



# PAGES



MARCH 2024 - MAY 2024



## SPRING CLOSURES

**Friday, March 29**

Good Friday

**Friday, May 10**

Staff Engagement Day

**Monday, May 27**

Memorial Day



## South Holland Public Library

16250 Wausau Ave.  
South Holland, IL 60473  
**(708) 527-3150**  
shlibrary.org

Monday - Thursday  
10:00 am - 9:00 pm  
Friday  
10:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Saturday  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Closed Sundays



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# Shredding Event



**In Partnership with the  
Village of South Holland**



**Saturday, March 16**

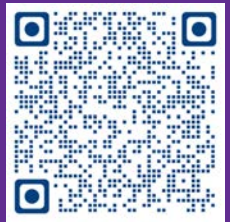
**10 am - 12 pm**

**WEST PARKING LOT**

**2 Box Limit for South Holland residents only.**

# Parents & Caregivers

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## Reading Programs

### Birth - 5 Years

#### MISS BUNNY BAGS

*Designed for ages 0-3*  
Celebrate Reading, Learning, and Playing with your Little One!  
Sign up for our new early literacy subscription bag and Miss Rosie will curate a mini collection and some goodies just for you and your budding reader!

#### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Join our free year-round early literacy program for all children from birth to kindergarten. Earn prizes as you build your child's love of reading.

### Elementary

#### READING REBELS BOX

*Designed for ages 7-11*  
Not sure what to read next?  
Then sign up for a Reading Rebels box and let us find your next great read. Each box will include 2 books and some extra goodies!

#### Read 500

This self-paced reading program is open to all kids who are starting Kindergarten through the start of 5th grade! Read or listen to 500 books and earn prizes along the way!

### Teens

#### #Read24In24

Hey Teens! Post what you're reading on social media and tag us @shlibrary. Earn prizes throughout the year and join a celebration at year's end.

## Storytimes & Playgroups

### March, April, & May



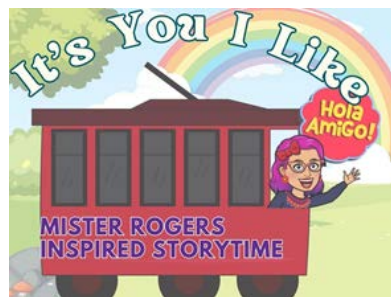
#### Bilingual Bebés

*1st Friday of the Month at 11 am*

Come and enjoy stories, music, movement, and multilingual fun!

*1er viernes del mes a las 11 am*

¡Ven y disfruta de cuentos, música, movimiento y diversión multilingüe!



#### It's YOU I Like

*Tuesdays at 11 am*

Come enjoy songs, rhymes, and reading with Miss Rosie. A storytime inspired by the world of Mister Rogers's Neighborhood. Reading books to promote community, self-assurance, and kindness.



#### Wiggles and Giggles Bedtime Storytime

*Wednesdays at 5:30 pm*

Need to burn off some evening energy?  
Come get tucked out with silly songs, stories, and movement.



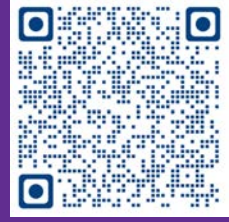
#### Little Bodies, BIG Feelings

*Thursdays at 11 am*

Join Ms. Regina and Ms. Liz as we get in touch with a kinder and more compassionate world through stories, songs, and activities.

# Youth and Family

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## March

### Miss Bunny Birthday!

Thursday, March 28 at 11 am

Let's have a hopping good time!

Miss Bunny is turning 1 year old. Let's celebrate with our favorite Storytime Mascot.



## April

### Sip & Paint

Thursday, April 4 at 6 pm

Relax and get in touch with your artistic side in this celebratory blend of spring, jazz and poetry. Targeted primarily to teens, but families welcome if children are 10+ years.

### Día del Niño

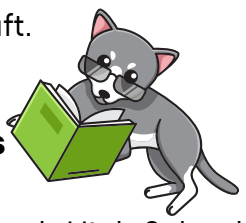
Saturday, April 20 at 1 pm

We are celebrating our kids! Come join us for some fun Cardio Drumming by Ms. Mary and a special visit by The Madrigal Sisters from Encanto will be leading us in a sing along and simple craft.

