

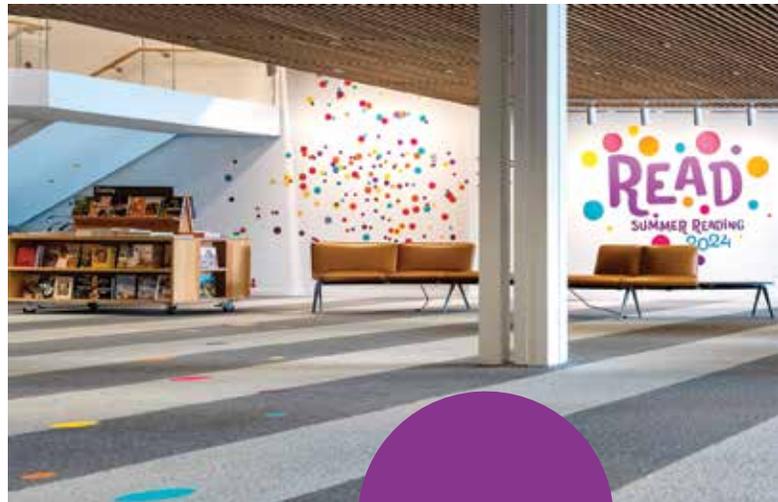


How is your summer reading going?
Fill in your circles and turn in your card
by the time summer reading ends: July 31.

We are grateful to the generous
sponsors who help make it
possible for kids in our
community to take home
free books to keep during
Summer Reading 2024.

Summer Reading 2024 Sponsors

- Endeavor Health Skokie Hospital
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- North Shore Community Bank & Trust
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Accessibility Tool

When we hear the word accessibility, we may think first of physical spaces. Wheelchair access, large-print materials, and hearing loop technology are becoming more common, but web accessibility can sometimes be left out.

Because we want to be a welcoming place for people of all abilities, we launched the ReciteMe toolbar on the top of all of our web pages.



What Does ReciteMe Do?

Once you've clicked on ReciteMe, you can:

- Hear that web page read out loud
- Make the text bigger or change the font
- Change the color of the background, text, or links
- See a ruler under the text to help with focus
- Create a letter box to highlight a portion of the screen
- Translate the text into one of 35 languages
- Remove images to see plain text

Try it and see what helps you. If you don't like what you've set up, you can always go back to the default settings—meaning, you can't break anything!

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DPM Disability Pride Month events

Monday to Friday, 9 am to 9 pm
Saturday, 9 am to 6 pm
Sunday, noon to 6 pm
Closed Thursday, July 4

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Oakton Street
buildings west of
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1900



Explore Our Local History

How much do you know about Skokie? Did you know that our town wasn't called "Skokie" until 1940? Do you know who Harms Road and Harms Woods are named after? When was your home built and who lived there before you? What was the name of that great teacher you had at Niles East? (Yes, "East"!)

Preservation is one of the core values of library service. Jessica Goodman, our digital collections librarian, writes: *"The term preservation can conjure images of hushed rooms full of handwritten documents and ancient leather-bound books. Though that describes some archives, preservation in public libraries typically means collecting meaningful images, documents, books, and other materials in a way that ensures they can be accessed now and in the future."*



We have a treasure trove of resources devoted to local history available in print and online. We've acquired and maintain more than 700 photos and artifacts from the history of our local fire department. We host an in-depth exploration of the life and work of Skokie's first woman physician, Louise Klehm, MD, and an online exhibit examining the history of Skokie's 1967 Fair Housing ordinance. And those are just a few of the resources you can use to learn more about Skokie's past.



You can also find extensive local newspaper coverage, video, and audio recordings documenting the controversy surrounding the National Socialist (Nazi) Party of America's attempt to march in Skokie in 1977 and 1978. We also have both print and digital editions of the 1988 publication *Skokie: A Centennial History*, which commemorates 100 years of the village. Search the collections of the Skokie History Project for fascinating maps, architectural drawings, aerial photos of the village over time, and extensive images of the people and places that were here in days gone by.

Relive your own more recent Skokie history with our collection of high school yearbooks and local newspapers. Maybe you can't remember the name of your favorite corner store, or you want to figure out when exactly it was that you saw your favorite movie in the theater. Our staff have spent hours digitizing records so that you can search in telephone and business directories, look for articles and obituaries, and more. But if you like doing things the old-fashioned way, you can still browse print materials and microfilm at the library.

