

# NORTHBROOK PUBLIC LIBRARY

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# Notes from the Executive Director



The Northbrook Public Library is governed by seven community members just like you – neighbors who care deeply about making our library the best it can be. As elected officials, they ensure our library reflects and serves our community's needs.

The Board oversees the spending of your tax dollars, shapes library policies, and creates a strategic plan that focuses on how we can best meet the community's needs. These dedicated volunteers are your voice in decisions that affect our library's future.

Did you know that local elections like our April 1st elections often see lower turnout than national ones? This election is an opportunity to participate in local governance. As the saying goes, "Democracy is not a spectator sport. Go Vote."

I encourage everyone able to vote to learn about the election process and exercise your right to vote.

Not registered and don't know where to start? We can help. Start at [northbrook.info/election](http://northbrook.info/election) and then reach out if you have more questions.

Kate Hall  
Executive Director

## Library Information

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**Open:** Mon-Thurs: 9am-9pm, Fri: 9am-6pm  
Sat: 9am-5pm, Sun: 1-5pm

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# NEWS & UPDATES

## No Joke, Remember to Vote on April 1

April's ballot will include three 4-year term Library Trustees, so please remember to vote on Tuesday, April 1. Our local elected officials affect the day-to-day operations of the Village and determine how tax dollars are spent. Your vote is important!

Early voting starts Monday, March 17. For details on when and where to vote, visit [northbrook.info/election](http://northbrook.info/election).

## Be Hero: Donate Blood

Donating blood can save lives! Please consider signing up to donate blood at the library on Tuesday, April 1 from 1-5pm. Walk-ins are also welcome. 🩸

## Shop the Book Sale on April 4 & 5

You'll find great reads for all ages at the Friends of the Library Used Book Sale in the library's Civic Room on April 4 & 5 from 10am-4pm. All sale proceeds benefit the Friends of the Library and the library.

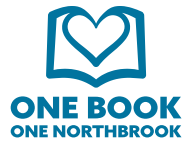
## Accessibility Hour Returns on April 6

On Sunday, April 6, we invite individuals and families with disabilities to visit the library an hour before we open (from 12-1pm) to browse and check out materials and engage in a sensory-friendly activity.

## National Library Week (April 6-12)

This year, we're celebrating everything that draws people to public libraries. From young families stopping in for play and storytime to seniors seeking tech help and everyone in between, libraries help us connect the dots from one part of our journey to the next. Whatever draws you in, the library has something for everyone.

## Mark Your Calendars: Our Next Community Read Returns in October



Thank you to everyone who submitted book suggestions for our 2025 One Book, One Northbrook. We can't wait to reveal the selected title in our Summer newsletter—stay tuned!

## KEY

- On-Demand Virtual Program
- Live Virtual Program
- In-Person Program
- Earth Friendly Program
- Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Program
- Supported Program
- Library Card Required



# A Legacy of Partnership Creates Community Connection

*Northbrook Civic Foundation's support of the library spans decades. In January, we celebrated with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.*

Thanks to a generous \$25,000 grant from the Northbrook Civic Foundation, we were able to add new audiovisual equipment to the library's Civic Room, making it easier than ever to host hybrid meetings that seamlessly connect both in-person and remote participants.

## A high-tech upgrade for community engagement

The new setup includes:

- **Four ceiling speakers** for balanced audio throughout the room
- **Two cameras** on either side of the room for full video coverage
- **Sound-damping audio** to improve audio quality for all attendees

These enhancements allow virtual participants who join via Zoom or other platforms to enjoy a smoother, more immersive experience.

The Civic room also features an advanced listening system, compatible with loop devices, to ensure greater accessibility for individuals with hearing impairments.

## Improved community connection and accessibility

This new technology will help expand engagement, increase participation in library programs, and foster a stronger sense of community involvement.



Kelly Durov, the library's Assistant Director, states, "The community expressed a strong interest in more events that were accessible for remote participants, and we're excited to offer a space that allows people to engage with our programs based on their preference."

Like the library's other meeting rooms, the Civic Room will be used for library programs and can also be reserved by Northbrook Library cardholders 18 years or older.

## Celebrating our Partnership

In early 2025, we invited members of the Northbrook Civic Foundation to a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the generous grant.

During the event, Civic President Dan Westel emphasized the purpose of the donation, stating "We hope the community gets great use out of it. This is why we produce Northbrook Days—to be able to help the community in this way."

We thank the Northbrook Civic Foundation for helping to strengthen community access and engagement.



## A History of Partnership: Northbrook Library and the Northbrook Civic Foundation

The partnership between the Northbrook Public Library and the Northbrook Civic Foundation dates back more than 70 years. In 1951, Bertram Pollak, president of the Northbrook Civic Association, championed the effort to establish a public library, which led to a successful referendum, which passed by just six votes.

In 1953, the Civic Foundation dedicated funds from 16 years of Northbrook Days to construct the town's first library at the corner of Shermer and Church Streets.

As Northbrook grew, the Civic Foundation supported the library's growing collection by helping to fund the construction of a larger building at Cherry Lane and Cedar Avenue in 1969.

Today, thanks to the continued generosity of the Northbrook Civic Foundation and the community, the library continues to evolve, offering innovative resources and inclusive spaces that serve the needs of its residents.

# Adult Programs

Register now for all programs on pages 4 - 10

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## Featured Programs

### Exploring the Lunar Eclipse

In anticipation of the March 13 total lunar eclipse, NASA Solar System Ambassador Sean Fisher-Rohde will join us to explain lunar eclipses and what to watch for in the night sky. 🧑

Sunday, March 9, 2:00-3:00pm  
Pollak Room

### Celebrating the Cherry Blossom Festival EDI

Join educator Yvonne Wolf for an overview of Japan and the cherry blossom festivals, followed by a cherry blossom papercutting craft. 🧑

Monday, March 10, 7:00-8:30pm  
Pollak Room

### Private Session With a Financial Planner

Schedule a private 50-minute session with a financial planner from Dickholtz Wealth Management. 🧑

Thursdays, March 13, April 10 & May 8  
9:30am-12:30pm, Study Room 12  
(2nd Floor)

### Heroines in the Family: Women of Color Who Challenged Slavery EDI

Angelica Roberts shares stories of the courage and resilience of three of her courageous ancestral relatives, including a hero of the Underground Railroad.

