

Springfield City Library

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EVENT GUIDE



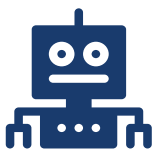
FEATURED EVENTS

NEW! Wiggle & Giggle Toddler Yoga A creative movement program for children under 3 (walking and crawling babies welcome) featuring books, music, and movement. This program will get little ones on their feet and stomping to the beat, then help them relax in a calm yoga seat. Taught by Nicole Giroux, Certified Children's Yoga & Mindfulness Instructor. Thursday Jan 17 | 10:30-11:15 PM | Forest Park Community Room | Under 3 | Register Online, drop-ins welcome

NEW! Valentines for Vets Enjoy a special family activity while honoring local veterans. Youth and their families are welcome to drop by any location to make a Valentine card for residents of the Holyoke Soldiers Home. The library will provide all the materials and hand deliver your homemade creation in time for the holiday. Tuesday Jan 22- Saturday February 9 | During open hours | All Library Locations | All ages



NEW! Rotunda Rhythms Presents Ethel Lee Sings Ethel Lee returns with her heart-felt selection of popular songs. From the snappy and soulful to the lyrical and lovely, Ethel Lee sings with a warmth and kindness that brings you in. She's joined by Richie Mitnick on keyboard, well known for his keyboard accompaniments and cheerful playing. Free attendance raffle to all those who stay for the concert.** Sunday Jan 27 | 2-3 PM | Central Library Rotunda | All ages



NEW! Year of Tech Discovery @ Springfield Museums Join us at the Springfield Science Museum to kick off the library's Tech Discovery program. Children can explore the fun computer science activities that will be available at the Central Library throughout the year. Enjoy gaming, OzoBot robots, and Snap Circuits!*** Saturday Jan 26 | 11 AM -3 PM | Springfield Museums | Ages 8-12

NEW! Reclaiming Little Moe, an Author Talk About Surviving Sexual Abuse Local author Maurice Proulx shares stories about his life and new book, Reclaiming Little Moe, a courageous story about healing and recovering from sexual abuse by two priests. Mr. Proulx was born in East Springfield and the book is "his unwavering fight to heal from sexual abuse and to help others heal as well. The moving memoir faces

the Catholic Church's painful history of sexual abuse at the hands of priests while providing hope for those striving to heal." Maurice, now retired, worked as church chaplain. Copies of his book will be available for sale and signing. Monday Jan 28 | 6:15-7:30 PM | East Springfield Neighborhood Council Building 1437 Carew Street | 18+

EVENTS FOR TODDLERS

Adults must accompany and supervise children. Siblings are welcome to attend.

Bilingual Storytime Join us for stories, songs, movement, fingerplays, a craft, and playtime.* Wednesdays | 1:30-2:30 PM | Brightwood Branch | Ages 1-6

Hora de cuentos bilingües Acompáñenos para cuentos, canciones, actividades, y tiempo para jugar. No requiere inscripción previa. Un adulto debe acompañar a los niños. Los miércoles | 1:30 a 2:30 PM | el sucursal Brightwood | Para niños de 12 meses a 6 años de edad, y los hermanos son bienvenidos.

Neighborhood Playgroup Come join us for fun and learning at a playgroup facilitated by the Children's Librarian. Meet other families, ask the librarian about great books for your child, enjoy the toys in our Activity Center, make art projects, and so much more! Thursdays | Drop in from 10:30 AM-12:30 PM | Sixteen Acres Branch | Ages 0-5, siblings welcome

Infant/Toddler Storytime Join us for stories, songs, movement, and a craft.* Fridays | 10:30-11:30 AM | East Forest Park Branch | Ages 6 months-36 months

Toddler Storytime Join us for stories, songs, movement, fingerplays, and playtime.* Tuesdays | 10:30-11:30 AM | Forest Park Branch | Ages 1-3 ½

Family Storytimes Songs, stories, crafts, and more!

Indian Orchard Branch*

Mondays | 10:30-11:30 AM | Ages 1-6

Library Express at Pine Point

Wednesdays | 4:15-5 PM | Ages 4-10

Sixteen Acres Branch*

Tuesdays | 1:30-2:30 PM | Ages 0-5

Forest Park

Tuesdays | 10:30-11:30 AM | Ages 1-3.5

**Presented in collaboration with Home City Families. Presentada con la colaboración de Home City Families.*

EVENTS FOR CHILDREN

Adults must accompany and supervise children.