You can also learn more about the history of the library building and our permanent art collection. You can read minutes from our Board of Trustee meetings going back to 1958 and revisit important moments when we've gathered to share our stories, such as the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic and the 2017 solar eclipse.

Whether you're a serious researcher or are casually curious, you can enjoy the wealth of resources you'll find through our local history web page. And if you need more help, our staff are happy to point you in the right direction. Who knows what history mysteries you might uncover, Skokie sleuths. Just don't get lost in time!

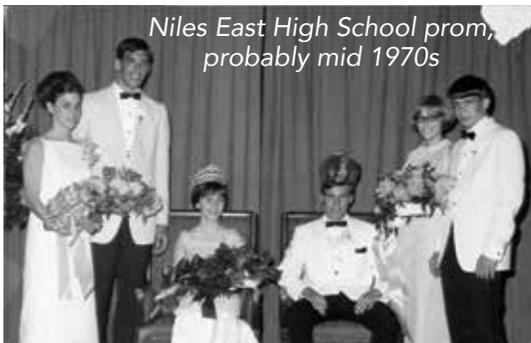
P. Baumhardt Horseshoer & Wagonmaker, circa 1890



8000 Lincoln Avenue commercial building, circa 1930



Niles East High School prom, probably mid 1970s



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Skokie Fire Department 1960 Mack pumper, 1970

KIDS & FAMILIES

Check the online calendar for added events, and sign up at events.skokiellibrary.info. Capacity for individual events is limited.

Lego Party

Mondays, July 1, August 5, 4:30–5:30 pm



FAMILY DISCO DANCE PARTY

Tuesday, July 2, 6:30–8 pm

Preschool Puppet Playtime

Wednesdays, July 3, August 7
10:30–11 am (online)

Teen-Led STEAM Projects for Kids

Wednesday, July 3, 4–5 pm

Nature Play

Age 5 and younger

Mondays starting July 8, 10–11 am

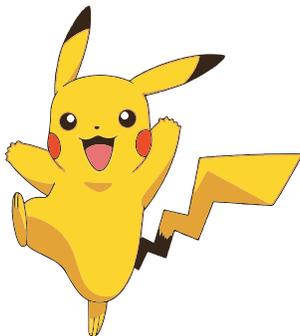
Preschool Fun

Tuesdays starting July 9, 10–11 am

Pokémon Club

Age 7–12

Tuesdays, July 9,
August 13,
4:30–5:30 pm



Together Time

Age 0–23 months

Wednesdays starting July 10, 10–11:30 am



Fun and Creative Improv with Northlight Theatre

Grade 4–8

Wednesdays, July 10–31, 5–6 pm

Make It Yourself

Age PreK+

Fridays, July 12, August 23
4:30–5:30 pm

STEAM-splasion

Age 5–12

Saturdays, July 13, August 10, 1:30–2:30 pm

Library Fun at the Farmer's Market

Sundays, July 14, August 11, 10:30–11 am

Guinea Pig Appreciation Day

Age 5–12

Tuesday, July 16, 6:30–7:30 pm





Early Entry to the Kids Room

Children and Teens with Disabilities

Sundays, July 21, August 18, 11 am–noon



Make Your Own Accessibility Support Tools

Age 4+

Sunday, July 21, 12:30–1:30 pm

Learning at the Library

Hello, Homeschoolers

Tuesdays, July 23, 10–11 am

August 20, 1–2 pm

Tween Advisory Group

Fridays, July 26, August 30, 5:30–6:30 pm

KINDERGARTEN 101

Sunday, July 28, 1:30–3 pm or 3:30–5 pm

Adventure Club

Taskmaster Olympics Edition

Age 5–8

Tuesday, July 30, 4:30–5:30 pm



Learn Basic French

Age 5–12

Friday, August 2, 5–6 pm



Storytimes

Book Babies

Babies to 11 months who are not yet walking

Wednesdays, starting July 10 9:30–9:50 am

Wonderful Ones

Age 1

Wednesdays, starting July 10 10–10:20 am

Terrific Twos

Age 2

Thursdays, starting July 11 10–10:30 am or 11–11:30 am

Melody and Motion Storytime

Fridays, July 12–August 16 10–10:30 am

Saturday Family Storytime

Saturdays, starting July 13 10–10:30



Build Your Own Cardboard Kingdom

What can you make with cardboard? Bring what you can dream to life.