### Love on a Leash: Read to the Dogs

Saturday, April 27 at 11 am

This will be for children Kindergarten through High School.



## May

### Free Comic Book Day

Saturday, May 4 (All Day)

Come celebrate Free Comic Book Day at the library. We will have a limited number of kids comic books to giveaway.

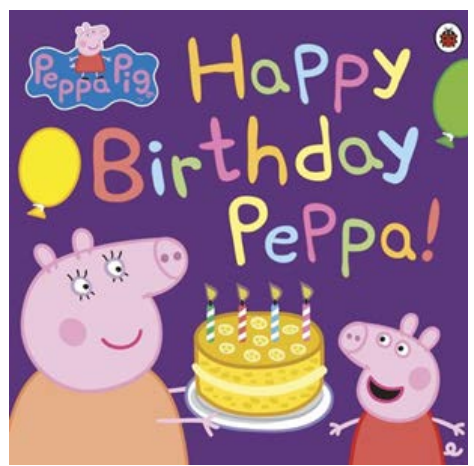
One per child while supplies last.



### Peppa's Birthday

Thursday, May 30 at 11 am

Play with our Peppa playsets and Sing Happy Birthday to our favorite little pig Peppa!



### Check out our Vox Books collection!

Vox Books are popular fiction and nonfiction youth titles with the audiobook built right in! Try these for additional support with reading comprehension, sparking interest with reluctant readers, or simply because they're fun.

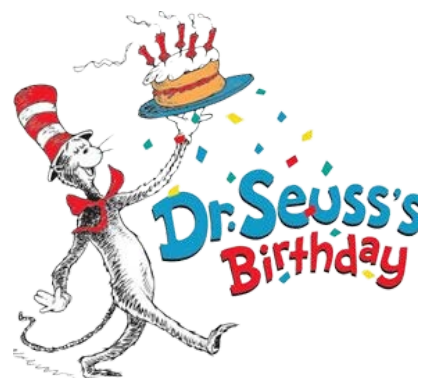


# Youth Crafts

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## March

### Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!

March 2 (All Day)

Come to the library to pick up a Take & Make craft celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday! Craft is geared towards kids' kindergarten through 5th grade.

### Take & Make Holiday Craft

Monday, March 4 and Monday, March 18 (All Day)

There will be a new holiday Take & Make craft geared for kids in kindergarten through 5th grade.

## April

### Crafternoons

Monday, April 8 and Monday, April 22 (All Day)

Join Miss Liz as we make a fun craft! Program is geared for grades Kindergarten-5th grade.

## May



### Take & Make: May the 4th Be With You

Saturday, May 4, (All Day)

Stop into the library for a special Star Wars Take & Make craft.

### Crafternoons

Monday, May 6 and Monday, May 20

Join Miss Liz as we make a fun craft! Program is geared for grades Kindergarten-5th grade

## Kids Care

Join Miss Liz as we create crafts that will be put out for the community.

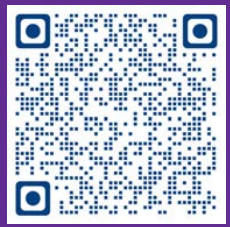
This program is for grades 3rd-5th.

March 14 & March 28  
April 11 & April 25  
May 2 & May 23  
at 4:30 pm



# Teens

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## Youth Art Month Gallery

*The entire month of March*

Stop by and view pieces created by local high school students.

## HBCYou II

*Thursday, March 14 at 4:30 pm*

Explore the benefits of choosing an Historically Black College or University with local alumni. Find out about campus life. What do they have to offer that PWIs do not? What unique opportunities exist? Might an HBCU be the right choice for you?



## Hispanic-Serving Institutions and Your Future

*Thursday, March 21 at 4:30 pm*

Find out what local colleges are doing to attract, support, and encourage students from Hispanic backgrounds. Come hear from representatives from local schools such as St. Xavier University, Purdue University Northwest, and Governors State University.



## International Snack Exploration

*Tuesdays, March 5, April 2, & May 7 at 4:30 pm*

Take your tastebuds on a trip without leaving SoHo! Taste new sweet and savory snacks from around the world. Once we've sampled them all, we'll pick our favorite, least favorite, and weirdest snack.

