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THE HUNTLEY AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

March/April 2024



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**HOURS/CLOSINGS**

Monday-Thursday: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Friday-Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
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Late Opening at 1 p.m.: Friday, March 8 (Staff Day)  
Closed: Sunday, March 31 (Easter)

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Any person needing accommodations for a disability in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act in order to access library meetings, services, programs, or activities can contact a member of the library staff five days prior to the event in writing or by telephone at 847.669.5386 & press 3.



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# The Library is **YOUR** Literary Canvas

## PAINT YOUR OWN PICTURE

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK • APRIL 7-13, 2024

**Celebrate the library's 35th anniversary during National Library Week by designing a new library card!**

Pick up a design form at any library service desk starting April 7, 2024. Return the completed form by April 13, 2024, in the entry boxes located at the Checkout and Children's Library desks to enter. Staff and the public will vote on favorites in two categories: Children's and Teen/Adult. The winning designs\* will become actual library cards for September's National Library Card Sign-Up Month.

\*The library reserves the right to reject any entries for any reason, and patrons must adhere to the following rules: 1. Exclude intellectual properties from the artwork. 2. Avoid vulgar or inappropriate content. 3. Ensure that any submission is the sole creation and property of the creator. 4. Acknowledge that all entries become the property of the Huntley Area Public Library. Refer to the entry form for comprehensive rules and instructions.

**And that's not all!**



**Lakehouse Tattoo Flash Day!**

Friday, April 12 | Noon to 8 p.m.  
For ages 18+

The Huntley Area Public Library is collaborating with The Lakehouse Tattoo at their April Flash Day event. Stop by and pick out a book themed tattoo and other designs from predetermined flash sheets by the artists. Show your HAPL card for a chance to win a prize!

**Please note that prices are set by The Lakehouse Tattoo.**

**Show Your Library Card Around Town!**

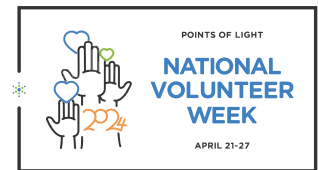
The library is partnering with some of our local businesses to show you the value of your library card outside the library. For example, you can get 10% off your total order at BBQ King Smokehouse and a free landscape consultation with a certified landscape designer from the Growing Scene, Inc. during the week of April 7-13, 2024. There will be more ways to save and enjoy perks using your library card during National Library Week. Look for more information on our website, enews blasts, and social media channels leading up to April 7.



**National Volunteer Week - April 21-27**

National Volunteer Week is celebrated annually during the third week of April and this year it will be observed from April 21 to 27. This week-long celebration is about placing a spotlight on inspiring figures whose invaluable seeds of kindness through volunteering are bettering the community and our world in general. The library would like to send a heartfelt thank you to our volunteers! Volunteers of all ages help at the library each week. This includes adult volunteers, Volunteers, and Friends members. Volunteers help with many tasks including program helpers, covering paperback books, shelving, reading to children, dusting shelves, special projects and helping with general office tasks. In addition, the Friends Foundation volunteers also raise funds that directly support the library.

**THANK YOU for all you do for the library!**



## THE WALL STREET JOURNAL. NOW AVAILABLE WITH A VALID HUNTLEY AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY CARD

The Wall Street Journal is now available as one of the valuable online resources available with a valid Huntley Area Public Library card.

This follows the recent addition of the New York Times and USA

Today to our digital newspaper options. Enjoy this and many other digital editions of popular and local newspapers on your devices, including the Northwest Herald, Chicago Sun Times & Daily Herald. Visit the library's online resources at:



Visit the online resources webpage and expand the Magazine and Newspaper tab to access the Wall Street Journal and other popular and local newspapers.

<https://huntleylibrary.org/online-resources>



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# adult events

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## Mind Games 2: The Science of Curious Thinking

Sunday, March 3 | 2 to 3 p.m.

Ages 12 and up

**Location:** Program Rooms 2 & 3

Packed with interactive games, *magician and author William Pack* shows the ways our brains are hard-wired to believe things that defy logic and facts. He'll show you how our brains seek out patterns and try to make meaning out of nothing. **Registration required.**

## Your Turn: Game Night for Adults

Tuesday, March 5 | 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Registration begins February 6

Tuesday, April 2 | 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Registration begins March 5

Adults

**Location:** Program Room 3

Come take your turn at game night for adults featuring a variety of trivia, word, and board games.

## Puzzle Club

Thursdays, March 7 and April 4 | 2 to 4 p.m.

