

ST. CHARLES PUBLIC LIBRARY



Spring Newsletter
March-May 2024



**Registration
is NOW
monthly!**

Elgin Symphony Orchestra Partnership

The St. Charles Public Library is pleased to announce a new community partnership with the Elgin Symphony Orchestra (ESO). This partnership will allow us to bring more incredible performances to our Library throughout the year and foster an appreciation for symphonic music within the community.

The partnership is sponsored by the St. Charles Public Library Foundation.

The Elgin Symphony String Quartet

Haydn: String Quartet Op. 33, No. 2 "Joke"

Dvorak: String Quartet No. 12, Op. 96 "American"

Featuring: Eric Pidluski and Maria Arrua, violins; Rebecca Swan, viola; and Matt Agnew, cello

DROP IN

Sunday, April 28 at 2 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room

ELGIN
SYMPHONY
ORCHESTRA



SCPL Book Clubs

The Library offers several book clubs for adults. Scan this QR code or go to our website for complete details on all book clubs, including genres, book titles, discussion dates, and locations.

2nd Tuesday Book Discussion

Tuesday, March 12
10 a.m. OR 7 p.m.

Tuesday, April 9
10 a.m. OR 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 14
10 a.m. OR 7 p.m.

Books, Bites & Brews

Thursday, April 4, 7 p.m.



Dewey Dishes Cookbook Club

Tuesday, March 26, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, May 28, 7 p.m.

Great Decisions

Thursday, March 21, 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 18, 7 p.m.
Thursday, May 16, 7 p.m.

Matter of Facts Book Club

Tuesday, March 19, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, April 16, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, May 21, 7 p.m.

Many Worlds Book Club

Wednesday, March 27, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, April 24, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 22, 7 p.m.

Next Chapter Book Club

Meets weekly

Yarn Tales Book & Craft Club

Thursday, March 7, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 4, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 2, 6:30 p.m.

Visit our website
for a complete list
of our Book Clubs!



Adult

Adult Grab 'n' Go Kit Curious Bunny Flowerpot*

Peter Cottontail is curious about the garden. This cute craft kit makes a fun decoration or adorable spring gift!

REGISTER

*Pick up kit March 18–30
Reading & Research Desk*

Crystal Bowl Sound Bath*

Join us for a group sound therapy session where you will hear the soothing and powerfully healing tones, vibrations, and frequencies. Bring a yoga mat or blanket.

REGISTER

*Tuesday, March 19
10–11 a.m. or 1–2 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room*

Board Game Night

Join us to play *Catan*, *Ticket to Ride* and other modern games. Meet up with fellow board gamers. Bring a favorite game or grab one from our collection.

REGISTER OR DROP IN

*Wednesdays, 6–8:30 p.m.
March 20, May 15
Huntley Community Room
April 17, Carnegie Community Room*

Seed Starting

A University of Illinois Extension Master Gardener will present tips on starting your own plants from seed, including soil preparation, container selection, lighting options, and troubleshooting.

REGISTER

*Wednesday, March 27, 7–8 p.m.
Huntley Community Room*



Chicago Architecture: The Latest and Greatest

Laurie Petersen, editor of *AIA Guide to Chicago*, will share examples of exciting developments all over the city, including skyscrapers to restored gems.

REGISTER

*Wednesday, April 3, 7–8 p.m.
Huntley Community Room*

DIY Financial Planning with Financial Educator Karen Chan

Learn free/affordable tools for better financial decisions, like when to claim Social Security or saving money vs. paying down debt.

REGISTER

*Tuesday, April 9, 6:30–8 p.m.
Huntley Community Room*



Elegant Sculpted Flowers*

In this hands-on class you'll learn several tricks, including how to model, sculpt, and emboss lovely edible floral decorations for your party treats!

REGISTER

*Monday, April 22, 6–7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 23, 1–2:30 p.m.
Huntley Community Room*

Latin & South American Cuisine*

Spend the evening with Chef Susan Maddox learning and exploring the wonderful regions of Latin and South America.

REGISTER

*Tuesday, April 30, 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Huntley Community Room*

Insider Knowledge from an Insurance Expert

What are you paying for and why? Learn why insurance premiums have soared and what you can do better.

REGISTER

*Tuesday, May 7, 6:30–8 p.m.
Huntley Community Room*



Visit our
website for a
complete list
of our programs!

* SCPL card required

STC Creative & Computers



Introduction to Canva*

Quickly and easily design documents, social media posts, cards, and more.

REGISTER

*Tuesday, March 5, 6:30–8 p.m.
Wednesday, March 6, 1–2:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 7, 9:30–11 a.m.
Computer Lab*

STC Creative Maker Class: Cardmaking*

Learn how to use the Cricut Insert Card Mat to make cute cards quickly.