Saturday, August 3, 2–4 pm



Happy Birthday, Ella Jenkins!

Tuesday, August 6 6:30–7:30 pm

The Human Rube Goldberg Machine Experiment

Get a library book from the Kids Room to the book return in the most ridiculous, nonsensical, and inconvenient way possible! Age 5–12

Thursday, August 8, 4:30–5:30 pm



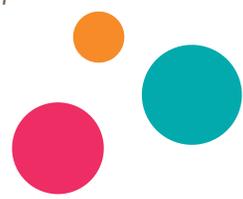
Book Character Bingo

Age 5–13

Friday, August 9, 4–5 or 6:30–7:30 pm

Summer Reading Finale

Thursday, August 15, 6–7:30 pm



Open Mic Junior

Friday, August 16, 4:30–5:30 pm

FOR ADULTS

Check for event details and sign up at events.skokieliibrary.info. Registration opens July 1 except for events during the first week of July, which are already open.

Low Income Energy and Transportation Benefits Assistance

Mondays, July 1 and 8, 1–4 pm

ESL Café

Wednesdays, 12:30–2 pm

Low Vision Support Group

Tuesdays, July 9, August 13, 1:30–2:30 pm



What's behind Chicago's Stars?

Learn about the four historical events represented on Chicago's flag

Tuesday, July 9, 7–8 pm

Design Swap and Showcase: Adaptive Designs

Thursday, July 11, 6–7 pm

The Journey to Justice with Crossing Borders Music (performance)

Thursday, July 11, 7–8 pm

Susan Stone, Yiddish Storyteller

Sunday, July 14, 3–4 pm

Side Hustles: From Start to Full-Time Success

Monday, July 15, 9:30–11:30 am



Chicago Modern Quilt Guild Reception

Thursday, July 18, 7–8 pm

Modern Quilt Guild Sew-In

Sunday, July 21, 1–4:30 pm

Introduction to Yoga

Fridays, July 19, August 16, 1–2 pm

Civic Lab: The Local Election Process

Tuesday, July 23, 6:30–7:30 pm

Let's Discuss the Olympics

Tuesday, August 6, 1:30–2:30 pm

Illinois Secretary of State Mobile Drivers Express Unit

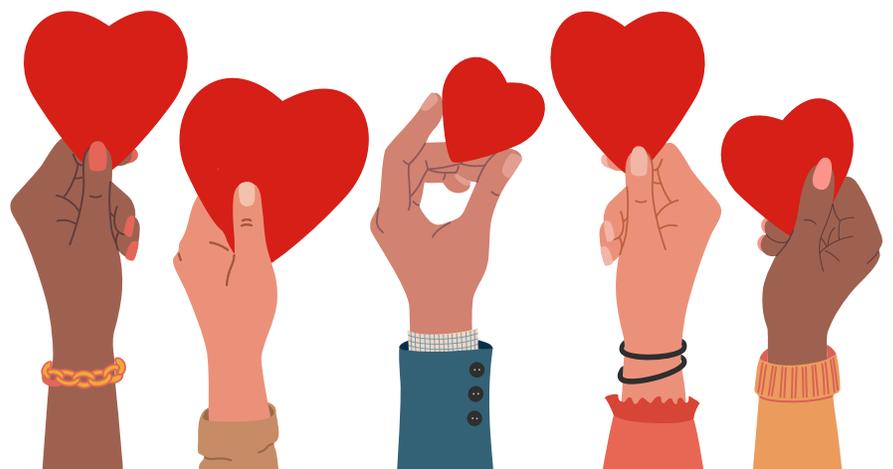
Friday, August 16, 10 am–2 pm

Jewish Contributions to Science

Thursday, August 22, 7–8 pm

Versiti Blood Drive

Tuesday, August 27, 1:30–6 pm





Book Discussions and Book Talks

Book Trails Walking Club

Wednesdays, 4:30–5:30 pm
July 10, August 14

LitLounge

Wednesdays, 7:30–9 pm
(online)

