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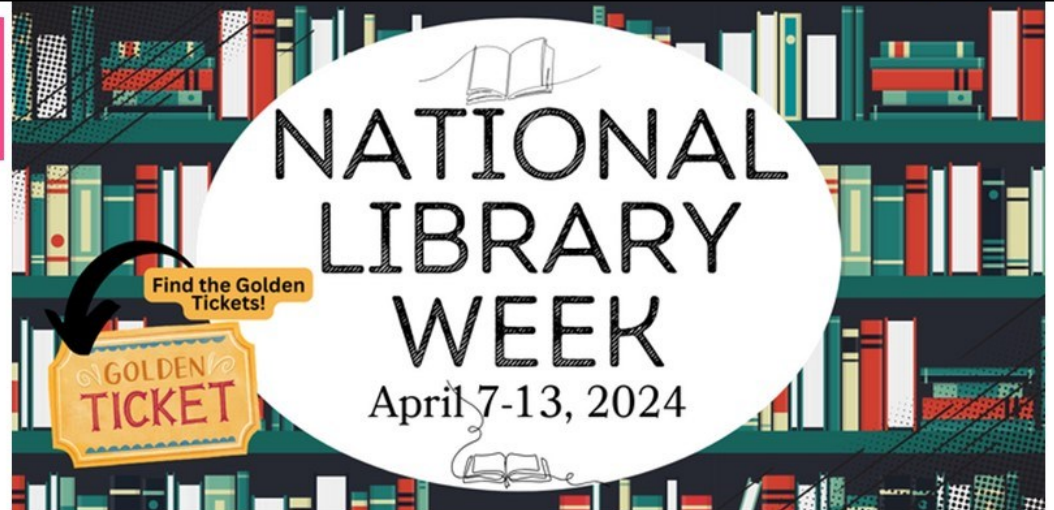
Go Digital

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Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/3rHS49y>.

Be sure to check your spam folders because sometimes the emails go into there.

Scan to Sign Up!



National Library Week is April 7-13, and during that week, Syracuse Public Library has some fun activities planned!

For one, we've hidden gold tickets upstairs and downstairs! Find a golden ticket and bring it to either circulation desk for a prize.

SPL will also have bookmark-making stations available all week. Stretch your creativity and have fun.

Finally, find the display featuring librarians' cats and try to guess which one goes with which librarian.

We're bound to have a lot of fun during the week!

Eclipse Activity Sheets

While SPL will not have any solar eclipse programming, families can pick up activity sheets in the children's department!

Miss Megan will print copies of a day-of question sheet and a paper eclipse model (pictured) a few days before the eclipse (April 8).



SPL To Secure Architecture Firm

The library board will be assessing proposals from architecture firms to design our new library. Proposals will be received by April 19, and the board will choose the best candidate by the end of May.

The Dolan Drive lot that the Town of Syracuse has donated to the library still needs an official survey before the deed can be recorded.

Progress is being made on this project. Ground breaking for a project like this is typically at least six to nine months after approval of architectural design, in this case probably the spring of 2025.

Solve SPL's Super Mario Bros Escape Room

Slots remain open in April for SPL's Super Mario Bros Escape Room! Sign up on our digital calendar or set up an alternative time with Michelle at mparker@syracuse.lib.in.us or (574) 457-3022, ext. 2008.



Scan the QR code to visit the Young Adult page's table of times and registration links.

Children & Tweens

Homeschool Topics For April



Miss Rebekah has new subjects for home-schooled children to learn during April. Join the Homeschool Class at **10:30 a.m. on Wednesdays.**

Classes include:

- April 10 (Grades 1-3): Simple Engineering
- April 17 (Grades 4-6): Health/Nutrition

•April 24 (Grades 1-3): Health/Nutrition

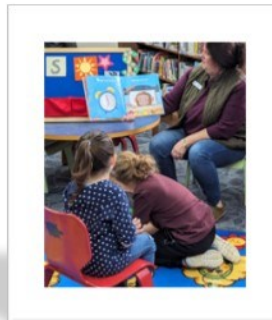
While classes are geared toward different age groups, if the topic interests other grades, they are welcome to attend older or younger classes. Younger students may require their grown-up's help if they attend older classes.

There will be no homeschool class on the week of April 1.

