

# The Gateway

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## Drastic Budget Cuts Impact Libraries

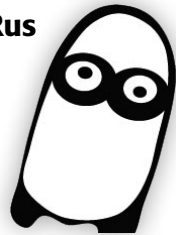
Our library opened its doors to the Lincolnwood community in 1978. The North Suburban Library System (NSLS) played a crucial role at the time of our birth, and through the years it continued to provide critical support services that have helped us, as well as other public libraries in the area, serve library users more effectively. This is about to change.

NSLS, which serves almost 50 public libraries, as well as academic, school, and special libraries, receives most of its funding from the state. That funding has now been completely shut off, forcing NSLS to drastically cut services to member libraries. One such service is the daily van delivery that makes it possible for libraries to quickly obtain materials from other libraries for their patrons. As a short term solution, NSLS will pass the costs for van delivery along to libraries. Although this will put a considerable strain on individual library budgets, including ours, delivery is so critical to meeting user needs. We have all agreed to absorb these costs, at least for now. How long this can continue is unclear. ■

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### Reading is a MONSTERus Adventure at Lincolnwood Library This Summer



Lincolnwood Public Library kicks off this summer reading theme—

*Reading is a MONSTERus Adventure* with a variety of entertainment including Dave Rudolph's Monster Bash. Have a monstrously good time doing the Frankenstein Dance or the Ghoul Conga.

Meet and hear Terry Fisk, Paranormal Investigator from Unexplained Research LLC. See the Library Acting Troupe perform "The Hungry Thing" and try out some MONSTERus activities at the Lincolnwood Chamber, Village, Parks and Recreation, Girl Scouts/Boy Scouts, and SD74 tables all on June 9, 7 p.m.

Lincolnwood residents from infants to seniors, are invited to be part of the "monstrous" activities throughout the summer reading program, June 9–July 31. We invite everyone to join a reading team. Can your team reading team out-read the library staff team? ■

### Benefits of Reading

Everyone agrees that reading is important, especially for children, and summer is a great time to remind people to pick up a book while out enjoying warm-weather activities. As the only government-funded, educational, and social service freely available to children, local libraries play a very important role in supporting children in their development as readers.

Studies have shown that more than any other public institution, including schools, the public library contributes to the intellectual growth of children during the summer. Lincolnwood Public Library is proud to offer children and adults alike the opportunity to participate in a community summer reading program that brings these benefits right to your back door. So when you're enjoying the hot weather, remember to stop by the library and pick up a hot title to read!

- The Association for Library Service to Children, the world's largest organization dedicated to the support and enhancement of library service to children, cites these and other statistics about the benefits of reading:
- Young people ages 8–18 spend an average of 6.5 hours per day using various media. While time spent with computers and video games increased significantly since 1999, the amount of time spent on reading remained steady at about 43 minutes per day.
- The amount of time children spend reading out of school is linked with gains in reading achievement.
- Most adults (83%) rate library services to children as "very important."

This survey finding was reinforced by focus group participants who said that taking children to the library is part of being a good and conscientious parent. ■

# AdultCalendar

## Program Information

All library programs are free.

(T) Tickets are required and available at the circulation desk to Lincolnwood residents 3 weeks prior to the programs and 1 week prior to non-residents.



Mark Damisch performs at the Library on June 17 at 7 p.m. (Tickets are required.)

## SPECIAL ATTRACTION

### Mark Damisch Piano Concert ■

Thursday, June 17, 7 p.m. (T)

## REGULAR ATTRACTIONS

**Adult Book Discussion** ■ 2nd Monday, 1 p.m.

**June 14** ■ *The Lovely Bones* by Alice Sebold

**July 12** ■ *The Piano Teacher* by Janice Y. K. Lee

**August 9** ■ *Little Bee* by Chris Cleave

**September 13** ■ *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese

**Adult Stamp Club** ■ 4th Thursday, 7 p.m.

**Constituent Advocate** ■ 1st Thursday, 6:30—8:30 p.m., (No presence July 1 due to holiday.)

**Dining for Wellness** ■ Sponsored by Lincolnwood Place ■ 3rd Wednesday, June 16, July 21, and August 18, 11:30 a.m. Chef Roger is putting together a summer menu. Please check our web calendar for details. (T)

**ESL: English as a Second Language**

■ Free class every Tuesday, June 15 through August 17, 6–8:30 p.m.

