LIBRARY CLOSINGS
Monday, May 25
Memorial Day

LIBRARY HOURS
Monday to Thursday
9:00 AM to 9:00 PM

Friday and Saturday
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Plainfield Public Library District
815.436.6639
plainfieldpubliclibrary.org
15025 S. Illinois St.,
Plainfield, IL 60544

See Page 3 for more on Fandom Fest
**CENSUS 2020: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW**

**Why is the census important?**
The 2020 Census will determine the annual distribution of more than $675 billion in funds for state and local agencies for essential services that affect everyone.

**Who is counted in the census?**
Everyone residing in the United States is counted, regardless of citizenship status and including children.

**Are the questions I answer confidential?**
Your responses to the 2020 Census are safe, secure and protected by federal law. Your answers can only be used to produce statistics—they cannot be used against you in any way. The Census Bureau will never share information with immigration or law enforcement agencies. The Census Bureau will never ask you for:

- Your Social Security number
- Money or donations
- Anything on behalf of a political party
- Your bank or credit card account numbers

**How and where can I complete the census?**
Near the end of March, most people will receive a letter with online survey information. You can complete the census from your home computer or device. The Library will also have a designated station for your use.

**When is the deadline?**
August 2020.

For more information, please visit plainfieldpubliclibrary.org/census2020.

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**MY LIBRARY REWARDS**

Earn points for each item checked out. Then, redeem the points at local businesses or for gift cards.

**Not signed up yet?**
Sign up at mylibraryrewards.com.

**Already signed up and not sure what to do with your points?**
Redeem them for $5 off fines during National Library Week, April 20 to 25.

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**PLAINFIELD STORYWALK®**

Plainfield now has a permanent StoryWalk® at Settlers’ Park! This fun, educational activity places the pages of a book along a walking path. Combine the joys of reading with the benefits of being active outdoors. As you walk the path, discover page after page, and pretty soon after a short stroll you have read a story! The story changes often, so be sure to check our Facebook page for updates: facebook.com/plainfieldstorywalk.
**Fandom Fest**

**Family Fun**
*All Ages Welcome*

**Saturday, April 25, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

Gather and geek out with other fans! Whether it’s Wonder Woman or the Mandalorian, Pokémon or Apex Legends, we’re taking over the Library and celebrating all the fandoms. Join us for crafts, games, giveaways, visits from special guests and more. If the fandom festivities make you hungry, visit one of the food trucks in the Route 59 parking lot.

**Artist Alley**
*Saturday, April 25, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM*

Meet some of the best fandom artists around including: Addie Afable • Bree Strom • Cantina Customz • Comic Books for Kids • Jewell Walton • Morgan Fertig • Dawn Murphy • Owl Post Greetings • Rogues Legacy • Ben Clark • CN Factory • Movies in Miniature • Sowers Creations • Wayward Geek

**‘80s Music Bingo**
*Saturday, April 25, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM*

Does Stranger Things and the upcoming Wonder Woman movie have you feeling nostalgic for ‘80s music? Get your fix with ‘80s Music Bingo presented by Baig of Tricks Entertainment. Rounds will last 20 to 30 minutes so you can come and go as you please.

**Fandom Fest Fashion Show**
*All Ages*

**Saturday, April 25, 1:00 PM**

Time to show off your best cosplay. Suit up and strut your stuff for our panel of judges for a chance to win fandom fame and prizes! Costumes from all fandoms welcome, but please keep them PG-13.

**PROMicon**
*Grades 7 to 12*

**Friday, April 24, 7:00 to 10:00 PM**

Registration begins April 10

You belong at our second annual PROMicon! Whether you are dressed in your fanciest outfit, your favorite cosplay or your comfy clothes you are welcome at our fandom themed alternative prom. There will be a DJ for dancing, fun activities and games, a photo booth and snacks. Bring your friends and have a blast at this after-hours Fandom Fest pre-party. Front doors will be open and staffed from 6:45 to 7:30 PM.