Adults

**Location:** Program Room 3

Are you a jigsaw puzzle enthusiast?

If you answered yes, come to Puzzle Club! We'll socialize while we work on putting together 300-piece puzzles. **Registration required.**

## Movie Music Romance

Sunday, March 10 | 1 to 2 p.m.

Adults

**Location:** Program Room 2

Join us for a presentation of sensational songs and dances from the last 100 years of film history. *John Legear*, showcases the most creatively conceived movie scenes, love songs and dance pairings ever seen on the silver screen. It's a journey down memory lane through lyrical splendor that will turn your toes to tappin' and send you home with a song in your heart! **Registration required.**



## The Fray: Stitchery Club

Tuesdays, March 12 and April 9 | 5:45 to 7:45 p.m.

Tuesdays, March 26 and April 30 | 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Adults

**Location:** Program Room 3

Join the Fray! Whether you knit, crochet, cross-stitch, or work another needlecraft, come to share and socialize. Bring your own supplies and projects. **Registration required.**

## Genealogy/Local History - Getting Started: An Introduction to Ancestry.com

Wednesday, March 6 | 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Adults

**Location:** Tech Lab

*Michele May, author and past president of the Sun City Huntley Genealogy Club*, will review the basics of genealogy research and answer questions. After an introduction, attendees will log into Ancestry.com and begin or continue research using either their Huntley Library card or a personal account. If you want to use one of our computers, be sure to check that box when registering. **Registration required.**

## Coloring Club

Thursdays, March 14 and April 11 | 2 to 4 p.m.

Adults

**Location:** Program Room 3

Relax and color your stress away! We'll provide a limited supply of coloring pencils, markers, and coloring pages, but you are welcome to bring your own. **Registration required.**

## Great Decisions Discussion Group

Tuesday, March 19 | 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

Ages 18 and up

**Location:** Program Room 2

Tuesday, April 16 | 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

Ages 18 and up

**Location:** Program Room 3

Join us for a guided discussion of world affairs. The Great Decisions program highlights eight critical foreign policy challenges facing Americans each year. Each month the group will read a chapter from the Great Decisions Briefing Book, then attend the meeting with a video introduction and discussion.

- The topic for March is Climate Technology and Competition.
- The topic for April is Science Across Borders.

Discussion materials will be available at the library in advance of each discussion. **Registration required.**  
Sponsored by the Carol Donahue Memorial Programming Fund.

## Using Fold3

Sunday, April 7 | 2 to 3 p.m.

Ages 16 and up

**Location:** Program Rooms 2 & 3

*Genealogist Caron Primas Brennan* will show us what Fold3 has to offer including digitized military and governmental documents and how to find and use the resources on the site. **Registration required.**  
Sponsored by the Carol Donahue Memorial Programming Fund.

## The Fascinating World of Water

IN MCHENRY COUNTY

Monday, April 15 | 10 to 11 a.m.

Adults

**Location:** Program Room 2

In honor of Earth Day this month, we have *Scott Kuykendall, the Water Resources Specialist for McHenry County*, to talk about some of the elements that make McHenry County such a wonderful place to live with our abundant water resources including lakes, rivers, streams, wetlands, and the underground aquifers that provide all our drinking water. Join us to learn about this fascinating resource! **Registration required.**



## AARP Smart Driver Course

Monday & Tuesday, April 22 and 23 | 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Ages 50+

**Location:** Program Room 3

This is an 8-hour, 2-day safety course offered by AARP. You must pre-register and attend both dates to receive the class certificate that may qualify you for a discount on auto insurance. AARP membership is not required to attend. The cost is \$20 for AARP members, \$25 for nonmembers. Bring your driver's license, AARP card if a member, and a check payable to AARP to class (cash also accepted). No credit card payments. You may bring snacks or lunch to eat during the program.

**Registration is required.**

## The Last Monday Book Club

Monday, March 25 | 1:30 p.m.

Monday, April 29 | 1:30 p.m.

Adults

**Location:** Huntley Conference Room

Meets on the last Monday of the month. For more information and book titles, **contact Dawn Johnson at 423.488.0768**

## The Last Friday Book Club

Friday, March 29 | 10 a.m.

Friday, April 26 | 10 a.m.

Adults

**Location:** Huntley Conference Room

Meets on the last Friday of each month. For more information and book titles, **contact Laurie Runge at 847.644.5954**

## Total Eclipse of the Sun

Saturday, March 16 | 1 to 2 p.m.

