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2020 YEAR OF THE APP
But Year of the App isn’t just about discovering fun and helpful new apps, it’s always how we’re hoping to encourage more of a tech mindset in the community. A tech mindset focuses on the importance of discovery, exploration and experimentation. We want to help patrons feel more comfortable and confident exploring and learning new technologies.

The tech mindset focusing on exploration, discovery and experimentation will also be highlighted in Youth Services programming. When people think of a library’s Youth Services Department, digital apps are probably not the first resources that come to mind. But apps are used in many ways in contemporary children’s departments. At OLPL, young children use the apps on our popular Kindle Fire tablets to have fun while learning everything from colors, shapes and phonics, to more advanced fields like math, geography and human anatomy.

We use apps in our Bits & Bots programs for children ages 5-10, and in Tween Tech, for ages 11-14. Kids use apps on iPads to program their Ozobot and Coder MiP robots. After building cars or other electronic gadgets with Little Bits circuitry kits, they use apps to tell the gadgets what to do. The Bloxels app allows users to design their own video games.

This fall and winter, program participants will use apps to make short live- and stop-action films with our new green screen.

At Family Tech events, parents get to try these apps as well. All of our app-driven devices have been provided by grants from the Friends of the Oak Lawn Public Library, to whom we are deeply grateful.

And this spring we’ll be launching a mini digital media lab in our Computer Training Center to increase community access to maker tools and technologies. Our mini digital media lab will kick off with a viewing party for short, stop-motion animation films created during our winter Family Tech Night.

The 2020 Census is another big event next year, so we’ll be working to provide plenty of information and resources for the community to learn and discover more about the Census, the history of civic engagement, apps to stay informed and involved and voting throughout Oak Lawn’s history. Check out the spring newsletter for more details and a list of our civic engagement focused programs and events.

We’re excited to have you join us in our upcoming year of discovery as we highlight how resources, programs and services offered through the library are enriched by the many apps available!
We want to help patrons feel more comfortable and confident exploring and learning new technologies.

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**Check Out Our SWAN App**
*Tuesday, Dec. 3, 11am-noon; and from 6-7pm, Library Lobby*

Oak Lawn Public Library has an app! You can search the catalog, place holds and store your library card in the app. To get the app, search for SWAN Libraries in both Android and iOS app stores. There will also be two drop-in SWAN App hours in the lobby. Stop by the Adult Services Desk on the second floor, and we’re happy to help you get started!

**Stream movies with the Kanopy App**

Register with your library card and download up to five films per month with the Kanopy App. Ask the AV staff how.

**Libby eBook App**
*Thursday, Jan. 23, 6:30pm*

Libby offers the fastest and easiest aid to download and store eBooks. Learn what Libby has to offer.

**Vivino Wine App**
*Thursday, Feb. 13, 6:30pm*

Choose your wine with confidence! Get ratings, read reviews and check prices instantly, just by snapping a photo of any bottle or menu. Make a purchase right from your phone.

**Duolingo Language Learning App**
*Monday, Feb. 24, 6:30pm*

Learn a language or improve your skills for free with the Duolingo app! We will teach you how to use the app.

**Family Tech Night**
*Wednesday, Feb. 5, 6-7:30pm*

Drop-in to explore all the apps and devices you can build with Little Bits Gizmos & Gadgets circuitry kits.

**AND HERE ARE SOME THAT WE’LL FEATURE THIS YEAR...**

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**WE WANT TO HELP PATRONS FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE AND CONFIDENT EXPLORING AND LEARNING NEW TECHNOLOGIES.**
Where noted, (R)egister online 10 days before each individual event at www.olpl.org, in person at the Youth Services Desk or call 708-422-4990.

**HOMESCHOOL MEETUP**

Mondays, Jan. 6, 13 & 27; Feb. 3, 10 & 24; (Ages 5-9; 4 if ready for school): 9:30-10:30am (Ages 10-14): 10:45-11:45am

Families that homeschool can supplement their own lesson plans with additional daytime activities. Topics will include information literacy and library skills; science, technology, engineering and math (STEM); art; community tours; and book clubs.

**SPECIAL GUESTS**

**Knuckleball Comedy**
Thursday, Jan. 23, 7-8pm
Join the experienced comedians of Knuckleball Comedy for a hilarious improv performance that will involve the whole audience.