Visit plainfieldpubliclibrary.org/fandomfest for more details, updates and Fandom Fest fun.
STORYTIMES & MORE
Session 4: March 2 to April 16 (no storytimes the week of March 30)

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**REGISTRATION REQUIRED STORYTIMES**

*These programs require a Plainfield Public Library card.*

**Fun with Music**
Ages 12 months to 4 years with caregiver
March 2 to April 16
Registration begins February 17
Mondays, 9:30 to 10:00 AM OR
Tuesdays, 9:30 to 10:00 AM OR
Tuesdays, 10:30 to 11:00 AM

Children and their caregivers sing, dance and play musical instruments together during this six-week session. Please only register for one class. A Plainfield Public Library card is required.

**Panera Bread Presents: Storytime, Milk and Cookies**
Ages 3 to 5
Tuesday, March 3, Registration begins February 18
Tuesday, March 17, Registration begins March 3
Tuesday, April 7, Registration begins March 24
Tuesday, April 21, Registration begins April 7
10:00 to 10:45 AM

Enjoy a storytime and craft as well as milk and cookies at the Panera Bread located at Route 59 and 127th Street.
**DROP-IN PROGRAMS**

Play-Doh Playdate

All Ages
Saturday, March 7, 10:00 to 11:30 AM
Saturday, April 4, 10:00 to 11:30 AM
Thursday, April 30, 6:00 to 7:30 PM

It’s time for some Play-Doh fun! We have the Play-Doh and tools; all you need to bring is your imagination!

Sensory Stories and Playtime

Ages 3 to 18
Tuesday, March 17, 6:00 to 6:45 PM

Enjoy stories, activities and crafts in a fun, sensory-friendly environment. Children under 9 must be accompanied by an adult. Parents and caregivers of older children are welcome to stay. Registration is requested, but not required.

Family Music and Movement

Ages 2 to 5 with caregiver
Thursday, March 19, 6:00 to 6:45 PM
Thursday, April 16, 6:00 to 6:45 PM

Get ready to clap, tap, dance, sing and stomp in this high-energy family program built to get the wiggles out. We will explore music, movement, instruments, interactive stories and more!

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

A Plainfield Public Library card is required to register for the programs below. Visit plainfieldpubliclibrary.org or call the Youth Services Desk at 815.439.2877 to register.

Questioneers Club

Grades K to 2
Wednesday, March 4, 4:30 to 5:15 PM
Registration begins February 19
Wednesday, April 29, 4:30 to 5:15 PM
Registration begins April 15

Explore fun projects and activities that involve science, technology, engineering, art and math.

Spring Paint Day

Ages 3 to 5
Friday, March 6, 10:00 to 10:45 AM
Registration begins February 21

We’ll have different paint stations set up for some springtime fun!

Preschool Crafternoon

Ages 3 to 5
Friday, March 13, 1:00 to 2:00 PM
Registration begins February 28
Friday, April 10, 1:00 to 2:00 PM
Registration begins March 27
Friday, May 22, 1:00 to 2:00 PM
Registration begins May 8

Practice your motor, sequencing and having-fun skills by making crafts with us in the afternoon. Grown-ups stay as crafting assistants.

Protect Your Peeps®!

Ages 7 to 11
Thursday, March 12, 6:00 to 7:00 PM
Registration begins February 27

Get those Peeps® to safety! Keep your team of marshmallow chicks from harm by solving engineering challenges.
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**A Kaleidoscope of Butterflies**  
**Grades 1 to 5**  
**Tuesday, March 24, 6:00 to 7:15 PM**  
*Registration begins March 10*

Flutter in to discover the colorful world of butterflies.

**DIY Felt Banners**  
**Grades 2 to 5**  
**Monday, March 30, 12:00 to 1:00 PM**  
*Registration begins March 16*

Get your crafting on with Benzie Designs and create your own customized felt banners.

**Jedi Training**  
**Ages 6 to 10**  
**Tuesday, March 31, 2:00 to 3:00 PM**  
*Registration begins March 17*

Do or do not, there is no try. Become a Jedi Knight through trials of the Force, strength and knowledge.

**ScribbleMonster in Concert**  
**All Ages**  
**Wednesday, April 1, 11:00 am to 12:00 PM**  
*Registration begins March 18*

Jump and jam during this creative play music concert. ScribbleMonster uses a mix of kindness, humor, learning and play to encourage children to think in creative ways.