**Location:** Program Room 1, 2 & 3

All ages

Learn about the total eclipse that will occur on Monday, April 8, 2024. Sean Fischer Rhody, a NASA ambassador, returns to talk about this amazing event. Sean, an "eclipse watcher", brings us a dynamic presentation filled with interesting facts and fun for everyone to learn and enjoy. Solar viewing glasses will be available for everyone who attends the program. **Registration required.**

## Need Eclipse Viewing Glasses?

Eclipse viewing glasses will be available at the library beginning February 15 (while supplies last) at the service desks. These glasses are made available by **StarNET** through the **Solar Eclipse Activities for Libraries** program. Want to learn more about the April 8th Total Eclipse? Scan the QR Code to the right.







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# teen events



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## Teen Take Home: Mason Bee Houses

Month of March (while supplies last)

For teens/grades 6-12

Location: Information Desk

Make a cozy nesting site for some of our native pollinators – the mason bees! These bees emerge early in the spring, so be sure to complete your project ASAP! Available at the Information Desk starting March 1, while supplies last. **1 kit/teen.**

## CREATE

Mondays, March 11 and April 8 | 4 to 5 p.m.

For teens/grades 6-12

Location: Creative Studio

Bring whatever creative project you are working on and share conversation, ideas, and inspiration with other participants. Yarn and needle crafts, art projects, writing, etc. Forgot your project? We'll have some art/craft supplies available as well. **Registration required.**

## Teen Book Café

Fridays, March 22 and April 19 | 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

For teens/grades 6-12

Location: Huntley Conference Room

Talk about books and share recommendations. We'll focus on different genres/themes each month. March will be thrillers, and April will be fantasy. **Registration required.**

## Untitled Goose Scavenger Hunt

Monday, March 25 – Saturday, March 30

For teens/grades 6-12

Location: Teen Space

It's a lovely day at the library, and you are a horrible goose... Pick up a list at the Information Desk to begin the hunt. Find all the items and return to the Information Desk for a prize.



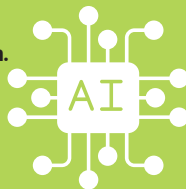
## Dabble with DALL-E

Monday, March 25 | 10 to 11 a.m.

For teens/grades 6-12

Location: Tech Lab

Perfect your prompts to generate images using DALL-E 3. We'll cover some DALL-E basics to get you started and then you'll be set free to experiment. You may create your own account prior to class here: <https://www.bing.com/images/create>. Or use a library account on the day of class. You'll be able to print out an image to take home as well! **Registration required.**



## Red Cross Babysitter's Training Course – \$65/person

Saturday, March 30 | 9:30 A.M. to 4:30 p.m.

For ages 11-15

Location: Program Room 1

Learn how to safely and responsibly provide care for children and infants (including basic childcare and first aid), develop leadership skills, start a babysitting business, keep yourself and others safe, and help children behave. This class includes a participant workbook, training materials, as well as a Red Cross training certificate. **Registration required.**

**Class fee: \$65** – pay by cash or check (checks made out to "Be Prepared") at the library's Information Desk prior to the start of class.

**Special Instructions:** Participants should bring a lunch on the day of class.

## Teen Take Home: Dog Toys

Month of April (while supplies last)

For teens/grades 6-12

Location: Information Desk

Follow the instructions in this kit to make a tug toy for a doggie friend. Available at the Information Desk starting April 1, while supplies last. **1 kit/teen.**



## Spring Clean Volunteers

Thursday, April 11 | 4 to 6 p.m.

For teens/grades 6-12

Location: Teen Space

Need some extra service hours? Volunteer an hour or 2 between 4 and 6 p.m. to help spruce up the library's Teen Space. We'll be dusting and cleaning shelves and making sure the collection is looking its best. Dress for mess. **Registration required.**

## Melt and Pour Soap

Saturday, April 27 | 10 to 11 a.m.

For teens, grades 6-12

Location: Program Room 1

Learn the basics of making soap using the melt and pour method. Participants will be able to make several soaps using a variety of ingredients. **Registration required.**



## Read It and Rate It

ongoing/monthly

For teens/grades 6-12

Write and share your book reviews for a chance to win the monthly prize drawing (\$10 Amazon gift card). Fill out a Read It and Rate It form and submit it before the end of the month. Paper forms are available at the library's Information Desk, or online:

[www.huntleylibrary.org/rii](http://www.huntleylibrary.org/rii)

## HAPL Teen BookMatch

ongoing

For teens/grades 6-12 (and adults who enjoy teen books!)