NEW! Captain Underpants: The First Epic Movie

Tra-la-laa! Stop by the Mason Square Branch and see Captain Underpants: The First Epic Movie. George and Harold are two imaginative pranksters who make the depressing Jerome Horwitz School a better place. They hypnotize their nemesis, the mean-spirited principal Mr. Krupp. He transforms into the incredibly clueless yet kind-hearted and enthusiastic superhero named Captain Underpants. This movie is rated PG. Snacks will be provided. Thursday Jan 3 | 4-6 PM | Mason Square Community Room | Children

NEW! Read to Cadence the Dog Megan Marshall, a volunteer from Bright Spot Reading Buddies, will bring her dog Cadence to the library to have children read to her. She will be at the library the first Saturday of each month, starting January 5, from 11:30am-12:20pm. Kids ages 4-10 will sign up for a 10 minute slot to read to her friendly, furry companion. Bring a favorite picture book or a chapter book to read to Cadence. This program is designed to help kids gain confidence and reduce anxiety about reading. Monthly, 1st Saturdays | 11:30 AM-12:20 PM | Sixteen Acres | Ages 4-10 | Register Online



NEW! Make a Snowman Garland for the Library!

Help us celebrate all things winter and snow! Use paper plates, stickers and your imagination to make a snowman garland for the Children's Room.

Monday Jan 7-Saturday Jan 12 | During open hours | East Springfield and Indian Orchard Branches | Ages 5-12

NEW! Heat Wave It might be cold outside but it's summer at the library! Join us for a beach party with music, sand castles, popsicles, and more. Monday Jan 14 | 6-7 PM | Central Library Children's Program Room | Ages 6-12

NEW! Zoo on the Go Join us for a special presentation by Zoo on the Go, an exciting, hands-on program that is an interactive, fun and educational way for children and adults to learn about a variety of animals. Meet special creatures from the Zoo at Forest Park and learn what makes them unique and special. Wednesday Jan 16 | 4:30-5:30 PM | East Forest Park



NEW! Teddy Bear Sleepover...at the Library! Come to the library with your stuffed animal friend for a sleepover. We will decorate a name tag and a blanket for them. Then we'll hear a bedtime story

and have a bedtime snack. After we put them to sleep (SHHHHHH!), we will turn out the lights and hopefully they won't get into too much trouble over night. Don't have a stuffed animal? Don't worry! We have extras. Pick them up any time on Thursday. We will make sure they have a good breakfast first. We'll post pictures of their activities on our Facebook page. Wednesday Jan 16 | 5:30-7 PM | Indian Orchard | Ages 4-9 | Register online

NEW! Graphic Novel Book Club Do you love graphic novels and comic books like Amulet, Dog Man, and Bone? Come to Graphic Novel Book Club, where we will read new graphic novels, and talk about them over snacks. Borrow a copy from the Children's Room before the meeting so you have a chance to read it. January's Pick: *The Witch Boy*. Thursdays, Jan 17, Feb 14, and March 14 | 3:30-4:30 PM | Central Library Children's Program Room | Ages 8-12

NEW! Bingo B-I-N-G-O! Bring the whole family for a fun night of Book Bingo, where everyone's a winner! Thursday Jan 31 | 3-5 PM | Mason Square Community Room | All Ages

FriDIY: Crafty Fridays Join us for all sorts of fun crafts. Some will be based on children's books, others on holidays, some on natural science, and twice a year we will make slime! Jan.4: Pom Pom Hats; Jan 11: Snowflake Slime; Jan 18: Snowman Masks; Jan 25: Snowman Garland. Every Friday | 2:30-4PM | Mason Square Children's Workroom | Children and Teens

Spanish Movies Saturday Join us for children's movies in Spanish! We will do some coloring, show a movie, and eat popcorn! Free snacks and beverages.** Monthly on 2nd Saturdays | 12:00 PM | Mason Square Branch | Families

Películas en español ¡Únete a nosotros el primer sábado de cada mes para ver películas en español para niños. Coloreamos páginas, vemos películas, y comemos palomitas (popcorn). Aperitivos y bebidas proveídos por los "Friends of the Springfield Library." Este evento es para los niños, pero la familia de los niños es bienvenida también.** Mensualmente cada primer sábado | 12:00 PM | el sucursal de Mason Square | para familias

Tinker Lab Kids can explore and engage with different tools and materials, test imagination and ingenuity, and design something unique in this drop-in program. Wednesday Jan 9 | 4-6 PM | Central Library Children's Program Room | Ages 8-12

