

March 2025

# Chapters

Library News & Events



**LET'S TACO 'BOUT IT**

**MARCH 25 @ 6 PM**

**HOW TO FEED THE BEAST: ENERGY & AI**

**Spring Reading Challenge**

Explore award-winning books with our brand new reading challenge for all ages.

Pick up a reading log at the library today!



**MARCH MADNESS**



**LIBRARY EDITION**

DETAILS ON BACK COVER

LIVE AT THE LIBRARY

**CREOLE STOMP**

MARCH 29 @ 2 PM



**HUNGER GAMES**



TRIVIA:  
MARCH 8 @ 1 PM

MOVIE WATCH PARTY:  
MARCH 26 @ 5:30 PM

## YOUTH PROGRAMS | Families are welcome at youth programs.

### \*Color Mixing

Tue., Mar 4 @ 2:45 pm | **Ages 10-18**

Join painter Renée Roos to explore how to make almost any color you need, using just the primary colors.

### Music & Movement Storytime

Wednesdays @ 5:30 pm; Fridays @ 10 am | **Ages 0-5**

A place for little ones to explore music and movement as cornerstones of early literacy! Experiment together with songs, dances, and stories to develop foundational music, literacy, communication, and motor skills.

### Lego Club | Ages 4+

Thursdays @ 3-5 pm & 4th Saturdays (3/22) @ 1-3 pm  
Bring your friends and your imagination—we'll provide the Legos! Stop by during open hours to build a creation to put on display. New members are always welcome!

### \*Homeschool Library Hour

March 10 & 31 @ 1 pm | **All ages**

Connect with homeschoolers in the community and explore resources to support your family's educational journey! Topics and registration at [tinyurl.com/as58nnvy](http://tinyurl.com/as58nnvy).

### Sign & Sing

Tue., Mar 11 & 25 @ 10:30 am | **Ages 0-5**

Join friends from Communication Junction for an ASL storytime with stories, songs, movement, and bubbles!

## ADULT PROGRAMS

### \*Color Mixing: Empower Your Creativity

Tue., Mar 4 @ 1 pm

Join painter Renée Roos to explore how to make almost any color you need, using just the primary colors.

### Exploring Space with Coralie Adam

Tue., Mar 4 @ 7 pm

Explore the space industry with Illinois' own Coralie Adam, who leads the multi-mission Optical Navigation team at KinetX Aerospace. She'll be joined by Renae Kerrigan, Curator of Science and Director of the Dome Planetarium at Peoria Riverfront Museum.

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Two ways to participate:

- 1) Join us at the library for a watch party.
- 2) Register at [bit.ly/ILP\\_CoralieAdam](http://bit.ly/ILP_CoralieAdam) to watch online. Unable to attend live? Register for a limited-access recording after the event.

### Half-Day Hangout

Wed., Mar 12 @ 10:45 am | **Ages 8+**

Hang out at the library after school gets out! Play games, color, or just chill and eat snacks with friends.

### \*Kids Cooking: Soda Bread | Tue., Mar 18

**Ages 10-14 @ 2:45 pm | Ages 6-9 @ 4 pm**

Learn to make Irish soda bread in celebration of St. Patrick's Day and Irish American Heritage Month!

### \*Hunger Games Trivia

Sat., Mar 8 @ 1 pm | **Ages 10+**

May the odds be ever in your favor as you compete to become the Hunger Games Trivia victor! For fans of the books and/or the movies. All participants will be entered to win a door prize. Show up in costume to get an extra door prize entry!



### Movie: *The Hunger Games*

Wed., Mar 26 @ 5:30 pm | (2012, PG-13, 2h 22m)

Celebrate the release of *Sunrise on the Reaping*, by watching the first movie in the Hunger Games franchise!

## Teen Programs | Ages 13+

### Teen Poetry Club | Tue., Mar 11 & 25 @ 3 pm

Do you enjoy reading or writing poetry? Come to the library's new Poetry Club to meet with other poets!

