

Nippersink Public Library District

5418 Hill Road, Richmond, IL 60071 • 815-678-4014
Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. • Friday - Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Spring 2026

March, April, May

FREE Tax Preparation



Free Income Tax Preparation & E-Filing by IRS Trained Volunteers

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Every Thursday until April 9
9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

AARP Membership is not required

Film Screening: The Librarians

McHenry County College – Luecht Auditorium
Thursday, March 5 | 6:30–8:30 pm

Join McHenry County Libraries United for a powerful documentary on librarians defending intellectual freedom, followed by a brief panel discussion. Teens & adults 18+.



DOCUMENTARY MORNINGS

Join us for a new documentary series in partnership with Indie Lens and PBS. Each screening begins at 10:00 am and includes light refreshments and a brief discussion afterward.

- Inquisitor – Saturday, March 14
- The Tallest Dwarf – Saturday, March 28
- The Librarians – Saturday, April 25
- The Grocery List – Saturday, May 30



Now Piloting Online Program Registration!

SCAN



Register for programs online under Events on our website. Scan the QR code to try it out!



Embark on a journey and discover the McHenry County Libraries!

Happening Now!

Keep the adventure going! There's still time to explore McHenry County's 15 participating libraries through March 31. Register at NPLD, collect stamps, and discover what each library has to offer. Visit all 15 libraries for a chance to win a Grand Prize Gift Basket, or visit 12 libraries to enter to win a Themed Basket filled with gift cards from local businesses.



Makerspace Planning We Want Your Feedback!

We're beginning the process of exploring a future makerspace.

Share your ideas by scanning the QR code. Survey closes March 28.



SCAN HERE

PLANT A SEED, READ! SUMMER READING KICK-OFF

Save the Date! Kick off summer with us on Saturday, June 13, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., featuring Animal Quest, a petting zoo, planting projects, food trucks, games, community partners, and more. All are welcome!

Children & Tween Programs

Programs marked with (R) require registration.

Registration for Winter programs will open on 02/23 for NPLD cardholders and on 03/02 for all.

Early Literacy (0 - 5)

Baby Bash (R)

Tuesdays @ 10 a.m.

Story time and play for ages 3 and under.
Winter session runs 03/03 - 05/19.

Preschool Story Time (R)

Wednesdays @ 10 a.m.

Interactive story time for ages 5 and under.
Winter session runs 03/04 - 05/20.

Messy Art (R)

Monday, March 16 @ 10 - 11 a.m.

Monday, April 20 @ 10 - 11 a.m.

Monday, May 18 @ 10 - 11 a.m.

Dress for the mess and experience sensory art.

Youth Programs (Ages 6 - 10)

Young Authors Workshop (R)

Monday, March 9 @ 5 - 6 p.m.

Get your ideas on paper. We are here to help!

Chess Meetup (R)

Thursday, March 12 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 9 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Thursday, May 14 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

We welcome chess players new and old!

Pokémon Club (R)

Wednesday, March 18 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 15 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 20 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Join in on crafts, activities, and card trading!

Make & Create (R)

Thurs, 03/19 @ 6 - 7 p.m. *Pocket Planets*

Thurs, 04/16 @ 6 - 7 p.m. *Potting Plants*

Thurs, 05/21 @ 6 - 7 p.m. *DIY 3-D Printing*

Join us for innovative S.T.E.A.M. creations!

Lego Club (R)

Tuesday, April 7 @ 5 - 6 p.m.

Tuesday, May 5 @ 5 - 6 p.m.

It's building time at the Library!

Family Events (Ages Vary)

Paws & Read (R)

Thursday, March 26 @ 4 - 5:15 p.m.

Thursday, May 28 @ 4 - 5:15 p.m.

Read with a therapy dog, or just hang out!
For ages 12 and under.

Sleepy Story Time (R)

Wednesday, April 1 @ 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 6 @ 6:30 p.m.

Wear your comfy pjs and bring a stuffy to night time stories! For ages 12 and under.

Comic Con (R)

Saturday, May 2 @ 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Dress up as your favorite character, pick up a free comic and enjoy the pop culture festivities!
For ages 17 and under.

Tween Programs (Ages 10 - 12)

Writing Club (R)

Monday, March 9 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Share what you have written, learn new ways to find inspiration, and of course, write!

Tween Makernoon (R)

Fri, 03/06 @ 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. *Intro Crochet*

Fri, 04/17 @ 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. *Plant Potting*

Fri, 05/08 @ 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. *Intro Embroidery*

Create, craft, and enjoy a snack.

Gamer Meetup (R)

Fridays @ 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Bring your own device or play on the Library's Nintendo Switch. Spring session runs 03/06 - 05/22.

Dungeons and Dragons (R)

Monday, March 30 @ 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Learn the basics to D&D at our session 0!
Campaign runs 03/30 - 05/18.

Lego Club (R)

Tuesday, April 7 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 5 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

It's building time at the Library!

Check out the last page for Kids' and Tween book clubs.

Adult & Teen Programs

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Registration for Spring programs will open on 02/23 for NPLD cardholders and on 03/02 for all.

Cards and Coffee

Tuesdays @ 2 - 4 p.m. *

Enjoy coffee while playing cards with friends!

***No cards on 03/17 due to elections.**

March

Heart Centered Guidance Sound Bath (R)

Saturday, March 7 @ 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Experience the power of sound through a session that uses therapeutic vibrations and frequencies. Dress comfy.

Gardening 101 (R)

Wednesday, March 11 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Join us as a master gardener teaches all about gardening.

Versiti Blood Drive

Wednesday, March 18 @ 2 - 6:30 p.m.

It's time to save lives. Appointments appreciated, but walk-ins welcome. Scan the QR code to schedule an appointment.