*Note: foods that contain common allergens will be clearly labeled. If you have any allergy concerns, please contact Teen Services Librarian, Ms. Jenn.*

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

## STEAM Lab

*Thursdays at 6 pm*

### March 21

*It's National Engineers Month:* Ever wonder how bridges are made and roads get constructed? Come learn about the world of engineering from a civil engineer.

### April 4

*Sip & Paint:* Relax and get in touch with your artistic side in this celebratory blend of spring, jazz and poetry.

### May 9

*Bath Bombs & Lego Soap:* Get your hands dirty, and clean creating handmade bath bombs or homemade soap. Gift it to a loved one, or enjoy a relaxing bubbly time.





# Special Events

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## National Library Week 2024

**Sunday, April 7 through Saturday, April 13.**

*Join us for Spirit Week that includes daily activities, crafts, contests, and library fun!*

National acknowledgements during that week are:

Monday, April 8: Right to Read Day is a National Day of Action in support of the right to read. The State of America's Libraries Report is released, including the Top Ten Most Challenged Books of 2023.

Tuesday, April 9: National Library Workers Day, a day for everyone to recognize the valuable contributions made by library workers.

Wednesday, April 10: National Library Outreach Day, a day dedicated to the library professionals who are meeting their patrons where they are.

Thursday, April 11: Take Action for Libraries Day, a day to rally advocates to urge members of Congress to protect the freedom to read.

## Día del Niño / Day of the Child

**Sábado 20 de abril 1 pm- 3 pm / Saturday, April 20 1 pm- 3 pm**

¡Celebremos a nuestros Niños!  
Vamos a disfrutar de Cardio Drumming de la Sra. Mary y una visita especial de las Hermanas Madrigal de Encanto, una manualidad sencilla y Música.



Let's celebrate our kids!  
Join us for Cardio Drumming fun with Ms. Mary, a special visit and sing-a-long with The Madrigal Sisters from Encanto, and a simple craft.

**Registration Required!**  
**¡Se requiere registro!**

# Programas En Español

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¡ESCANEE PARA REGISTRARSE!

## Club de Lectura

### Lecciones de Química escrito por Bonnie Garmus

Miércoles, 27 de Marzo, 7 pm

#### Small Meeting Room

Leeremos Lecciones de Química escrito por Bonnie Garmus. ¡Lee el libro y únete a la discusión! Para más información llame al 708-527-3160. La discusión será en persona.



### Me alegro de que mi madre haya muerto escrito por Jennette McCurdy

Miércoles, 22 de Mayo, 7 pm

#### Small Meeting Room

Leeremos Me alegro de que mi madre haya muerto escrito por Jennette McCurdy. ¡Lee el libro y únete a la discusión! Para más información llame al 708-527-3160. La discusión será en persona.



## Adolescentes

Las instituciones que sirven a los hispanos y su futuro

**Jueves 21 de marzo a las 4:30 pm**

¡Descubra qué están haciendo las universidades locales para atraer, apoyar y alentar a estudiantes de origen hispano. Venga a escuchar a representantes de escuelas locales como la Universidad St. Xavier, la Universidad Purdue Northwest y la Universidad Governors State.

**Fiesta de la Luna – Martes 14 de mayo a las 4 pm**

Tu cuerpo no debería ser un misterio. ¡Ven a celebrar la menstruación! Se brindará una presentación interactiva e informativa durante la cual disfrutaremos de nuestros refrigerios favoritos para los "antojos de la época" y prepararemos "bolsas para llevar". Este programa está abierto a preadolescentes, adolescentes y sus familias.

## Adultos

**Maquillaje y Cuidado de la Piel para la Mujer Hispana**

Miércoles, 15 de Mayo, 7 pm

#### Community Room

Jessica Mireles nos enseñará varios tips de maquillaje sencillo de uso diario y cuidado de la piel que todas deberíamos conocer.

**Suena como un plan: reunión de planificadores**

El último lunes de cada mes

#### Departamento de Niños

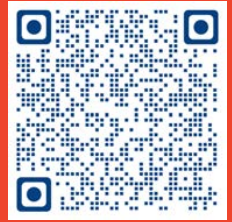
¡Conozca a otros entusiastas de la planificación mientras nos preparamos para el próximo mes en estas sesiones de planificación mensual! ¡Trae tus propios suministros, compártelos o usa los nuestros! ¡Todas las edades son bienvenidas!