**Wendy & DB**
Sunday, Feb. 9, 2-3pm
This award-winning children’s music duo will have you and your children singing, dancing and jumping along with their original songs and upbeat lyrics. Each song encourages imagination and exploration.

**EARLY LITERACY**

**1000 Books Before Kindergarten**
Stop by the Youth Services desk to pick up a log and get your baby, toddler or preschooler started with this early literacy initiative.
SUPER SKILLS

Practicing motor skills—movement, balance and manipulating objects—and early literacy skills—talking, reading, writing, singing and playing—builds better results in preschool, kindergarten and beyond. OLPL offers two weekly programs to help you and your child get started or keep you going.

Toddler Tools (R)
(Ages 2-3, with adult)
**Wednesdays, Jan. 8, 15, 22 & 29; Feb. 5, 12 & 19, 9:30-10am and 10:15-10:45am**
Together, parents and children ages 2-3 will practice the early literacy and motor skills needed for preschool.

Preschool Power-Up (R)
(Ages 4-5)
**Wednesdays, Jan. 8, 15, 22 & 29; Feb. 5, 12 & 19, 11-11:30am**
Preschool-age children will fine-tune their motor skills with play & exploration of the arts, science and stories.

BABY & TODDLER

Baby Goose
(Ages 3-18 months with adult)
**Tuesdays, Jan. 7, 14, 21 & 28; Feb. 4, 11 & 18; Saturdays, Jan. 18 & Feb. 15, 9:30-9:50am**
This music-filled program uses rhymes, songs and fingerplays to practice early literacy skills with your baby.

Toddler Tunes
(Ages 19 months-3 years with adult)
**Tuesdays, Jan. 7, 14, 21 & 28; Feb. 4, 11 & 18, 10-10:30am**
If your child has aged out of Baby Goose, but they still love to sing, this program is for you. Songs are selected to get those toddlers moving and discovering their world.

Baby & Toddler Time
(Ages 6 months-3 years with adult)
**Wednesdays, Jan. 8, 15, 23 & 30; Feb. 6, 13 & 20 9:30-10:30am**
Stop in with babies and toddlers for fun free-play, stories and music.

FAMILY (AGES 3-8 WITH AN ADULT)

Unicorn Unicornival
Saturday, Jan. 18, 2-3pm
It’s the magical party you’ve always wanted! Celebrate unicorns with unique games, crafts and more. Dressing up welcome.

Family Tech Night: Stop-Motion Animation (R)
(Families with Kids 5+)
**Wednesday, Feb. 5, 6:30-8pm**
Bring a favorite family toy to star in a short animation! Your family will learn to storyboard, shoot and edit a stop-action film. In March, we’ll screen our masterpieces on a special viewing night. Please see page 3 for more information on OLPL’s Year of the App!

StoryWalk: “The Snow Globe Family” (R)
**Monday, Jan. 20, 1:30-2:30pm**
Head over to Lake Shore Park, 9610 E. Shore Drive, to read “The Snow Globe Family” by Jane O’Connor on the StoryWalk Trail with Library staff and complete a craft with the Oak Lawn Park District.

Sensory Storytime
**Sundays, Jan. 26 and Feb. 23, 1-1:30pm**
Children receiving special services and their families are invited for stories, songs and sensory play. All abilities are welcome with a caregiver.
**Bits & Bots: Green Screen Fun (R)**

**Thursdays, Jan. 9 & 16, 4-4:45pm**
Register for both dates in the series, beginning Dec. 30. Each session builds on the one before it; participants should attend both.
- **Jan. 9:** Make up a story you’d like to create a little movie about and pick your backgrounds.
- **Jan. 16:** We’ll use the green screen to film you in your movie!

**Pokémon Club**

**Wednesday, Jan. 22, 4-4:45pm**
Enjoy Pokémon games & activities.

**Kids Read Comics Jr. (R)**

**Tuesday, Jan. 28, 4-4:30pm**
“Benny and Penny in Just Pretend”
Read and discuss a new graphic novel you get to keep.

**NERF Battle Royale (R)**

**Friday, Jan. 24, 6-8pm**
Teams equipped with NERF gear will play Capture the Flag after-hours in the Youth Services area in this foam-padded battle royale. Caregiver permission slip required by Jan. 22.