*In partnership with RAIN (Racial Awareness in the North Shore).* 🧑 🗣️

Tuesday, March 18, 7:00-8:00pm  
Civic Room (or Online)

### The History of Elvis

Discover why Elvis remains the King of Rock and Roll with educator Gary Wenstrup, who explores Elvis' groundbreaking music, performances, and lasting cultural impact. 🧑

Monday, March 24, 7:00-8:00pm  
Pollak Room

### Nature Photography Walk

Join photographer Donna Baiocchi for a scenic photo walk near the library and learn to take stunning photos with your mobile device—no editing required. 🧑

Sunday, April 6, 2:00-4:00pm  
Interactive Classroom

### AARP Driver Safety Course

Attendees who complete this two-session defensive driving course may qualify for an auto insurance discount. (Fee required.) 🧑

Monday & Tuesday, April 14 & 15  
12:00-4:00pm, Pollak Room

### GBN Incubator Entrepreneur Pitch Night

The community is invited to watch Glenbrook North High School student business teams compete for a prize in this annual pitch night competition. 🧑

Thursday, April 17, 7:00-9:00pm  
Auditorium

### Bird Walk 🌿

Walk with a birding expert to spot local and migrating birds. Bring binoculars. Space is limited. 🧑

Friday, April 18, 9:00-11:00am  
Skokie Lagoons

### Coyotes All Around 🌿

Learn about the natural history and special adaptations of coyotes and other canines who share our suburban neighborhoods, and how to live peacefully with them. 🧑

Monday, May 12, 7:00-8:00pm  
Pollak Room

### The Surprising History of Chicago Brick Architecture

Explore Chicago's history and discover how bricks evolved to reflect changing trends as the city was rebuilt, one brick at a time, following the Great Fire of 1871. 🧑

Thursday, May 15, 2:00-3:00pm  
Pollak Room

### Barefoot Hawaiian Dance EDI

Join in the Spirit of Aloha with the Barefoot Hawaiian Dance Troupe as they perform the songs and dances of Hawaii, New Zealand, and Tahiti. 🧑

Thursday, May 29, 7:00-8:00pm  
Auditorium



Take charge of your financial future. Turn to our back cover to find expert-led programs to help you manage your finances, including *Planning for Retirement*, *Navigating Student Loans*, and *Terry Savage Talks Money*.

## Sustainable Living

### Electrify Your Home 🌿

Learn how switching from gas to electric appliances benefits the planet, your health, and your wallet. Government and ComEd incentives will be discussed and a Northbrook homeowner will describe his progress converting to electric. 🧑

Monday, March 17, 7:00-8:30pm, Pollak Room

### Designing Hedges for Privacy & Pollinators 🌿

An Illinois Extension Master Gardener will discuss how to select and position shrubs, grasses, and small trees to create privacy hedges that offer critical habitats for birds. 🧑

*In partnership with Northbrook Garden Club.*  
Monday, April 21, 7:00-8:00pm, Pollak Room

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## Health & Wellness: Mind & Body

### Chair Yoga

Gentle yoga to help increase flexibility and balance. 🧘

Fridays, 10:00-11:00am\*

Pollak Room

\* No Chair Yoga on May 9



### OsteoFit Fusion

Safe and gentle flexibility exercises to improve strength, balance, and coordination. 🧘

Thursday, March 20

10:00-11:00am

Pollak Room

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### QiGong

QiGong uses slow, flowing movements to boost balance, flexibility, strength, and mental clarity while reducing stress. 🧘

Thursday, April 17

1:00-2:00pm, Pollak Room

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### Chair Zumba

A fun, low-impact workout for all fitness levels, bringing Latin-inspired dance to the comfort of a chair. 🧘

Thursday, May 15

10:00-11:00am, Pollak Room

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## Illinois Libraries Present

These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering high-quality events.



### Exploring Space with Coralie Adam

Get an inside look at the space industry with Coralie Adam. Born and raised in Illinois, Coralie is currently the Deputy Navigation Chief on NASA's Lucy mission to the Jupiter Trojan asteroids, as well as supporting several commercial and government exploration initiatives to the moon and beyond. 🗣️

Tuesday, March 4, 7:00-8:00pm, Online



### The Art of Foraging with Alexis Nikole Nelson EDI 🌿

Alexis Nikole Nelson is a forager and an outdoor educator who uses TikTok and Instagram to celebrate all the edible plants hiding in plain sight. She peels back historical layers on African American and Indigenous food traditions that have traditionally been repressed and empowers those living in food deserts with greater self-sufficiency. 🗣️

Thursday, April 10, 7:00-8:00pm, Online



### Poverty: A Discussion with Matthew Desmond EDI 🗣️

Join us for a discussion with the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*. Matthew Desmond's research focuses on poverty in the United States, city life, housing insecurity, public policy, racial inequality, and ethnography. He will be joined in conversation by award-winning journalist Natalie Moore. 🗣️

Tuesday, May 13, 7:00-8:00pm Online



## NORTHBROOK WRITES *In partnership with StoryStudio Chicago.*

Join our live online writing workshop to learn from a talented author, connect with fellow writers, and spark your creativity in a dynamic, interactive setting.

### Writing Dialogue that Moves with Tom Houseman

Join writer Tom Houseman for a workshop on writing dialogue, where we will take an "objective" based approach borrowed from stage acting. 🗣️

Monday, March 3, 7:00-8:30pm, Online





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## Book Groups & Discussions

Books will be available at the Fiction & Media desk one month before each discussion unless noted otherwise.

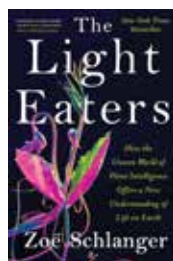


### Evening Book Discussion with Lori Siegel

Come join us to discuss *Family Family* by Laurie Frankel.