Matchmaker, matchmaker, make me a match... If you're looking for book/author recommendations, try out our teen book matching service. Fill out the online form and our YA librarian will create a list of up to 5 book recommendations just for you. Try it out here:

[www.huntleylibrary.org/tbm](http://www.huntleylibrary.org/tbm)

Now through March 30

For all ages

Location: Children's Library or Information Desks

**Join the McHenry County Library Lovers Expedition!**

Make the journey to 12 or more participating libraries for unique activities, brag tag bragging rights, and a chance to win a gift basket to local McHenry County businesses. Start your adventure at Huntley Library to register and pick up your official guide. **Drop-in.**



# ART ON DISPLAY

Show off your photos, paintings, or drawings in the library. Email [artondisplay@huntleylibrary.org](mailto:artondisplay@huntleylibrary.org) to get started!

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## Book Buddies

**Practice Reading with an Adult Volunteer**  
Ages 5 and up

**Location:** Children's Library  
Library volunteers are available to read with your child at the library once a week. Let your child practice reading while encouraging a lifelong, positive connection to the library – a place where endless opportunities await your child! Beginner readers are welcome. Pick up information at the Children's Library Desk or contact Candace Maloney at [cmaloney@huntleylibrary.org](mailto:cmaloney@huntleylibrary.org) or call her at: 847.669.5386 ext. 245.

## Music Together

**Monday, March 4 Choose 9:30 to 10 a.m.**  
**OR 10:15 to 10:45 a.m.**

*For ages 0-6 with caregiver*

**Location:** Program Room 1  
A music and motion fun-for-all with Amy Nell.  
**Registration required.**



## Creative Kids 1

**Mondays | 4:15 to 5:30 p.m.**

**March 4, 18**

**April 8, 22**

*For ages 6-8*

**Location:** Program Room 1  
Find your creativity exploring various art mediums, tools, techniques, and projects with Mrs. Julie. Dress for mess. **Registration begins two weeks before each session.**

## Creative Kids 2

**Mondays | 5:45 to 7 p.m.**

**March 4, 18**

**April 8, 22**

*For ages 9-12*

**Location:** Program Room 1  
Find your creativity exploring various art mediums, tools, techniques, and projects with Mrs. Julie. Dress for mess. **Registration begins two weeks before each session.**

## Science Sounds!

**Tuesday, March 5 | 6 to 6:30 p.m.**

*For grades 2-5*

**Location:** Program Room 1

Come learn how sound works with us! We'll explain sound waves and then you'll get to experiment for yourself. **Registration required.**

## Chess Club

**Wednesdays, March 6, 20 | 6 to 7:30 p.m.**

**Wednesdays, April 3, 17 | 6 to 7:30 p.m.**

*For ages 8-13*

**Location:** Program Rooms 1 & 2  
Chess players of any skill level meet to play and strategize. Beginners are welcome. **Registration begins two weeks before each session.**

## Kool Kids' Graphic Novel Club

**Thursday, March 7 | 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.**

**Thursday, April 4 | 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.**

*For ages 7-12*

**Location:** Program Room 1  
Share your favorite graphic novel and maybe find a new one! Draw your own graphics and decide what books we want to read for our next meeting.  
**Registration required.**

## The Meet Up

**Monday, March 11 | 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.**

**Monday, April 15 | 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.**

*For ages 7-12*

**Location:** Program Room 1  
The Meet Up is our new and revamped social club for kids. Each month we'll explore a new topic!  
**Registration required.**

## Preschool Art Explorers

**Thursday, March 14 | 12 to 12:45 p.m.**

**Thursday, April 11 | 12 to 12:45 p.m.**

*For ages 3-5 with caregiver*

**Location:** Program Room 1  
Come explore art and enjoy being creative with Mrs. Julie. Dress for mess. **Registration required.**



## Dogman: The Scarlet Shedder Release Day Party

**Tuesday, March 19**

**4:30 to 5:15 p.m.**

*For ages 7-12*

**Location:** Program Room 1  
Celebrate the 12th book in this popular series with fun activities and a chance to win the book! **Registration required.**

