READING WINTERLAND

DEC. 18 - FEB. 9

ADULT & TEEN WINTER READING CHALLENGE

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- Reading prize drawing – Log 1 book, earn 1 entry. All books count!

- Challenge prize drawing – Log 1 book that fits a challenge, earn 1 entry. Read books in different genres & subjects to complete challenges.

- Sign up in person or online at www.mybpl.org/winterreading.

YOUTH SERVICES WINTER READING CHALLENGE (BIRTH - 6TH GRADE)

It's a **reading winterland**!

- Beginning Monday, Dec. 18, you may register in person at the Youth Services desk to receive your information packet and starting prize.

- Complete your reading log by reading for just three hours.

- Turn in your log at the Youth Services Reference desk by Friday, Feb. 9 to receive your final prize and be entered into the Grand Prize Drawing.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Hours:
Monday-Thursday: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday & Saturday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday: 1 - 5 p.m.

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On The Same Page

Thank you to all who participated in our seventh annual On the Same Page series of programs and book discussions of The Geography of Genius by Eric Weiner. This program is made possible in part by our sponsors, Itasca Bank & Trust, Friends of the Bloomingdale Public Library, Friends of the Roselle Public Library, Rotary Club of Bloomingdale-Roselle, and Salerno Rosedale Chapels.

Exam Cram (Drop-In)

Monday, Dec. 18 - Wednesday, Dec. 20 | 3:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Open to all high school students (Grades 9-12)

Get ready for finals at the library's Exam Cram! We'll have group and quiet study areas, Wi-Fi, and computers. We'll provide caffeine and snacks - you provide the brain power! Pizza served at 7:00 p.m.

Winter Concert Series

Heather Bradoudakis Presents: Rosemary Clooney
Tuesday, January 9 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Are you a Rosemary Clooney fan? Me too! Come On a My House and Mambo Italiano with me as we reminisce on the music and life of this beloved entertainer. Presented by professional singer and Grammy Award winner Heather Braudakis.

Love & Marriage: Musical Theater Style
Tuesday, February 13 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Art imitates life, and in this heartwarming cabaret, Matt and Cynthia chronicle the many stages of relationships while performing varied and powerful songs from the Broadway stage!

= registration required.

Holiday Family Event
Smarty's Holiday Balloon Show (Drop-In)
Sunday, December 3 | 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
 For families

Join us this holiday for an afternoon featuring comedy, magic and Smarty Pants' award-winning, eye-popping balloons featuring all your winter favorites for the season!!

Holiday Hours

Sunday, Dec. 24: CLOSED
Monday, Dec. 25: CLOSED
Sunday, Dec. 31: CLOSED
Monday, Jan. 1: CLOSED

The Garbo: The Musical
Monday, December 4 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Want to see an off-Broadway show this winter without the hefty ticket price? Join us at the library for an original one-woman musical based on the legendary and enigmatic Swedish film star Greta Garbo starring Jillann Gabrielle.

Anyone Can Sing!
Tuesday, December 5 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Molly McLinden, a voice teacher and singer, will lead participants of all ages in simple vocal exercises and songs. She'll also answer any questions you may have about vocal health and how to practice.

Christmas Traditions at the White House
Monday, December 11 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Few American houses enjoy as lavish a holiday season as the White House. In this beautifully illustrated talk, historian Leslie Goddard, Ph.D., discusses the traditions that bring Christmas alive inside America's most famous address. Take an insider's view of one of the most historic homes in the world during the most magical time of the year.

Lose Weight This Winter
Tuesday, December 12 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

It can be difficult to maintain our waistline over the holidays, but Chiropractic Physician Lynn Capodagli is willing to share some tips for losing weight in a healthy way. She will teach us how to recognize unhealthy outside influences on our weight, which healthcare providers help with weight loss, and some appropriate medical interventions for weight loss like acupuncture, physical therapy, and dietary counselling.

DIY Make & Take: Washi Tape Valentines
Monday, January 29 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Valentine's Day is only 2 weeks away! Join us and learn how to make adorable washi tape-embellished Valentines on the cheap for all your sweethearts. Registration opens onFriday, December 1 and is limited to 30 adults.

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Coming Soon

The Sweet Art of Making Maple Syrup
Monday, February 5 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Chef Maddox Presents: Brunch!
Tuesday, February 6 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Some programs require registration (☆) as noted. You may register for programs online at www.mybpl.org (click on "Calendar" at the top of the page), at the Adult Services Reference Desk, or call (630) 924-2730.