Tuesday, April 8

7:00-8:00pm, Civic Room 🧑



### Environmental Book Discussion 🌱

Come discuss *The Light Eaters* by Zoe Schlanger.\* This book explains the ingenious ways plants communicate, recognize their kin, hear sounds, morph their bodies, and trick animals into behaving to their benefit. 🧑

In partnership with Go Green Northbrook  
Wednesday, April 9, 7:00-8:00pm, Civic Room

\* Copies available at the Reference desk

### Ben Goluboff Book Discussion

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30am, Online 🗣️

March 12: *To the Lighthouse*

by Virginia Woolf

April 9: *Sula* by Toni Morrison 📖 EDI

May 14: *Turn of the Screw* by

Henry James



### Classic Great Books with Robert Waterbury

Mondays, 10:00-11:30am, Civic Room 🧑

March 17: *Portrait of a Lady*

by Henry James

April 21: *Steppenwolf*

by Herman Hesse

May 19: *Madame Bovary*

by Gustave Flaubert

### Nancy Buehler Book Discussion

Tuesdays, 10:00-11:30am, Online 🗣️

March 18: *Clear* by Carys Davies

May 20: *James* by Percival Everett



## Concerts

### JAZZ, ETC.

#### Rockabilly with Ken Mottet

Take a trip down memory lane with Ken Mottet, the "Mayor" of Chicago Rockabilly, who will bring your favorite hits of yesteryear to life. 🧑

Thursday, March 6, 2:00-3:00pm, Auditorium

#### George Grunditz Plays Bossa Nova

Experience the smooth rhythms of bossa nova performed by saxophonist George Grunditz. A 2018 Glenbrook North graduate, George will perform a tribute to the legendary Brazilian composer Antonio Carlos Jobim. 🧑

Monday, April 7, 7:00-8:00pm Auditorium



Joe Policastro Trio

#### Joe Policastro Trio

This dynamic Chicago-based jazz trio seamlessly blends rock, funk, soul, and Brazilian rhythms into its sound. Led by bassist Joe Policastro, the group features guitarist Dave Miller and drummer Mikel Avery. 🧑

Monday, May 19, 7:00-8:00pm Auditorium

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## Classical



### Youth Solo Competition Finals

Join us to cheer on and be inspired by the talent of these remarkable young finalists, ages 11-18, who were selected to showcase their classical performance skills in this thrilling live competition. 🧑

Sunday, March 2, 3:00-4:30pm, Auditorium



J2 Strings

### J2 Strings (Violin & Guitar)

Enjoy classical, pop, and jazz works by Frédéric Burgmüller, Francisco Molina, Niccolò Paganini, Astor Piazzolla, Bruno Mars, The Beatles, and more. 🧑

Sunday, April 6, 3:00-4:30pm  
Auditorium

### Natasha Stojanovska (Piano)

This eclectic program features works by Rameau, Mozart, Bartók, Prokofiev, and Nikolovski. *We invite you to enjoy light refreshments and a Q&A with the performer after the concert.* 🧑

Tuesday, April 22, 2:00-3:30pm  
Auditorium

### Ayse Celasun (Piano)

Enjoy the elegance of solo piano works by Chopin and Scriabin, and Mussorgsky's *Songs and Dances of Death*, performed by bass-baritone Andrew Schultze. 🧑

Sunday, April 27, 3:00-4:30pm  
Auditorium



Chicago Avenue Ensemble

### Chicago Avenue Ensemble (String Quartet & Clarinet)

Treat yourself to fresh takes on classical masterpieces, including Brahms' *Clarinet Quintet*, and hidden gems like Jonathan Russell's mesmerizing *Night Dance*. 🧑

Sunday, May 4, 3:00-4:30pm,  
Auditorium



Lakeshore Rush

### Lakeshore Rush\* (Violin, Cello, Piano)

This trio celebrates Africa and composers of African descent with the works of Valerie Coleman, Jessie Montgomery, and Samuel Coleridge-Taylor. *Enjoy light refreshments and a Q&A with the performers after the concert.* 🧑

Tuesday, May 13, 2:00-3:30pm,  
Auditorium

### Brahms Horn Trio\* (Horn, Violin, Piano)

Enjoy this masterpiece of chamber and horn music, composed by Brahms in memory of his mother. *Enjoy light refreshments and a Q&A with the performers after the concert.* 🧑

Tuesday, May 20, 2:00-3:30pm  
Auditorium

## Listen to Wicked



Visit [northbrook.info/hoopla](http://northbrook.info/hoopla) to stream *Wicked: The Soundtrack* (2024) or the original Broadway cast album (2003). You can also read or listen to the book *Wicked* by Gregory Maguire on hoopla with your Northbrook library card.

**On hoopla**



## MUSIC LECTURES

### Appreciating Classical Music

Join librarian Madison Vienna on Zoom to explore a new classical music topic each month. 🗣️

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00pm, Online

March 11: Shakespeare in Music

April 15: Tempo and Rhythm

May 6: Hey, I Know That!



# Movies

Register now for all movies

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## MARCH Critics' Choice

Don't wait to register. Spots fill up quickly for our Critics' Choice Film Series.

This popular film series features awards contenders in the Auditorium each Wednesday in March at 2:00pm & 7:00pm. 🧑



**March 5**  
**Conclave**  
**2024**  
(120 minutes)  
Rated PG



**March 12**  
**A Real Pain**  
**2024**  
(90 minutes)  
Rated R



**March 19**  
**Wicked\***  
**2024**  
(160 minutes)  
Rated PG



**March 26**  
**Sing Sing\***  
**2023**  
(107 minutes)  
Rated R

\* Not confirmed at press time

## MAY Music and Musicians



Enjoy movies inspired by musical artists in the Auditorium each Wednesday in May at 2:00pm & 7:00pm. 🧑



**May 7\***  
**Walk the Line**  
**2005**  
(136 minutes)  
Rated PG-13  
\*Refreshments served before the 2:00pm screening.