Todos son bienvenidos a los programas enumerados en este boletín. Si necesita más información sobre cualquiera de nuestros programas o servicios, no dude en preguntar por Rosie, Alejandra o Amilcar.



# ADULTS: Health & Wellness

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## Nature Walk and Reflection

1st Wednesday, March, April, and May at 10 am

### Sandridge Nature Center

Join us for a Mindful Nature Walk to experience the soothing embrace of nature and connect with fellow participants and whatever meets us on the trail.

## Traditional T'ai Chi Ch'uan

Thursdays, March 7 and 21, April 4,  
May 2 and 16 at 7 pm

### Community Room

Start practicing T'ai Chi Ch'uan! The benefits of practicing this art form include improved balance, coordination, self-confidence, posture, and body awareness.

## Pilates with Coach Renee

Saturday, March 23 at 10:30 am

### Community Room (Space is limited.)

Coach Renee of Alpha to Omega Wholistic Therapeutic Services will help us "Take Time for YOU" as she leads us in a Pilates session.

## Calming Meditation

Tuesdays, March 26, April 30, and May 28 at 7 pm

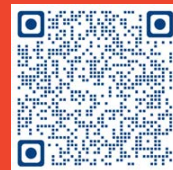
### Community Room

Achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state using guided meditation with Brian Thompson from BNew4Life.



# Garden and Nature Activities

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## Garden Safety

Wednesday, March 13 at 7 pm

### Community Room

Kaylynn Robinson, U of I Master Gardener, will share tips on how to garden safely.

## Worm Composting-Rescheduled

Wednesday, April 10 at 7 pm

### Community Room

Kaylynn Robinson will demonstrate how to fertilize your garden with worm composting.

## Earth Day Celebration

### Green Cleaning: Sustainability at Home

Monday, April 22 at 7 pm

### Community Room

Learn things we can do to make our homes and the planet healthier, including properly recycling and making our own green cleaning alternatives. Make a green scouring scrub to try at home.

## Planting with the South Holland Gardening Club

Wednesday, May 29 at 7 pm

### Community Room

Make a planter and plant a flower with the South Holland Gardening Club.

## 20's - 30's Somethings

### Think Fast Trivia Nights

Mondays, March 4, April 1, and May 6 at 7 pm

### Collaboration Space

Grab your friends, flex your brainpower, and compete in an exciting evening of trivia fun.

### D&D Adventurers League for Adults (18+)

#### A Tier 1 Adventure for Level 1 through 4 characters

Saturdays, March 2 and 16, April 13 and 27,  
May 11 and 25 at 12:30 pm

### Small Meeting Room

Adventurers without existing characters will be provided pre-generated characters. All play materials provided.

### Smash Tournament

Thursdays, March 14, April 11, and May 9 at 7 pm

### Community Room

Get ready for an action-packed afternoon at our library's adult Super Smash Brothers tournament! Join us for some friendly competition. Whether you're a seasoned veteran or a newcomer to the game, there's fun to be had for all skill levels.

### Drop-In Board Game Night

4th Thursday, March, April, and May at 5:30 pm

### Collaboration Space

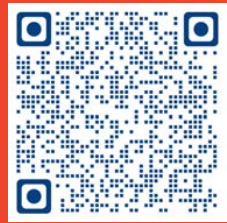
Drop in for contemporary board & card games. Learn a new game or bring your own! This program is intended for ages 20-30, but all are welcome!





# Special Interests

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## Problem Gambling

Monday, March 11 at 7 pm

### Community Room

Elvina Stegall of Lakar Enterprise, located in South Holland, will share the signs and symptoms of problem gambling.

## Is There a Pot of Gold in Your Future?

Friday, March 15 at 11 am

### Reference Department

Do you know if you have unclaimed property? A representative from the IL Treasurers Office will be on hand to make sure you're not missing out of any funds.

## SH Business Entrepreneurs

Tuesday, April 9 at 7 pm

### Community Room

Whether you are a major corporation, a small company, or working a side hustle, branding is everything. Branding is what attracts customers and clients. Join us to learn the ins and outs of branding.



