

community CONNECTION

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LIBRARY HOURS

Mon-Thurs 9a-9p Fri 9a-6p Sat 9a-5p Sun (Sept-May) 1p-5p

Exceptions:

May 11 - Open at 11am May 29 - Closed

May 30 - Closed

All library programs and events are free and located at the library, unless otherwise noted. Some programs require registration.

REGISTER at the library, at fondulaclibrary.org, or by calling 699-3917, unless otherwise noted. Space may be limited.

DROP IN programs do not require registration.



Join us for a summer reading program that offers fun and prizes for readers of all ages!

Read for the Win June 1 - July 31

Kids, teens, and adults earn points for reading and bonus points for attending library events) and redeem points for prizes and other incentives.

Shop and support the library! The Friends of the Library offer bargains for all ages at their annual BIG Book Sale. Get the best items at great prices! The group also operates an ongoing sale during all open hours on the library's first floor. Donations of books, music, and movies are accepted all year long at the library's circulation desk.

THURSDAY, JUNE 16 5:30-8:30 P.M.

Preview Night for Friends of FDL Members Not a member? Not a problem! Become a member at the door for \$5!

> FRIDAY, JUNE 17 9 A.M.-5:30 P.M.

Open to the public

SATURDAY, JUNE 18 9 A.M.-3 P.M. Open to the public

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LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS

April 25 at 6 p.m. May 23 at 6 p.m. June 27 at 6 p.m.

Recordings of Fondulac District Library Board meetings are available online at *esctv.org*.

LIBRARY FRIENDS MEETING

Monday, May 2 6 p.m.

The Friends support the library's mission through advocacy, fundraising, and volunteerism. Annual dues are only \$5.

ONGOING BOOK SALE

Open during regular library hours, the Friends ongoing Book Sale is located on the first floor across from the Checkout Desk. Great used books, music, and movies are available with prices starting at 25¢.

AWESOME BOX

Returning something awesome to the Fondulac District Library? Put it in the Awesome Box.

The library shares titles on our website that library users think are AWESOME. Placing items in the Awesome Box allows the community to see what others have found helpful, entertaining, or mind-blowing. FDL collaborated with the Harvard Library Innovation Lab (Yes, that Harvard!) to offer our patrons this fun service!

VOLUNTEER AT FONDULAC DISTRICT LIBRARY

Love the library? Consider volunteering! Learn about volunteer opportunities and fill out a Volunteer Application on the library's website at *fondulaclibrary.org/volunteer*. Applications are also available at the upstairs Information Desk. You must be at least 14 years old to volunteer.

SUPPORT THE LIBRARY, SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY

If the library is important to you and your family, have you ever thought about making a gift to support the library's services or to provide for its future? Monetary donations are a great way to show your support of Fondulac District Library. Financial contributions may range from a simple cash gift to various forms of planned or deferred giving, such as endowments and bequests. Gifts of all sizes are welcomed and acknowledged, and may be made in-person, by mail, or online. Donations to the library are generally tax-deductible, to the extent allowed by law. Additionally, Fondulac District Library partners with the Illinois Library Association's Fund for Illinois Libraries to accept donations or matching gifts from organizations requiring recipients to have 501(c)(3) status for taxing purposes. To explore various giving options, please contact Genna Buhr, Library Director, at (309) 699-3917 or genna@fondulaclibrary.org.

WANTED: YOUR BROKEN AND UNWANTED CRAYONS

Throughout April, the Youth Services Department is collecting unwanted crayons for The Crayon Initiative. The Crayon Initiative recycles old crayons into new ones that are donated to schools, hospitals, art programs, and other organizations that serve children. At 2 p.m. on Monday, May 2, volunteers are welcome to visit the Youth Services Department to assist with sorting and peeling the paper off of the crayons to prepare them for shipment.



OLDIES BUT GOODIES

Although we have the latest releases, there are numerous classic movies on the shelves at Fondulac District Library. Has it been a while since you enjoyed one of your favorites? Stop by and check one out today, or introduce yourself to a title that you've never experienced! Below is a sampling of just a few noteworthy items recommended by library staff members.