## STORYTIMES @ THE LIBRARY

### BabyPalooza

**Mondays | 10 to 10:30 a.m.**

**March 11**

**April 1, 8, 15**

*For ages birth-23 months*

**Location:** Program Room 3

Stories, songs, and playtime with Miss Nora! **Weekly registration required.**

### Family Storytime

**Tuesdays or Wednesdays | 10 to 10:30 a.m.**

**March 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20**

**April 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17**

*For ages 0-6*

**Location:** Program Room 1

Storytime sessions use books, songs, and activities to be enjoyed by young children. Children and their grownups are encouraged to actively participate. Register for either Tuesday or Wednesday each week. **Weekly registration required.**

### Pajamarama

**Tuesday, March 12 | 6:30 to 7 p.m.**

**Tuesday, April 9 | 6:30 to 7 p.m.**

*For families of 2-8 year olds*

**Location:** Program Room 1

Grab a stuffed friend and join Miss Michelle for stories, songs, and a craft at the library! Come in your pajamas and slippers if you like. **Registration required.**

### Saturday Family Storytime

**Saturday, March 9 | 10 to 10:30 a.m.**

**Saturday, April 20 | 10 to 10:30 a.m.**

*For ages 0-6*

**Location:** Program Room 1

Stories, songs, and fun for young children and their families. Caregivers are expected to stay and participate in the program. **Registration required.**

### Yoga Storytime

**Thursday, April 25 | 10:30 to 11 a.m.**

*For ages 3-6 to attend on their own.*

**Location:** Program Room 2

Thirty minutes of story and movement fun! Please bring a yoga mat or a towel to use. **Registration required.**

## Lego Play Day

**Tuesday, March 26 | 2 to 3 p.m.**

*For grades K-5*

**Location:** Program Room 1 & 2

Play games, complete challenges, and just have fun playing Legos with your friends.

**Registration required.**



## Lego Building Contest

- Dropoff: April 5 to April 7
- Winners announced: April 15
- Display and voting: April 8 to April 14
- Pickup: April 15 to April 18

### For all ages

Design and build your best Lego creation! Entries will be displayed in the Children's Department and prizes will be awarded to the winning entry in four categories: Family, Youth (grades 5 and under), Teen (Grades 6-12), and Adult. The entry form, which details the rules for entering, is available at the Children's Desk or online.

## Northern Illinois Lego Train Club Display

**Saturday, April 13 | 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, April 14 | 12 to 4:30 p.m.**

*For all ages*

**Location:** Program Rooms 1, 2 & 3

The Northern Illinois Lego Train Club is arriving at Huntley Area Public to fill our space with Legos! Come check out all their awesome creations, then dream up a few of your own. Don't miss this spectacular event. **Drop-in.**



# kids events (CONTINUED)

## SPRING BREAK Week

Looking for some great, free events during Spring Break? We have something to make each day fun!

### Papermaking

**Monday, March 25 | 1 to 1:45 p.m.**

### Lego Play Day

**Tuesday, March 26 | 2 to 3 p.m.**

### Flamingo Bingo

**Wednesday, March 27 | 1 to 2 p.m.**

### Milk Jug Bunny

**Thursday, March 28 | 10 to 10:30 a.m.**

### Puzzle Exchange

**Accepting puzzles:** March 20 to March 22

**Exchange:** Saturday, March 23 and Sunday, March 24

**Sale:** Sunday, March 24

**Location:** Dropoff at Children's Desk; Exchange in Program Room 1

Trade your no-longer-used puzzles of any difficulty for "new" ones! (None with missing pieces, please.)

For each puzzle you drop off in the children's department beginning March 8, you will receive a coupon good for a "new" puzzle! The exchange takes place March 23 & 24. Puzzles may be purchased without a coupon on March 24.

### Flamingo Bingo!

**Wednesday, March 27 | 1 to 2 p.m.**

**For families**

**Location:** Program Rooms 1 & 2

It's Spring Break Week! Come in for some spring bingo fun. Play for fun and prizes with your entire family. **Registration required.**



### Milk Jug Bunny

**Thursday, March 28 | 10 to 10:30 a.m.**

**For ages 3-8 (with caregiver for under 6)**

**Location:** Program Room 1

Make a fun bunny basket to keep. We will repurpose a plastic jug. **Registration required.**

### Monthly Grab & Go Craft

**Begins the first of each month, while supplies last**  
**For ages 5-12**

**Location:** Children's Library Desk

Stop by the Children's Desk to pick up a take-home craft.