**Films** ■ Fridays, 1 p.m.

**May 28** ■ *The Hurt Locker*

**June 4** ■ *Crazy Heart*

**June 11** ■ *The Blind Side*

**June 18** ■ *The Lovely Bones*

**June 25** ■ *North Face*

**July 2** ■ *An Education*

**July 9** ■ *Precious*

**July 16** ■ *Edge of Darkness*

**July 23** ■ *The Young Victoria*

**July 30** ■ *Invictus*

**August 6** ■ *The Damned United*

**August 13** ■ *Shutter Island*

**August 20** ■ *A Single Man*

**August 27** ■ *The White Ribbon*

**Friends of the Lincolnwood Library Summer Book Sale** ■ June 19–26 during library hours.

**Friends of the Lincolnwood Library** ■ 4th Thursday, 7:30 p.m. (unless otherwise noted)

**Humanities Treasures** ■ Every Wednesday, 1–3 p.m.

**Knitting Club** ■ Every Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., and Friday, 3:30–5 p.m. Are you a knitter? Have you always wanted to learn? Want to spend some time with other like-minded folks? Come to the knitting club.

**Lincolnwood Library Board of Trustees** ■ 3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. (unless otherwise noted)

**Literacy Classes** ■ Adults whose first language is not English can improve reading, writing, and math skills. Free class every Saturday morning 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. First class and registration June 12, 9:30 a.m. Class runs through July 31.

**The Lorraine Heinichen Memorial Book Reviews** ■ First Friday. Coffee at 10 a.m., program at 10:30 a.m.

**June 4** ■ Roberta Randall, *dramatic presentation of Beverly Sills*

(No review in July due to holiday weekend.)

**August 6** ■ Elise Ginsparg, *title TBA*

**Mac Users Club** ■ 2nd Thursday, 7–9 p.m.

**Morning Matinees** ■ Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

**May 27** ■ *The 500 Days of Summer*

**June 3** ■ *The Men Who Stare at Goats*

**June 10** ■ *Up in the Air*

**June 17** ■ *The Invention of Lying*

**June 24** ■ *Love Happens*

**July 1** ■ *Avatar*

**July 8** ■ *Leap Year*

**July 15** ■ *World's Greatest Dad*

**July 22** ■ *What Just Happened*

**July 29** ■ *Did You Hear About the Morgans?*

**August 5** ■ *Alice in Wonderland*

**August 12** ■ *The Imaginarium of Dr. Parnassus*

**August 19** ■ *All About Steve*

**August 26** ■ *Crazy on the Outside*



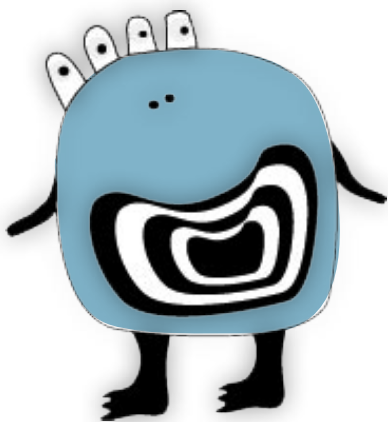
## Youth & Teen Programming

### Program Information

All library programs are free.

**(NR)** Registration is not required.

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### Programs for Young Children

*Siblings, family, and friends are welcome!*

#### Beginning with Books (R)

Stories, songs and activities geared for very young children and their parents/caregivers. Participants are invited to stay for the following Playtime program.

- Wednesdays, June 23–July 28, 10 a.m.

#### Playtime (NR)

A relaxed play experience that helps young children develop social skills. Toys and kosher snacks are provided. Children and their caregivers are welcome to attend both Beginning with Books and Playtime.

- Wednesdays, June 23–July 28, 10:30 a.m.

#### Stories & More (R)

This fun, interactive storytime is tailored for children ages 3–5, emphasizing letters, numbers, shapes, colors, and other concepts. Through a combination of picture books, online stories, magnetic board stories, songs, fingerplays, and crafts, each Stories & More session provides a language-rich experience.

- Tuesdays, June 22–July 27, 10:30 a.m.

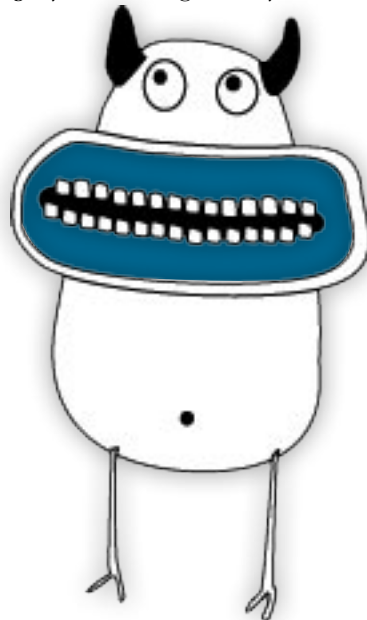
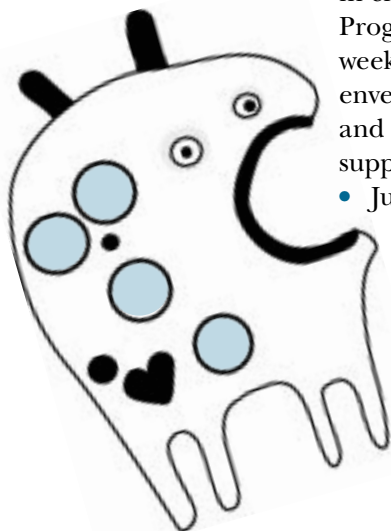
*(Please note: no afternoon sessions.)*

### Programs for All Ages

#### Monstrous Crafts (NR)

Kids of all ages are invited for a drop-in craft during the Summer Reading Program. Stop by for a new craft every week, including paper plate monsters, envelope aliens, fire breathing dragons, and other “MONSTERus” creations while supplies last.