One Two Three

July 10

Litera-cheers

August 14

Talking Books

Discussion Group

Wednesdays, 1:30–2:30 pm

Gator Country

July 17

Tom Lake

August 21

Genres on My Mind

Thursdays, 2–2:30 pm (online)

Books for the Summer

July 25

Most Anticipated Fall Reads

August 29

Golden Age of YA Book Club

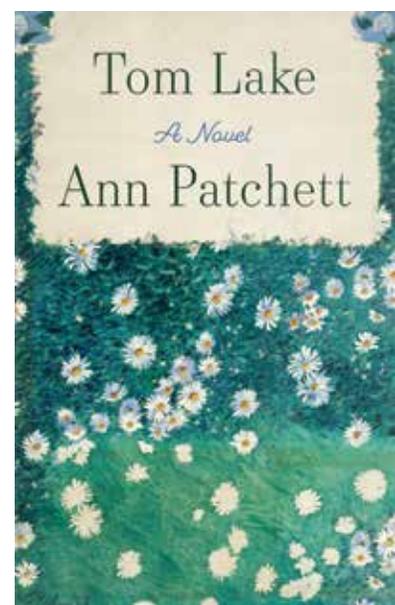
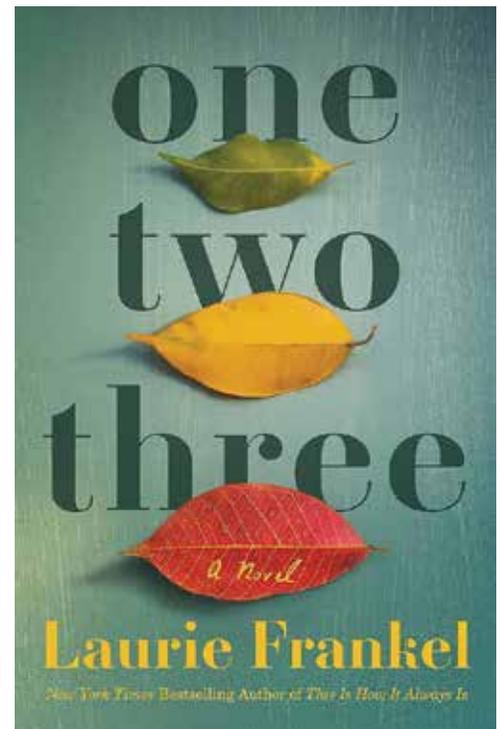
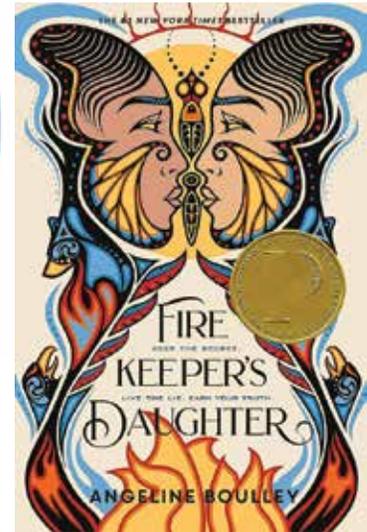
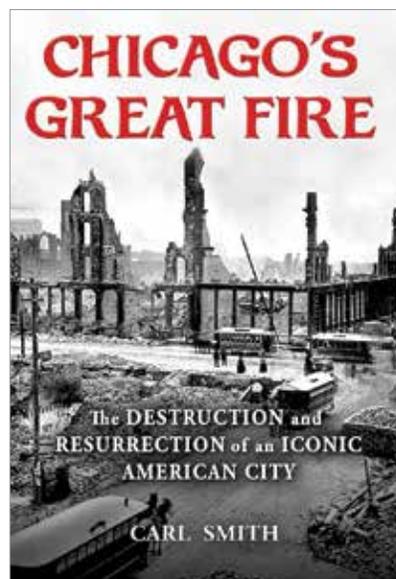
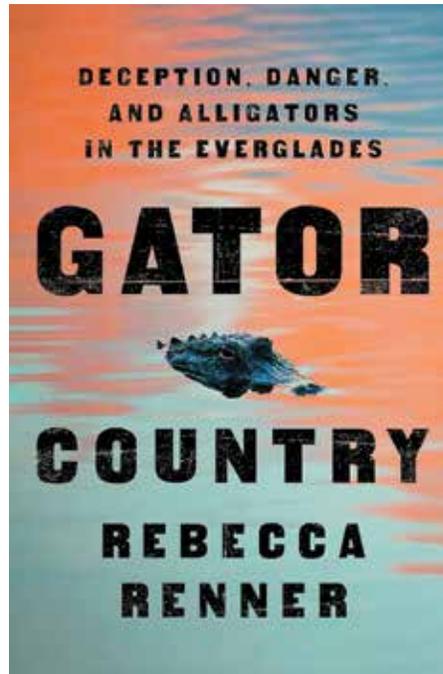
Firekeeper's Daughter