**Who Was Book Club (R)**

**Wednesday, Feb. 12, 4-5pm**
“Who Was Steve Irwin?”
Read and discuss amazing true stories about TV’s “Crocodile Hunter.” As always, you get a book to keep.

**GROUP VOLUNTEERING (R)**

**Friday, Dec. 27, 2-4pm**
**Thursday, Jan. 2, 2-4pm**
**Monday, Feb. 17, 2-4pm**
Students seeking two hours of service may register for a group volunteering session to work on special projects.

**JUNIOR FRIENDS ORIENTATION (R)**

**Mondays, Jan. 27 & Feb. 24, 4-4:30pm**
Middle school and early high school students seeking service hours may earn one hour a week by assisting in the Youth Services Department.
**Pop-Up STEM**
*Mondays, Jan. 20 & Feb. 17*
The Pop-Up STEM cart will be traveling around the Youth Services Department. Find the cart and be rewarded with a short activity that is both fun and educational.

**Builders’ Club**
*(All Ages)*
*Wednesday, Jan. 29, 6:30-7:30pm*
*Tuesday, Feb. 18, 6:30-7:30pm*
We supply the LEGO’s and you supply your imagination!

**Kings & Queens Chess Club**
*(Ages 8-14)*
*Fridays, Jan. 10, 17, 24 & 31; Feb. 7, 14, 21 & 28, 4-5pm*
Students of all playing levels will learn chess in a friendly, low-stress environment through instruction, exercises and practice tournaments.

**Super STEAM Saturdays (R)**
*Jan. 11 - Bugsicles*
*Feb. 22 – Sports*
*Ages 2 & 3 with adult: 10-10:30am*
*Ages 4-6: 11-11:45am*
*Ages 7-9: 1-1:45pm*
*Ages 10-14: 2:30-3:30pm*
Each month we feature different hands-on activities in this multi-media science program.

**Game Club**
*(Ages 8-14)*
*Sat. & Feb. 15, 1-3pm*
Bring friends or meet some as we play new and classic board and card games!

**DOCUMENTARIES & DISCUSSION**

**Cutie and the Boxer (2013)**
*Dec. 12, R. 82 min.*
Ushio (the boxer) and Noriko (the cutie) Shinohara have lived and created side-by-side for years, but only Ushio has had commercial success. Noriko is ready to show the world what she can do, but is Ushio ready for his wife to shine?

**Eames: The Architect and the Painter (2011)**
*Jan. 9, NR. 84 min.*
Narrated by James Franco, this documentary uncovers the important contributions of Charles and Ray Eames—two of America’s most important 20th Century designers. The Eames were amazingly creative throughout their careers and this film provides a peek into their inspiration and production.

**In a Dream (2008)**
*Feb. 13, NR. 80 min.*
Filmmaker Jeremiah Zagar captures the art, life and personal struggles of his father, Philadelphia’s famous muralist Isaiah Zagar. Through the lens of the camera, Isaiah shares his passionate love for his wife and Jeremiah’s mother, Julia—and his infidelities. And many other secrets are revealed.

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**Thursdays, Dec. 12, Jan. 9 & Feb. 13, 6:30pm**

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Books will be available at the Adult Services Desk one month before each discussion. Many titles are also available in large print, audio or downloadable formats. Please check the catalog or ask at the Adult Services Desk.

**Mysteries in the Morning**
Led by ILL Coordinator Meghan Moran
**Location**: Teen Room

- **Friday, Jan. 17, 9:30am**
  “The Dry” by Jane Harper

- **Friday, Feb. 21, 9:30am**
  “The Antiquities Hunter” by Maya Kaathryn Bohnhoff

**I ♥ Romance**
Led by AYA Librarian Ang Romano
**Location**: Book Club Nook, 2nd floor

- **Monday, Jan. 13, 7pm**
  “Hot and Badgered” by Shelley Laurenston

- **Monday, Feb. 10, 7pm**
  “Packing Heat” by Zuri Day

**Refreshing Reads**
Led by AYA Librarian Shannon Kazmierczak
**Location**: Avenue Flower Shop & Wine Bar, 10632 S. Cicero Ave.

