Celebrating National Library Card Sign-Up Month @ Your Library

September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month! The Brookfield Public Library is joining thousands of public libraries in promoting “The Smartest Card @ Your Library,” a campaign to remind us that a library card is the smartest card you can own. Join us as we celebrate National Library Card Sign-Up Month with the following activities:

Library Swag
Brookfield residents who sign up for a library card in September will receive a bag filled with Library information, event fliers, and promotional items.

Dollar Fine Sundays
Back by popular demand, bring $1 to the Check Out Desk on Sundays in September and your overdue fines will be cleared. Sorry, this does not apply to fines from other libraries, lost/damaged items or home laptop fines.

Win a Raffle Prize
Brookfield Library cardholders can enter our raffle and be eligible to win a special gift card.

Brookfield Presents
Check out these upcoming programs by local residents.

The Magic of TJ Ketchmark
Thursday, October 25, 7:00 p.m.

Brookfield resident TJ Ketchmark is an award-winning magician who has performed all across the country. TJ, while only 15 years old, is already a seasoned veteran, having performed on stage since he was 8. His unique contemporary blend of exciting, energetic, and colorful magic is sure to capture your attention...and your heart.

All ages with adult

Chicago’s Haunt Detective: A Cop’s Guide to Supernatural Chicago
Brookfield Author Presentation and Book Signing
Monday, October 29, 7:00 p.m.

Raymond Johnson is a former criminal investigator. He will discuss his own experiences with the unknown and local legends, including the famous south side hitchhiking phantom known as “Resurrection Mary.” Ray will have copies of his book for sale for $17 (cash or check only) and will sign copies after the presentation.

All ages, under 12 with adult

Naturally Brookfield Photography Contest Winners

Congratulations to our Naturally Brookfield contest winners. The winning entries are listed below and are on display in the Library. Thank you to all who participated. All contest entries may be seen at www.flickr.com/photos/brookfieldpl.

Adult Entries
1st Prize—Allen Goodcase
2nd Prize—Char Krueger
3rd Prize—Jeanette King

Teen Entries (Ages 11-17)
1st Prize—Lauren Primer
2nd Prize—Lauren Primer
3rd Prize—Lauren Primer

Youth Entries (Ages 0-10)
1st Prize—Anna Sullivan
2nd Prize—Anna Sullivan
3rd Prize—Annabel Krueger

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**Adult Programs and Events**

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

Space is limited and registration is ongoing until programs fill.

### Fall Programs

**You Can Brew It!**  
Wednesday, September 12, 7:00 p.m.  
Do you enjoy quality craft beer? Home brewing is a fun and rewarding hobby that is enjoyed by millions of people all over the world. Award-winning home brewer Scott Pointon will discuss the equipment, ingredients, brewing process, and resources available to would-be brewmasters.

**An Evening With Your Drafty Old House**  
Tuesday, October 2, 7:00 p.m.  
Tired of spending winters in your long underwear? Too chic to wear a Snuggie®? Join us for an engaging discussion of air leaks, attics, and insulation and discover inexpensive, energy-saving tips and weatherization rebates that will cut your costs, keep you cozy, and help preserve our planet.

**Knitting America**  
Wednesday, October 3, 7:00 p.m.  
The Knitting Club is pleased to welcome Susan Strawn, author of *Knitting America*. Susan will present an exhaustive, intellectual, and entertaining history of American knitting. Knitting is allowed, actually encouraged, during the presentation.

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### New! Sports Talk Book Discussion

**Thursday, September 20, 7:00 p.m.**  
**Meets at Irish Times**  
Let’s talk Football! Kick off the season right and mix your favorite sports: Football and reading. Read a football-themed book and tell us about it over food and drinks. It can be fiction or non-fiction; about college ball, the Bears, or even the Packers; choose your favorite classic or grab one from the Hold Shelf. Presented by Deb Donovan (who promises not to bring *Greatest Moments in Iowa Hawkeyes Football History*).

### The More You Know

**Identity Theft, Frauds, & Scams**  
Monday, September 24, 7:00 p.m.  
Learn how to identify potential scams and frauds, protect and prepare yourself against identity theft, and address concerns if you have been a victim of identity theft. This program is presented by the State of Illinois Comptroller Office as part of their “Take Charge Illinois” initiative.

**Medicare Seminar with Courtenay Erb**  
Wednesday, October 10, 2:00 p.m.  
An educational seminar about Medicare, Medicare Supplement plans, and Part D Drug Coverage. This is a concern for most Seniors each year as Open Enrollment season approaches.

### Drop in Programs

**Knitting Club**  
**Wednesdays, September 5 & 19; October 3 & 17, 7:00 p.m.**  
Knitters and crocheters of all skills are welcome. Special author visit Wednesday, October 3.