Animal House



Ferris Bueller's Day Off



Rain Man



The Swiss Family Robinson



Annie



The Parent Trap



Singing in the Rain



To Sir, With



The Blues Brothers



Patton



Sleepless in Seattle

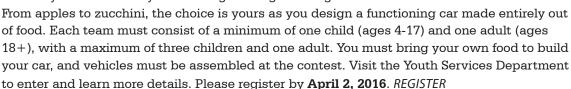


True Grit

EXCITEMENT IS MOUNTING FOR THE 2ND ANNUAL EDIBLE CAR CONTEST

Sunday, April 3 • 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Choose your team wisely for this engineering challenge!



YU-GI-OH! NIGHT

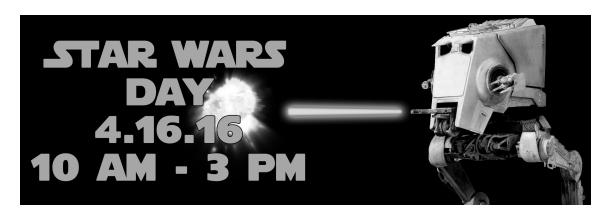
1st Thursdays • April 7, May 5, & June 2 • 6 p.m.

Meet at the library for a friendly duel. Gather up your best decks and see what you can do. The library's Yu-Gi-Oh! Night is a great time to try out a new deck or see how an old favorite stands up. DROP IN

STAR WARS DAY

Saturday, April 16 • 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Star Wars Day celebrates one of the most popular sagas of all time. Free activities and programs for all ages will run throughout the day and include Jedi training, crafts, a Star Wars Science Station, games, Star Wars Bingo, prizes drawings, and much more. Special guests from the 501st Legion, the Rebel Legion, and the Mandalorian Mercs costume clubs will be in attendance and available for photographs. Additionally, members of the East Peoria Robo Raiders, a local First Tech Challenge (FTC) team, will participate in a presentation and demonstration of the real-life "droids" they design, build, and take to competition. The library also offers Star Wars-related books and movies on display and available for check out to library cardholders. Additional details will be released on www.fondulaclibrary.org as the event nears. For more information about this special event, visit www.fondulaclibrary.org or call (309) 699-3917.



PEORIA AREA ACCORDION CLUB PERFORMANCE

Saturday, May 28 • 11 a.m.

Visit the library for a special musical performance! The Peoria Area Accordion Club plays music from around the world. DROPIN

SUMMER READING KICKOFF: FUN DAY!

Saturday, June 4 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Enjoy outdoor games and relays, such as balloon badminton and giant ker-punk. Kick off summer reading with fun in the green space next to the library to! *DROP IN*

FOR THE WIN! GAME DAY

Saturday, June 11 • 12-4 p.m.

Fondulac District Library hosts an afternoon of board games. Bring a favorite, or play a game from our diverse board game collection. Summertime is a great time to play at the library! DROP IN



YA FOR ALL BOOK CLUB

2nd Tuesdays • 7 p.m.

For readers of all ages interested in young adult literature. *DROP IN*

April 12

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows by J.K. Rowling

May 10

Quidditch Through the Ages/Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them by J.K. Rowling

June 14

The Tales of Beedle the Bard by J.K. Rowling

GAMING @ THE LIBRARY

Fondulac District Library offers in-library gaming for all ages during regular library hours. *DROP IN*

Board and Card GamesFor all ages

WII/WII U Video Games
For kids through 8th grade

PlayStation 3 & 4
Steam Digital PC Games
For teens ages 14-19

CRAYON PACKING DAY

Monday • May 2 • 2 p.m.

Visit the Youth Services
Department to help prepare donated crayons for
shipment to the Crayon
Initiative. Come for the
old crayon smell, stay
to contribute to a great
cause! DROP IN



ADULT BOOK CLUB

3rd Mondays • 1:30 p.m.

For adult readers. Titles selected by patrons. DROP IN

April 18

Much Ado About Nothing by William Shakespeare

May 16

Empty Mansions by Bill Dadman & Paul Clark Newell Jr.

June 20

Darlene's Silver Streak and the Bradford Model T Girls by John Butte

PEO-WRIMOS

3rd Mondays • 6 p.m.

This relaxed group is for writers of all levels. DROP IN

RULES OF THE ROAD REVIEW

Friday, May 20 1:30-3:30 p.m.

This review course combines an explanation of the driving exam with a practice written exam.

REGISTER

STORM PREPAREDNESS AND ENERGY SAVING TIPS

Wednesday, May 18 2 p.m.