REGISTER

Several dates and times available during the month of March. Visit our website for a complete list of dates.

Introduction to Google Docs*

Learn how to create and format documents using Google Docs.

REGISTER

*Monday, April 1, 1–2:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 2, 6:30–8 p.m.
Wednesday, April 3, 9:30–11 a.m.
Computer Lab*

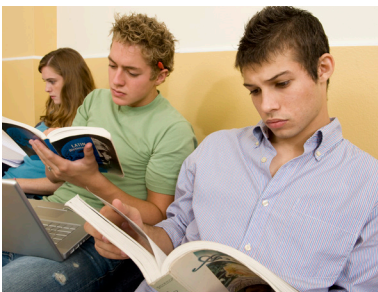
Read, Listen & Watch Using Library Apps*

Explore eBooks, audio books, music, and more with free apps and your library card.

REGISTER

*Thursday, May 2, 9:30–11 a.m.
Friday, May 3, 1–2:30 p.m.
Monday, May 13, 1–2:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 14, 6:30–8 p.m.
Computer Lab*

Young Adult



Silent Reading Club Grades 9-12

Created for people who love to read but don't like to socialize. Bring your own book or grab one from our collection and silently read alone together.

DROP IN

*Mondays, March 4, April 1,
May 6, 3–4 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room*

Anime Club Grades 6-12

Watch anime, eat snacks, and hang out with other anime and manga fans! Cosplay is always welcome. *No April meeting

DROP IN

*Tuesdays, March 12, May 14
6–8 p.m., STC Underground,
Baker Community Center*

Minecraft Munchables Grades 6-12

Join us for a fun-filled session where participants will learn to craft Rice Krispies Treats inspired by Minecraft!

REGISTER AT STC UNDERGROUND

*Wednesday, March 27, 6–7 p.m.
STC Underground
Baker Community Center*

Teen Job & Volunteer Fair

Here's your chance to meet businesses and organizations looking for seasonal, part-time employees or volunteers. Updated list of attending organizations available online.

DROP IN

*Saturday, April 6, 1–3 p.m.
Geneva Public Library*



Children



Mario Day! **Family/All Ages**

It's MAR10! Time to celebrate all things Mario! Do a Mario match game, Mario scavenger hunt, color bookmarks, and draw Mario characters.

DROP IN

*Sunday, March 10
12:30–4:30 p.m.
Youth Services Department*

Barbara Siesel and Keith Torgan Green Golly and Her Golden Flute: A Rapunzel Story **Families**

Join us for this fun and interactive introduction to classical music with a retelling of the classic Rapunzel story.

DROP IN

*Monday, March 25
11 a.m.–12 p.m.
Huntley Community Room*

Science Heroes Saving Earth Together **Families**

Science and stories collide in this interactive STEAM program as attendees help to save planet Earth from a mastermind by participating in experiments.

DROP IN

*Tuesday, March 26, 2–2:45 p.m.
Huntley Community Room*



Jason Kollum Balloon Creation Station **Ages 8-14**

Come for a mini balloon show and introduction to creating balloon art. Afterwards, participants make their own balloons to take home.

REGISTER

*Wednesday, March 27
11 a.m.–12 p.m.
Huntley Community Room*

Week of the Young Child! **Birth-Preschool**

Join us as we celebrate Week of the Young Child! Each day explores a different learning program concept as we celebrate our youngest Library patrons.

DROP IN

*April 8-12, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.
Each day
Youth Services Department*

Star Wars Day **Families/All Ages**

May the 4th be with you! Enjoy several activities throughout the Library, including lightsaber training, movie showing, and more!

DROP IN

*Saturday, May 4, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.
Throughout the Library*

Firefly Family Theater: **Grow! Families**

Participants learn how to grow a garden with Spark the Firefly through music and interactive movement, puppets, and poetry.

DROP IN

*Friday, May 17, 10–10:45 a.m.
Huntley Community Room*



Middle School

Middle School Volunteers **Grades 6-8**

Give back to your community while obtaining volunteer hours for personal, scout, or religious purposes. Individual volunteer opportunities are also available.

DROP IN

*Thursdays: March 7, April 4, May 2, 6–7:30 p.m.
Miller Haase Community Room*



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Your Redesigned Newsletter!

New brand. New newsletter. New registration dates.

Your quarterly newsletter now has an exciting new look and size as part of our strategic plan and branding campaign.

Improved Registration Process

Registration is now monthly!

- Registration for March programs now open
- Registration for April programs begins March 1
- Registration for May programs begins April 1

Register online...it's easy!

Visit our website at scpld.org

Easy Access with QR Codes!

Check out the convenient QR codes in the newsletter.

Create Your Own Brochure

Now, you can personalize your program brochure from our Event Calendar.