**FOL Writers' Workshop**  
**Wednesday, September 5, 7:00 p.m.**  
**Mondays, September 17; October 1 & 15, 7:00 p.m.**  
If you write poetry or prose, join the Friends of the Library Writer's Workshop on the first and third Mondays of every month. New participants are always welcome.

### Banned Books Week

September 30 – October 6

Join us in celebrating our freedom to read. Look for film and book displays, activities and more! Plus attend our Movie Matinee on Sunday, September 30 at 2:00 p.m.
Girls’ Night Out Book Club
Meets at the Salt Creek Wine Bar
Monday, September 10, 7:00 p.m.
The Hunchback of Neiman Marcus by Sonya Sones
A coming-of-middle-age story written in verse.

Monday, October 8, 7:00 p.m.
The Last Time I Saw You by Elizabeth Berg
Women and men reconnect with one another, and themselves, at their 40th high school reunion.

Wye Valley Afternoon Book Club
Meets at the Wye Valley Apartments, British Home
Monday, September 10, 2:30 p.m.
Half Broke Horses by Jeanette Walls
A fictionalized account of a pioneer woman who survived storms, the Great Depression, and personal tragedies.

Monday, October 8, 2:30 p.m.
Galileo’s Daughter by Dava Sobel
A biography of the infamous scientist through the letters of his illegitimate daughter, Maria Celeste.

Third Tuesday Book Club
Meets at the Library
Tuesday, September 18, 7:00 p.m.
The Marriage Plot by Jeffrey Eugenides
Set in the 1980s, three college seniors search for the meaning of romance in modern love.

Tuesday, October 16, 7:00 p.m.
Crashing Through by Robert Kurston
When a new procedure promises to restore his sight, Mike May decides to take a chance and change his life.

Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club
Meets at the Library
Saturday, September 1, 4:00 p.m.
The Martian Chronicles by Ray Bradbury
The tranquility of Mars is disrupted by the men who have come to colonize Mars to escape a doomed Earth.

Saturday, October 6, 4:00 p.m.
World War Z by Max Brooks
An account of the decade-long conflict between humans and zombies is told from the perspective of the survivors.

Computer Classes

All classes are designed for beginners.

Introduction to the Internet
Thursday, September 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Introduction to Excel 2010
Thursday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m.

Introduction to Email
Thursday, September 27 at 7:00 p.m.

Introduction to PowerPoint 2010
Thursday, October 25 at 7:00 p.m.

Introduction to Word 2010
Thursday, October 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Space is limited and registration is ongoing until programs fill.

Film Discussion

Stop by the Hold Shelf to pick up a copy of Book Club books. New participants are always welcome!

Amador (Spain)
Tuesday, September 11, 6:30 p.m.
A drama about a young woman caring for a bed-ridden elderly man and the intimate secrets they begin to share.

Seven Minutes in Heaven (United States)
Tuesday, October 9, 6:30 p.m.
A woman who survives an explosion on a bus tries to piece together her memories of that day after receiving a mysterious necklace.

Some Like It Hot
Sunday, September 30, 2:00 p.m.
When two musicians witness a mob hit, they flee the state in an all female band disguised as women, but further complications set in.

The Woman in Black
Saturday, October 27, 2:00 p.m.
A young lawyer travels to a remote village where he discovers the vengeful ghost of a scorned woman is terrorizing the locals.
**Children’s Programs & Events**

Register in person, by phone at (708) 485-6917, ext. 140, or online @ [www.brookfieldpubliclibrary.info/calendar](http://www.brookfieldpubliclibrary.info/calendar)

Brookfield residents have priority registration for all programs

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**Fall Reading Program: Vote for Books!**

Everyone wins when you vote for books! Kids ages 2 through 9th Grade can register for our Fall Reading Program beginning Monday, August 27 at 10:00 a.m.

Set your own reading goals and earn prizes every week for reading books you enjoy.

Exercise your right to read!

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**Storytimes**

*Registration required—Please register for only one session per child.*

- **Book Babies**
  - Ages 6-23 months with adult
  - Wednesdays, September 12—November 14, 11:30 a.m. or
  - Thursdays, September 13—November 15, 11:30 a.m.

- **Terrific 2s & 3s**
  - Ages 2-3 years with adult
  - Tuesdays, September 11—November 13, 10:30 a.m. or
  - Tuesdays, September 11—November 13, 11:15 a.m. or
  - Wednesdays, September 12—November 14, 10:30 a.m.

- **Fantastic 4s & 5s**
  - Ages 4-5 years
  - Wednesdays, September 12—November 14, 1:15 p.m. or
  - Thursdays, September 13—November 15, 10:30 a.m.

  Adult caregiver waits in Library.

