



**FOX RIVER GROVE  
MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

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Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
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9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Closed on Sundays

**WEBSITE**  
www.frgml.org

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**LIBRARY MEETINGS**

*Board of Trustees*  
Tuesday, March 21, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 18, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, May 16, 7 p.m.

*Friends of the Library*  
Tuesday, March 14, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 11, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, May 9, 7 p.m.

**CLOSINGS**

The Library will be closed:  
Friday, April 7, 2017,  
9 a.m. - 12 p.m. for staff training  
Monday, May 29, 2017,  
in honor of Memorial Day

# The Library Outlook

SPRING 2017

## A note from Nicole...

### Making Time to Read

It's probably not surprising to learn that reading is my favorite pastime. It can be tricky to find time to read, though, even when you're a librarian! That's why I love our apps for eBooks and eAudiobooks. They let me listen to books on the go, and thanks to the wide variety of high-quality middle-grade and YA materials available, our whole family can enjoy reading together. On a recent road trip, we all had a blast listening to *The Sword of Summer* by Rick Riordan, played on the axis360 app on my phone, sent to the car speakers via Bluetooth. I'm amazed by what is possible with a mobile device and a library card! Find details on our website's Digital Resources page.

### Library Board Election

We have four candidates running for Library Board Trustee in the Consolidated Election on Tuesday, April 4, 2017. Visit the McHenry County Clerk's Elections website for more information.

### More Renewals Allowed

By popular demand, you can now renew materials three times using the online catalog as long as no one else has requested the item. We know some books take longer to read – or that kiddos want to keep favorites a little longer! Contact me if you have questions about online accounts, renewals, or the Library in general.

Nicole Steeves, Library Director, [nsteeves@frgml.org](mailto:nsteeves@frgml.org)

## Welcome to our newest Trustee, Jeff Medina

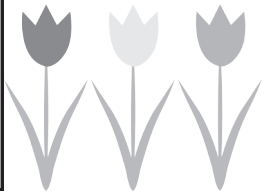
My name is Jeff Medina, and I am the newest member of the Fox River Grove Memorial Library Board of Trustees. I moved to FRG about 18 months ago with my wife and 2 daughters. I graduated from the University of Notre Dame and built my career improving processes, leading largescale projects, and managing program budgets all while being a good steward of taxpayer dollars.

When my family first moved to Fox River Grove, the Library was the first to make us feel like part of the community. After countless trips and endless wandering of the collection, that welcoming feeling has only intensified. It is my hope that as a Trustee, I can help the Library remain a great pillar of our community.





Program registration for FRGML cardholders begins Wednesday, March 1st, and Wednesday, March 8th for all non-FRGML cardholders. **Please note:** Registration is required for ALL programs.



## FRGML Quarterly Pin Up

Wednesday, March 1:	Registration for FRGML Cardholders	Saturday, April 15:	Last day of Food for Fines
Wednesday, March 8:	Open Cardholder Registration	Monday, April 17:	BLT
Thursday, March 9:	Coloring Club	Wednesday, April 19:	"We're Talking About Books"
Wednesday, March 15:	Book a Librarian	Wednesday, April 26:	Last day to accept donations for Book Sale
Thursday, March 16:	Author Meg Fleming Book Signing	Thursday, April 27:	Spring Book Sale
Monday, March 20:	BLT		Coloring Club
Thursday, March 23:	Coloring Club	Friday, April 28:	Spring Book Sale
Friday, March 24:	Last day to submit "The Best Late Library Book Letter"	Saturday, April 29:	Spring Book Sale (\$5 bags)
Monday, March 27:	Accepting donations for Book Sale	Thursday, May 4:	Wildlife in McHenry County
Thursday, March 30:	Spring Break Play Day	Wednesday, May 10:	Book a Librarian
Tuesday, April 4:	"It's Elementary" Science Fun	Thursday, May 11:	Coloring Club
Friday, April 7:	Library Closed 9 a.m.-12 p.m.	Monday, May 15:	BLT
	Charades	Wednesday, May 17:	"We're Talking About Books"
Saturday, April 8:	College Life 101	Tuesday, May 23:	"It's Elementary" Science Fun
Monday, April 10:	Food for Fines begins	Thursday, May 25:	Coloring Club
	National Library Week	Saturday, May 27:	Last day to report Patch Club
Wednesday, April 12:	Master Gardeners' Clinic	Monday, May 29:	Library closed
	Book a Librarian		
Thursday, April 13:	Coloring Club		

## Adult Programs

### Book a Librarian

Wednesday, March 15th  
Wednesday, April 12th  
Wednesday, May 10th  
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

This is a free, one-on-one, 15-minute session to work with a librarian to set up an email account, learn about eBooks, social media, or other basic computer skills. You must know the topic you wish to explore at the time of registration.

### College Life 101

#### Preparing to Launch

Saturday, April 8th, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Do you have a college student leaving this fall to live in off-campus housing? Jonathan Bean can help your student in their journey.

We'll discuss basic electrical safety, avoiding plumbing issues, money, sanitation, security, roommates, health, nutrition, rights and responsibilities -- important information to make this life transition easier for both students and parents. Plan to attend this useful and informative session with your student.

This program is generously sponsored by Friends of the Library.



Master Gardeners' Clinic  
Wednesday, April 12th  
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Join us for a Q&A session with master gardeners from University of Illinois Extension program. Ask and learn everything you need to know to grow a gorgeous lawn and garden this season.

This program is generously sponsored by Friends of the Library.