Two representatives from Ameren Illinois give gas and electrical energy tips and discuss flood and water safety. Keep your family safe from the dangers of the spring season! There will even be door prizes! DROP IN

SIMPLE STEPS FOR STARTING YOUR BUSINESS

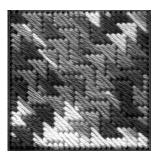
Thursdays • April 7, 14, 21, & 28 • 6-8:30 p.m.

This series of workshops, presented by SCORE, is designed for entrepreneurs who are just starting out. Register by visiting the SCORE Peoria website, *www.scorepeoria.org*, and clicking on the Workshops tab, or by calling SCORE at 309-676-0755. *REGISTER*

NEEDLEPOINT BASICS

Monday, April 11 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.

In this workshop, you'll learn about the materials used in needlepoint and how to make basic stitches. You'll also begin work on your own needlepoint project! Participants will receive instructions and materials for completing their choice of either a needlepoint bookmark or mug rug. REGISTER



SENIOR SCAMS AND HOW TO AVOID THEM

Wednesday, April 13 • 1-3 p.m.

A representative of the Office of the Illinois Attorney General discusses common financial scams that attempt to target residents of East Peoria and surrounding communities. DROP IN

STANDING GUARD: PROTECT WHAT YOU'VE WORKED FOR

Tuesday, April 26 • 1 p.m.

Retired or thinking about retiring? Join us to discuss proactive ways to address key risks you may encounter and strategies to help prepare for the unexpected. *REGISTER*

IDENTITY THEFT: PROTECT YOURSELF

Tuesday, April 26 • 6:30 p.m.

Your identity is personal. Let's keep it that way. Learn strategies that help prevent identity theft from happening to you. DROP IN



ONLINE JOB APPLICATIONS

Wednesday, April 27 • 3 p.m.

Learn how to create an account with an employer and start an online job application. Please come prepared with one online job posting in mind, as well as a resume and/or information regarding your work history. Wifi and laptops will be provided. Don't miss this opportunity for one-on-one assistance. *REGISTER*

TAROT UNVEILED

Wednesday, May 11 • 6:30 p.m.

Elizabeth Anderson shares her passion for Tarot through this informative presentation. Learn about the history and development of the cards, become acquainted with the most influential decks, demystify the process of Tarot reading, and discover the fascinating art of modern Tarot! DROP IN

CUTTING THE CORD: A GUIDE TO STREAMING TV

Tuesday, May 17 • 6:30 p.m.

Want to cut back on the cable bill, but worried you'll miss out on your favorite shows? Many shows are offered by TV streaming services like Netflix and Hulu for less than the cost of cable. This class will help you learn about streaming services and give you the tools to discover what works best for you. DROP IN

AARP DRIVER SAFETY COURSE

Wednesday & Thursday, May 18 & 19 • 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

The library has teamed up with AARP to host a Driver Safety Course. To register call (309) 444-2241 and let them know you are registering for the AARP Driver Safety Program. The cost is \$15.00 for AARP members & \$20.00 for non members, this will be paid at the beginning of the first day of class. (Bring your Membership card, & Driver's License & pen). Textbooks are included. Drivers age 55 and older may be eligible for an insurance discount after completion of the two-day course. REGISTER



COLLEGE: GETTING THERE FROM HERE

Thursday, May 26 • 6 p.m.

Make a college education a reality! This presentation discusses important considerations for establishing a college savings goal, strategies to help you reach your goal, and the features and benefits of college savings plans. *REGISTER*

WRITE FOR THE WIN! SHORT STORY CONTEST FOR ADULTS

Wednesday, June 1 - Thursday, June 30

Enter to win a prize for your short story! Submissions must be a previously unpublished, original work (4000 words maximum. Include word count). Creative non-fiction or poetry will not be accepted. Submit your typed story as an email attachment (docx, pdf, or rtf file) to susie@ fondulaclibrary.org. Include the subject line "Write for the Win." Include your contact information (name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address) in the body of the email. The winner will be chosen by July 29, and their entry will be published on the library's website.

PEORIA PUSH ROLLER DERBY TALK

Thursday, June 9 • 6 p.m.