### Teen Craft: DIY Decoupage Frames

Wed., March 19 @ 3 pm | Decorate a unique picture frame by upcycling pages from magazines/old books!

### Old-Time Folk & Country Jam

Tue., Mar 4 @ 6-7:30 pm | Dust off that guitar, fiddle, banjo, or other acoustic instrument and join us for a jam session on first Tuesdays. Music lovers of all ages are encouraged to come play, listen, and/or sing along.

### What the Tech?! | Select Wednesdays

*DigitalLearn.org Workshops and Modules were created by the Public Library Association, with support from AT&T.*

### \*Email Basics: Mar 5 @ 11 am

Learn tips and tricks for using a Gmail account. Want to sign up for a new email account or get help recovering your password? Please call to make a 1-on-1 appointment with a staff member before the date of the class.

### \*Cybersecurity Basics: Mar 19 @ 11 am

Learn how to be safe online and avoid scams.



### \*Registration Required

Scan the QR code, call 309-274-2719, or visit [bit.ly/3uX9G4w](http://bit.ly/3uX9G4w) to register.



## ADULT PROGRAMS CONTINUED

### **Knots of Fun | Wed., Mar 5 @ 3 pm**

Stitch, chat, and create with us! All skill levels welcome. Bring your project (crochet, knitting, sewing, etc.), share tips, and enjoy some creative camaraderie. Facilitated by Amy Thompson of Evergreen Senior Living.

### **Spanish Conversation Café Wednesdays @ 3:45 pm**

Practice your Spanish skills in casual conversation with other learners and native speakers. All levels welcome.

### **Movie: 9 to 5 (1980, PG, 1h 20m)**

Popcorn served; or bring your own snack!

Three female office workers turn the tables against their boss, a "sexist egotistical lying hypocritical bigot."

### **\*Seed Staring Workshop | Tue., Mar 11 @ 6 pm**

Learn how to start seeds indoors, so you'll have young plants ready to put in your garden when the weather warms up!

### **Bingo! | Wed., Mar 12 @ 1 pm**

Join us for some rousing rounds of Bingo, plus prizes and snacks.

### **\*Cooking around the World: Chocolate**

Thur., Mar 13 @ 6 pm | Expand your horizons—and your palate—as you learn about (and sample) quick recipes for when you need chocolate *now!* Visit [cpldcooking.weebly.com](http://cpldcooking.weebly.com) for recipes and photos from past programs.

### **\*Dementia Caregiver Support Group**

Tue., Mar 18 @ 5 pm | This monthly support group, led by an Alzheimer's Association-trained volunteer, offers a chance for caregivers to develop support, learn about dementia, and build problem-solving skills. Open to caregivers or those who have loved ones with dementia. Call 800-272-3900 or visit [bit.ly/3MtEUcp](http://bit.ly/3MtEUcp) to register.

### **Books & Brew | Tue., Mar 18 @ 6:30 pm**

*The Calculating Stars* by Mary Robinette Kowal. Join us to discuss books while enjoying the company of other readers and your favorite brew (we'll provide tea, coffee, and assorted adult bevs).

### **Volunteer Opportunity: Root Cemetery and Nature Preserve | Wed., Mar 19 @ 9 am-12 pm**

Help restore Root Cemetery and Nature Preserve! Dress for the weather and wear long pants and sturdy shoes. Water, tools, work gloves, and good conversation provided. Meet at Root Cemetery, a mile NW of Chillicothe on Ratcliffe Rd. For information, contact Dave Pittman at 309-573-2354 or [dvdgpittman@gmail.com](mailto:dvdgpittman@gmail.com)

### **9to5: The Story of a Movement**

Fri., Mar 21 @ 2 pm

When Dolly Parton sang "9 to 5," she was singing the true story of a movement that started with 9to5, a group of Boston secretaries in the early 1970s. Featuring interviews with 9to5's founders, as well as actor/activist Jane Fonda, *9to5: The Story of a Movement* is the previously untold story of the fight that inspired a hit and changed the American workplace.