Read to Momo: A Dog Who Listens Children are invited to read to Momo, a Bright Spot Therapy Dog, in a small group setting. Call 263-6843 for more information. **Momo will be on vacation from Jan 15-30, and will return Feb 6.** Wednesdays | 3:30-4:30 PM | Forest Park Branch | Children


Art and Recyclables Makerspace Drop in to learn and explore at our makerspace! This creative space for kids and their families is chock full of art supplies and recycled stuff waiting to be transformed into something new. Mondays | During open hours | Sixteen Acres Branch | Children

Family Time - Imagine Explore Create Join us for stories, songs, activities, and crafts. Fun for the whole family! Saturdays | 10:30-11:30 AM | Central Library Children's Program Room | All ages

LEGO Clubs Let your imagination run wild!
Forest Park Branch Mondays | 3:30-4:45 PM | Ages 5-12
Indian Orchard Branch Tuesdays | 3:30-5 PM | Children Library Express at Pine Point Wednesdays | 5-5:45 PM | Ages 5-10
Mason Square Branch Thursdays | 5-6 PM | Children Sixteen Acres Branch Mondays | 1:30-4:30 PM | Ages 5-10

Minecraft Clubs Build, play, create - and battle zombies, of course!
Indian Orchard Branch
Saturdays | 12-2:30 PM | Ages 8+
Library Express at Pine Point
Fridays | 3-4:30 PM | Ages 8-18

Lunch Bunch Come and enjoy a fun interactive story, an engaging activity, and a free light lunch. Sponsored by Faith United Church. Monthly on 1st Saturdays | 1-2 PM | Forest Park Branch | Ages 5-12

 **Mad Science Labs** Drop in to try some fun and innovative science experiments. Monthly, 1st Saturdays | 12:30-2:30 PM | East Springfield Branch | Children

Adventures in Reading Calling all reading adventurers! Want to explore different kinds of books? Join us as we read our way through fantasy, biography, historical fiction and more. We will meet to discuss our book, followed by a craft to continue the fun. You can pick up a copy each month's book at the East Forest Park Library. Monthly, 2nd Fridays | 4-5 PM | East Forest Park Branch | Ages 8-10

American Girl Club Based on the American Girl books! Make a craft and enjoy a snack based on the time period of the girl chosen each month. Monthly, 3rd Wednesdays | 4-5 PM | East Springfield Branch | Ages 6-14 | Preregistration encouraged, call 413-263-6840



Family Craft Night Monthly craft night. Come have fun! Monthly, 2nd Wednesdays | 6:30-7:30 PM | East Springfield Branch | All ages

EVENTS FOR TEENS

NEW! Snow Creature Building Competition Snow Creatures are like snowmen, but better. Make sure to wear your boots, jacket, hats, and gloves! Hot cider and donuts will be served and a few pairs of gloves to borrow will be provided.** Winners (or winning teams) will get to pick three free books or DVDs from the library's Primus Used Book Store, and a \$5 Dunkin Donuts Gift Card. There will be winners for four categories: Biggest Snow Creature, Most Literary Snow Creature, Most Creative Snow Creature, and Cutest Snow Creature. Friday Jan 11 (Snow Date: Friday Feb 22) | 1-3 PM | Mason Square Branch Library Community Garden | Children and Teens

NEW! Otaku Meet Up The Otaku Meet-Up is all about Anime and Manga debates! At the monthly Otaku Meet-Up, anime fans from all over Springfield will come to discuss characters, manga, and have some snacks and a chill time.** Thursday Jan 24, February 21, and March 21 | 6-7 PM | Mason Square | Teens 13-18

NEW! Dot Day Release your inner artist! We'll supply the dots, you make the art! We'll have refreshments to get your creative juices flowing. Everyone is an artist on Dot Day! Thursday Jan 17 | 3-4:45 PM | East Springfield Branch | Ages 11-18

NEW! Not Your Ordinary Coloring Club for Teens

School getting you stressed? Join our Not Your Ordinary Coloring Club for Teens. We supply the crayons, pencils and pens and coloring pages. Just drop by and color your stress away. Fridays, Jan 4-May 24 | 1-5 PM | Indian Orchard | Ages 12-18