Wednesday, August 21, 7–8 pm
(online)

Pages through History

Chicago's Great Fire

Wednesday, August 28
7–9 pm





Computers

Technology Classes

One-on-One Tech Help

*Mondays and Wednesdays, 2–4 pm
(starting July 8)*

Google Sheets for Beginners

Saturday, July 6, 10:30–11:30 am

Using Google Docs to Write an Email Newsletter

Monday, July 8, 11 am–12:30 pm

Learn with Online Training and Tutorials

Thursday, July 11, 5:30–7 pm

Creating with Canva.com

Monday, July 15, 3–4:30 pm

Introduction to Internet Browsers: Navigation and Features

Wednesday, July 17, 3–4:30 pm

Reading Newspapers and Magazines Online

Friday, July 19, 3–4:30 pm

Navigating Your iPhone

Tuesday, July 23, 11–12:30 pm

Introduction to Libby and Hoopla

Sunday, July 28, 12:30–2 pm

Start Using Google Drive and Cloud Storage

Tuesday, July 30, 3–4:30 pm

Exploring Job Search Websites

Thursday, August 1, 5:30–7 pm

Microsoft PowerPoint 2021 for Beginners

Saturday, August 3, 10:30–11:30 am

Create a Resume Using Microsoft Word

In Urdu: Monday, August 5, 3–4:30 pm

In English: Thursday, August 22, 5:30–7 pm

Improve Your Writing with Online Tools

Thursday, August 8, 1:30–3 pm

Microsoft Word 2021 for Beginners

Monday, August 12, 3–4:30 pm

Introduction to Strong Passwords and Password Manager Apps

Tuesday, August 13, 2–3:30 pm

Social Media Questions and How-to

Sunday, August 18, 12:30–2 pm

Staying Safe Online:

Looking at Scams and Phishing

Friday, August 30, 3–4:30 pm

Movies

Friday Film

Fridays at 1:30 pm and 6:30 pm

Dog
July 12

Cat Daddies
August 9

Phantom of the Open
July 26

Blue Beetle
August 23

Morning Movie

Wednesdays at 10 am

DPM Best Summer Ever
July 17

Whale Rider
August 21

Movie Night

Tuesdays at 6:30 pm

DPM Two Films:
Do You Dream in Color? and An Irish Goodbye
July 16

The Blue Caftan
August 13



Teens

Check the online calendar for ongoing and late-breaking teen events and events that can include teens, along with other ages. Sign up at events.skokieliibrary.info.



Friend Squad

Wednesdays, July 17, August 7, 6–7:30 pm

Sensory Friendly Movie Night for Teens

Spiderman: Into the Spider-Verse

For teens who are neurodivergent or may benefit from a less sensory-intense movie experience

Tuesday, July 30, 6–8 pm

Teen Library Council

Thursday, August 22, 5:30–6:30 pm

Teen Summer Service

Volunteer with us this summer! Whether you're looking for a weekly volunteer shift or an opportunity to drop in for an hour, we're excited to connect with you.

Complete our participation form to learn more and get started. Some of the scheduled projects include crafting for a cause, assisting with improv classes, helping with library projects, and more.



skokie.info/teen-summer-service



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Bookmobile Events for All Ages

Party with the Bookmobile

Saturdays, 1–2:30 pm
Lee Wright Park: July 13
Winnebago Park: August 10

Reading Party

Seneca Park
Saturday, July 27
1–3 pm

Books around the World

Saturday, August 3
Lawler Park: 11 am–12:30 pm
Hamlin Park: 2–3:30 pm