**May 14**  
**A Mighty Wind**  
**2003**  
(91 minutes)  
Rated PG-13



**May 21**  
**That Thing You Do!**  
**1996**  
(108 minutes)  
Rated PG



**May 28\***  
**Love & Mercy**  
**2014**  
(121 minutes)  
Rated PG-13  
\*Refreshments served before the 7:00pm screening.

## Italian Film Festival Screenings

These films will be screened in Italian with English subtitles.



**Liliana** **EDI**  
**2024** (86 minutes)  
A documentary about the Holocaust survivor and Italian senator for life, Liliana Segre.  
Wednesday, April 16  
7:00pm, Auditorium



**Io e il secco**  
**2023** (98 minutes)  
A young boy is on a mission to protect his mother, but he cannot do it alone.  
Thursday, May 8  
7:00pm, Auditorium

### Your input matters!

Please help us shape our film programming to better serve you.



Scan here to take our short survey  
(Or fill out a paper survey at the library.)





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## Saturday First-Run Films & Discussions



Presented in the Auditorium on the second Saturday of each month at 2:00pm. Film professor and journalist Zbigniew Banas will lead a discussion after the film.



**March 8**  
**Here**  
**2024**  
(104 minutes)  
Rated PG-13  
\* *Not confirmed at press time*



**April 12**  
**Between the Temples\***  
**2024** (111 min.)  
Rated R



**May 10**  
**Nickel Boys\***  
**2024**  
(140 minutes)  
Rated PG-13

## Saturday Family Films

Presented in the Auditorium on the last Saturday of each month at 2:00pm.



**March 29**  
**The Wild Robot**  
**2024**  
(102 minutes)  
Rated PG



**April 26**  
**Sonic the Hedgehog 3**  
**2024**  
(110 minutes)  
Rated PG

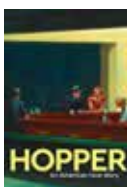


**May 31**  
**Mufasa: The Lion King\***  
**2024**  
(118 minutes)  
Rated PG

## Documentary Films



**9to5: The Story of a Movement**   
The story of a group of Boston secretaries who started a movement in the early 1970s that inspired a hit movie and changed the American workplace.   
Friday, March 21, 2:00pm-Sunday, March 23 at 11:59pm,  
On-Demand **OR** Saturday, March 22, 2:00-3:30pm, Auditorium  
*This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present.*



**Exhibition on Screen: Hopper - An American Love Story**  
Discover the secrets behind Edward Hopper's most iconic and enigmatic works, including "Nighthawks."   
Tuesday, April 8, 2:00-4:00pm, Auditorium



**Environmental Documentary Film & Discussion: Nuclear Now**   
Filmmaker Oliver Stone explores the possibilities of nuclear energy. *A short discussion will follow the film.*   
*In partnership with Go Green Northbrook.*  
Wednesday, April 23, 2:00-4:00pm, Auditorium



**Orchestrating Change**   
The inspiring story of Me2/Orchestra, the only classical music organization in the world created by and for people with mental illness and those who support them.   
Thursday, May 15, 7:00-8:30pm, Auditorium



## Film Discussions

### Film Discussion with Margo

**The Lost King** (2022) | Rated PG-13  
Watch at home and then join Margo on Zoom to discuss this heartwarming drama based on the true story of an amateur historian who embarks on a quest to locate the lost remains of King Richard III. (Stream *The Lost King* on Kanopy or check out the DVD at the library.)   
Thursday, April 10, 7:00-8:00pm, Online

### Film & Discussion with Aaron

**Sicario** (2015) | Rated R  
Join us at the library to watch this 2015 crime thriller that explores the drug war through the eyes of an idealistic FBI agent. Aaron will introduce the film.   
Monday, April 28, 7:00-9:00pm  
Auditorium

# Tech & Business Programs

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## Software Classes

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### PowerPoint Crash Course

Explore animations, graphics, and media for stunning presentations. 🧑

Tuesday, March 4, 7:00-8:30pm,  
Interactive Classroom OR Tuesday,  
May 6, 7:00-8:00pm, Civic Room

### Excel Basics

Create, modify, and format spreadsheets. 🧑

Tuesday, March 11, 6:30-8:00pm  
Interactive Classroom

### Excel Formatting

Format data and cells to make clear, clean, useful spreadsheets. 🧑

Tuesday, March 18, 6:30-8:00pm  
Interactive Classroom

### Excel Pivot Tables

Reorganize and summarize columns and rows of data to create a report. 🧑

Tuesday, April 8, 6:30-8:00pm  
Interactive Classroom

### Excel VLookup

Use this Excel function to compare two lists. 🧑

Tuesday, April 15, 6:30-8:00pm  
Interactive Classroom

### Excel Charts & Graphs

Add visual interest and tell stories by displaying numbers and data sets in chart or graph format. 🧑

Tuesday, April 22, 6:30-8:00pm  
Interactive Classroom

### Excel Formulas & Functions

Explore formulas and functions, absolute references, and conditional formatting. 🧑

Tuesday, April 29, 6:30-8:00pm  
Civic Room

### Word Basics

Learn to create, save, open, and print Microsoft Word documents. 🧑

Tuesday, May 1, 7:00-8:30pm  
Interactive Classroom

## Technology

### Managing Digital Photos

Learn how to organize, edit, and store your digital image collection. 🗣️

Monday, March 10, 6:00-7:00pm, Online

### Exploring eBooks, Audiobooks, and Online Resources

Discover how to stream and download free learning and entertainment resources with your library card. 🗣️

Monday, April 14, 6:00-7:00pm, Online

### Android Basics

Learn tips for getting the most out of your Android device. 🧑

Tuesday, May 13, 6:30-8:00pm  
Interactive Classroom

### Master the Photos App on Your Apple Devices

Bring your Apple device and learn practical tips for organizing, editing, and managing your photo library with ease. 🧑

Tuesday, May 20, 6:00-7:30pm  
Interactive Classroom

## Business & Career Help

### Job Seekers Help (Drop-In)

Drop by for help navigating job search sites and creating a polished resume using templates. 🧑