### Little Bookworms Reading Challenge

**Ongoing**

**For Infants through Pre-K**

This program encourages all families and caregivers to read 1,000 books or more, with their young children, before entering Kindergarten. **Register and pick your log at the Children's Desk.**

## GENRE QUEST

**Ongoing**

**For Elementary School Readers**

**Location:** Children's Desk

Looking for your next reading adventure? Then join us for **Genre Quest**, our newest youth reading program! Expand your reading horizons by exploring new genres and earn some sweet prizes along the way. Are you ready to accept the Genre Quest?



## ★ BUILDERS' CHALLENGE ★

### Builders' Challenge: 3Doodler

**Saturday, March 16 | 10 to 11 a.m.**

**For grades 3-6**

**Location:** Program Room 1

Learn to build and create a small object to keep with a temperature-safe 3D plastic melting pen. **Registration required.**

### Builders' Challenge: Keva Planks

**Wednesday, April 10 | 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.**

**For grades 3-6**

**Location:** Program Room 1

Build with Keva Planks! No glue or connectors are used to build towers and structures with these wood blocks. **Registration required.**

### Builders' Challenge: Snap Circuits

**Wednesday April 24 | 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.**

**For grades K-3**

**Location:** Program Room 1

Build a snap-together safe electric current to make a light bulb light up or a fan spin. **Registration required.**

## Virtual Book Discussion – Those Empty Eyes by Charlie Donlea

**Monday, April 8 | 7 p.m.**

**Adults**

Join us for this multi-library online book discussion with a brief visit from the author. Ten years after she was exonerated for the slaughter of her family, the girl the tabloids called "Empty Eyes" is the only one looking for the truth in this propulsive thriller from #1 internationally bestselling author.

Copies of the book will be available at your home library. Please register with a valid library card number, and email address to receive a link to join via Zoom.

Register here: <http://tinyurl.com/huntlib>

Want to hear the author speak? Register for the in-person author event on Wednesday, April 10th at 7 p.m. to be held at McHenry County College.

Patrons from surrounding libraries will be a part of this discussion – Cary Area, Crystal Lake, Algonquin Area, and Harvard Diggins Libraries.

## An Evening with Mystery & Thriller Author Charlie Donlea

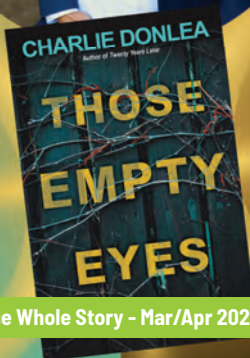
**Wednesday, April 10 | 7 to 8 p.m.**

**Adults**

**Location:** Luecht Auditorium at McHenry County College  
**Join us for this multi-library author visit!**

Charlie Donlea is the USA Today and #1 International bestselling author of titles including *Summit Lake*, *The Girl Who Was Taken*, *Don't Believe It*, and *Those Empty Eyes*. His eighth thriller, *LONG TIME GONE*, explores the science of forensic genealogy and will be released in June 2024.

Charlie will be discussing his book, *THOSE EMPTY EYES* and he will have books for sale.





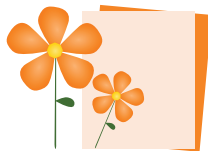
# CREATIVE Studio Programs

## Spring Themed Card

**Saturday, March 9 | 1 to 3 p.m.**  
**Ages 10 & up**

**Location:** Creative Studio

Come by the Creative Studio and create your very own Spring themed card. Alex will introduce you to how the library's laser cutter works, then you will assemble your card using materials that have been cut using the library's laser cutter. **Registration required.**



## Easter Card

**Saturday, March 23 | 1 to 3 p.m.**  
**Ages 10 & up**

**Location:** Creative Studio

Come by the Creative Studio and create your very own Easter card. Alex will introduce you to how the library's laser cutter works, then you will assemble your card using materials that have been cut using the library's laser cutter. **Registration required.**



## 3D Printed Elephant Puzzle

**Saturday, April 6 | 1 to 2 p.m.**  
**Ages 10 & up**

**Location:** Creative Studio

Visit the Creative Studio and engage in assembling a fascinating 3D printed elephant puzzle designed to effortlessly snap together using magnets! **Registration required.**

## 3D Printed Dragon Puzzle

**Saturday, April 20 | 1 to 2 p.m.**  
**Ages 10 & up**

**Location:** Creative Studio

Visit the Creative Studio and engage in assembling a fascinating 3D printed Dragon puzzle designed to effortlessly snap together using magnets! **Registration required.**



