**Adult Take Home Craft: DIY Wrapping Paper**

Pickup begins December 1st  
We’re trying something new -- Adult take-home crafts! This winter series will bring out your creative side, featuring easy and useful items to make yourself. Pick up a kit to make your own wrapping paper (while supplies last).

**Chair Yoga**

Saturdays, December 3rd & 17th  
10 AM  
Registered yoga teacher Julie Hamilton will lead the class using modifications of many common yoga poses. Perfect for seniors and for others with disabilities or challenges such as chronic illness, pain, or stiffness. Yoga mats not provided; bring your own for added chair stability.

**Coloring for Grown Ups**

Saturday, December 17th  
1 PM  
Join us for a relaxing and fun afternoon session of coloring. We will provide colored pencils and adult coloring books along with refreshments.

**Hobby Hour**

Monday, December 5th  
6-7:30 PM  
Whether you enjoy painting, fiber crafts, model building, or wood carving, you are welcome to join us for Hobby Hour. Bring everything you need to work on your hobby and we’ll provide a room & great company.

**Finals Week: Open Study Hall**

STUDY IN GROUPS, RELAX, LISTEN TO MUSIC, & GET COMFY  
AT OUR FINALS WEEK OPEN STUDY HALL!  

**Pokemon TCG Open Play**

Wednesdays, December 7th & 21st  
5-7:30 PM  
Do you wanna be the very best, that no one ever was? Come connect with fellow Pokémon TCG players during our twice a month open play. Our Wednesday open play will be a welcoming space for trainers to learn, practice, and battle for bragging rights.

**Gift Wrapping at the Library!**

The Edwardsville Library Friends will be offering their popular gift wrapping service again this year. Bring your unwrapped gifts by the library during the times listed below & browse the library while you wait! Monetary donations are not required but always appreciated.

- Saturday, Dec 10 12pm - 4pm  
- Sunday, Dec 11 2pm - 4pm  
- Saturday, Dec 17 12pm - 4pm  
- Sunday, Dec 18 2pm - 4pm
Holiday Closings
The library will be closed on the following days to celebrate the holidays!

- DECEMBER 24
- DECEMBER 25
- DECEMBER 26
- DECEMBER 31
- JANUARY 1

Holiday Tech Potluck
Sample some leftover tech topics from the back of our hypothetical fridge.

Edwardsville Public Library
Registration Required
Tuesdays @ 11am
Dec 20th - Spotting Misinformation
Dec 27th - Library eBooks and Apps

Main Street Community Center
Wednesday @ 1pm
Dec 7th - Online Safety and Privacy
Dec 14th - Spotting Misinformation
Call 618-656-0300 to register with MSCC.

Pokémon TCG Holiday Tournament
Registration Required
Wednesday, December 21st 5:00-7:30 PM
Attention all Pokémon trainers - join us for a TCG Swiss style tournament. Standard format, three 30-minute rounds, best of 1. Each player gets a booster pack of cards for entering & the top 3 of the evening will go home with a holiday-themed Pokémon hat, as well as a gift card to Heroic Adventures!

Midwest Baking with Shauna Sever: Virtual event
Registration Required for Zoom Link
Tuesday, December 13th 7 PM
Join Shauna Sever, cookbook author, TV and radio contributor, and native of the great Midwest, for this special Illinois Libraries Present holiday season event. Shauna will share her love of food, baking, and some tips to make your holiday gatherings delicious.

True Crime Book Club
Join other armchair detectives in discussing the shocking details and events found in this popular non-fiction subgenre.
Tuesday, December 27th 6:30 PM
Trailed by Kathryn Miles

Holiday Movie Matinees
Movies start at noon
Join us during the month of December for 2 Holiday themed movie matinees! Bring a brown bag lunch, and we’ll provide drinks and popcorn.

Pokémon TCG Holiday Tournament
Jingle All The Way
Dec. 1st
Elf
Dec. 8th

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**Children’s Programs**

Sign up begins Sept. 1 for programs requiring registration.

**Fall Story Times**
Share stories, songs, and bubbles together with friends!
No registration required.

**Toddler Time**
Tuesdays, Sept. 13 - Nov. 15
at 10am | Ages 0-2

**Preschool Story Time**
Thursdays, Sept. 15 - Nov. 17
at 10am | Ages 3-5

**Saturday Story Time**
Saturdays, Oct. 15 & Nov. 12
at 10am | All Ages Welcome

**Read to a Dog**
Registration Required
Saturdays, Oct. 1, Nov. 5, Dec. 3 at 10am
Tuesdays, Oct. 25, Nov. 15, Dec. 20 at 5pm
Grades K-5

A therapy dog is visiting the library and wants to listen to you read! Each young reader will have a 15 minute session to read with the dog-on-duty.

