



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.

Summer 2026

June, July, August



PLANT A SEED, READ



Early Literacy (0-5)

- Prizes for every 60 minutes of reading & 1 drawing ticket
- Up to 360 minutes

Children's (6-12)

- Prizes for every 90 minutes of reading & 1 drawing ticket
- Up to 540 minutes

Teens (13-17)

- Prizes for every 90 minutes of reading & 1 drawing ticket
- Up to 540 minutes

Adults (18+)

- Every book read earns a badge & 1 drawing ticket
- Up to 10 books

First Day to Log
Monday, June 8

Last Day to Log
Saturday, July 18

Register Now!



Beanstack

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Summer Reading Kick-Off

Celebrate the start of Summer Reading with us at Nippersink Public Library! Join us on **Saturday, June 13, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** for a lively community event featuring Animal Quest, a petting zoo, a plant exchange, food trucks, games, and local community partners.

Snacks and water will be provided. Attendees will also have the opportunity to register for the Summer Reading Program. This event is open to all. Additional details will be shared as we get closer to the event.

New! Curbside Pickup Available

We now offer two designated curbside pickup spaces! Simply park, call the library, and our staff will bring out the items you already have on hold — quick, easy, and convenient.



Growing Together:



Our New Community Garden

We're excited to introduce our new community garden at NPLD! We'll be growing vegetables, herbs, and flowers to share with our community. A picnic table will create a space to relax and enjoy the outdoors. Also coming soon: a StoryWalk® along the path to the garden, bringing stories and nature together.

Be Part of Something Bigger:

Become a Volunteer

There are so many ways to get involved at Nippersink Public Library! From gardening and program help to events, local history, and more, we're looking for volunteers to be part of it all. Bring your interests and ideas—scan the QR code to join us!

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Children & Tween Programs

Summer registration opens May 18. Book clubs are listed on back page.

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Early Literacy (0 - 5)

Baby Bash

Tuesdays @ 10 a.m. (June 9 - July 28)

Stories and play for ages 3 & under.

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays @ 10 a.m. (June 10 - July 29)

Interactive story time for ages 5 & under.

Messy Art With Straws

Monday, June 15 @ 10 - 11 a.m.

Dress for the mess (sensory painting).

Baby Rave

Monday, July 13 @ 10 - 11 a.m.

Sensory dance party at the Library!

Youth Programs (Ages 6 - 10)

Pokémon Club

Wednesday, June 17 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

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

Join in on crafts, activities, and card trading!

Make & Create

Thursday, June 18 @ 6 - 7 p.m. Birdfeeder

Thursday, July 16 @ 6 - 7 p.m. Paper Mache Pots

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

Lego Club

Thursday, June 11 @ 5 - 6 p.m.

Thursday, July 9 @ 5 - 6 p.m.

It's building time at the Library!

Fishing 101

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

Learn the basic skills that go into fishing.

Run by the Department of Natural Resources.

Family Events (Ages 12 & Under)

Family Bingo

Wednesday, June 10 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Everyone is a winner at Library bingo!

Paws & Read

Thursday, June 25 @ 4 - 5:15 p.m.

Thursday, July 23 @ 4 - 5:15 p.m.

Read (or hang out) with a therapy dog.

Celebrate Sustainability

Saturday, June 20 @ 10 - 11 a.m.

Learn ways to take care of your world.

Run by the Michael Fields Institute.

"Drive-In" Movie

Wednesday, June 24 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Decorate your own Kart and to watch *The Mario Movie* in!

Fairy & Gremlin Gardens

Monday, June 22 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Design a magical green space.

Jigsaw Puzzle Contest

Saturday, July 11 @ 10 - 11 a.m.

Put your puzzle skills to the test!

Turtle Talk With MCCC

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

Learn about native turtles and our mascot,

Sunny the Blanding's Turtle. Run by the

McHenry Co. Conservation District.

**Follow us on social media for updates,
program details, and photos!**

Tween Programs (Ages 10 - 12)

Gamer Meetup

Fridays @ 3 - 4:30 p.m.

BYO device or play the switch!

Summer session runs June 12 - July 31.

Dungeons and Dragons

Monday, June 8 @ 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Learn the basics of D&D at our session 0!

Campaign runs June 8 - July 27.

NERF Battle

Saturday, June 20 @ 5 - 6 p.m.

No blasters/darts needed. Waiver required.

Lego Club

Thursday, June 11 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

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

It's building time at the Library!

Makernoon

Wednesday, June 17 @ 1 - 2 p.m. Button Pins

Wednesday, July 15 @ 1 - 2 p.m. NERF Dart Art

Create, craft, and enjoy a snack.

Eco-Escape Room

Wednesday, June 24 @ 5 - 6 p.m.

Escape and learn how to save the world!

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Grief Guide Support Group (R)

Mondays @ 6 - 7 p.m. First session starts on July 6.

Cards and Coffee

Tuesdays @ 2 - 4 p.m.

June

Heart Centered Guidance Sound Bath (R)

Saturday, June 6 @ 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Dress comfy and bring a yoga mat or blanket.