Bingo Night (R)

Wednesday, March 25 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Get ready to shout "Bingo!" and win some prizes at this event.

Junk Journaling (R)

Tuesday, March 31 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Please bring any journal or notebook that you'd like to repurpose. We will provide crafting items, as well as glue and scissors. Feel free to bring items from your own craft stash to use or share.

April

Intro to Genealogy (R)

Wednesday, April 8 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Nancy Gaynor from the McHenry County Illinois Genealogical Society will teach the basics about genealogy.

Heart Centered Guidance Sound Bath (R)

Saturday, April 18 @ 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

DIY Mini Library (R)

Wednesday, April 22 @ 6-7 p.m.

Create your own mini library for National Library Week. All supplies will be provided.

National Library Week Author Panel (R)

Thursday, April 23 @ 7 p.m. at McHenry County College

Enjoy an evening filled with a panel of five authors at MCC's Luecht Auditorium.

Poetry Zine Workshop (R)

Tuesday, April 28 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Learn how to make a zine and challenge yourself to create a few poems.

Check the back page for information on the Adult Book Clubs and events to enjoy from home!

May

Heart Centered Guidance Sound Bath (R)

Saturday, May 2 @ 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Experience the power of sound through a session that uses therapeutic vibrations and frequencies. Dress comfy.

An Evening with Authors Berg & Hamilton (R)

Tuesday, May 12 @ 7 p.m. at McHenry County College

Meet author Elizabeth Berg and Jane Hamilton at MCC's Luecht Auditorium and learn about more about their books.

Guided Hike at North Branch (R)

Monday, May 18 @ 12-1 p.m. at North Branch Conservation Area

Join us for a guided hike with to learn facts about the site with the McHenry County Conservation District. **A signed waiver and your own transportation are needed to join.**

Sourdough Starter Class (R)

Wednesday, May 27 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Join Simple Bakery for a little bit of science and a whole lotta fun as you learn about starting a sourdough.

Teen Programs (Ages 13 - 17)

ACT Test Prep (R)

Tues, 03/03 @ 6 - 7 p.m. Science

Tues, 03/10 @ 6 - 7 p.m. Language Arts

Tues, 03/17 @ 6 - 7 p.m. Math

Tues, 03/31 @ 6 - 7 p.m. Reading

Practice sample test questions in a group setting.

Open Stage (R)

Wednesday, March 11 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 13 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Share from music to jokes, participate in improv activities! Snacks included.

Dungeons and Dragons (R)

Monday, March 30 @ 4 - 5:30 p.m.

Campaign runs 03/30 - 05/18.

MSUFCU Financial Literacy Series (R)

Wed, April 8 @ 6 - 7 p.m. Reality Check

Wed, April 15 @ 6 - 7 p.m. Budgeting & Savings

Get a head start on your future with these financial events from MSUFCU.

Game Night (R)

Tuesday, April 14 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 12 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

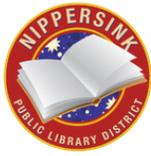
Boards, cards, and more!

Earth Day Prep Potting (R)

Tuesday, April 21 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Celebrate the Earth and decorate a pot for a plant.

Check the last page for the Teen Book Club!



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Board of Trustees Meetings

Second Tuesday of the month @ 7:00 p.m.

Library Closings

Fri, May 8- Opening at Noon

Mon, May 25- Closed



These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. Enjoy these events from home!



Beyond the Page with Percival Everett

Thurs, March 19 | 7 PM via Zoom
Scan the QR code to register



Cristina Henriquez: Voice, Culture, and Human Connection

Thurs, April 16 | 7 PM via Zoom
Scan the QR code to register



Babel-On with R.F. Kuang

Tues, May 19 | 7 PM via Zoom
Scan the QR code to register



MCDH Wellness Screenings at NPLD

Thursday, April 30 @ 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

The McHenry County Department of Health will be offering screenings for cholesterol, triglycerides, glucose, blood pressure, body mass analysis, A1C, and heart age assessment at the library. The cost for the glucose and cholesterol screening is \$25, A1C is \$20, or all 3 for \$35; all other screenings are free. Visit www.mcdh.info or call 815-334-4510 for more info or to register. Appointment required.

Scan the QR to schedule an appointment.



To request specific accommodations, please email nippersink@nippersinklibrary.org or call 815-678-4014 at least 7 days in advance.



Book Clubs



Youth Book Clubs

Kids Book Club (R)

Ages 7 - 9

Thurs. 04/30 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Magic Tree House The Graphic Novel Vol. 1 adapted by Jenny Laird

Tween Book Club (R)

Ages 10 - 12

Tues. 04/28 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Animorphs The Graphic Novel Vol. 1 adapted by Chris Grine.

Teen Book Club (R)

Ages 13 - 17

Wed. 04/29 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Dune The Graphic Novel Vol. 1 adapted by Brian Herbert

Adult Book Clubs

March (R)

Page Turners: Tues, Mar. 17 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Midday Reads: Wed, Mar. 18 @ 1- 2 p.m.

The Collected Regrets of Clover by Mikki Brammer

April (R)

Page Turners: Tues, Apr. 21 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Midday Reads: Wed, Apr. 15 @ 1- 2 p.m.

The Housemaid by Freida McFadden

May (R)

Page Turners: Tues, May 19 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Midday Reads: Wed, May 20 @ 1 - 2 p.m.

Before the Coffee Gets Cold by Toshikazu Kawaguchi, Translated by Geoffrey Trousselot



Richmond-Spring Grove

NPLD Book Clubs are graciously sponsored by the Richmond-Spring Grove Rotary.

SPRING TAKE & MAKES

Adult, Teen, & Youth kits will be available on the first of each month. Supplies are limited.



Visit the **NEW** Seed Library opening on March 10th



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