Pronoun Button Making Join us at the East Springfield Branch Library and make some pronoun buttons with our button maker! Examples of pronouns include: she/her, he/him, they/them, ze/hir, xe/xem, hy/hym. Any and all are welcome! Make the buttons for yourself or for a loved one! Pizza will be provided.** Friday Jan 11 | 3-4:45 PM | East Springfield | Teens and Adults



Nerf This! Gaming Club Join us for gaming at the library. Every month the games will change and anything from Monopoly to Super Smash Brothers will be available for play. Game on! Monthly, 2nd Tuesdays | 3:15-4:30 PM | Forest Park Branch | Ages 11-18

Teen Tuesdays If you are looking for a welcoming place to be after school, look no further. Get inspired by using a wide array of art materials, write that masterpiece you've been pondering, or play one of our many board games. And let's not forget all the inspiration that rests right on our shelves. Enjoy the company of others or grab a quiet space for some precious alone time! Tuesdays | 1-6 PM | Sixteen Acres Branch | Ages 12-18

Art Explorations Teens will explore a variety of media, using sharpies, watercolors, tissue paper and more to explore portraiture, landscapes and abstract art. Monthly, 2nd Fridays | 2-4:30 PM | Indian Orchard Branch | Ages 11+

Comics Club Do you wait on the edge of your seat for the next Marvel movie? Do you think Mikasa Akerman from AOT is the coolest character in anime? Then this is the club for you! Join us as we share our favorites in anime, manga, and American comics. Members will help shape how the club progresses, and the events we hold every month! Come and geek out with us! Monthly, 2nd Wednesdays | 4:30-5:30 PM | East Springfield Branch | Ages 12-18

What-Ifs & Fix-Its: A Fanfiction Club for Teens Join us as pop-culture fans explore their favorite characters and create stories of their own through fanfiction. We'll have advice sessions for beginners and writing prompts. You'll even have an opportunity to submit your work to the library's teen blog! Monthly on 3rd Wednesdays | 6-7:30 PM | East Forest Park Branch | Ages 11-18 | Register online

Comic Book Creation Did you ever want to create your own comic books, graphic novels, or webcomics? Whether you are an artist or a writer, come work on your project with fellow enthusiasts. Snacks will be provided. Monthly, 2nd Wednesdays | 6-7:30 PM | East Forest Park Branch | Ages 10-18

Fantastical Beasts We will choose a different mythological, magical, or folkloric creature to investigate each month. Read, watch, listen, draw, or write your own history or stories, and then compare notes. Fans of Grimm, Lore, Brandon Sanderson, and Harry Potter welcome! Monthly, 3rd Wednesdays | 4-5 PM | East Forest Park Branch | Ages 11-18

Chess Club Drop in and practice your chess moves or learn to play chess for the first time! Tuesdays | 3:30-5 PM | Sixteen Acres Branch | Ages 7-18



Tasty Tuesday at Forest Park Tasty Tuesday will feature a healthy and easy recipe for teens to learn how to make. Teens will make a delicious after school snack as well as learning useful life skills and meal planning. Come hungry and ready to get your hands messy! Monthly, 3rd Thursdays | 3:15-4:15 PM | Forest Park Branch | Ages 12-19

Tasty Tuesday at Brightwood Experience a new flavor and learn how to make a tasty snack! Monthly, 3rd Tuesdays | 3:30-5 PM | Brightwood Branch | Ages 11-18

Tabletop Tennis and Air Hockey Teens are invited to join us for an afternoon of fun playing tabletop tennis/ping pong and air hockey. Play for bragging rights or just for fun; plus it's a great exercise workout! Can you meet the challenge? Monthly, 2nd Wednesdays | 3:30-4:30 PM | Brightwood Branch | Ages 11-18

Game ON! Video Gaming Drop in and play your favorite Wii games in the community room! Snacks will be provided. Monthly, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays | 3-4:30 PM | Brightwood Branch | Ages 11-18

BYOB Teen Book Discussion Group Teens, you can BYOB (Bring Your Own Book) and share your recent reads at this lively book group. Gain exposure to new authors, titles, and genres. We're always open to new members - join us! Monthly, 3rd Saturdays | 12-1:30 PM | East Forest Park Branch | Ages 11-19

TEEN LEADERSHIP

Here's your chance to meet and share ideas about improving library programming for teens, plan events, give input for materials purchasing and other fun activities. Light refreshments will be served.**