- **Tuesday, Jan. 28, 7:30pm**
  “Educated” by Tara Westover

- **Tuesday, Feb. 18, 7:30pm**
  “An American Marriage” by Tayari Jones

**20-30ish Book Club**
Led by Teen Librarian Izabel Gronski
**Location**: Homestead Barr, 9306 S. Central Ave.

- **Thursday, Jan. 9, 7:30pm**
  “Natalie Tan’s Book of Luck and Fortune” by Roselle Lim

- **Thursday, Feb. 13, 7:30pm**
  “Good Talk” by Mira Jacobs

**Paging Through History**
Led by Local History Manager Kevin Korst
**Location**: Book Club Nook, 2nd floor

- **Thursday, Jan. 9, 7pm**
  “Death in the City of Light: The Serial Killer of Nazi Occupied Paris” by David King

**Saturday Morning Sci-Fi**
Led by Technology Engagement Librarian Natalie DeJonghe
**Location**: Teen Room

- **Saturday, Feb. 15, 10am**
  “Zero Sum Game” by S.L. Huang

**Everything Irish Book Club**
Led by AYA Librarian Kathy O’Leary
**Location**: Study Room #1, 2nd floor

- **Wednesday, Jan. 15, 1:30pm**
  “The Woman Who Stole My Life” by Marian Keyes

- **Wednesday, Feb. 19, 1:30pm**
  “A Drinking Life: A Memoir” by Pete Hamill
Abe Lincoln Reading Program
Read at least four books nominated for the 2020 Abe Lincoln award to vote in the Illinois Teen Readers’ Choice Award and attend a pizza party in the Teen Room in March! Keep reading and write reviews for more prizes. Sign up at olpl.beanstack.org.

Movie Nights
Wednesdays, 6–8pm
Watch the latest teen movies as they come out! Full schedule is available in the Teen Room. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Get a text reminder on the day of the showing by visiting remind.com/join/olpl.

Anime Club
Thursdays, Jan. 16 & Feb. 20, 7pm
Calling all new anime fans and anime experts! Watch some anime, munch on Japanese snacks, play games and make fun stuff!

UNPLUGGING from TV, Internet and Social Media
Tuesday, Jan. 21, 7pm
Jessica Krakowsky, MA, LCPC and Elizabeth Lewitke, MSW, LSW from The Genesis Therapy Center in Oak Lawn will discuss tips and techniques that will help you to reduce stress, restore your mind and focus on your studies.

Young Adult Book Club
Sundays 2–4pm
Readers and lovers of Young Adult Fiction – join us for a monthly discussion with snacks and hot cocoa! Extra copies of the book will be available the month before in the Teen Room.
Jan. 26: “Children of Blood and Bone” by Tomi Adeyemi
Feb. 23: “I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter” by Erika L. Sanchez

Snack & Study
Dec. 9–19
Are you studying for finals? Do you wish you had some snacks? Bring your books and your friends to Snack & Study. Extra supplies and snacks will be available for you. Dates subject to change.
Monday–Thursday, 3–9pm
Friday, 3–6pm
Saturday–Sunday, 12–5pm

Snack & Study: Puppy Break
Wednesday, Dec. 16, 6–7:30pm
Take a break from finals studying with some good dogs! Certified therapy dogs from our local Love on a Leash chapter will stop by for a visit in the Teen Room during finals week.

Practice SAT Test
Sundays, Jan. 12 & Feb. 9, 1–4pm
Free and open to all students. Pencils, paper and water will be provided. Please bring a graphing calculator. Register online to reserve your spot. Limited to 20 students.

Pawns of the Square Table: High School Chess Club
Saturdays, Jan. 11 & 25, Feb. 8 & 22, 2–5pm
High School students of all playing levels will learn chess in a friendly and competitive environment through instruction, puzzles and practice tournaments. Led by Teen Room Alumni Fatima and Elizabeth.

Game Nights
Mondays, 5–8pm
Open gaming in the Teen Room every Monday. Board games and video games, tournaments, VR and more! Snacks will be provided.
WINTER READING CHALLENGE

Do you remember the childhood program where you got free pizza for reading? We are bringing it back for teens and adults! Read with us this winter and you can earn your own certificates, stickers, buttons and an individual size pizza from LOU MALNATI’S PIZZERIA.