## Creative Studio Appointments

**Want to see a laser cutter? Have a 3D model you want to print?** Make an appointment with Alex to use studio equipment to complete a project. Contact Alex at **847.669.5386 ext. 268** or [awyman@huntleylibrary.org](mailto:awyman@huntleylibrary.org). For a list of the equipment that you will have access to during your appointment please visit [huntleylibrary.org/creative-studio-appointments](http://huntleylibrary.org/creative-studio-appointments)

## Creative Studio Digital Conversion Appointments

Creative Studio Digital Conversion Appointment Equipment available: Audio Cassette and LP to a digital format, Kodak Scanza Film scanner, Epson Photo Scanner, and VHS and 8mm reels to a digital format. Smaller VHS conversion is possible if you still have your camcorder and the cords that belong with it. Bring your own USB drive 16-32gb. Matthew will be available to help you start your digital conversion. *There is a two-hour time limit for the conversions.* Make an appointment by contacting Matthew at: [mwhisenhunt@huntleylibrary.org](mailto:mwhisenhunt@huntleylibrary.org) or **847.669.5386 ext. 269.**

# tech & computer programs

## 3D Modeling

**Tuesday, March 5 | 10 a.m.**

**Thursday, March 7 | 6:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday, March 12 | 10 a.m.**

**Thursday, March 14 | 6:30 p.m.**

**Ages 10 & up**

**Location:** Tech Lab

Learn basic 3D modeling using the free program, Tinkercad. Classes will be approximately one hour.

**Registration required.**

## Canva Basics

**Tuesday, March 19 | 10 a.m.**

**Thursday, March 21 | 6:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday, March 26 | 10 a.m.**

**Thursday, March 28 | 6:30 p.m.**

**For Adults**

**Location:** Tech Lab

Learn the basics of navigating and designing in Canva. Classes will be approximately one hour.

**Registration required.**

## Basic Coding in Tinkercad

**Tuesday, April 2 | 4 p.m.**

**Thursday, April 4 | 6:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday, April 9 | 4 p.m.**

**Thursday, April 11 | 6:30 p.m.**

**Ages 10 & up**

**Location:** Tech Lab

Learn how to do basic Coding using the free program, Tinkercad. **Registration required.**

## One-on-One Help with Word, Excel, or PowerPoint

**Wednesdays in March & April | 1 p.m.**

**For Adults**

**Location:** Tech Lab

Register, and indicate the topic you would like help with by choosing from the drop-down menu. Please register for only one session per month and choose one topic per session. **Registration required.**

## Adult one-on-one Computer Classes

Learn mouse skills, computer basics, internet basics, or email (one-hour sessions). **To schedule an appointment, call 847.669.5386 & press 3.**

## Weekly Video Games

**Saturdays: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

**March 9, 16, 23, 30**

**April 6, 13, 27**

**Ages 13 & up**

**Location:** Tech Lab

Play video games! *Halo Infinite* and *the Sims 4*.

Attend the program to make a game suggestion.

**Registration required.**

## Minecraft Free Play

**Fridays | 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.**

**March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**

**April 5, 12, 19, 26**

**Ages 10 & up**

**Location:** Tech Lab

Play Minecraft in Survival Mode. Staff monitored.

**Registration required.**

## Minecraft for Beginners Free Play

**Thursdays | 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.**

**March 7, 14, 21, 28**

**April 4, 11, 18, 25**

**Ages 7 & up**

**Location:** Tech Lab

Play Minecraft in the Tech Lab. Our Technology Trainer will be on hand to get players started and monitor the play. **Registration required.**

## Be Safe Online

**Saturday, March 9 | 1 to 2 p.m.**

**For Teens & Adults**

**Location:** Program Room 3

Gain tips on avoiding credit card and identity theft online by managing passwords, avoiding malware and viruses, and showing online smarts. Presented by Michael Gershbein from Very Smart People.

## Book a Librarian (One to One Session)

**Get help using library resources on your laptop, tablet, or smartphone!** Book a session and we'll help you download eBooks, eAudiobooks, magazines, music, or movies from our collections. We can also demonstrate our online catalog and other digital resources. **To schedule an appointment call 847.669.5386 & press 3.**

# DUNGEONS & DRAGONS



## Dungeons and Dragons: Monday Quest

**First & Third Mondays**

*For Teens and Adults*

**Monday, March 4, 18**

**5:00 to 7:30 p.m.**

**Monday, April 1, 15**

**5:00 to 7:30 p.m.**

**Location:** April 1, April 15 - Program Room 3; March 18 - Program Room 2  
Players may join the quest at any time. Please register for only one of the quests. **Registration required.**