### We're Talking About Books (Not your average book club)

Interested in talking about books? Authors? We are bringing back the evening book club in a new and unique format. Come share a great read, a new author, or a great series. Or simply come listen in for new ideas...we're talking about books!

3rd Wednesday of the month  
beginning April 19th @ 7:00 p.m.



## Ongoing Adult Programs

**Adult Coloring Club**  
2nd & 4th Thursday of the  
month @ 6:30 p.m.



Be creative and relieve stress at the same time. We will supply materials or you are welcome to bring your own!

**Books, Literature & Talk (BLT)**  
3rd Monday of the month  
@ 1:00 p.m.

**March 20**

*Duel with the Devil* by Paul Collins

**April 17**

*The Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly

**May 15**

*The Girls of Atomic City* by Denise Kiernan

**Knitting & Crochet Club**  
1st & 3rd Monday of the  
month @ 7:00 p.m.



Come join this lively group of knitters and crocheters! All ages and experience levels are welcome.

## Youth Programs

### SPRING BREAK PLAY DAY

Thursday, March 30th  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Open to all ages!

Staying home for spring break? Come explore Legos, puzzles, games, and more! We will have everything set up, all you have to do is show up. Have your bestie meet you for a little friendly competition!

### "It's Elementary!" Science Fun

We will be exploring different topics each month. Each child will take home a topic-related book/activity to enjoy.

Open to grades K-3.

This program is generously sponsored by Rotary Club of Cary-Grove.

Tuesday, April 4th @ 5:00 p.m. Plant Life  
Tuesday, May 23rd @ 5:00 p.m. Magnets

### Silly Little Words & Creativity Mashup

We are introducing two new Playaway™ Launchpads, preloaded tablets for your 3 to 5-year-olds. They include interactive story books and games that help kids learn new words and colors, strengthen fine motor skills, and master ABCs and counting!

Available for in-house use at Youth Services Ask Me Desk.

### CHARADES

Friday, April 7th  
@ 6:30 p.m.  
Open to grades K - 4



We need you! Miss Carol and Miss Bridgett love a good competition (especially against each other.) It's Game On! We picked charades as the game; now we need teammates to help us WIN! We are playing for bragging rights. Sign up early to support your favorite librarian.

### Spring Story Times

Wee Ones  
8 wks-23 months old, with caregiver.  
Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m., February 7 - April 11  
Tiny Tots

FULL - Next sign up starts in the fall  
Ready to Read

4-5 years old on their own.  
Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., February 9 - April 13

No Story Times weeks of March 20th or March 27th

## Family Programs

**Author Book Reading & Signing**  
Thursday, March 16th @ 6:30 p.m.

Join us for an evening with former Fox River Grove resident and the author of *I Heart You*, Meg Fleming! Meg will read her book and discuss her inspirations and writing journey, followed by an autograph session. As a special bonus, Meg will preview her next book, *Ready, Set, Build*.

Registration required for the reading.  
Drop-ins welcome for autographs after.



**ABC MOUSE.COM** A free, educational resource for you and your young child. Come see us in Youth Services to get started.

Presented by the McHenry County Conservation District...



**Wildlife in McHenry County**  
Thursday, May 4th  
@ 6:00 p.m.

Get a close-up look at animal skulls, furs, and feathers. Learn all about the amazing wild animals that call McHenry County home. A live animal visits the group at the end of the program. All ages.



**Guess what I read?**  
The first spring flowers are typically lilacs, irises, lilies, tulips, daffodils, and dandelions. Happy Spring!



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Friends of the Library  
**ANNUAL SPRING BOOK SALE**  
Thursday, April 27th - Saturday, April 29th  
Open Thursday & Friday 9 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Find terrific deals on books, CDs, DVDs, and more at our annual spring sale. There will be a \$5 bag sale on Saturday, April 29th. Don't miss out!

The Friends will be accepting gently used book donations during regular Library hours beginning Monday, March 27th thru Wednesday, April 26th. Proceeds from this sale will be used to support programs and purchase new materials for the Library. The Friends are always looking for volunteers to help with the book sale. Call or stop in to the Library to find out how you can help.

\*We cannot accept encyclopedias, magazines, VHS tapes, or text books.

**A BIG FRGML  
THANK YOU to...**

Rotary Club of Cary-Grove, Friends of the Library, Cassidy Family, and all those who so generously donated books for "Gift of Reading."



**You should see what's coming to our display cases!**

- March** Reaching Higher Preschool Artwork  
Gone with the Wind Display by Erica Jensen
- April** District 3 Artwork
- May** McHenry County Historical Society "In the Spotlight" (McHenry County Opera Houses)  
Pastels by local artist Kimberly Matz

## Celebrate National Library Week! April 9th - 15th

During National Library Week, and we are celebrating with YOU! Enter our competition, "The BEST Late Library Book Letter" beginning:

"Dear Librarian, I could not return my book on time because..."

Come up with the best tall tale (or truth?) and you will receive up to \$20 off your fines\* and bragging rights!

All qualifying entries will be featured on our display board by the fireplace. Drop off letters at the Library or email them to [jgehin@frgml.org](mailto:jgehin@frgml.org) with "Library Letter" in the subject line by March 24th. Good luck!

\*Not including lost or damaged items.

**Food for Fines  
during National Library Week!  
April 10th-15th**

Library fines keeping you away? Food for Fines is back! Each non-perishable can or box you donate will be worth \$1 in overdue charges. We will credit up to \$25 per card.

Check your expiration dates! We cannot accept expired or homemade food. All food will be donated to the Cary-Grove Food Pantry. This program does not count toward replacement or processing fees.