**Lego Club**
**Wednesdays, Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 9**
4-5pm | Ages 5-12

Just bring your imagination - we’ll supply the Legos! Drop in during the hour to build to your heart’s content. Creations will be displayed in the Youth Library until the next Lego Club.

**Google CS First Coding Club: Storytelling**
**Registration Required**
Mondays, Oct. 3 - Nov. 28
4-5pm | Grades 3-5

Students will use computer science to tell fun and interactive stories. Storytelling emphasizes creativity by encouraging students to tell a new story each session.

**Treehouse Wildlife Center + Family Reading Night**
**Thursday, November 17 at 6:30pm**

Celebrate Family Reading Night with stories at the Library and animal friends from Treehouse Wildlife Center. Family Reading Night was started by Secretary of State, Jesse White, and this year marks the 30th anniversary of the program.

**Take Home Crafts**
Stop by the Youth Desk to pick up a monthly craft that you can make at home!

Sept. - Paper Loop Sunflowers
Oct. - Make Your Own Monster
Nov. - Spiky Hedgehogs
Dec. - Snowman House

**Halloween Puppet Show**
**Saturday, Oct. 29 at 10:30**

Wear your costumes, and join us for our annual puppet show, seasonal songs, and a trick or treat parade around the library.

**Gingerbread House Decorating**
**Registration Required**
**Saturday, Dec. 10 | Ages 5 & up**
Session 1: 10:00-11:00am
Session 2: 11:30am-12:30pm
Session 3: 2:00-3:00pm

Sign up for one of the three sessions, and build your own wintery house with an assortment of treats & sweets!
**ACT Practice Test**
**Registration Required**
**Saturday, Oct. 1 | 9am-12pm**
Sylvan Learning Center of Edwardsville will be at the library to administer a practice ACT test for local high school students. Testing will begin at 9am on October 1 in the library meeting room. Please arrive early to check in and bring a calculator. Information about receiving results will be given on the day of the test.

**Game Night**
**Tuesdays, Sept. 13-Dec. 13**
**6-7:30pm**
Go on a quest with fellow players in the classic collaborative game, Dungeons & Dragons, or drop in with friends to play one of our tabletop games.

**Nintendo Switch Free Play**
**Wednesdays starting at 1pm**
Drop in to the library during this time to take a turn playing games like Smash Bros, Mario Kart, and more! First come, first served.

**Teen DIY Kits**
**Registration Required for Each Project**
Get a kit full of all the materials needed to complete a new DIY project at home. Teens who register can pick up their kit at the Youth Desk during our open hours of the week listed:

- **Stranger Things Friendship Bracelet**
  **Pick Up Sept. 19-24**
  Friends. Don’t. Lie. String together colorful beads and give this reminder to a buddy.

- **Pumpkin Painting**
  **Pick Up Oct. 17-22**
  Paint spooky designs of your desire on a miniature pumpkin!

- **Felt Wall Pennant**
  **Pick Up Nov. 14-19**
  Personalize a pennant to hang up on a wall, your door, or inside your locker.

- **Flannel Hand-Warmers**
  **Pick Up Dec. 12-17**
  Stay cozy this winter with these simple-sew hand warmers filled with rice.

**Succulents 101**
**Registration Required**
**Thursday, Oct. 6 at 6pm**
Having trouble keeping your plants alive? Learn the essentials of caring for plants, specifically succulents, with trained horticulturist, Molly Satarelli. Each participant will get to plant & take home their own succulent to put into practice what you learn at this session.

**Poetry Open Mic**
**Monday, Nov. 21 at 6:30pm**
Take the mic and read a poem or lyrics of your choice! You can share original poems or lyrics, or a favorite selection by another artist.

**Teen Advisory Board**
Join us to share ideas with other members about how to make the library a great place for teens! Check our TAB webpage for meeting information & to apply!

**Read with Us**
**We Read Banned Books**
**Registration Required**
**Thursday, Sept. 22 | 4-5pm**
Books Unite Us. Censorship Divides Us. Libraries support and celebrate your freedom to read!
Read a book from the ALA’s Frequently Challenged Books List, and attend the Banned Book Club meeting to discuss them and why everyone should be free to read the books they want.

**Teen Book Club: All of Us Villains**
**Registration Required**
**Thursday, Sept. 29 | 4-5pm**
Imagine the Hunger Games + Magic! Every generation, at the coming of the Blood Moon, seven families in the remote city of Ilvernath each name a champion to compete in a tournament to the death, all for the chance to control the world’s last remaining high magick.
Find out their fate at this month’s Teen Book Club, reading All of Us Villains by Amanda Foody & Christine Lynn Hermann. Once you register, stop by the Youth Desk to get a free copy of the book.

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- Friday: 9am - 6pm
- Saturday: 9am - 5pm
- Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

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