Thursdays, March 13, April 10  
& May 8, 2:00-4:00pm  
Reference desk

### Crafting the Perfect Headshot

Those new to the workforce are invited to a hands-on workshop on taking professional-quality headshot portraits using their mobile devices. 🧑

Sunday, May 4, 2:00-4:00pm  
Interactive Classroom

### Crafting Your Cover Letter and Resume

This hands-on workshop is designed for those new to the workforce to learn the art of creating impactful resumes and cover letters. 🧑

Sunday, May 18, 2:00-4:00pm  
Interactive Classroom

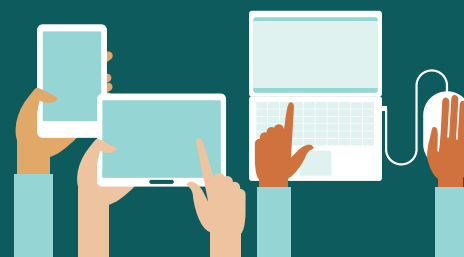
## Looking for more career workshops?

Explore more live and on-demand career workshops through our partnership with the Lake Cook Career Collaborative. You can find them at [careercollab.org/workshops](http://careercollab.org/workshops).

## Tech Tuesdays

Tuesdays, 3:00-5:00pm, Reference desk

Drop by for help with your tech questions, like accessing eBooks, streaming media, email, social media, and more. Please bring your device and any passwords. Registration is not required. 🧑





# Building Community: A Northbrook Book Club Celebrates 45 Years

In 1979, about the time the Happy Meal at McDonald's went national and Disco Demolition Night at Comiskey Park went up in smoke, a group of Northbrook neighbors on Oak Avenue launched a literary tradition built on a block of friendship.

Through 45 years and 425 books, divorces and marriages, kids and grandkids, moves and deaths, the Book Club met monthly except to accommodate vacations or holidays.

## How it all began

"Jack Spangenberg asked a few neighbors if they would ever think about joining a book club," explained Dan Cacchione, "and a couple of us suckers said, yeah, okay."

The club provided a regular date of two or three hours to discuss the book the first half ... then kibitz.

"It was really the story of friendship," Dan said, "and how that grows over time as it relates to having something in common, such as reading the same book."

After a couple of name changes, the group affectionately became known as the "The Oak Steet Book Club."

Yes, it was Oak Avenue. And, yes, "Street" was misspelled, but the typo appeared years ago and the inside joke stuck.

The club began with *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. For the Oak folks, Northbrook Public Library provided a go-to resource. For Dan Cacchione, whose home remains less than a mile away, that never changed.

"If it was my turn to pick a book, I could go to the library and search through the book club selections," he said. "Someone in the Fiction & Media department would walk with me to the selections if I wanted help."

When Ruthie married Dan, she joined a family with three daughters and an extended family in the book club. She was struck by all the weddings of neighborhood kids raised by this village of friends.

"Unfortunately for her, she walks in here as a newbie, and we've had this book club thing for 20-some years," Dan said, "but she blended right in."

These were neighbors who cared for each other, with families who grew and grew up together, helping with anything from babysitting to renovating.

Over the years, rules were adopted, hosts and selectors rotated, and bylaws evolved. Hardcover books, eBooks, and audiobooks were okay. Meetings evolved, too. Dinner was served instead of just appetizers.

Ruth and Dan hosted an annual holiday party with 45-50 guests until the pandemic.

"I would invite all the people that are in the book club as well as their kids and their kids' kids," Ruth said. "I looked around and the commonality was pretty much the book club."

During the pandemic, the club moved to Zoom – and once to Dan's backyard, where his wife placed warm blankets on the socially distanced chairs.

## A November to remember

When the group dwindled to six, half living in distant suburbs, Dan knew it was time to stop. He hosted the book club's final meeting last November. Five former members came, too, and souvenir mugs and a cake commemorated the event. Booklets were distributed chronicling the logs and journey of the Oak Steet Book Club.

Although the book club has come to an end, the group wants to meet for dinner every month or two.

"It was a little bit of sadness to see it has passed on," Dan said, "but a lot of fun and laughable memories."

## A few of the book club's favorite reads were:



*The Power of One* by Bryce Courtenay  
*Hello, Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano  
*A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles  
*The Color Purple* by Alice Walker



Northbrook resident Dan Cacchione visits the Book Club collection on the library's 3rd floor

Visit the library in March to pick up booklist that features 25 of the Book Club's highest rated titles, or scan this QR Code to find the books in our catalog.



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## Teen/Adult Maker (Age 13–Adult)


All materials provided unless noted otherwise. Limit of one registration per library card, per class. The **CR** symbol indicates a Northbrook Library card is required to register.

### Fiber Arts

#### Macrame Bird Feeder **CR**

Create a simple bird feeder using macrame cord and a saucer.   
Thursday, March 6, 6:00-7:00pm  
Interactive Classroom


#### Macrame Coasters **CR**

Knot and weave decorative cord to create your own coaster or trivet.   
Thursday, May 22, 6:00pm-7:00pm  
Interactive Classroom


### Digital Media

No patron media will be digitized during these classes.


#### Digitizing Camcorder Tapes

Watch a demo on how to transfer your camcorder tapes into digital files.   
Thursday, March 13, 6:00-7:00pm  
Interactive Classroom

#### Digitizing 8mm, Super8, and 16mm Film


Watch a demo on how to digitize your film using the equipment in the Peltz Digitization Room.   
Thursday, April 10, 6:00-7:00pm  
Interactive Classroom

#### Basic Video Editing with CapCut

Watch a demo on using CapCut software to edit and add effects to your video content.   
Thursday, May 8, 6:00-7:00pm  
Interactive Classroom


### Jewelry

#### Beaded Necklace **CR**


Create a beaded necklace.   
Tuesday, March 4, **OR** Tuesday, May 20  
6:00-7:30pm, Pollak Room A

#### Beaded Memory Wire


##### Bracelet **CR**

String beads on memory wire to create a bracelet.   
Wednesday, March 12, 6:00-7:30pm  
Civic Room

#### Linen Cord Beaded Necklace **CR**

Create a beaded necklace.   
Wednesday, April 23, 6:00-7:30pm  
Civic Room


#### UV Resin Pendants **CR**

Create a decorative pendant using layered UV resin and craft supplies.   
Thursday, April 24, 6:00-7:00pm  
Interactive Classroom


### Sewing

These classes are limited to new attendees. Sewing machines will be provided. Please do not bring your own.