How to participate: Read at least 7 books from Jan. 1, 2020 through Feb. 29, 2020. Log your books on Beanstack. Need help logging? Stop by our Adult & Young Adult Services desk on the second floor to get started.

Gift Wrapping Help
Saturdays, Nov. 30, Dec 7, 14 & 21, 11am-2pm, 2nd Floor
Drop by our gift wrapping table on the 2nd floor, where teen volunteers will be available to wrap your holiday presents. Wrapping paper and supplies provided.

Make & Take Craft Night
Tuesdays, Dec. 3, Jan. 7 & Feb. 4
Learn to make a new craft that you can take home. All materials provided. Registration is not required. First come, first seated. Doors will open at 6:45pm; limit 20.

Country & Western Singers
Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2pm
Presenter Larry Bergnach takes us down that ole’ country road to revisit memories of classic singers including Johnny Cash, Dolly Parton, Charley Pride, Willie Nelson and many others.

Rankin/Bass’ “Frosty the Snowman’s” 50th Anniversary
Thursday, Dec. 5, 7pm
“Frosty the Snowman” is the only TV special to be on the same network for 50 years now. Official Rankin/Bass Historian Rick Goldschmidt takes us behind the scenes in the making of the classic special. Rick has a new book out – “Rankin/Bass’ “Frosty the Snowman” 50th Anniversary Scrapbook” – which will be available for purchase at the program.

Astrology 101 (R)
Monday, Jan. 13, 7pm
Presenter Jez Layman will teach you about sun, moon and rising signs, planets and houses. Learn how to read your natal chart so you can discover your strengths and embrace your best self. Registration required. Limit 20.
**If you would like your own star chart generated before the program, please provide your birth information (date, time and location) when registering for the program.**

Home Buying Seminar
Tuesday, Jan. 28, 6:30pm
The Molly Mann Realty Group will offer useful information on buying a new home. As a realtor who lives in Oak Lawn, Molly has valuable insights to share with prospective homebuyers. Handouts and refreshments will be provided.

ADULT PROGRAMS
The Roots of the Grateful Dead
Thursday, Feb. 20, 7pm
Over the 20 years that WXRT’s Professor Moptop (Gregory Alexander) has been teaching about The Beatles, he has also accumulated a vast knowledge of other bands as well. He will focus on the roots of the Grateful Dead and songs they covered by other famous musicians.

Guitar 101
Monday, Feb. 10, 6pm
A Guitar Center instructor offers an introduction covering guitar basics through playing a song. This class will help you kick-start your musical journey. Limited instruments will be available to try. After class, check out our Beyond Books collection to try out a guitar before you buy!

Mindfulness Through Meditation
Sunday, Feb. 23, 3pm
Spend an afternoon unwinding and getting in tune with yourself during this special meditation session taught by certified instructor Sophie Williams. Dress comfortably; bring a yoga mat or towel.

Atrial Fibrillation: State of the Art Treatment
Monday, Dec. 9, 6:30pm and Monday, Feb. 24, 6:30pm
William H. Spear, MD, FACC, FHRS electrophysiologist will discuss improved treatment minimizing the risk of stroke due to atrial fibrillation.

Medical Imaging: Past, Present and Future
Thursday, Jan. 9, 6:30pm
Learn the history of medical imaging technology, understand its current capabilities and review potential future advances. Presented by Talha Allam, MD, radiologist.

Living with a Pacemaker
Tuesday, Feb. 11, 6:30pm
Adarsh Bhan, MD, cardiologist, will help you understand when a pacemaker is needed, how one works and the precautions you need to know.

MOVIE SCREENINGS

Breakthrough (2019)
Friday, Jan. 10, 1pm
PG. 116 min. Based on a true story, “Breakthrough” tells the inspirational tale of mother Joyce Smith and her unwavering faith when her son falls through an icy Missouri lake.

Yesterday (2019)
Monday, Jan. 27, 1pm
PG-13. 114 min. Struggling singer-songwriter Jack Malik wakes from a bus accident to a world where The Beatles never existed. He becomes an overnight sensation as he makes their songs his own, but is this success what he really wants?