**Musical Instrument Petting Zoo**  
**All Ages**  
**Wednesday, April 1, 2:00 to 3:00 PM**  
*Registration begins March 18*

Meet many of the instruments found in a middle school or high school band! Enjoy a performance by musicians from Plainfield North High School followed by time to ask the musicians questions and interact with the various instruments.

**Pirate Party**  
**Ages 3 to 6**  
**Thursday, April 2, 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM**  
*Registration begins March 19*

AAAARGH, matey! Gather your crew and head to the Library for a swashbuckling good time reading pirate tales and making your own “treasure.”

**Funky Hair Ties**  
**Grades 2 to 5**  
**Tuesday, April 7, 6:00 to 7:00 PM**  
*Registration begins March 24*

Create fun and unique ties to wear your hair up in style.

**Stop Motion Animation**  
**Grades K to 2**  
**Thursday, April 9, 6:00 to 6:45 PM**  
*Registration begins March 26*

**Grades 3 to 5**  
**Thursday, April 9, 7:00 to 7:45 PM**  
*Registration begins March 26*

Make your own movies with the magic of stop motion animation. Bring toys and colorful clay to life as you work with other kids to tell your own stories.

**Superhero Storytime**  
**Ages 3 to 6**  
**Tuesday, April 14, 6:00 to 6:45 PM**  
*Registration begins March 31*

Calling all superheroes! Swoop in to the Library for heroic stories and a craft.

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**THIRD GRADE WRITES**

The Library is pleased to announce the 2nd annual writing event for children in third grade. Submissions are being accepted from March 1 to March 31. For complete details, including the rules, visit the Library’s website or stop by the Youth Services Desk.

**SHORT STORY CONTEST AUTHOR TALK AND AWARD PRESENTATION**

Saturday, March 14, 10:00 to 10:45 AM  
Short Story Contest entrants and their families are invited to a talk by contest judge, author Celia Perez. Winners will be announced at the end of the program.
Happy Notes
Saturday, May 2

Hogwarts Paintings
Grades 3 to 5
Monday, April 20, 6:00 to 7:15 PM
Registration begins April 6

Paint a fantastic Hogwarts-themed canvas with step-by-step instructions from artist Shane Rotkis.

Unicorns & Narwhals Party
Ages 3 to 5
Tuesday, April 21, 10:30 to 11:30 AM
Registration begins April 7

Celebrate the wonder of unicorns and narwhals with happiness, glitter, bubbles and more!

Crafty Kids Crew
Grades K to 5
Tuesday, April 21, 6:00 to 7:00 PM
Registration begins April 7

Let your creative side show. We supply the materials, and you supply the artistic touch.

Unicorns & Narwhals Party
Ages 6 to 10
Wednesday, April 22, 4:30 to 5:30 PM
Registration begins April 8

Celebrate the wonder of unicorns and narwhals with happiness, glitter, bubbles and more!

Tiny Baby Yoda Buddy
Ages 8 to 12
Thursday, April 23, 6:00 to 7:00 PM
Registration begins April 9

Become a Mandalorian and craft your own 50-year-old child to adopt and take home. This is the way.

Cardboard Construction Creations
Ages 6 to 8
Tuesday, April 28, 6:00 to 7:00 PM
Registration begins April 14

If you can dream it, you can build it out of cardboard using Makedo® cardboard construction kits. Let your imagination be your guide during this hands-on program.

Happy Notes
All Ages
Saturday, May 2, 10:00 to 11:30 AM
Registration begins April 1

Send joy to someone in need by creating handmade cards for charity. Community service hours can be earned for attending this program.

Fingerprint Gardens
Ages 4 to 7
Thursday, May 14, 6:00 to 7:00 PM
Registration begins April 30

Use your fingerprints as brushes to paint unique garden landscapes.

Baby Prom
Ages Birth to 23 months
Wednesday, May 20, 10:00 to 10:45 AM
Registration begins May 6

You’re Invited to... Baby Prom! Come to the Library dressed in your best to dance and play the morning away! Who says the big kids get to have all the fun?
Learn Tarot Card Reading
Grades 6 to 12
Monday, March 2, 6:30 to 8:00 PM
Registration begins February 17

Learn the history of tarot and how it became part of our culture today, the positive and negative concepts of tarot reading and how to read tarot cards. Each participant receives a first tarot kit, cleansing tool and instructions.