#### Sewing Machine Basics **CR**

Learn sewing machine basics in this hands-on class.   
Saturday, March 8, **OR** Saturday, April 5  
10:30am-12:00pm Interactive Classroom

#### Intermediate Sewing Machine **CR**

Basic experience with sewing machines is required.   
Saturday, March 15, 10:30am-12:00pm  
Interactive Classroom


#### Handsewn Goose Plush **CR**

Learn to hand sew a plush goose.   
Wednesday, April 9, 6:00-7:30pm  
Pollak Room A


### Glass Fusion

Limit of one glass fusion class per calendar year.


#### Candle Holders **CR**

Create two glass fused votive candle holders.   
Tuesday, March 18, **OR** Thursday, March 20, 6:00-8:00pm, Pollak Room A

#### Critter Planter Sticks **CR**

Create a fused glass planter stick with the shape of a cat, dog, bird, etc.   
Thursday, April 10, **OR** Tuesday, April 29  
6:00-8pm, Interactive Classroom

#### Glass Fusion Plant Marker **CR**

Make a fused glass plant marker for your garden.   
Thursday, May 15, **OR** Thursday, May 29  
6:00-8:00pm, Pollak Room A



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## Teen/Adult Maker (Age 13–Adult) continued

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### Terracotta Pot Painting **CR**

Paint terracotta pots. Wear clothes you don't mind getting paint on. 🧑

Tuesday, March 25, 6:00-7:30pm  
Interactive Classroom

### Coloring Page Canvas Bag **CR**

Add a design to a canvas bag using sublimation markers and coloring sheets. 🧑

Tuesday, May 6, 6:00-7:30pm  
Interactive Classroom

### Infinity Mirror Book Nook **CR**

Assemble a little library diorama for your bookshelf, using two-way mirrored acrylic and light to create an infinity mirror illusion. 🧑

Wednesday, May 7, 6:00pm-7:30pm  
Pollak Room A

## Youth Maker All materials provided unless noted otherwise.

### Soft Circuits: Felt Light-Up Crown (Grades 4-6)

Stitch a circuit to make a mini felt crown, including lights, battery, and other decoration. 🧑

Thursday, March 20, 4:15pm-5:15pm  
Interactive Classroom

### Rubber Band Powered Car (Grades 3-5)

Create and tinker with a rubber band powered car to maximize speed or distance. 🧑

Wednesday, April 16  
4:15pm-5:15pm, Pollak Room

### Air Dry Clay Workshop (Grade 3-5)

Come in and sculpt some desserts or creatures by following a guide or choose to create a design of your own. 🧑

Tuesday, April 29, 4:15pm-5:15pm, Pollak Room A

**Looking for more projects?** Use your library card to access thousands of art & craft video classes taught by design experts and artists at [creativebug.com/lib/northbrook](https://creativebug.com/lib/northbrook).

## NORTHBROOK REPAIRS



**Don't Toss it— Repair it!**

**Saturday, May 3  
1:00-3:30pm, Pollak Room**

At Northbrook Repairs, skilled volunteers do their best to help you repair a household item, free of charge. At past events, lamps, toys, clothing, bags, and even bicycles have been repaired. 🧑🌱

**Please bring your item to the Pollak Room and register when you arrive.**

Be prepared to wait with your item for your turn to meet with a volunteer. (No drop-offs.)

**Can I bring it?** Your item must be small enough for you to carry. (Please don't bring anything that is leaking, dangerous, contains gasoline, or that has a strong odor.)

**Limit 1 item per person.**

After your repair, you may return to the end of the line with an additional item.

**We cannot accept items for repair after 3:00pm.**



Questions? Please call 847-272-2098 or visit [northbrook.info/repairs](https://northbrook.info/repairs)

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## Summer High School Volunteers Wanted

### Would you like to volunteer at the library this summer?

Starting in April, you can download a volunteer information packet and application at [northbrook.info/summer-volunteer](http://northbrook.info/summer-volunteer).

The packet contains full details on volunteer assignments and dates. Volunteers must be attending high school in the fall of 2025.

**Applications will be accepted from May 1 – 23.**



#### Teen Advisory Board (Grades 6-12)

Join the Teen Advisory Board! Eat pizza, help us plan teen programs, and complete service projects. 🧑

Tuesday, March 11, 5:00-6:00pm, Pollak Room

Tuesday, April 8, 5:00-6:00pm, Pollak Room

Tuesday, May 13, 5:00-6:00pm, Pollak Room



#### Books & Bites (Grades 6-12)

Join us for a book discussion and enjoy some snacks. The first 8 registered teens will receive a free copy of the book. 🧑

#### *Brownstone* by Samuel Teer **EDI**

(Recommended for grades 9 & up)

Thursday, March 27, 5:00-6:00pm, Civic Room

#### *The Prison Healer* by Lynette Noni

(Recommended for grades 8 & up)

Thursday, April 24, 5:00-6:00pm, Civic Room

#### *What's Eating Jackie Oh?*

by Patricia Park **EDI**

(Recommended for grades 7 & up)

Thursday, May 29

5:00-6:00pm, Civic Room



#### Crafting the Perfect Headshot

Those new to the workforce are invited to a hands-on workshop on taking professional-quality headshot portraits using their mobile devices. 🧑

Sunday, May 4, 2:00-4:00pm, Interactive Classroom

#### Crafting Your Cover Letter and Resume

This hands-on workshop is designed for those new to the workforce to learn the art of creating impactful resumes and cover letters. 🧑

Sunday, May 18, 2:00-4:00pm, Interactive Classroom



#### Looking for a summer job?

Did you know that both the Northbrook Public Library and the Northbrook Park District offer summer job opportunities for teens?