The Art of Racing in the Rain (2019)
Wednesday, Feb. 12, 1pm
PG. 109 min. Aspiring Formula One racecar driver Denny and his golden retriever Enzo learn that the techniques needed on the racetrack can also be used to successfully navigate the journey of life.

The Peanut Butter Falcon (2019)
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1pm
PG-13. 93 min. The adventure begins when a young man with Down syndrome runs away from a nursing home to chase his dream of becoming a professional wrestler.

SUNDAY WITH FRIENDS

SUNDAY WITH FRIENDS CONCERTS

Mick Archer’s Holiday Piano Sing-Along
Sunday, Dec. 8, 2pm
Mick Archer entertains on piano with holiday classics that will have you singing along!

A Tribute to Bobby Darin
Sunday, Jan. 19, 2pm
Entertainers Ron & Sandie bring you the finger-snapping songs of Bobby Darin.

A Jazzy Valentine
Sunday, Feb. 16, 2pm
Jazz vocalist Petra van Nuis returns to OLPL with a beautiful collection of romantic standards to warm your heart and soul.
Conversation Circle for Adults with Kids’ Programming

English conversation sessions will be offered several times this winter. All are welcome to attend. If you have children (ages 3 & up), you can now bring them! Adults will work with fluent English-speaking tutors in one room while children’s programming will take place in the room next door.

Sunday, Dec. 1, 1-2:30pm
Sunday, Jan. 12, 1-2:30pm
Thursday, Jan. 30, 6-7:30pm
Wednesday, Feb. 19, 6-7:30pm

For more information, email Mary Williams at mwilliams@olpl.org.

Crochet Club

Meets in Meeting Room C

Tuesdays, Dec. 10 & 24, Jan. 14 & 28, Feb. 11 & 25, 2-4pm

Work on your project or learn how to crochet; all skill levels are welcome. Beginners are asked to bring an H hook and yarn. Contact Patty Lerner in the Computer Center for more information. Donations of yarn, crochet hooks, knitting needles or craft supplies are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the Computer Center.

Operation Gratitude

Support the Troops by sending care packages to active duty U.S. Military personnel. Writing a meaningful letter is a simple way for Americans to support the troops; you can start the note with “Dear Hero…” The Library’s goal is to include several letters and colorful drawings in each care package to convey how much we care. Bring your cards, letters and drawings to the Computer Center 2nd floor. Library staff will send out the well wishes. This is an ongoing project.
The Computer Center is making 2020 the Year of the App. Each month two apps will be featured in short, 30-minute classes. Each class will include a 10-15 minute demo of the app followed by hands-on time to download the app on your device. Make sure to bring your smart phone or tablet to class if you plan to download and try out any of the apps.

Come explore the exciting world of your app store while we show off the favorite apps of OLPL staff members.

**JANUARY CLASSES**

**Excel Basics**
Thursday, Jan. 9, 6-7pm

**Intro to Smartphones**
Wednesday, Jan. 15, 10-11am

**Keyboard & Mouse Basics**
Tuesday, Jan. 21, 10-11am

**Computer Basics**
Tuesday, Jan. 28, 10-11am

**iPad Basics**
Thursday, Jan. 30, 6-7pm

**FEBRUARY CLASSES**

**Internet Basics**
Wednesday, Feb. 5, 10-11am

**Android Basics**
Thursday, Feb. 6, 6-7pm

**Internet Safety**
Wednesday, Feb. 12, 10-11am

**Windows 10 Basics**
Wednesday, Feb. 19, 10-11am

**Windows 10 Intermediate**
Wednesday, Feb. 26, 10-11am

**Libby eBook App**
Thursday, Jan. 23, 6:30pm
Libby offers the fastest and easiest aid to download and store eBooks. Learn what Libby has to offer.

**Insight Timer Meditation App**
Monday, Jan. 6, 6:30pm
Who knew you could use an APP to meditate? You CAN, and this awesome app teaches you how.

**Vivino Wine App**
Thursday, Feb. 13, 6:30pm
Choose your wine with confidence! Get ratings, read reviews and check prices instantly just by snapping a photo of any bottle or menu. Make a purchase right from your phone.