The Peoria Push roller derby team comes to the library to talk about the ins and outs of derby life and answer any questions you have about what it means to play roller derby. DROP IN



AARP DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY FOR YOUR PHONE OR IPAD

Monday, June 13 • 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

AARP explains the skills you need to take great photos, organize and protect your images, tell powerful visual stories, and safely share your images through your iPhone or iPad. REGISTER

HEALTHY LIVING FOR YOUR BRAIN AND BODY: TIPS FROM THE LATEST RESEARCH

Thursday, June 23 • 5:30-7 p.m.

At any age, there are lifestyle habits we can adopt to help maintain or potentially improve our health. The Alzheimer's Association® is offering this program for individuals of any age who are looking for information on ways to age as well as possible. DROP IN

MINECRAFT FOR TEENS AND ADULTS

3rd Wednesdays • April 20, May 18, & June 15 • 6 p.m.

The library has Minecraft for everyone! Whether you are a seasoned veteran or new to the game, come and play at the library. Suggestions are welcome! Help create the type of Minecraft experience you would like. DROP IN

LIBRARY MATCH GAME

Saturday, June 4 • 2:30 p.m.

If you enjoyed watching "Match Game" with Gene Rayburn, you won't want to miss this opportunity to experience a lighthearted rendition of the show. Come to watch the game or be a contestant! *DROP IN*

TRIVIA COMPETITION

Saturday, June 25 • 1:30-4 p.m.

Come to the library in a team of four, or get paired up at the event, for this trivia competition. The games begin at 2 p.m. on June 25. There will be prizes! Space is limited, so register today to reserve your table. Walk-ins at 1:30 are accepted as space allows on the day of the competition. REGISTER

ADULTS & TEENS

KNITTING CLUB

1st & 3rd Sundays • April & May • 2 p.m.

Stitchers of all types are welcome! The library accepts donations of yarn, hooks, and needles for the Knitting Club's charitable projects. DROP IN

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS

2nd & 4th Mondays 4 p.m.

For high school student volunteers.

AARP BEYOND THE BASICS: IPHONE

Thursday, June 2 11:30 a.m.-1p.m. Join the AARP for an

in-depth class on your iPhone. Please bring your charged device. REGISTER

GAMING

GROWN UP GAME NIGHTS

3rd Thursdays 5-8:30 p.m.

Video gaming for ages 20+. Remember to bring your library card or photo ID to get started! DROP IN

FDL CHESS CLUB

1st Thursdays • 6:30 p.m. Try out your chess skills! Get some pointers on strategy and have fun too! Ages 11-18. DROP IN



STORY TIMES

Introduce your children to new stories, songs, crafts, and friends!

Children must be the appropriate age for the session they attend. DROP IN

April 2 - 14

Little Listeners

3-5 years old Mondays 10-10:30 a.m.

Together Time

24-36 months old & adult Tuesdays 10-10:30 a.m.

Family Story Time

2+ years old & adult Tuesdays 1-1:30 p.m.

Tiny Tot Time

12-24 months old & adult Thursdays 10-10:20 a.m.

Saturday Story Time

2+ years old & adult Saturdays 10-10:30 a.m.

SIGN AND SING STORY TIME

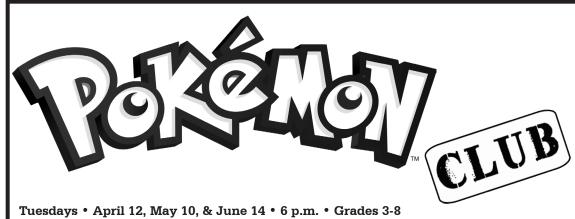
Saturday • May 21 10 a.m. • Preschoolers

Join Communication Junction for 30 minutes of interactive story time fun that incorporates sign language, songs, and finger plays. *DROP IN*

LITTLE EXPLORERS

Wednesdays • April 6 & 13 • 10 a.m. • Preschoolers

This fun and interactive program encourages 4 to 6 year old children to explore art, music, movement, math, and science. *REGISTER*



Join us for our first Pokémon Club! Kids ages 8 to 14 are welcome to participate. Bring your cards to trade, Nintendo DS and games, and have some fun battling new friends! DROP IN



ADVENTURES IN DRAWING

Tuesdays • April 12 & 26 • 3:30 p.m. • Grades 6-8

Have you ever wanted to learn the basics of cartooning? Join Cori Harkness for this engaging after-school program. *REGISTER*