The library hires teens as Summer Reading Assistants, and the Park District offers positions such as camp counselors, lifeguards, and swim instructors.

For information about working at the library, visit [northbrook.info/about/jobs](http://northbrook.info/about/jobs)

For information about working at the Northbrook Park District, visit [nbparks.org/about/jobs](http://nbparks.org/about/jobs)



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## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Accessibility Hour (Drop-In) EDI SP

Accessibility Hour is a supported program for families with disabilities. You're invited to visit the library one hour before we open to browse and check out materials and engage in a sensory-friendly activity. 🧑

Sunday, April 6, 12:00-1:00pm, Library-wide



### Little Miss Ann in Concert

(Families, Drop-In)

Get ready for toe-tapping, hand-clapping fun at the library! Award-winning children's musician Ann Torralba, also known as Little Miss Ann, and fiddler Anna Jacobson will play upbeat, interactive, joyful songs that your family will sing, jump, and dance along to. Seating is limited to the first 200 patrons. 🧑

Saturday, May 17, 10:30-11:15am, Auditorium

### STEAM Stackers (Ages 2-8)

Learn, Play, and Stack! Children will be guided through scientific concepts and creative play using giant lightweight blocks. Space is limited to the first 30 participants. Please check in at the Youth Services desk on the program day. 🧑

Saturday, March 15, 10:00-11:00am **OR** 11:00am-12:00pm

YS Story Corner



## SATURDAY FAMILY FILMS

Presented in the Auditorium on the last Saturday of each month at 2:00pm. 🧑 🧑 🧑 🧑 FRIENDS of the Northbrook Library



**March 29**  
**The Wild Robot**  
**2024**

(102 minutes)

Rated PG



**April 26**  
**Sonic the Hedgehog 3**  
**2024**

(110 minutes)

Rated PG



**May 31**  
**Mufasa: The Lion King**  
**2024**

(118 minutes)

Rated PG

### Art and Adventures with Author/Illustrator Dan Santat

Join us on Zoom for a conversation with the award-winning children's author and illustrator known for *A First Time for Everything*, *The Adventures of Beekle*, *the Unimaginary Friend*, and the Disney Channel animated series *The Replacements*.

Saturday, May 3  
2:00-3:00pm, Online 🗣️

In partnership with Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration between public libraries offering premier events.



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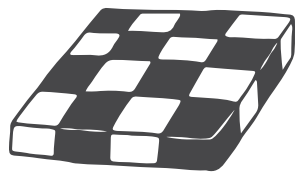
## School-Age Programs



### Chess Club (Grades K-6)

Learn new moves, strategy, and checkmates at our monthly club. Materials and instruction will be provided. 🧑

Mondays, March 3, April 7, & May 5, 6:00-7:00pm  
YS Activity Room 



### Family Chess Program (Families, Drop-In)

Join us for an afternoon of chess with friends and family. Chess master, Arjun Vishnuvardhan, will be on hand to offer tips and strategies. All materials will be provided.

Saturday, May 10, 2:00-3:30pm, YS Activity Room 

← New!

### Noggin Builders (Grades 3-5)

Build, create & explore with these unique, hands-on S.T.E.M. experiences. 🧑

Thursdays, March 6, April 17, May 15  
4:15-5:15pm, YS Activity Room 

March 6: Extending Grabber

April 17: Animation Device

May 15: Pneumatic Machines

### Y-Art (All Ages, Drop-In)


Start your Saturday with art! Brought to you by the NSYMCA Art Academy. 🧑

Saturdays, March 8, April 12 & May 10  
10:00-11:00am, YS Activity Room



### Andertoons Drawing Workshops (Grades K-6)

Join us on Zoom for these fun online drawing workshops led by a professional cartoonist, featuring a different theme each month. 🖨️

Tuesdays, March 11, April 29, & May 20, 4:00-5:00pm,  
Online 

### Board Game Group (Grades 3-8, Drop-In)

Enjoy classic board and card games, or learn new ones! Each month, we'll feature a different board game to try and also offer old favorites for you to play. 🧑

Thursdays, March 13, April 10, & May 8  
4:00-5:30pm, YS Activity Room

March 13: The Mind

April 10: Dinosaur Tea Party

May 8: Labyrinth

### Create Club (Grades 4-8)

We'll provide all the supplies you need to get creative and try something new. 🧑

Tuesdays, March 18 & April 22, 4:00pm-5:00pm  
YS Activity Room

March 18: Mosaics

April 22: Knotted Bracelets

### Around the World (Grades K-3)

Explore our world, one country at a time! Through stories, maps, games, and crafts, learn about a new country, its people, and culture. 🧑

Wednesdays, March 19 & May 14, 4:00-5:00pm  
YS Activity Room

March 19: China

May 14: India

### Art Pops! (Grades 2-5)

Explore the life and works of iconic modern and contemporary artists and create your own masterpieces in their signature styles. 🧑

Mondays, March 24 & May 19, 4:00-5:00pm, YS Activity Room

March 24: Roy Lichtenstein

May 19: Joan Miró



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## School-Age Programs (continued)

### Nintendo Switch: Super Mario Party Jamboree™ (Grades 3-9, Drop-In)

Come play dozens of exciting mini-games! Bring your friends or make new ones while you play. Whether you're new to gaming or a pro, this program has something for everyone! 🧑

Tuesday, March 25, 3:00-4:30pm, YS Activity Room



### Hair Braiding Techniques (Grades 5 & Up)

Learn and practice different styles of hair braiding, including French, Dutch, and fishtail-style braids.