Spend Smarter Right NOW!
Monday, January 8 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

In this seminar, we will tackle the following ideas about spending smarter: what are "today dollars" and "tomorrow dollars," and what does that mean to you; how do we hide our spending from ourselves and how to stop it; and what is a strong "financial fortress" and how do you build it? Presented by Steven Briggs, author and Financial Advisor at Waddell & Reed.

Powerful Presence: Colonel Jill's Empowering Strategies to Advance Your Career
Monday, January 15 | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Colonel Jill wants to show you ways to move forward, while eliminating unconscious mistakes that could be holding you back. When you recognize and change certain behaviors, results pay off in career opportunitiesyou never thought possible along with an image that identifies you as someone with the power and knowledge to lead and succeed.

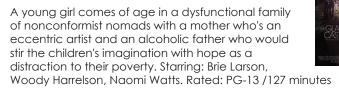## Decluttering Your House
Tuesday, January 23 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Leslie Gail, owner of Declare Order Professional Organizing, will teach us how to declutter our houses and start the New Year off right!

Movie Matinee *Drop-in*

We'll supply the popcorn! Come enjoy new releases at BPL's Movie Matinee and enter for a chance to win a copy of that day's movie on DVD at the end of the showing. You must be present to win.

The Glass Castle
Wednesday, December 13 | 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

A young girl comes of age in a dysfunctional family of nonconformist nomads with a mother who's an eccentric artist and an alcoholic father who would stir the children's imagination with hope as a distraction to their poverty. Starring: Brie Larson, Woody Harrelson, Naomi Watts. Rated: PG-13 /127 minutes

Dunkirk
Wednesday, January 24 | 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Allied soldiers from Belgium, the British Empire, and France are surrounded by the German army and evacuated during a fierce battle in World War II. Starring: Fionn Whitehead, Damien Bonnard, Aneurin Barnard. Rated: PG-13 /106 minutes

Bloomingdale Seniors' Club (Drop-In)
Tuesday, Dec. 12 & Jan. 9 | 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Do you enjoy playing cards and meeting others who share your interests? Join the Seniors Club!

Downloadable Resources
Tuesday, Jan. 2 | 4:00 - 7:30 p.m.

We'll have a librarian available to get you started using eBooks, audiobooks, and digital magazines. Please contact the Adult Services reference desk to schedule a 45 minute appointment.

Scrabble Club (Drop-In) (NEW!)
Thursday, Dec. 14 & Jan. 11 | 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon of Scrabble! The library will provide Scrabbleboards and dictionaries, as well as snacks and beverages. Whetheryou play for fun or for the challenge, all skills level are welcome. Come enjoy some classic wordplay!

Genealogy Club (Drop-In)
Thursday, January 25 | 6:30 - 8:45 p.m. (no meeting in Dec.)

Members share search strategies and explore library resources with guidance from genealogy librarian Leslie Drewitz.

Great Decisions
Wednesday, January 17 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

The Great Decisions discussion program is a civic education program administered and produced by the Foreign Policy Association. In preparation for the discussion, participants read the relevant chapter on a particular foreign policy issue in the Great Decisions briefing book that will be available for check out, followed by a moderated discussion among the participants.

Tai Chi
Friday, Dec. 1 & Jan. 5 | 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Join us at the library for a hour of Tai Chi, which combines breathing, slow movement, meditation, and balance. Bob Plucinsky is a Tai Chi and Qi Gong instructor.

Book Discussion Groups

Historical Book Discussion | 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 5 | The Invisibles: The Untold Story of African American Slaves in the White House by Jesse J. Holland
Tuesday, January 2 | Capital Dames: The Civil War and the Women of Washington, 1848-1868 by Cokie Roberts

Monday Night Page Turners | 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Monday, December 4 | Join the Monday Night Page Turners book group for a book sharing party! Bring a few faves and flops to share with the group and enjoy some light refreshments.
Monday, January 15 | Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Wein

Teen Scene

Open to 7-12th grade unless otherwise noted. Register at the Adult Reference Desk, online, or call 630-924-2730.

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Hour of Code
Wednesday, December 6 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. ☆

Celebrate Computer Science Education Week (Dec. 4 - 10) by joining us for a Hour of Code™. No matter what your plans are in life, everyone can benefit from learning how to code. With fun activities provided by Code.org, you'll see that anyone can learn the coding basics! The 'Hour of Code™' is a nationwide initiative by Computer Science Education Week [csedweek.org] and Code.org [code.org] to introduce millions of students to one hour of computer science and computer programming.

Candy Sled Craft
Thursday, December 7 | 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. ☆

Come construct a sled made entirely out of candy! Keep it as a sweet treat for yourself, or give it as a gift to one of your friends!