EARTH DAY CREATIONS

Saturday, April 23 • 11 a.m.-1 p.m. • Preschoolers-Grade 8

Celebrate Earth Day by making Silhouette Heart Art using recycled magazines. Younger children will need a grown up's assistance. DROP IN

PAWS TO READ

Saturdays • April 30 & June 25 • 1 p.m. • Grades 2-8

The Peoria Humane Society offers a program at the library for children 8 years of age and older who love dogs and want to practice their reading skills. *REGISTER*

STORY TIME AT FARM PARK

Wednesdays • June 15-July 20 • 10 a.m. • Preschoolers

Enjoy a family story hour for children 2 years of age and older (with an adult) at the Farm Park. Show your library card before 10 a.m. to get in for \$1 per person. Call 699-3917, ext. 1291 or 694-2195 to check for cancellations due to inclement weather conditions. *DROP IN*



Fon du Lac Park District East Peoria, Illinois

RED CROSS BABYSITTING CLASS

Wednesday • June 8 • 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. • Grades 6-8

Students ages 11 and up learn to care for kids, prevent accidents, and handle emergencies. Students receive a book and bag and need to bring a sack lunch. Registration with pre-payment of \$35 is required, and space is limited. This class is being underwritten by The Friends of Fondulac District Library. For more information, please call 699-3917, ext. 1291. REGISTER



tains the whole family with exciting magic tricks. Who

knows, you might get to be part of the show! DROP IN

PREVENT "SUMMER SLIDE"

Children who don't read during the summer can lose up to two months of learning by the time they return to school in the fall. Children who participate in summer reading programs and read a minimum of six books over the summer score higher in reading AND math when they return to school. Additionally, studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifelong learning.

 $Source: Dominican\ University\ IMLS-funded\ research:\ Public\ Library\ Summer\ Reading\ Programs\ Close\ the\ Reading\ Gap\ http://gslis.dom.edu/sites/default/files/documents/IMLS_finalReport.pdf$

Enjoy fun Activities at the Library all Summer!

- Kick off the summer reading fun at the launch event on Saturday, June 4 from 10 a.m. to noon.
- Have a blast at the "Chocolympics!" This delicious series of games tests your skills at Oreo cookie stacking, opening Hershey's kisses with oven mitts, and more.
- Participate in a variety of games, including "Pick and Draw."



- Celebrate Curious George's birthday with a stuffed animal sleepover.
- Spend the Summer in Charlotte's Web! This read along for elementary school children is accompanied by crafts and creative activities.
- Stay tuned for details and more event announcements!

KIDS

1KB4K: 1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

1KB4K is a library initiative that promotes reading 1,000 books to preschoolers before they begin Kindergarten. It's easy to do, and the child gets a free book, funded by the Friends of Fondulac District Library, every time they read and report 100 books. For additional information or to register, visit the librarians in the Youth Services Department.

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ANYTIME ACTIVITIES

Even when there's not a program scheduled, there's always something fun to do at the library! Stop by the desk in the Youth Services Department to learn more about the library's current Anytime Activity, a craft, game, or project kids can do whenever they visit the library.



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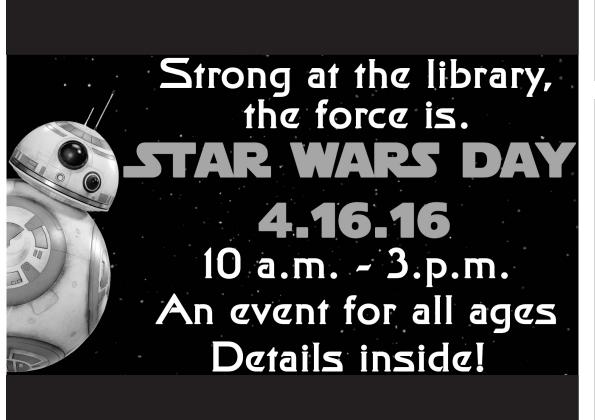
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FOR LOVE OF THE GAME

Curated by Diane Soffietti, Reference Assistant

Ready Player One by Ernest Cline

A Brief History of Video Games by Richard Stanton

The State of Play edited by Daniel Goldberg and Linus Larsson

The Monopolists by Mary Pilon

Moneyball by Michael Lewis

Stop by the library to check out these titles and many more!