# Crafts

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## Plaster of Paris Flowers

Monday, March 25 at 6:30 pm

### Collaboration Space

## Dried Flower Bookmarks

Monday, April 8 at 6:30 pm

### Collaboration Space

## Celebrate National Library Week:

### Create a Tote Bag

Thursday, April 11 at 6:00 pm

### Collaboration Space

## Recycled Plastic Bird Feeders

Monday, April 22 (All Day)

### Reference Desk

One (1) kit per person. Grab a DIY Take-N-Make bag.

## Mini Macramé Flower Pot Holder

Monday, May 13 at 6:30 pm

### Collaboration Space

# Finances

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## How to Set Goals, Build a Budget, and Save

Wednesday, March 20 at 7 pm

### Community Room

Join Brandon Mellis of Chase Bank as he gives tips on setting financial goals and building a budget to succeed.

## Managing Debt

Wednesday, May 8 at 7 pm

### Community Room

A Chase Bank representative will give us much needed information on how to manage debt.



# Technology

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## Tech Help Walk-Ins: Apple

*Mondays, March 4, April 1, May 6 at 3 pm*

### Collaboration Space

Walk in for 1-on-1 help with your tech questions about Apple devices, library databases, e-books, or any basic computing dilemmas.

## Tech Help Walk-Ins: Android

*Mondays, March 18, April 15, May 20 at 6 pm*

### Collaboration Space

Walk in for 1-on-1 help with your tech questions about Android devices, Microsoft Office, or any other basic computing dilemmas.

## Intro to Snapchat

*Thursday, March 7 at 6 pm*

### Collaboration Space

Step into a world of snaps and stories! Capture the moments that matter, share your adventures, and connect with friends like never before with Snapchat.

## Master Your Gmail

*Tuesday, April 23 at 12 pm*

### Collaboration Space

Set up password recovery options, organize and manage emails, files, and your inbox. Must have a Gmail username and password to participate in class. Contact the Reference Desk for assistance in setting up an account in advance.

## Resumes on Canva

*Thursday, May 2 at 6 pm*

### Collaboration Space

Take your resume to the next level with Canva's intuitive design tools.

# Book Clubs



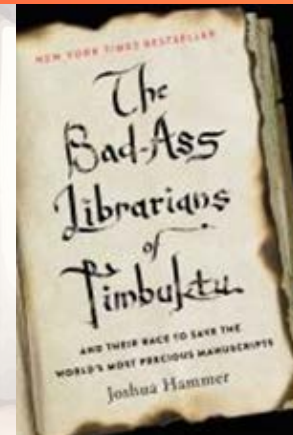
### We Know Whodunnit Mystery Book Club

***A Rip Through Time*** by Kelley Armstrong

*Tuesday, March 19 at 7 pm*

#### Small Meeting Room

Mallory Atkinson, a modern-day homicide detective, finds herself in Victorian Scotland—in an unfamiliar body—with a killer on the loose.



### Just the Facts: Non-Fiction Book Club

***The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu: And Their Race to Save the World's Most Precious Manuscripts*** By Joshua Hammer

*Wednesday, April 17 at 7 pm*

#### Small Meeting Room

Fanatical militant rule in Mali caused archivist Abdel Kader Haidara to organize an operation to save thousands of priceless historical manuscripts from destruction.



# Seniors Connecting

These programs are for seniors (55+) and over

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## Chair Yoga

1st, 2nd, & 3rd Thursdays of March, April, and May at 11 am

### Zoom and Live in the Community Room

Enjoy yoga while in a seated position. This class is open and accessible for all!

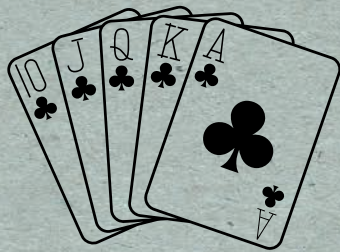


## Bid Whist for Seniors

1st and 3rd Fridays of March, April, and May at 1 pm

### Community Room (Space is limited)

Make new friends while playing Bid Whist. It takes four to make a game, so bring your friends!



## Cardio Drumming for Seniors

Tuesdays, April 16 and May 21 at 11 am

### Community Room (Space is limited.)

Have you heard about the new craze of cardio drumming, but were hesitant because of your age? Mary Commodore of Get Fit Nutrition will lead us in a fun fitness experience!

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## Senior Social Hour (ages 55+)

### Collaboration Space

Friday, March 22 at 1 pm

### It's Game Time!

Friday, April 26 at 1 pm

We'll play games but we'll also have the staff from TCA Health on hand to talk about health insurance, and give health screening tests.