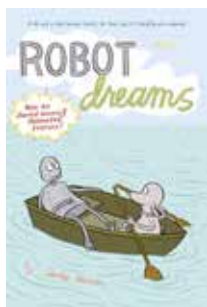
All levels of experience are welcome. 🧑

Wednesday, April 9, 4:00-5:00pm, YS Activity Room

### Off-Broadway Fairy Tales at Northbrook Public Library (Grades K-2)

Children will have a blast acting out their favorite fairy tales in this fun and interactive program. They'll step into the roles of beloved characters and explore stories through creative play and imagination. 🧑

Wednesday, April 16, 4:00-5:00pm, YS Activity Room



### Graphic Squad: Robot Dreams (Grades 2-5)

Dive into the world of graphic novels with us. Come discuss *Robot Dreams* by Sara Varon and enjoy a fun activity inspired by the story. Copies of the book will be available at the Youth Services desk one month before the program. 🧑

Monday, April 21, 4:15-5:00pm, YS Activity Room

## Looking for more?

Check out our Youth Maker programs at the bottom of page 13.



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## STORYTIMES & EARLY CHILDHOOD

A parent or caregiver is required to attend Storytime and early childhood programs unless noted otherwise.

### My First Yoga (Ages 3-5)

Preschoolers will have fun learning basic yoga poses. Please register each child individually. 🧘

Mondays, March 24, April 28, May 19

11:00-11:30am, Pollak Room



### Wiggleworms (Birth-24 Months)

Music, movement, and fun from the Old Town School of Folk Music. Space is limited to the first 15 babies and their caregivers. Check in at the Youth Services desk on the program day. 🧒

Thursday, May 1, 10:00-10:30am **OR**

10:45-11:15am, YS Activity Room



### Little Explorers

(Ages 2-6, Drop-In)

Visit with an adult to experience basic S.T.E.M. concepts through experiments and activities. 🧪

Friday, May 2, 10:30-11:30am

YS Activity Room

### Bookflix Storytime

(Ages 3-5, Drop-In)

Enjoy songs, rhymes, and educational picture and nonfiction books animated on the screen using the Bookflix app. 📺

Monday, May 5, 10:00-10:30am

YS Activity Room

### Music & Me with Teacher Dan

(All Ages, Drop-In)

Have a blast singing and dancing to songs performed on a variety of instruments. 🎵

Wednesdays, May 7, 14 & 21

10:30-11:00am, YS Story Corner



### Preschool Noggin Builders

(Ages 3-5)

Join us for hands-on on STEM activities specifically designed for preschoolers. 🧠

Friday, May 16, 2:00-3:00pm

YS Activity Room



## STORYTIMES

### Saturday Storytime (All Ages, Drop-In)

Join us on the first Saturday of the month. 🧒

Saturdays, March 1, April 5 & May 3

10:00-10:30am, YS Story Corner

### Storytime at the Library (All Ages, Drop-In)

Featuring a new theme each week. 🧒

Tuesdays & Thursdays, March 4-April 17

10:00-10:30am, YS Story Corner

### Babytime (Birth-24 months)

Songs and simple stories to nurture your baby's curiosity while providing caregivers a chance to socialize. Please check in at the Youth Services desk. Space is limited. 🧒

Wednesdays, March 5-April 16

10:00-10:45am, YS Activity Room

### Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-5, Drop-In)

Stories and activities for preschoolers. 🧒

Thursdays, March 6-April 17

2:00-2:30pm, YS Activity Room

## BILINGUAL STORYTIMES

Our bilingual storytimes are great for both native language speakers and anyone interested in the language and culture.

### Hebrew Language Storytime

(Ages 2-6, Drop-In) **EDI**

Drop by to learn about the Hebrew language and culture through stories, songs, and sensory activities. 🧒

Mondays, March 10, April 21, May 12

10:00-10:30am, YS Activity Room



### Korean Language Storytime (All Ages) **EDI**

Learn and practice speaking Korean with stories, songs, and rhymes. 🧒

Fridays, March 14, April 11, May 23

10:00-10:30am, YS Activity Room



## Early Literacy Tip: What's the Weather?

Spring is here, and it's a great time to have a conversation with your child about what to expect in the springtime, like warmer weather, rain, and mud, or flowers and trees beginning to blossom.

To start a conversation about the weather, try singing this fun rhyme to the tune of "Clementine":

*"What's the weather? What's the weather? What's the weather, Little One? Is it windy, is it cloudy, is there rain, or is there sun?"*

# Friends of the Library

Don't miss the Friends of the Library Book Sale on Friday, April 4, and Saturday, April 5 from 10:00am-4:00pm in the Civic Room.

Dear Friends,

Join us for our Members-Only Preview Night on Thursday, April 3, before the book sale! If your membership has lapsed, now's the perfect time to renew. Everyone who joins or renews will receive a coupon for a free book, redeemable at the sale or in our bookshop. To join or renew online, scan the QR code below or visit [northbrook.info/friends](http://northbrook.info/friends).

We are always looking for volunteers—email us at [friends@northbrook.info](mailto:friends@northbrook.info).

If you're not sure we have your email address, email us at [friends@northbrook.info](mailto:friends@northbrook.info) and we'll add you to our email list.



## New & Returning Members *as of January 15, 2025*

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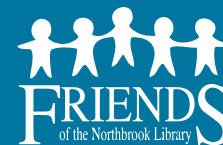
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**Used Book Sale**  
April 4 & 5, 10am-4pm  
Civic Room

**Bookshop Hours**  
Mon-Thurs: 9am-9pm  
Fri: 9am-6pm, Sat: 9am-5pm  
Sun: 1-5pm

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## NSYMCA Annual Art Show

March 6 - April 3, 2025

Join the NSYMCA for their Annual Art Show.  
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## Northbrook Originals

April - May, 2025

In partnership with the Northbrook Arts  
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### Planning for Retirement

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Thursday, April 3, 7:00-8:30pm, Online

### Navigating Student Loans: Understanding Your Options

Barbara Ginty, CFP® CEPA®, will explain how student loan debts can impact long-term financial goals, including retirement savings. She will share strategies for managing student loan repayments, while also building a secure financial future. ➡

Monday, April 7, 7:00-8:30pm, Online

### Terry Savage Talks Money

Terry Savage, a nationally recognized expert on personal finance, the economy, and the markets, will provide a clear and insightful update on today's economy, financial markets, and key personal finance topics. After her presentation, she'll answer questions during a 45-minute Q&A session. ➡

Wednesday April 23, 7:00-8:30pm, Online



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