Teen Advisory Board at Brightwood

Monthly, 1st Tuesdays | 3:30-4:30 PM | Brightwood Branch | Ages 11-18

Teen Readers Advisory Panel at East Forest Park

Jan 12, March 9, and May 11, 2019 | East Forest Park Branch | Ages 13-19

Teen Advisory Board at East Springfield

Monthly, 1st Fridays | 3:30-4:30 PM | East Springfield Branch | Ages 13-18

Teen Readers Advisory Panel at Sixteen Acres

Monthly, last Tuesdays | 4:30-5:45 PM | Sixteen Acres

EVENTS FOR ADULTS

New! Brightwood Gallery: Quilts from Home Back by popular demand is Quilts from Home, a display of handmade, decorative quilts. Featured works include a variety of styles and techniques made by local quilters Loretta Forsyth, Mary Ellen Keiter, Sharon Kida, Amy Sackman, Clara Lee Sharrard, Ursula Smith, and Joanne Tryba. The display is sure to please with its beauty, creativity, and demonstrated skill. Wednesday Jan 2-Thursday Jan 31 | During open hours | Brightwood Branch | All Ages

NEW! Puzzlers Come and do a puzzle with your neighbors. Meet new people, take a mental break from work, and just have fun. Do some of it, all of it, or just observe and enjoy. The board puzzles are next to the adult computers, and are provided compliments of the Friends of the Library. Wednesday Jan 2-Sunday March 31 | 1-5 PM | Mason Square Branch | Adults + Teens

NEW! Art Central: The Watercolors of Diane

Nevinsmith The paintings of Diane Nevinsmith are a delight with their gentle colors, beguiling settings, and skillful balance. On display throughout January is an artist-curated show of landscapes, seascapes, and floral watercolors depicting a wide range of settings, topics, and inspirations. Wednesday Jan 2-Thursday Jan 31 | During open hours | Central Library | All Ages



NEW! Millennium Celebration It's been nearly 20 years since the turn of the Millennium, but that doesn't mean it's too late to party like its 1999! Join us in a celebration of all things 2000's! Come and test your knowledge of the music, movies, and pop culture between 2000-2009. Listen to some of the hottest songs of the decade, and experience what it was like when most computers still used modems, and flash animation was the height of high tech. Thursday Jan 31 | 3-5 PM | East Springfield Branch | 18+

NEW! Craft Your Cares Away Come "Craft Your Cares Away" with Tricia. We will be relaxing, socializing, and making creative projects to take your mind off your everyday worries for an hour or so. Each month will feature a new craft. Project ideas are always welcome. Arts and craft supplies are provided. ** Last Mondays | 2-3 PM | East Springfield Branch | 18+

NEW! Introduction to Word Having good word processing skills is fundamental to achieving success at the computer. Come to this two-hour, hands-on workshop for an introduction to the most popular word processing program, Microsoft Word, and sharpen your skills with standard formatting and editing tools. Skill with a keyboard and mouse is needed for success in this workshop. Light refreshments will be provided.** Saturday Jan 12 | 10 AM-12 PM | Central Library Computer Lab | 18+ | Register Online

NEW! Introduction to Powerpoint Microsoft PowerPoint is used at home and at work for organizing slides and photos, and helping people give great presentations. In this hands-on workshop, we'll make multipaged, basic PowerPoint files complete with edited images and enhanced with stylish templates, everything you need for success with PowerPoint. This class is for adults with keyboard and mouse skills. Light refreshments will be provided.** Saturday Jan 19 | 10 AM-12 PM | Central Library Computer Lab | 18+ | Register Online

NEW! Introduction to Excel Excel is used both at home and in the office to help with a wide range of personal and business management services, including basic bookkeeping and accounting, maintaining mailing lists, and more. Skill with a keyboard and mouse is needed for success in this hands-on workshop. Light refreshments, compliments of the Friends of the Library. Saturday Jan 26 | 10 AM-12 PM | Central Library Computer Lab | 18+ | Register Online

Come for Coffee! Stop by Friday mornings for coffee and conversation. We'll have the morning paper, as well as crosswords, puzzles, and more. Bring along your knitting or crochet projects, or meet a friend for a hour of friendly socializing. Coffee and tea will be provided.** Fridays | 9-10 AM | Brightwood Branch | 18+

What's Cooking Cookbook Club

Do you enjoy cooking, or would you like to improve your cooking skills? Join the monthly Cookbook Club to hear about the latest cookbooks, share great recipes, and more in this casual, yet informative discussion group. Members may bring in prepared dishes to share so the group can sample great tastes and be inspired by something new. Monthly, 3rd Wednesdays | 10-11:30 AM | Central Library Community Room | Adults | Register Online