Friday, May 24 at 1 pm

Let's play some board games and cards.



# SUMMER READING: ADVENTURE UNDER THE BIG TOP

JUNE 1ST - JULY 31ST



South Holland  
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## Spring Collection

Check out new these additions to our  
"Library of Things"



Knitting DIY



Cricket Press



Mobile Scanner



Blood Pressure Monitor



# Who's at your Library?

Get to Know the Managers Here at SHPL!

My name is Christyn Rayford and I am the Library Director. I have been working at the library for over 4 years. My favorite genre is young adult fiction. Right now, I am reading "Vengeance of a Pirate Queen" by Tricia Levenseller.



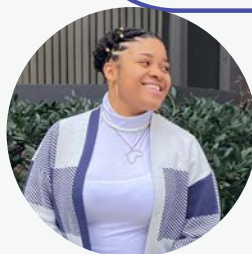
Hi, my name is Amilcar! I am the Assistant Director and I have been working here 1 year. I enjoy Memoirs, Biographies, Historical Fiction, Thrillers, some Science Fiction, and Dystopia. Right now, I am reading (listening) to "Demon Copperhead" by Barbara Kingsolver.



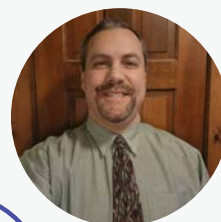
Hey, my name is Regina and I am Head of Youth Services, and I've been working here for 2 years. My favorite part of our collection is our Youth Exploration Sets! I love that our sets help families explore toys and other items that they may not wish to purchase, but want to try out. I'm currently reading two books: "Life is 10% What Happens to You and 90% How You React" by Charles Swindoll, and "Confessions of an Alleged Good Girl" by Joya Goffney.



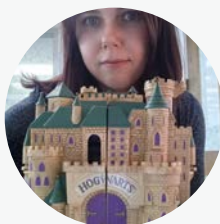
Hey! My name is Kyla Turner and I am the Community Engagement Coordinator. I have been working here for 9 months. My favorite collection is the Miss Bunny Bags. My favorite genre is non-fiction, and I am currently reading "Like a Fly on the Wall" by Simone Kelly.



My name is Tim DeYoung and I work as the Head of I.T. I have been here for 24 years. My favorite part of the collection: Entrepreneurship books & Car books. I am currently reading "Million Dollar Book" by Mike Fallat.



My name is Tori and I am the Head of Circulation. I have worked at SHPL for 10 years. My favorite genre of books are Non-Fiction and Cookbooks. As of right now, I am reading "Air fryer cookbook: 600 effortless air fryer recipes for beginners and advanced users."



Hi, I'm Linda and I am the Head of Public Services and I have been working here for 10 years. I love books about Thrillers & Adventure books. I am currently reading "The Edge" by David Baldacci (did I mention I actually met him)



Hi, my name is Christine and I am the Head of Technical Services. I have been here for 17 years. I am currently reading "The Lost Tomb: and other real-life stories of bones, burials, and murder" by Douglas Preston.



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## Library Board Meetings

The Library Board of Trustees meet on the 4th Monday of every Month at 6:00 p.m. in the Small Meeting Room.

**Monday, March 25, 2024**

**Monday, April 22, 2024**

**Monday, May 20, 2024**

## Get Connected!



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Any individual requiring special accommodations as specified by the Americans with Disabilities Act is required to notify the Library Director at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting date. Please call (708) 527 - 3150.



### The New SWAN+ App Is Here!

This free app allows you to store your library card, manage your account, search and request titles, view recommendations from your library, and download eBooks, eAudio, and more! Need help using the app? Stop by the Reference Desk and staff will be happy to help you!



**Explore More Illinois** allows SHPL cardholders to reserve free and discounted admission, parking, and gift store purchases from cultural and recreational attractions in Illinois, including museums, cultural centers, zoos, aquariums, gardens, historical societies, park districts, and more.



**Now offering Museum of Science and Industry passes!**



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### Museum Pass

The Museum Adventure Pass is presented by Chicago suburban libraries. The program provides card holders of participating libraries with opportunities for free admission to a selection of Chicago area cultural destinations, including museums, zoos and parks.