**Duolingo Language Learning App**
Monday, Feb. 24, 6:30pm
Learn a language or improve your skills for free with the Duolingo app! We will teach you how to use the app.
Although Local History is dedicated to preserving the past, we also look into emerging technologies that present new opportunities. Recently, software capable of adding color to black and white images has become more accessible and offers new avenues to experience old photographs.

Looking ahead, Local History will develop programs and exhibits to demonstrate how colorization can breathe new life into the story of Oak Lawn. Be sure to check out a selection of colorized images currently on the Library’s website (www.olpl.org) and stay tuned for future announcements!

New Exhibit
Stop by the current Local History exhibit, “Oak Lawn A-Z!” Covering the Village’s history from the 19th Century to present day, each letter of the alphabet explores a different facet of Oak Lawn’s past such as agriculture, flight, immigrants, myths, transportation and more. The display features more than 100 images and dozens of artifacts from the Local History collection. Join us in this celebration of everything Oak Lawn!

Online Database
Did you know there are more than 18,500 items in the Local History database? Photos, yearbooks, telephone books, artifacts and documents are included and cover topics such as the 1967 Tornado, Round-Up Days, schools, churches, businesses, military service and more. View the Local History collection on the library’s website (www.olpl.org) and explore Oak Lawn’s past!

Help Expand Our Collection!
Do you have old grade school yearbooks, photographs of life in the Village, items from long closed businesses or other historic materials related to Oak Lawn? If so, please contact us at 708-422-4990 or kkorst@olpl.org to inquire about loaning or donating your Oak Lawn treasures!

News & Notes
Be sure to check out the recently published “A Hero on Mount St. Helens: The Life and Legacy of David A. Johnston.” Written by local author Melanie Holmes, the book details the experiences of former Oak Lawn resident and volcanologist David A. Johnston who lost his life in the 1980 eruption of Mount St. Helens. Copies are available for checkout at the library.
Volunteer to Work in the Friends Bookstore
The Friends of the Library is accepting applications for bookstore volunteers, which consists of sorting book donations and stocking the store. One four-hour shift per week is required. Volunteer forms are available at the Customer Services Desk on the first floor of the Library. For more information, call Carole Onwiler at 708-422-8646.

Friends of the Library Bookstore Donations
The Friends of the Library are looking for donations of "gently used" books, magazines, VHS tapes, DVDs, CDs, audio cassettes, puzzles, games and records. The drop-off area is near the Cook Avenue entrance, and donors may fill out a form at the first floor Customer Services Desk to receive a tax letter acknowledgement by mail.

Join Us on a Friends Trip
All trips offered by the Friends of the Library are not wheelchair accessible. Cash or check are the accepted forms of payment. After the in-person registration closes, contact Joanne Neff at 708-422-4990 to find out how to purchase tickets or join the waiting list.

Are You a Friend?
Now is the time to renew your membership or join the Friends of the Library. Dues are $5 for an individual and $8 for a family, which includes a spouse and any children under 18.

Members receive
- News updates in the fall and spring.
- A $5 discount on trip tickets.
- Interesting volunteer opportunities.
- The fulfillment that comes from supporting your Library and bringing cultural experiences to the community.

2019 In-Service Day: a Great Success!
OLPL was closed on Friday, Sept. 6 for our annual staff In Service Day. Staff gathered all day to celebrate work anniversaries and milestones, bond and have fun with fellow employees, learn about new library and community initiatives and watch presentations from local organizations. A fun and interesting day for all!
Board of Trustees
Joan Buschbach, President
Sue Whisson, Vice President
Joe Skibiniski, Financial Secretary
Suzanne Marzano, Secretary
Sean Kelly
Pat O’Donnell
Roseann Spoto

The Board meets Tuesdays, Dec. 17, Jan. 21 & Feb. 18 at 6:45pm in the Oak Lawn Rotary Room. The public is always welcome.

Library Hours
Monday–Thursday: 9am–9pm
Friday: 9am–6pm
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HELP DECORATE OUR INTERNATIONAL HOLIDAY TREE! USING 100% RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

We invite all community members to create handmade, recyclable ornaments for our holiday tree. Tables will be set up in the lobby with recycled materials and other craft supplies to create your own ornaments.

We encourage adults and children alike to be creative, represent the best of your cultural traditions, and help us display a beautiful international holiday tree that reflects both our commitment to the environment and the diversity of our community.