Movie Night: *Elf* (Drop-In)
Wednesday, December 13 | 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Teens are welcome to join us as we watch the movie *Elf*. We will try to stick to Buddy the Elf's four main food groups during the movie: candy, candy corn, candy canes, and syrup. Only a cotton-headed ninny-muggins would miss this fun!

ACT Practice Test
Sunday, December 17 | 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. ☆

Stressing about taking the ACT? Take a full-length practice test to ward off test day jitters and see how you may score on the big test. Experience first-hand what test day will be like! A rep fromC2 Education will provide a proctored practice test and contact you with scores and analyzed results. Don't forget to bring a couple of pencils, your calculator, and a snack to eat!

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Star Wars: The Last Jedi @ Century Stratford Square
☆
Friday, December 29 | Time TBA
Location: Cinemark, 804 Stratford Square, Bloomingdale

May the Force be with you! Jedis are invited to celebrate the release of the newest Star Wars movie, *Star Wars: The Last Jedi* at the Century Stratford Square. Movie tickets and snacks will be provided. We'll meet at Cinemark Century.

Limit 6 Jedis and registration opens Friday, Dec.1.

Ginormous Games Day (Drop-In)
Wednesday, January 3 | 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Drop in and play super-sized games with us! From giant Jenga, super Twister, behemoth bowling, and humongous Uno, there's life-sized fun and games for everyone!

Escape Room: Star Wars
Thursday, January 4 | 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. ☆

You are a team of elite Rebellion spies and soldiers who were sent to the city-planet of Coruscant in order to find a new source of fuel for the Rebellion. However, the team was betrayed by one of your contacts, who trashed your cover story. Can you find the clues and solve the puzzles to make it out of out in time?
* Escape Room game courtesy of Ames Public Library *

DIY Unicorn Bark
Wednesday, January 10 | 6:00 - 6:45 p.m. ☆

Create a colorful and tasty treat using white chocolate, food coloring, and sprinkles!

SAT Practice Test
Sunday, January 14 | 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. ☆

Stressing about the SAT? Take a full-length practice test to ward off test day jitters and see how you may score on the big test. Experience first-hand what test day will be like! A rep from C2 Education will provide a proctored practice test and contact you with scores and analyzed results. Don't forget to bring pencils, calculator, and a snack!

Teen Book Club: *Th1rteen R3asons Why*
Thursday, January 25 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. ☆
Location: Starbucks, 170 E. Lake St., Bloomingdale

Join us for a beverage and a snack as we discuss Jay Asher's *Thirteen Reasons Why*, a moving story about high school bullying and suicide. We will discuss why the book has been banned from many schools and why it was the third most challenged book of 2012.

Ongoing Teen Programs

Teen Game Night (Drop-In)
Thursday, December 14 & January 11 | 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Join other teens for gaming on our big screens or a tabletop! Have a dance-off using our Kinect, start your own Rock Band, race in Mario Kart 8, battle in Super Smash Bros., or discover your new favorite game!

TAB: Teen Advisory Board
Thursday, December 21 & January 18 | 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. ☆

Make your voices heard! Join us monthly to meet over pizza to help plan programs for teens, make decisions for the library's teen space, play games, promote the library, earn volunteer hours, and more!

3D Print Club (Drop-In)
Wednesdays, December 27 & January 24 | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Are you curious about 3D printing? Do you want to learn how to create your own designs and print them out? Teens are welcome to join us for a to 3D print class, where we will create our own Tinkercad accounts, learn the basics of 3D printing and design, and even get to see the 3D printer in action. No experience is necessary!

Computer Classes

Computer Shopping
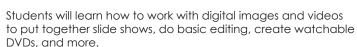**Monday, December 4** | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

This class covers two different topics related to technology shopping. First, students will learn how to select the right computer, laptop, tablet, or smart phone to buy. Then we'll discuss websites, apps, and other emerging tech tools to make shopping easier.

Creating Photo Albums & DVDs
Thursday, December 7 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Mario

Students will learn how to work with digital images and videos to put together slide shows, do basic editing, create watchable DVDs, and more.

3D Printing
Monday, December 11 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Ever wanted to learn how to use a 3D printer? The Bloomingdale Library allows patrons to print objects using our equipment and it's easier than you might think! Come to class to learn how to find free designs on the web, make edits, and print them through the library's website.

Digital Archiving
Thursday, January 4 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Mario

Learn to convert VHS tapes, 35mm slides, documents, and photos into digital files. Great for record keeping and making it easier to share memories.

Using Android Phones
Monday, January 8 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Learn how to install and manage your apps, customize your phone using settings and widgets, take advantage of expandable storage, use Google tools, and much more!