Practice ACT
Grades 9 to 12
Saturday, March 7, 1:00 to 4:30 PM
Registration begins February 22
Saturday, May 2, 1:00 to 4:30 PM
Registration begins April 18

Sylvan Learning of Plainfield proctors a practice ACT in a simulated testing environment, open to all high school students. Please bring two pencils and a calculator. Snacks are allowed during breaks between tests.

Plainfield C.A.T.S.
(Council of Advisory Teens)
Grades 6 to 12
Monday, March 9, 6:00 to 6:45 PM
Registration begins February 19
Monday, April 13, 6:00 to 6:45 PM
Registration begins March 30
Monday, May 11, 6:00 to 6:45 PM
Registration begins April 27

Meow is the time to have your voice heard at the Library! We meet once a month to discuss your ideas for programs, books and service projects. Community service hours may be earned for participating in this program.

Anime Night
Grades 6 to 12
Tuesday, March 10
Registration begins February 25
Tuesday, May 19
Registration begins May 5
6:00 to 8:00 PM

Enjoy a fun evening of watching anime!

DIY Charm Bracelets
Grades 6 to 12
Monday, March 16, 6:30 to 8:00 PM
Registration begins March 2

Charm bracelets are a fun and fashionable way to show the world the things you care about. Use Shrinky Dinks and craft supplies to create bracelets that are all about you!

Practice SAT
Grades 9 to 12
Saturday, March 21, 1:00 to 4:30 PM
Registration begins March 7
Saturday, April 18, 1:00 to 4:30 PM
Registration begins April 4

Sylvan Learning of Plainfield proctors a practice SAT in a simulated testing environment, open to all high school students. Please bring two pencils and a calculator. Snacks are allowed during breaks between tests.

’90s Pop Culture Trivia
Saturday, March 28, 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM
Registration now open

It may be 2020, but the 1990s are all the rage so put your ’90s knowledge to the test with Baig of Tricks Entertainment.

TEEN ROBOTICS WORKSHOP
Grades 6 to 12
Wednesdays, March 4 to April 22, 7:00 to 8:00 PM
Registration begins February 19

During this seven-week workshop, discover a variety of uses for creative robotics and ultimately use Hummingbird Robots to design and build an amusement park. Please note, there is no class on April 1. Funding provided by a grant from Best Buy.
DIY Needle-Felted Hedgehog
Grades 6 to 12
Monday, March 30, 1:30 to 2:30 PM
Registration begins March 16

Kick off the start of spring break with a craft from Benzie Designs. Learn how to needle felt and make a tiny hedgehog to take home!

Acting and Improv Games
Grades 6 to 12
Tuesday, March 31, 1:00 to 2:00 PM
Registration begins March 17

Improve your acting and improv skills while playing fun theatre games. Bring your imagination!

Nailed It: Superhero Edition
Grades 6 to 12
Monday, April 6, 6:30 to 8:00 PM
Registration begins March 23

Your task is to compete against others in an attempt to recreate an elaborate superhero cake display. We provide the supplies, you supply the creativity. Will you fail it or nail it?

Hogwarts Paintings
Grades 6 to 12
Monday, April 20, 7:30 to 8:30 PM
Registration begins April 6

Paint a fantastic Hogwarts-themed canvas with step-by-step instructions from artist Shane Rotkis.

Happy Notes
All Ages
Saturday, May 2, 10:00 to 11:30 AM
Registration begins April 1

Send joy to someone in need by creating handmade cards for charity. Community service hours can be earned for attending this program.

5 Ways to Maximize Your College Visit
Grades 9 to 12
Monday, May 4, 7:00 to 8:30 PM
Registration begins April 20

Visiting a college campus is an integral part of the college process. Thomas Jaworski of Quest College Consulting provides high school families with tips and advice on how to maximize your college visit while also helping to increase your college admissions chances.