Art Club Continues



Members of SPL's Art Club will continue to meet at **4 p.m. on Mondays, April 1, 22, and 29, in the downstairs meeting room.** This session is full, but interested families can request to be added to the list for future sessions by emailing Miss Megan at mdaumen@syracuse.lib.in.us.



StoryTime

StoryTime meets at **10:30 a.m. each Wednesday in the children's department.** Enjoy great stories, playtime, songs and crafts during each session.

Gather The Family For This Art Project

Children and their families will get their chance to paint flowerpots in April!

Come to Family Fun Night at **5 p.m. Tuesday, April 23, in the downstairs meeting room.** We'll have terracotta pots and plenty of

paint available for children to create unique designs.

SPL will also provide flower seeds to plant!



General Library News

Friends Host Meeting And Coffee Social

The Friends of the Syracuse Public Library will meet at **11 a.m. Thursday, April 4, in the downstairs meeting room.** Since this meeting occurs before the library opens, knock on the southernmost Harrison Street Door (nearest the staff parking lot) for entry.

Additionally, the Friends will hold a coffee social **from 10:30-12 p.m. Wednesday, April 10, in the upstairs sitting area.** Grab a cup of go or sit and chat with the Friends.



FOL Partners With Knights For Bingo Fundraiser

The Friends are partnering with the Knights of Columbus for a Bingo Fundraiser on **Saturday, April 20, at Knights of Columbus Hall, 414 Sycamore St., Syracuse. Doors open at 5 p.m. with regular bingo starting at 6:30 p.m.** Cost is \$25 for a game packet. Food is available to purchase. Cash only. Must be 18 and older for admittance. Proceeds go to Friends of the Syracuse Library to support the library.

New Donation To Seed Library



Syracuse Public Library welcomed a new seed donation from BURPEE! We have added these seeds to the seed library.

Each family can "check out" 10 seed packets to plant at home. There's no need to return anything. No library card? No problem! You can still get some.

Young Adults



New Program Alert: Creativity Club



Optional Creativity Club Project

Teens (grades 6-12) can embrace creativity with our new club! The Creativity Club will meet **from 2-3 p.m. Tuesday, April 2, in the downstairs meeting room.**

Teens can make a custom picture frame (pictured). Bring a photo for SPL to print to fill it! Or we can take a photo at the library, too.

Have a project you're working on? You can work on that instead and use the library's many art supplies.

Teen Advisory Board

Join the Teen Advisory Board **from 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 2, in the Rosalyn Jones Room.** Help plan future programs and activities! Fill out the form at <https://forms.gle/zLB69AXgVRDFGmKi7> to apply!

Dungeon & Dragons



The library welcomes players ages 16-25ish to its "Dungeons & Dragons" group. It will meet **from 4-6 p.m. Thursday, April 11, in the Rosalyn Jones Room.** Each session features a self-contained story. Don't have a dice bag? The library has you covered!

Game Night Gets Tasty!



Rush to prepare and slurp up delicious bowls of ramen in the use-your-noodle card game "Ramen Fury." Collect combos of cards to score for different recipes while adding garnishes to boost your points.

At the same time, watch out as other players throw spicy chili peppers your way or swipe foods right from your bowls! It's "take that" fun that will have you calling for takeout.

Join YA Game Night **from 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 18, in the Rosalyn Jones Room.**

For information, email Amber at ajcox@syracuse.lib.in.us.

Watch Anime Each Month

Young adults who love anime should join SPL's anime club, which meets **from 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 25, in the Rosalyn Jones Room.**

- Group members will vote on an anime to watch, choosing from offerings on Crunchyroll. As a note, some anime may contain mature topics.



Digital Resources

Update Your Android System

After April 15, users with devices running Android OS 7.1.0 or earlier will be required to update their operating system or switch to another supported device to continue using OverDrive services.

In an email announcing this change, Overdrive

stated, "We apologize for the inconvenience this will have on users with impacted devices. This change is necessary to uphold OverDrive's standards of security and patron privacy and our commitment to delivering a quality experience to all libraries and their users."

Did You Know?



According to LibraryIQ, Wednesday is the first ranked day by peak traffic and the first ranked day by total traffic at the Syracuse-Turkey Creek Township Public Library. The site states it is busiest from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesdays. Mondays are our second most trafficked day, followed by Tuesdays.

Adults

Adult Book Club To Read 'The Midnight Library'

The Adult Book Club will read "The Midnight Library" by Matt Haig.