Getting Started: Windows 10
Thursday, January 11 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Charlie

This class will provide a basic understanding of how to use Windows. Topics such as using the desktop, settings, manipulating windows, understanding files, and installing new programs will be covered. This class will also discuss the visual changes associated with Windows 10.

Using Android Phones 2
Monday, January 15 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Students will learn more about their Android phones, including account syncing, connections to the cloud, managing their files, pay by phone, and beyond.

Access Databases
Monday, January 22 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

This class will provide a basic understanding of using Microsoft Access. Topics such as creating tables, queries, forms, and reports will be covered.

Get Organized with OneNote
Monday, January 29 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Learn to use OneNote for collaborative projects, note taking, or personal organization. It can be used on your phone, tablet, or computer, and allows you to access your files from any location. We'll cover the basics of getting started with this free product.

Did you know?

The Library has amazing equipment and materials available for checkout with your library card!

Video games
TV series DVDs
eBooks
Audiobooks
Mp3 players
Roku
Mini speakers
Playaways
Engraving pens
ComEd power meters
Projector screens
Microwave leak testers
and much more!

Classes require registration (☆) as noted. You may register for programs online at www.mybpl.org (click on "Calendar" at the top of the page), in the Business Office, or call (630) 924-2720.

Storytimes

Preschoolers of all ages can join us for a storytime. The Youth Services department provides age-appropriate, educational, and interactive fun with stories, sign language, music, and more. Each program runs for five weeks. Storytimes begin the week of Jan. 8 and end Feb. 9.

Registration is required for the following storytimes:
Romper Rhymes (3-15 months): Thursdays, 9:45 - 10:30 a.m.
Budding Readers (16-23 months): Thursdays, 11:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Time for 2s (24-35 months): Wednesdays, 10 :00 - 10:30 a.m.
Preschool Storytime (ages 3-5):   Tuesdays, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.
OR Tuesdays, 1:30 - 2:15 p.m.

The following storytime may be attended on a drop-in basis:
Family Storytime (all ages): Fridays, 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Other kids programs

Valentines for Veterans
Monday, December 18 – Thursday, February 1

Children are invited to make Valentine cards for men and women serving in the military and for veterans in Hines Veteran's Hospital. Art and card supplies will be available at the Youth Services desk.

Stop by and make a card to show how much we care.

ocus on FUNdamentals
Mondays, January 8 - February 5 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m. | grades K-1

Join us for a fun twist to essential skills. We will focus on everyday skills that will prove essential to a successful school year — listening, following directions, and more. *No class on Monday, Jan. 15.

Magic by Randy (Drop-In)
Monday, January 15 | 2:00 - 2:45 p.m. | all ages + families

Enjoy a day off school! Randy brings fun and excitement with his engaging magic show! Randy is a regular performer at Navy Pier and Chicago Bulls' pre-game programs and will entertain the whole family.

Pop In Stories for Popcorn Day
Thursday, January 18 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | all ages + families

It is popcorn day, so come to the library to celebrate this munchy crunchy snack. We will read some stories, learn the science behind the pop, then play games and do some popcorn crafts. We will end the program with a popcorn snack where you can vote for your favorite flavor.

Paper Strip Art (Drop-In)
Tuesday, January 23 | 4:15 - 5:00 p.m. | grades 3-5

Come turn strips of paper into marvelous 3-D sculptures, gifts, cards, and more!

It's a Reading Winterland! Our Winter Reading Program is designed for children from infants - 6th grade. Beginning Monday, Dec. 18, you may register in person at the Youth Services desk to receive your information packet and starting prize. Complete your reading log by reading for just three hours. Turn in your log at the Youth Services desk by Friday, Feb. 9 to receive your final prize and be entered into the Grand Prize Drawing.

Winter Break programs

Come to the library for the planned programs below and a variety of fun activities throughout Winter Break.

Turn Back the Clock (Drop-In)
Wednesday, December 27 | 2:00 - 2:45 p.m. | grades 2-6

Turn back the clock and join us to play some games of yesteryear. You might try your hand at marbles or jacks. Perhaps you'll want to test your skill with our hula hoops or clothespin in the bottle. We will have a variety of games to play.

Bubble Blow Out New Year's Eve Party
Thursday, Dec. 28 | 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. | ages 2-3 + caregiver

Rock out and celebrate the New Year! We will dance, read stories, and blow bubbles as we count down to our own ball drop!

Ginormous Game Day (Drop-In)
Wednesday, January 3 | 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. | grades 1-6

Drop in and play super-sized games with us! From giant Jenga, super Twister, behemoth bowling, and humongous Uno, there's life-sized fun and games for everyone!