## Dungeons and Dragons: Wednesday Quests

**First & Third Wednesdays**

*Ages 12 & up*

**Wednesday, March 6, 20**

**3:30 to 5:30 p.m.**

**Wednesday, April 3, 17**

**3:30 to 5:30 p.m.**

**Location:** Program Room 2  
Players may join the quest at any time. Please register for only one of the quests. **Registration required.**

## Dungeons and Dragons: Wednesday Quests

**Second & Fourth Wednesdays**

*Ages 12 & up*

**Wednesday, March 13, 27**

**3:30 to 5:30 p.m.**

**Wednesday, April 10, 24**

**3:30 to 5:30 p.m.**

**Location:** Program 3  
Players may join the quest at any time. Please register for only one of the quests. **Registration required.**

Socialize with us:



The mission of the Huntley Area Public Library Friends Foundation is to raise funds to support and promote the many resources available at the Huntley Library.



## General Meetings

**Friday, March 15 | 11 a.m.**

**Adults**

**Location:** Program Room 2 & 3

**Program:** Intro to the Creative Studio

**Friday, April 19 | 11 a.m.**

**Adults**

**Location:** Program Room 2 & 3

**Program:** New Plants for 2024 presented by Kathleen Carr of the Growing Scene, Inc. An introduction to the perennial plant of the year and other new plants that are insect and disease resistant. These plants tend to bloom longer and require less maintenance.



## March Book Sale

**Saturday, March 23 | 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Sunday, March 24 | Noon to 4 p.m.**

**Sunday Only Bag Sale - \$10 each or 2 for \$15**

**All Ages**

**Location:** Program Rooms 2 & 3

**Friends Members Only Sale: Friday, March 22 | 2 to 3:30 p.m.**

If you are not a Friend and would like to become a member, visit the library for a membership form or download a membership form at [huntleylibraryfriends.org](http://huntleylibraryfriends.org).

**Corner Books - Always Available, Refreshed Daily**

A great selection of gently used books for sale. Paperbacks start at \$1, Hardcover books start at \$2. This fundraiser benefits the Friends year-round and helps us fulfill our mission to support the Huntley Area Public Library.



## May Fundraising Lunch

**Friday, May 17 | 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**For Adults - \$35 per Person**

**Location:** Program Rooms 1, 2 & 3

**Buy your Tickets April 1 to May 10 Seating is limited!**

**Program: Spilling the Tea: Women's Activism in the Revolutionary Period**  
Daughters of Liberty, homespun clothing, food riots, and the Edenton Tea party. None of these are things we hear much about when we discuss the American Revolution, but they all played a significant role in the founding of our country. Women waged economic war against Britain in ways that will fascinate and inspire as we put women's activism in the revolutionary period into context.

**Presented by Sarah Sullivan, Department Chair Economics, Political Science, & History. Instructor of History and Business. MCC Faculty Association President.**

Lunch will be a gourmet charcuterie box from Fork It! Drinks and dessert provided.



**Paying by Cash or Check:** Register and pay at the library Information Desk

**Paying by Credit Card:**

1) FIRST - Register to attend here: Friends Fundraising Luncheon - Huntley Area Public Library ([huntley.libnet.info/event/9859141](http://huntley.libnet.info/event/9859141))

2) NEXT - Visit [huntleylibraryfriends.org](http://huntleylibraryfriends.org) and click make a payment or donate to buy your ticket(s). Complete the form typing Luncheon in the Notes to Seller.



## Friends Memberships 2024

Join us in 2024 and be a part of this dynamic organization that supports our great library. Complete the membership application form available at the library or visit our website at: [www.huntleylibraryfriends.org](http://www.huntleylibraryfriends.org).

**Individuals, \$10; Family Membership, \$15; Book Lovers, \$50; Lifetime Membership, \$100; Corporate Lifetime Membership, \$250**



## Culver's Fundraising Night

**Monday, April 22 | 4 to 8 p.m.**

**The Friends earn a percentage of all sales!**  
Join us at Culver's of Huntley for a delicious meal with friends and a 50/50 cash raffle in the dining room. Winner will be drawn at 7:50 p.m. Winner does not need to be present to win.

**Location:** Culver's of Huntley  
12950 IL-47  
Huntley, IL 60142



## Learn More about the Friends

Visit [huntleylibraryfriends.org](http://huntleylibraryfriends.org) for the latest information about book sales, meeting dates, fundraisers, membership forms, donation forms, and more.