Somewhere out beyond the edge of the universe, there is a library that contains an infinite number of books, each one the story of another reality.

One tells the story of your life as it is, along with another book for the other life you could have lived if you had made a different choice at any point in your life. While we all wonder how our lives might have been, what if you had the chance to go to the library and see for

yourself? Would any of these other lives truly be better?

Pick up copies at the library! Digital e-book and audiobook copies may be available on Libby.

Discussion will occur at 1 p.m. Thursday, April 25, in the library's downstairs meeting room. A Zoom discussion will follow at 6 p.m.

For information, email Emilia at elayne@syracuse.lib.in.us.



Mahjong

Come play mahjong at 1 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays in the downstairs meeting room.

Players of all skill levels are welcome at the tables, including learners.



Craft & Sip: Boho Birdhouses

April's Craft & Sip is for the birds! Participants will paint boho birdhouses from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Thursday, April 11, in the downstairs meeting room.

This program is limited to 12, so sign up using SPL's digital calendar at tinyurl.com/SPLBohoBirdhouses.

The library will provide all the supplies necessary for free.

For information, contact Emilia at elayne@syracuse.lib.in.us.



Or Scan The QR Code



Create Fiber Arts Projects

Join the Knit & Crochet Club at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, April 9 and 23, in the upstairs sitting area. All skill levels are welcome! Bring your knitting and crocheting supplies. The library has limited supplies it can share.



The Workshop

The Syracuse Public Library's adult writing group, The Workshop, will meet at 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 16, in the downstairs meeting room. Writers of all skill levels and forms are invited to attend. Bring a piece to share or listen to others read theirs.

Contact Sarah, swright@syracuse.lib.in.us, for more information.



Workshop

In The Garden Group Plots Becky's Garden

During In the Garden's April meeting, members will outline May's plantings for Becky's Garden, which will be planted in May. Interested parties can attend the meeting at 1 p.m. Thursday, April 18, in the downstairs meeting room.

Visit Becky's Garden at www.syracuse.lib.in.us/beckys-garden.html for updates.



Library Hours

10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday

12-8 p.m. Tuesday

10 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesday

12-8 p.m. Thursday

10 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday

Syracuse Public Library

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Learn more about our Mario Escape Room!



Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

	<p>1 Mahjong: 1 p.m. Art Club: 4 p.m.</p>	<p>2 YA Creativity Club: 2-3 p.m. Teen Advisory Board: 4:30 p.m. (Discord Option)</p>	<p>3 Mahjong: 1 p.m.</p>	<p>4 Friends Meeting: 11 a.m. YA Video Gaming: 4-6 p.m.</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>8 Mahjong: 1 p.m.</p>	<p>9 Knit & Crochet Club: 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>10 StoryTime: 10:30 a.m. Homeschool Class (younger): 10:30 a.m. Coffee Social: 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Mahjong: 1 p.m.</p>	<p>11 YA Dungeons & Dragons: 4-6 p.m. Craft & Sip: 4:30-5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>
	National Library Week					
<p>14</p>	<p>15 Mahjong: 1 p.m. Board Meeting: 5:45 p.m.</p>	<p>16 The Workshop: 3 p.m.</p>	<p>17 StoryTime: 10:30 a.m. Homeschool Class (older): 10:30 a.m. Mahjong: 1 p.m.</p>	<p>18 In the Garden: 1 p.m. YA Game Night: 6-7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 FOL Bingo Night Fundraiser (Knights of Columbus Hall): 5 p.m. (doors open) 6:30 p.m. (Regular Bingo Starts) Must be 18+.</p>
<p>21</p>	<p>22 Mahjong: 1 p.m. Art Club: 4 p.m.</p>	<p>23 Knit & Crochet Club: 1:30 p.m. Family Fun Night (Flowerpots): 5 p.m.</p>	<p>24 StoryTime: 10:30 a.m. Homeschool Class (younger): 10:30 a.m. Mahjong: 1 p.m.</p>	<p>25 Adult Book Club (In person): 1 p.m. Anime Club: 6-7:30 p.m. Adult Book Club (Zoom): 6 p.m.</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>29 Mahjong: 1 p.m. Art Club: 4 p.m.</p>	<p>30</p>				

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Events highlighted in green have online registrations available. Visit our website's calendar to register!

Notes