PROMICON
Grades 7 to 12
Friday, April 24, 7:00 to 10:00 PM
Registration begins April 10

You belong at our 2nd annual PROMicon! Whether you are dressed in your fanciest outfit, your favorite cosplay or your comfy clothes you are welcome at our fandom-themed alternative prom. There will be a DJ for dancing, fun activities and games, a photo booth and snacks. Bring your friends and have a blast at this after-hours Fandom Fest pre-party. Front doors will be open and staffed from 6:45 to 7:30 PM.

BE A SUMMER READING PRIZE SHOP INTERN!

Looking for a way to help out this summer? Need community service hours? Beginning March 2, visit the Library’s website to fill out a summer reading intern application form. Forms are due Saturday, May 30 by 5:00 PM.

DROP-IN PROGRAM
Snacks and Study
Grades 8 to 12
Monday, May 4
Tuesday, May 5
Wednesday, May 6
3:00 to 5:00 PM

We are opening a library room to give you a quiet place to study for AP exams and upcoming finals. You will have room to study, and we will provide snacks to help make this time of the year a little bit easier.
**CLASSES & PROGRAMS**

**Cooking**

**Oh là là! French Pastries**  
Saturday, May 9, 11:00 AM  
Registration begins March 2

Spring is in the air and so is the love of French pastries. Chef Maddox demonstrates classic recipes using simple ingredients. Recipes and tastings included.

**Crafts**

**Crafty Cricut®: Intro to Vinyl**  
Wednesday, March 25, 7:00 PM  
Registration begins March 2

If you are new to the Cricut® machine, here is your chance to learn the ins and outs of how it works with a demonstration of Cricut® software, apps and the Explore Air™ 2 machine. As an added bonus, you’ll create a spring craft concentrating on the use of vinyl. All supplies are included, no need to bring your machine. Limited to Plainfield cardholders.

**DIY – Decoupage Votive Candleholders**  
Tuesday, May 5, 7:00 PM  
Registration begins March 2

Create a colorful and elegant votive candleholder using a glass jar. Guided instructions and a little creativity is all you need. Limited to Plainfield cardholders.

**SENIOR COFFEE FRIDAYS**

Meet up with other seniors for conversation, drinks and fun. Drop-in, no registration.

- **March 20, 11:00 AM**: Card Making  
- **April 17, 11:00 AM**: Timeless Trivia  
- **May 15, 11:00 AM**: Votive Candleholder Craft

**Felted Baby Yoda**  
Ages 18 and up  
Wednesday, April 15, 6:30 PM

Learn how to make a needle felted Baby Yoda with Stephanie of Benzie Design. Limited to Plainfield cardholders.

**Games**

**Bingo & Bites**  
Ages 18 and up  
Thursdays, 11:00 AM  
March 5  
Registration begins February 20  
April 2  
Registration begins March 2  
May 7  
Registration begins March 2

Reserve your seat to play everyone’s favorite game of chance and enjoy a snack. Adults only. Meet at Big Pauly’s Wood Fired Pizza, 15412 S. Route 59, Unit 114, Plainfield.

**AFTERNOON MOVIES**

Movies begin at 1:00 PM. Doors open at 12:30 PM. You are welcome to bring your own snacks.

- **Friday, March 6**: On the Basis of Sex (PG-13)  
- **Thursday, March 26**: Harriet (PG-13)  
- **Friday, April 3**: Downton Abbey (PG)  
- **Thursday, April 23**: Judy (PG-13)  
- **Friday, May 8**: A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood (PG)  
- **Thursday, May 21**: A Dog’s Journey (PG)
’90s Pop Culture Trivia
Saturday, March 28, 10:00 AM

It may be 2020, but the 1990s are all the rage so put your ’90s knowledge to the test with Baig of Tricks Entertainment.

History

Amelia Earhart Takes Flight
Thursday, March 19, 11:00 AM

In celebration of National Women’s History Month, actor and historian Leslie Goddard portrays pioneering pilot Amelia Earhart.

GREEN VILLAGE SERIES

The Biggest Little Farm
Tuesday, March 3, 7:00 PM

This documentary explores an environmentally conscious couple’s quest to make their dream of living on a fully sustainable farm come true. You are welcome to bring your own snacks.