Craft Time (Drop-In)
Thursday, January 4 | 1:00 - 8:00 p.m. | all ages

Stop by the Youth Services department the first Thursday of every month to make a fun craft. We'll supply all the materials needed. Please note January Craft Time is expanded for Winter Break.

Some programs require registration (☆) as noted. You may register for programs online at www.mybpl.org (click on "Calendar" at the top of the page), at the Youth Services desk, or call (630) 924-2740. Please have your library card when you register.

Registration for Bloomingdale residents begins Monday, Dec. 4 and for non-residents one week before each program begins.

Kids Corner

LEGO Madness (Drop-In)
Monday, December 4 & January 8 | 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.| grades K-6

Come challenge yourself and learn new techniques with the monthly theme, or stretch your imagination with free building.

Storytime with a Surprise at Stratford Square Mall (Drop-In)
Thursday, December 7 & January 4 | 11:00 - 11:45 a.m. | all ages
Location: Stratford Square Mall, 152 Stratford Dr, Bloomingdale, IL

Join us at Stratford Square Mall (meet in the Lower Level Café Court near the center of the mall) and receive a treat for being a good listener! All ages welcome; caregivers must remain with their children. December will be a special storytime with Santa!

Craft Time (Drop-In)
Thursday, December 7 & January 4 | 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. | all ages

Stop by the Youth Services department the first Thursday of every month to make a fun craft. We'll supply all the materials needed. Please note January Craft Time will be expanded from 1:00 - 8:00 due to Winter Break.

Time for Toys (Drop-In)
Thursday, Dec. 14 | 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. | 3 months-5 years + caregiver

Time for Toys is an informal program giving parents with small children the opportunity to meet and talk with other parents, while children play with toys and games. Toys and games are most appropriate for children ages 3 months to 5 years.

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Storytime, Milk, and Cookies at Panera (Drop-In)
Monday, December 11 & January 8 | 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. | all ages
Location: Panera Bread, 370 W. Army Trail Road, Bloomingdale, IL

Enjoy a special themed storytime and nibble on some yummy cookies and milk from Panera!

LEARN with LEGOs for Preschoolers
Wednesday, December 6 | 11:00 - 11:45 a.m. | ages 3-5

Build with LEGOs and build your child's school readiness too! Come to the library for stories, learning, and fun. Each month we will have a different theme and learning objective like numbers, colors, or letters.

Kitchen Kids
Wednesday, December 20 & January 17 | 4:30 - 5:00 p.m. | grades 3-5

Come practice kitchen skills and make easy, kid-friendly snacks and treats! Food is prepared and served at this program, so please notify Youth Services if your child has dietary restrictions.

Parent/Baby Holiday Storytime
Monday, December 11 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. | birth-23 months
Location: Bloomingdale Park District Museum
108 S. Bloomingdale Road, Bloomingdale, IL

Come bring the little one for this festive holiday storytime! We sing songs, play with some jingly bells, and get into the holiday spirit with some jubilant seasonal stories. Register through the Bloomingdale Park District.

Holiday Crafts and Ornaments (Drop-In)
Wednesday, December 13 | 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. | all ages

The Youth Services' craft room can't ho-ho-hold it any longer! Tis the season to get creative with some festive crafts and ornaments. Refreshments will be served.

PostCrossing Club (Drop-In)
Monday, Dec. 18 & Jan. 15 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. | Grades 1-6

Make and write postcards to send to special recipients all over the world—then come back to see what we get in return!

Doodlebugs
Monday, Dec. 18 | 11:00 - 11:30 a.m. | ages 2-3 + caregiver

This is a special art class just for toddlers and parents. Little fingers will experiment with painting, gluing, sticking, and creating, while developing fine motor skills.

Early Learning Kickstart
Wednesday, Dec. 20 & Jan. 17 | 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. | ages 3-5

Get early learners off to a great start. This program is designed to build an academic foundation and a love of learning. Children will begin to connect words and learn letter sounds. Presented by the Bloomingdale Kumon Center.

Have a Very Grinchy Christmas, NOT!
Thursday, Dec. 21 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. | all ages + caregiver

It is the 60th anniversary of the publishing of the book How the Grinch Stole Christmas by Dr. Seuss. We don't want you to be grinchy, so come to the library and make some gifts and cards to give your friends and family.

Grinchmas Storytime (Drop-In)
Friday, Dec. 22 | 10:30 - 11:15 am | all ages + caregiver

It is time to get ready for Christmas, but please don't do it like the Grinch. It is the 60th anniversary of How the Grinch Stole Christmas by Dr. Seuss and we are celebrating with stories and fun.