- June 9–July 31, during library hours.



### Family Night at the Library (R)

Join us for stories, crafts, music and other MONSTERus activities that celebrate summer reading! Children are welcome to wear pajamas. All ages are welcome, especially geared to infants to 6-year-olds.

- Thursdays, July 15 and August 19, 7 p.m.

#### Monster Munch and More (R)

Pack a light lunch and head over to the library where we will make (and eat!) a snack or dessert, followed by games and crafts. Please note any food allergies when registering. Space is limited. For grades 1–5.

- Mondays, June 14, 21, and 28, 12:45 p.m.
- Thursdays, July 15, 22, and 29, 12:45 p.m.

### Programs for Teens

#### DIY Days (NR)

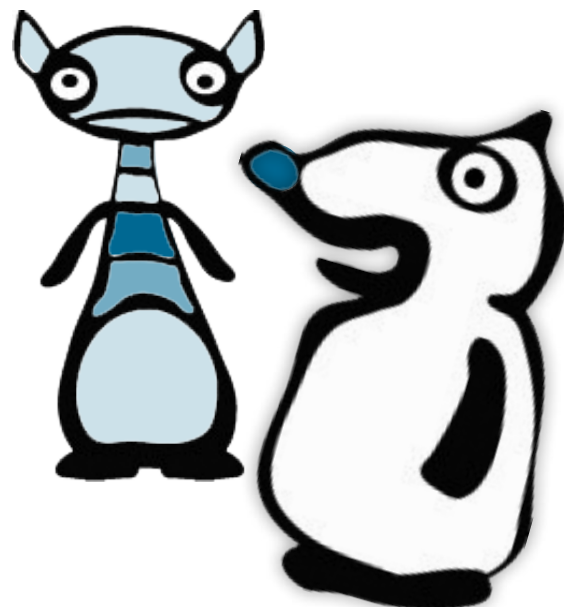
Stop by the Teen Services desk during the Summer Reading Program and find out what we’re making! We’ll provide supplies so you can create your own cool craft. Make a new project every week! Grades 6 and up.

- June 9–July 31, during library hours.

#### Teen Summer Theater and Improv (R)

Drama, comedy, games, scene study, and more acting out directed by Debbi Brodsky for students entering 7th grade and up.

- Tuesdays, June 15–July 20, 7–8:30 p.m.





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### News from the *Friends*

Lincolnwood community members can look around the library and see many benefits made possible by the Friends of the Lincolnwood Library, from landscaping to tables and chairs. The Friends help the library better serve the community and welcome support from individuals and businesses. If you are interested in supporting the Friends of the Lincolnwood Library, pick up a donation form at the library or click on the Friends box on the library's website. Donate or purchase books at the upcoming used book sale, June 19–26 during library hours. ■

### 2010 Ethnic Fest:

#### The Many Faces of Lincolnwood

Save the date for Lincolnwood Library's Ethnic Fest Sunday, November 7, 1–4 p.m. Join us for an afternoon of great food, cultural performances, and a variety of activities that celebrates our community's diversity.

Individuals and businesses interested in supporting this event are greatly appreciated. Please contact the Community Relations Department to find out how you can get involved: call 847-677-5277 x236 or email [jnitzweiss@lincolnwoodlibrary.org](mailto:jnitzweiss@lincolnwoodlibrary.org) ■

### We are open...

Monday–Thursday	9 A.M.–9 P.M.
Friday	9 A.M.–6 P.M.
Saturday	9 A.M.–5 P.M.

### We are closed...

Sundays	Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend
Monday, July 5	Independence Day (observed)
Monday, September 6	Labor Day

### Cut Down on Costs with ComEd Kill-a-Watt Meter

This year, ComEd introduced a plug-in electric meter available through libraries to make it easier for households to identify ways to reduce energy use.

The Kill-a-Watt meter is available for checkout to Lincolnwood residents and connects to appliances to find out which ones are using the most electricity. The kit, including instructions, is available at the library's Circulation desk.

Patrons who borrow a Kill-a-Watt meter will be able to plug the device into a wall outlet and then plug an appliance, computer, lamp, or other electrical product into the monitor to find out how efficient (or wasteful) those devices really are. ■



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