Plastic-Free Living
Tuesday, April 7, 7:00 PM

More than 500 million plastic straws are thrown away daily and 100 billion plastic bags are used annually. Now is the time to make a change. The Will County Forest Preserve highlights lifestyle alterations that produce huge benefits for the natural world.

Spring Hiking Trails
Tuesday, May 12, 7:00 PM

What a wonderful time of the year to explore beautiful hiking trails right in our own area. The Will County Forest Preserve shares their pictures for scenic routes.

Paper Shredding
Saturday, April 4, 9:30 to 11:00 AM

Peace of mind comes with knowing that your documents are shredded confidentially. Bring up to two banker-sized boxes per person. Staples and paper clips are fine. Shredding is done onsite in the Library’s parking lot until 11:00 AM or until the truck is filled. Sponsored by the Village of Plainfield.

Eat Well, Spend Less
Saturday, April 4, 1:00 PM

Registration begins March 2

Happy Belly Chefs prepare easy breakfast, lunch and dinner meals based on weekly grocery store sales. Recipes and tastings included.

Consumer Fraud Alert
Tuesday, April 7, 3:30 PM

A representative from the Office of the Attorney General identifies many ways consumers can protect themselves and legal rights to fight back against unfair business practices.

Medical Identity Theft
Thursday, April 9, 1:00 PM

Medical identity theft is a burden. Learn how to protect your medical information and what to do if your identity is stolen.
TECHNOLOGY TRAINING

Presented by Reference Staff and volunteers

Tech Tuesdays
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Drop in with your technology questions during one of these weekly sessions. Instructors can help you with eBooks, tablets, Windows 10, Microsoft Office, Library online resources, internet searching and more! Use the lab computers or bring your own device. No registration required.

Book a Librarian: Extra Help for Tech and Beyond
These one-hour personal instruction sessions are held in the Library, with the time determined by you and the librarian. Reservations are dependent upon staff availability. Call the Reference Desk at 815.327.2515 or book your sessions online: plainfieldpubliclibrary.org/services/book-a-librarian.

Computer Classes
A variety of free, 60-minute classes are offered on a rotating basis in a lab setting on computers featuring the Windows 10 operating system and Microsoft (MS) Office 2016. For descriptions of these classes and to register, connect with the Library at 815.327.2515 or visit: plainfieldpubliclibrary.org/events-programs/technology-training.

GENEALOGY

Presented by Reference Librarian Tina Beaird

Computer Help for Genealogists
Thursday, April 16, 10:00 AM

Confused on where to look online for genealogy records? During this session, we will work together to find a solution.

Strategic Ways to Research Using Websites
Monday, March 23, 7:00 PM

Genealogist Bob Allen walks us through a process of using websites to uncover information about our ancestors and relatives.

VR DISCOVERIES

Wednesday, May 13, 7:00 PM
Ages 16 and up

Go on a Virtual Reality adventure and discover new places with Oculus Quest! Explore the mountains of Machu Picchu, the streets of London, swim under the sea and walk on the moon.

3D Fandom Doodles Drop In
Wednesday, March 11, 6:30 to 8:30 PM
Ages 18 and up

Create your favorite fandom icons, logos or images using 3Doodler® Pens.

BECOME A CENSUS SENSEI

Monday, April 27, 7:00 PM

There is much more to historic census records than just the U.S. Federal Population Schedules. Enrich your family tree by exploring various types of historic federal census schedules.

Military Genealogy: Online Resources for the Beginning Genealogist
Monday, May 18, 7:00 PM

Records from the American Revolution to WWII are discussed as well as the types of documents available within federal, state and local archives and repositories.
SERVICES FOR READERS AND WRITERS

Mary Kubica Book Signing
Thursday, May 7, 7:00 PM

Seven Books Buzz
Monday, March 30, 7:00 PM
Dramatic book reviewer Jenny Riddle brings to life fascinating stories and one-of-a-kind advice from bestsellers including:
- *Kirk and Anne* by Kirk and Anne Douglas
- *Becoming Grandma* by Lesley Stahl
- *Option B* by Sheryl Sandberg
- *If I Understood You, Would I have This Look On My Face?* by Alan Alda
- *The Black Penguin* by Andrew Evans,
- *Beauty Sick* by Renee Engeln
- *The Long Run* by Catriona Menzies Pike
Gift basket giveaway.