- **Evening Family Storytime**
  - All ages with adult
  - Wednesdays, September 12—November 14, 6:45 p.m.

  Bring the whole family for stories and a fun craft project.

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**Ms. Clara’s Mini Musicians**

*Registration required*

- **Mondays, September 24 & October 22**
  - Ages 2-3 Years, 10:15 a.m.
  - Ages 4-23 Months, 11:15 a.m.

  Join early childhood music specialist Clara D’Onofrio for this fun and interactive music program for parents and their little ones.

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**Book Clubs**

*Registration required*

- **Wooly Bully Book Club**
  - Grades K-2
  - Thursdays, September 13 & October 11, 4:30 p.m.

  Read a picture book at home, then explore it further through crafts and fun. Pick up the book when you sign up. Pre-readers are welcome!

  Adult caregiver waits in Library.

- **Reading Patch Club**
  - Grades 3-6
  - Tuesdays, September 25 & October 23, 4:00 p.m.

  Read a book of your choice from our list and earn a cool collectible patch! Grab the book when you sign up.

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**After-School Programs**

*Registration required.*

- **Pokémania**
  - Grades 1-5
  - Wednesdays, September 19 & October 17, 4:30 p.m.

  Are you a Pokémaniac? Learn more about Pokémon® on the Library laptops. Bring your cards and do some trading if you like. Catch ‘em all!

- **MarioKart® Extravaganza**
  - Grades 1-5
  - Thursdays, September 20 & October 18, 4:00 p.m.

  Race. Win. Repeat. Fun times plus a snack.

- **NEW! Junior Geeks**
  - Grades K-2
  - Mondays, September 24 & October 22, 4:30 p.m.

  New science fun for younger kids. Be a junior scientist and do cool experiments.

- **Geek Lab**
  - Grades 3-6
  - Thursdays, September 27 & October 25, 4:30 p.m.

  Science fun for older kids. Come to the lab and explore!
Children’s Programs & Events

Special Events
Registration required

Firefighter Visit — Stop, Drop and Roll!
Monday, October 8, 10:30 a.m.
It’s Fire Prevention Week! Brookfield firefighters visit the Library in full turnout gear. Learn how to stay safe and meet our community helpers.
All ages with adult

The Magic of TJ Ketchmark
Thursday, October 25, 7:00 p.m.
Do you believe in magic? TJ Ketchmark is an award winning magician who has performed throughout the United States—and he’s only 15 years old! His unique contemporary blend of exciting, energetic and colorful magic will make YOU a believer.
All ages with adult

Drop-In Programs

Creative Kids Crafts
All ages
Friday, August 31—Saturday, September 1, All day
Friday, October 5—Sunday, October 7, All day
Budding artists can stop by the Youth Services Desk for our popular do-it-yourself craft kits.

Saturday Family Storytime
All ages with adult
Saturdays, September 8 & October 13, 10:30 a.m.
Stories, songs and a fun craft equal family fun!

Book Fiesta!
All ages with adult
Saturday, October 6, 10:30 a.m.
Songs and stories in English and Spanish, plus a fun craft! La hora de cuentos en ingles y en espanol incluye la lectura, rimas, y canciones. El programa dura 30 minutos y no se necesita registrar anteriormente.

Lego®mania
Grades 1-5 (under 8 with adult)
Saturdays, September 15 & October 20, 10:30 a.m.
Bring your friends and build your dreams with our Legos®. We’ll display your creations in the Library for a month.

Spooky Family Storytime
All ages with adult
Saturday, October 27, 10:30 a.m.
Wear your Halloween costume and have some spooky fun at the Library. Boo!

Too Cool for School?
Hang out at the Library!
Registration required

Mystery Movie (rated G or PG)
Monday, October 8 (Columbus Day), 1:00 p.m.
School may be closed for the day, but the Library’s open. Join us on your day off for popcorn and a movie. What movie will it be? Hmmmm...it’s a mystery!
All ages, under 8 with adult

R.E.A.D. to the Dogs
Registration required

Tuesdays, September 18 & October 16
7:00-8:00 p.m. (15 minute time slots)
Practice reading with a new furry friend. Parents must sign a permission slip and are asked to wait in the Library while their child is reading to the dog. All dogs and handlers are insured and trained.
For readers in Grade 1 and up

Born to Read / Nací para Leer

Is there a new baby in your house? Youth Services would like to welcome your little one to the Library with a Born to Read baby kit. Each kit has a baby bib, board book and information on early literacy. The kits are available in English or Spanish. Please ask for yours at the Youth Services Desk.

Attention Teachers!

Did you know that the Youth Services Department has an Ellison Roll Model die-cut machine? And we’re happy to share! Bring your own paper and use our dies to cut out decorations for your classroom. We have alphabet letters and a variety of decorative shapes. Please call the Youth Services Department at 708-485-6917, ext. 140, for more information or to set up an appointment to use our machine.
Teen & 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.