Two options for viewing:

1) Library watch party on Mar 21 @ 2 pm.

2) Register at [bit.ly/ILP\\_9to5](http://bit.ly/ILP_9to5) for access to stream the movie, Fri., Mar 21 @ 2 pm-Sun., Mar 23 @ 11:59 pm. *Made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events.*

### **\*Let's Taco 'bout It: How to Feed the Beast—Energy and AI | Tue., Mar 25 @ 6 pm**

Artificial Intelligence offers potential to rapidly advance science, medicine, and other elements of our daily lives. Unfortunately current AI systems are wildly energy inefficient compared to other intelligences found in nature. Solving this challenge will require us to rethink how we build, train, implement, and use AI efficiently. Join Dr. Tony Grichnik and students from Bradley University (and their robot dog) for a discussion on how to meet AI's growing energy demands. Tacos served, courtesy of Taco Bell. Register to reserve a taco.

### **From Cradle to Grave: Ages and Stages of 1800s Women's Clothing**

Thur., Mar 27 @ 6 pm

Join Illinois State Museum Curator of History, Erika Holst, to learn about historic clothing through the lens of a 19th-century woman's lifespan. What does a woman's types of garments reveal about how society viewed her and her roles at different stages of life? This lecture is illustrated with examples of historic clothing from the Illinois State Museum's historic garment collection.

### **Remember When...**

Fri., Mar 28 @ 1:30 pm | **at Evergreen Senior Living** Talk a stroll down memory lane and reminisce about new topics each month. In March, we'll talk about music.

### **Live at the Library: Creole Stomp**

Sat., Mar 29 @ 2 pm | A powerhouse Louisiana-style band serving up traditional Cajun and zydeco tunes with entertaining swamp-pop, blues, honky-tonk, and more.

## ALL AGES

### Spring Reading Challenge | March-April

Explore award-winning books with our brand new reading challenge for all ages! Read one book from each of three different award lists to earn a special prize from our sponsor, Picket Fence. Get more info and pick up a log at the library or visit our website.

### Bits & Pieces: Collage Art

Explore this current collection of mixed media collage art by Rachel Newell, on display all month.

### March Madness Book Brackets

Vote weekly for your favorites in each bracket, and see who advances! We have brackets featuring our top-circulating books for kids, teens, and adults.

### 2025 Chillicothe Optimist Club Poster Contest Display

These select entries from the Optimist Club Student Poster Contest for students in 3rd-6th grade explore the theme of "Exercise for Life: Be Healthier." On display March 14-31.

### Movie: *The Wild Robot* (2024, PG, 1h 41m)

Mon., Mar 24 @ 12 pm | Popcorn served; or bring your own snack! A robot called Roz is stranded on an island. To survive, Roz bonds with the island's animals and cares for an orphaned gosling. Based on the books by Peter Brown.

## LOOKING AHEAD TO APRIL

### Call for Poems! | National Poetry Month is coming up in April!

Here are a couple ways you can help us celebrate:

1. We'll be featuring a daily video of a community member reading a poem on our social media. We hope to feature readings by people from all across our community, from city leaders to school kids. Visit [bit.ly/poemaday25](http://bit.ly/poemaday25) to submit your recording.
2. Write an original poem for our poetry wall! Bring your poem to the library any time (make sure it's a copy we can keep).

### Edible Book Fest | April 5

Calling all bibliophiles and food lovers to celebrate the book arts and the (literal) ingestion of culture! Participants create an "edible book," which can be inspired by a favorite tale, involve a pun on a famous title, or simply be in the shape of a book (or scroll, or tablet, etc). Entries will be exhibited, judged, and eaten! Visit [bit.ly/bks2eat](http://bit.ly/bks2eat) for more information.

### Art Exhibit: Renee Roos

The paintings of Renée Roos employ vivid colors and bold designs to celebrate the seasons and cycles of nature.

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