Grief Guide (R)

Wednesday, June 10 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Lisa Orris, founder of Grief Guide, offers tools & practices to help move through grief & learn to grow your life around it.

Intro to Genealogy (R)

Wednesday, June 17 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

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

Brain Health Bingo (R)

Thursday, June 18 @ 12 - 1 p.m.

Learn actionable steps to protect your brain while playing bingo with White Oaks at McHenry & the Alzheimer's Association.

Getting Through the Month (R)

Wednesday, June 23 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

This program provides the tools and information to help participants take step towards financial empowerment.

Living Roots Aeroponics Learning Experience (R)

Monday, June 29 @ 10 - 11 a.m. at Living Roots Farm in Fox Lake, IL

An educational experience that covers controlled-environment agriculture, sustainability, & food systems. Guests take home a gift! **This program is off site and your own transportation is needed to join.**

July

Book Speed Dating (R)

Wednesday, July 1 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Find the perfect book match for you.

America's 250th Anniversary (R)

Wednesday, July 8 @ 5 - 7:45 p.m.

Celebrate this anniversary with a screening of Hamilton. The movie will start promptly at 5 pm.

Digital Resources Help (R)

Friday, July 17 @ 2 - 3 p.m.

Come with questions about Libby, Hoopla, and/or Project Palace.

DIY Stamped Tote Bags (R)

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

An Evening Abroad (R) . . . Learn about Australia.

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

August

Heart Centered Guidance Sound Bath (R)

Saturday, August 1 @ 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Dress comfy and bring a yoga mat or blanket.

Bike Maintenance 101 (R)

Wednesday, August 5 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Learn about basic bike maintenance with Avant Cycles.

A Day Abroad (R) . . . Learn about Guatemala.

Friday, August 7 @ 2 - 3 p.m.

Shine a Light on Alzheimer's (R)

Thursday, August 13 @ 12 - 1 p.m.

Learn the warning signs of Alzheimer's while painting a wine bottle with White Oaks at McHenry & the Alzheimer's Association.

Vase Painting (R)

Wednesday, August 26 @ 5 - 7 p.m.

Paint a vase with aide from a member of the Clayworkers' Guild of Illinois.

Aldo Leopold and Our Relationship to the Land (R)

Tuesday, June 23 @ 7 - 8 p.m. at the Raue Center for the Arts in Crystal Lake

Jennifer Sterling traces the pivotal moments in land conservationist Aldo Leopold's life in this presentation. There will a cash bar available starting at 6 pm with theater doors opening at 6:45 pm.

Teen Programs (Ages 13 - 17)

Dungeons and Dragons

Monday, June 8 @ 4 - 5:30 p.m.

Campaign runs June 8 - July 27.

Open Stage

Wednesday, June 9 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, July 14 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

Anything better than improv and snacks? Find out!

Game Night

Tuesday, June 16 @ 6 - 7 p.m.

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

Boards, cards, and more!

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Board of Trustees Meetings

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

Library Closings

Sat, July 4- Closed
Fri, August 7- Opening at Noon

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Did You Know?

Your library card is your all-access pass! Stream movies and TV shows, read eBooks and comics, browse magazines, learn a new language, or try a fitness class. All for free with a Nippersink Public Library card! Visit our website or scan the QR code to explore our eResources!



May 24-September 1



Explore nature with Nippersink Library in partnership with McHenry County Conservation District's Find Your Wild program!



Scan the QR code for more information!



Book Clubs



Youth Book Clubs

Kids Book Club

Ages 7 - 9
Thurs. 07/23 @ 6 - 7 p.m.
Escape at 10,000 Feet
by Tom Sullivan

Tween Book Club

Ages 10 - 12
Tues. 07/21 @ 6 - 7 p.m.
Parachute Kids by Betty C. Tang

Teen Book Club

Ages 13 - 17
Wed. 07/22 @ 6 - 7 p.m.
War of the Worlds
adapted by Chris Mould.



Richmond-Spring Grove

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

Adult Book Clubs

June

Page Turners: Tues, Jun. 16 @ 6 - 7 p.m.
Midday Reads: Wed, Jun. 17 @ 1- 2 p.m.
The Busybody Book Club by Freya Sampson

July

Page Turners: Tues, Jul. 21 @ 6 - 7 p.m.
Midday Reads: Wed, Jul. 15 @ 1- 2 p.m.
The One Hundred Years of Lenni & Margot
by Marianne Cronin

August

Page Turners: Tues, Aug. 18 @ 6 - 7 p.m.
Midday Reads: Wed, Aug. 19 @ 1 - 2 p.m.
The Poppy Fields by Nikki Erlick

Community Chat

Start your month with good conversation and great company! Join us on the first Friday of every month at 10 a.m. in Adult Services (by the fireplace) for coffee and connection with community members and library staff. Come to share ideas, ask questions, or simply chat; we'd love to see you.

Interested in Being a Library Presenter?

Got an idea for a great program? Share your skills, stories, or expertise with our community! Scan the QR code to submit a presenter form and help bring new experiences to the Library.



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



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