contest for the chance to win movie tickets and more! See the Youth Services desk for details.

- Divergent by Veronica Roth: Tris lives in a future Chicago where all citizens are separated into five factions. Tris’s family has always belonged to the Abnegation faction, but she decides to choose Dauntless, knowing deep down that she is hiding a very dangerous secret.

- A Long, Long Sleep by Anna Sheehan: 16-year old Rose has been asleep in stasis for over sixty years. The world she awakens to is vastly different, and everyone she once knew is dead. Will Rose be able to make a life for herself in this new world?

- Matched by Ally Condie: Cassia has never known what it would be like to choose her own meals, her own clothes, even the person she will marry. Cassia never questioned the rules until the day she sees a face on her match disk that shouldn’t be there.

- Wither by Lauren DeStefano: 16-year old Rhine knows she’s living on borrowed time. In the future United States all girls die from a mysterious virus at age twenty. Still, she thought that time would be hers to spend as she wished—until she is kidnapped.
Friends of the Library
Friends of the Library (FOL) meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Tasty Follow-Up
THANK YOU to all who contributed to another successful Taste of Brookfield @ Your Library. The Friends of the Library has one more request to make of our Brookfield residents. Please patronize our Brookfield food and beverage providers and as you do, thank them for supporting our Brookfield Public Library.

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Salt Creek Wine Bar
Sanctuary
Tischler Finer Foods
Tony’s Restaurant
Xni Pec de Yucatan

Thank you, Brookfield Food and Beverage Providers for supporting our 6th Taste of Brookfield @ Your Library!

FOL Book Nook
Check out the foyer of the Library for the Friends’ ongoing book sale. Books and other media for all ages are put out regularly. Novels, mysteries, and paperbacks will continue to be displayed in November and December.

Book donations are always welcome.

FOL Brings Back Trolley
The FOL Trolley will be making its way around Brookfield during the Holiday Walk on Saturday, December 3. Our very own conductor, Jon Platt, and other FOL members will be on board to greet you. For an enjoyable experience, mark your calendars for Saturday, December 3, when the trolley comes back to Brookfield. Stay tuned for more information on time and trolley stops. Happy Holidays!
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Our eBook collection is now compatible with the Kindle. Patrons can download popular and classic eBooks to a Kindle device or any mobile device running the free Kindle app. To get started, visit www.mymediamall.net and look for the "Library eBooks for Kindle" icon in the left navigation.

Don’t have a Kindle? Try one of ours! We have six Kindles available for check-out from the Information Desk.

Cabinet of Wonders

During the Renaissance period, miscellaneous collections were often stored in a “cabinet of wonders” or “cabinet of curiosities.”

Did you know that the Library has a display case where you can show off your collection? If you’d like to share your wonders with the world, stop by the Information Desk for details.

Knitting Club Blankets

Thanks to all the participants of our Knitting Club Knit-a-Thon. We received over 200 knitted and crocheted squares, enough for at least thirteen blankets!

The completed blankets, like the one above, will be donated to Project Linus, which supplies blankets to children who are seriously ill, traumatized or otherwise in need.

Staff Announcements

Congratulations to Head of Technical Services Toni Hergenrother! Toni is celebrating 25 years of dedicated service to the library in November.