September—October Schedule

Young Adult programs are open to kids ages 11–High School unless otherwise noted.

AniManga Club  
Ages 11- High School  
Mondays, September 17 and October 1 & 15, 4:00 p.m.
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.

NEW! Gamers’ Paradise  
Ages 11- High School  
Fridays, September 14 & October 12, 3:30 p.m.
Bring your laptop and gaming savvy to our new Gamers’ Paradise program. The Library’s Nintendo DS® gaming devices will be available for use, as well as the Wii®. We’ll have space to game and plenty of snacks!

Red Cross Babysitting With CPR  
Sunday, October 7 & Monday, October 8 Noon-5:30 p.m.
Open your own babysitting business! Certified instructor Becky Huebler will teach you basic child care, safety, first aid, and CPR. A $55 fee, payable at registration, includes all your babysitting gear plus Red Cross certification. Please register in person at the Information Desk. We need six students to hold the class, so please register early. You must attend both sessions to be certified. 
Ages 11-15

Hunger Games® Movie Night!  
Monday, September 10, 6:15 p.m.
See how The Hunger Games began in this first movie of the trilogy. Dystopia, danger, and intrigue—The Hunger Games will keep you on the edge of your seat. 
Ages 11- High School

The Rocky Horror Glee® Show  
Monday, October 8, 6:15 p.m.
Thrills, chills, melodrama and more when we celebrate Halloween with The Rocky Horror Glee Show! 
Ages 11- High School

Quiltmaking @ the Library  
Ages 9 & up; adults welcome

Beginning Quiltmakers, 1:00—3:00 p.m.  
Saturdays, September 8 & 22; October 13 & 27
Learn the art of quilting! All quilts are given to Project Linus, which provides care and support for kids.

Advanced Quiltmakers, 3:00—5:00 p.m.  
Saturdays, September 8 & 22; October 13 & 27
Instructor consent required, please contact Becky Huebler at 708-485-6917, x140.

Quiltmakers Workshop, 1:00-5:00 p.m.  
Sundays, September 9 & 23; October 14 & 28
Drop in and work and work on your projects. Adult supervision required

Celebrate Teen Read Week: It Came From the Library

This year Teen Read Week is October 14-20, and we’ll be celebrating with our annual Teen Read Week Bookmark Contest! Contest entries are due by Saturday, October 20. Entry forms may be picked up at the Youth Services Desk or downloaded from the Library’s website. You can also vote for the Teens’ Top Ten from Wednesday, August 15 through Saturday, September 15; check out www.ala.org/teenstopten for more information and a list of the nominees.
Friends of the Brookfield Public Library Present the 7th Annual

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Friday, October 5, 2012
6:30 to 9:00 p.m.
3609 Grand Boulevard, Brookfield, IL

Food—Wine & Beer Included
♫ Music
㈣ Silent Auction

TICKETS
Presale: $35.00 per person
At the door: $40.00 per person

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Library Improvement Plan

The Library's Planned Unit Development application was "conditionally approved" by the Village Planning Commission on Thursday, July 19. The application will be reviewed by the Board of Trustees on Monday, September 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Brookfield Village Hall.

The Brookfield Public Library is committed to keeping the community of Brookfield informed as the Library Improvement Plan progresses. To learn more, visit www.brookfieldpubliclibrary.info/LIP.

New Website launches September 5
www.brookfieldlibrary.info

After much anticipation, the Brookfield Public Library's new website goes live on Wednesday, September 5. The new site offers a more modern design, easier navigation, and greater mobile compatibility. For easier accessibility, please update your links and browsers to www.brookfieldlibrary.info. We hope you'll enjoy getting to know your way around our new website.

Library Announcements

Congratulations to Circulation Assistant Marty Blank! Marty is celebrating 15 years of dedicated service to the Library in October.

Congratulations to Library Trustee Carol Vaughan Kissane! Carol is the recipient of the 2012 Illinois Library Association Trustee of the Year Award, an award given to a public library trustee for achievement, leadership, and service to libraries. Thank you to Carol for her many years of service!

Register to Vote @ the Library

Tuesday, October 9 is the last day you can register in order to vote in the November General Election. See the Check Out Desk staff for more information or to register to vote at the Library.

Friends of the Library

Join the FOL for the following:

Monthly Business Meetings
Wednesday, September 12, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 10, 7:00 p.m.

National Friends of the Library Week
October 21-27—Stay tuned for details!

Library Closings

The Library will be closed on Sunday, September 2 and Monday, September 3, in observance of Labor Day.

The Library will be open on Sundays from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. beginning Sunday, September 9.