Chair Yoga Chair Yoga is a yoga style that adapts yoga positions and poses while incorporating the use of a chair. Poses are done seated on the chair, or the chair is used for support during poses, bends, extensions, balances, and stretches. Chair yoga is suitable for all fitness levels and physical conditions. Led by Nicole Ferraro, certified yoga instructor. Monthly, 2nd Tuesdays | 10-11 AM | East Springfield Branch | Adults

Tai Chi for Everyone Tai Chi is a slow motion, low impact form of exercise that is suitable for people of any age. It is often referred to as "Moving Meditation" and can be practiced by almost anyone. Monthly, 1st Fridays | 12-1 PM | East Springfield Branch | Adults, Teens, and Children 10+ | Register Online

Simple Home Remedies Local herbalist and botanical educator Claire Brodhead will lead hands-on wellness workshops. Funding provided by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency. 6-7 PM | Mason Square Branch | Adults

Tea Blending for Beginners When there's a chill to the air, there's nothing better than curling up with a good book and a hot cup of tea. In this workshop, learn how to make your own herbal blend. Thursday, Jan 10

Herbs for Sleep, Stress and Anxiety Learn how to combat the winter blues and holiday stress naturally. Thursday, Jan 31

Color My World - Relaxing Coloring Time for Grown-Ups Feeling like you need to de-stress? We'll provide beautiful adult coloring sheets and colored pencils. Got kids? Our LEGO Club will be running from 5-6 PM. Thursdays | 5-7 PM | Mason Square Branch | Adults

Chess at Sixteen Acres Have you ever wanted to learn chess? Would you like to improve your skills or enjoy a game with other chess enthusiasts? Come get expert training from a seasoned chess player with years of teaching experience! Tuesdays | 5:30-6:30 PM | Sixteen Acres Branch | Adults

Knot Just Knitters Whether you knit, crochet, cross-stitch, or crewel, this is the place for you. New members are welcome; current members are willing to teach. Some yarn and needles are provided; donations are welcome. Many finished items are donated to charitable causes. Adults

East Forest Park Branch Fridays | 1-2:30 PM

East Springfield Branch Fridays | 10 AM – 12 PM

Forest Park Branch Saturdays | 11:15 AM-12:45 PM

Sixteen Acres Branch Wednesdays | 1-3 PM



Books & Brew Book Club Cure your mid-week blues with a lively book discussion and a brew at Nathan Bill's Bar and Restaurant. This program is geared toward 20-30 somethings, but all are welcome!

Copies of the discussion book will be available for pickup at the East Forest Park Library prior to the meeting. No sign up is required; however, please contact the branch if you have any questions. Next discussion book: *The Red Garden* by Alice Hoffman. Monthly, 1st Wednesdays | 7-8 PM | 110 Island Pond Rd | Ages 21+

Write-up Springfield! Calling all creative writers! A new group has started to workshop your writing, and network on creative writing opportunities, techniques, and styles. The group meets once a month, and always welcomes new members.** Saturday Jan 12th | 1-3 PM | Central Library Community Room | 18+

U.S. History Book and Media Discussion Group Discuss important issues concerning American history and share conversation-provoking history books you're reading. We'll also view documentaries on a number of history topics. Refreshments served. Monthly, 3rd Tuesdays | 6:15-7:15 PM | Sixteen Acres Branch | Adults

BYOB Book Discussion Group BYOB (Bring Your Own Book) and share your recent reads. Gain exposure to new authors, titles, and genres! Adults

Central Library

Monthly, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays | 10 AM-12 PM

East Springfield Branch

1st Wednesdays | 12-1:30 PM

Sixteen Acres Branch

Last Friday of every month | 1:30-2:30 PM

Afterthoughts, a Book Discussion Group These groups select a new book for a lively discussion every month. Library copies of the book are available at the branch. New members always welcome! Adults

Central Library book selection: *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* by Lisa See

Monthly, 2nd Tuesdays | 12-1 PM

Forest Park Branch book selection: *Things I Have Been Silent About*, by Azar Nafisi. Monthly, 2nd

Thursdays | 1:30-2:30 PM



Bad Weather? Check TV channels 3, 22, or 40 to see if our libraries are opening late, closing early, or closed for the day. Or call the Central Library at 413-263-6828 and listen to the greeting for an update.



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