A NOVEL IDEA
BOOK DISCUSSION

**Second Thursday, 7:00 PM OR**
**Third Wednesday, 2:00 PM**

March 12 and 18:
The Guest Book by Sarah Blake

April 9 and 15:
The Library Book by Susan Orlean

May 14 and 20:
The Mother-In-Law by Sally Hepworth

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FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

These weekly, drop-in programs are provided for adults with English-speaking skills at all levels. For more information, contact Tania at 815.263.8145 (text only) or thess@plainfieldpubliclibrary.org. Se habla español.

**English for Beginners**
Level 1: Mondays, 9:30 to 10:30 AM  
Level 2: Mondays, 10:45 to 11:45 AM

This program is for students with limited English. This includes leveled listening, speaking, reading and writing practice. **Must take a placement test.**

**Reading Club**
Tuesdays, 10:00 to 11:30 AM

Learn new words, practice pronunciation and become a more fluent English reader. Meet weekly with an English-speaking instructor to read aloud and discuss interesting books especially chosen for English learners.

**English for Intermediate Learners**
Level 3: Wednesdays, 9:30 to 10:30 AM  
Level 4: Wednesdays, 10:45 to 11:45 AM

This program is for students who already use English in daily tasks but need to keep improving. This includes leveled listening, speaking, reading and writing practice. **Must take a placement test.**

**Exploring English for Intermediate and Advanced Levels**
Thursdays, 10:00 to 11:30 AM

Explore a different aspect of American life and culture each month. Discuss civics, life skills, culture and history. Popular subjects covered include safety preparedness, job search, work skills, finances, communicating with a child’s teacher, American education and more.
SERVICES FOR BUSINESSSES

Business Over Breakfast
9:30 to 11:00 AM

Business Over Breakfast is held in partnership with the Plainfield Area Chamber of Commerce. This learning and networking event will offer a variety of topics taught by members of the local business community. Refreshments will be served.

March 27: How can Quickbooks Help my Business?
Annette Szobar, AMS Office Solutions
No matter if you are a seasoned QuickBooks user or a newbie, get ideas on how to use QuickBooks software to get the information you need to run your business effectively. An overview of the workflow process and reporting capabilities will be given.

May 29: Video Marketing
Tom Wyler and Joe LaGiglia, Social Vid Network
Making a video can be intimidating. Learn tried and true strategies to overcome those fears and build your brand.

SERVICES FOR JOB SEEKERS

Job Club

Third Wednesday, 12:00 to 1:30 PM
Bring a lunch to this casual networking opportunity. Share and learn from guest speakers in a friendly and helpful atmosphere.

March 18: Self-Assessment
Tim Murphy, SearchPath Career Source
Throughout our lives and in our job search, we need to periodically self-assess. Discover facts about where you are in the self-assessment process and develop a plan of action.

April 15: Nailed It! Interview Practice & Skill Building
Becky Brillon, Usheroff Institute
Learn how to successfully prepare for behavior-based interviews. Practice interview techniques using role-play and discussion to communicate your skills and accomplishments.

MOBILE WORKFORCE CENTER

Wednesdays
9:30 AM to 12:00 PM, 1:00 to 3:00 PM

The Workforce Services Division of Will County Mobile Workforce Center visits the Library every Wednesday to help residents looking for a job. Services include: access to computers, assistance in creating or revising a resume, job board listings and trained staff.

May 20: Research with Job Search Tools
Kiley Mullane, Plainfield Public Library District
Learn how to use Reference USA® and other tools that can help you identify and target specific companies, creating a more focused and efficient job search.

CHAMBER NETWORK NIGHT

Wednesday, April 8, 5:00 to 7:00 PM
Stop by the Library to network with local business leaders and enjoy complimentary refreshments during the monthly Plainfield Area Chamber of Commerce Network Night.
CADDY STACKS: THANK YOU!

A big thank you to everyone who came out to our mini-golf FUNraiser. The event would not have been possible without the support of our Hole Sponsors!