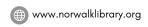


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Storytime Tuesdays, 10:30am

Join us for songs, stories, and rhymes! We'll have a fun, interactive 25 minute storytime followed by an optional playtime or craft.

This storytime is geared towards children ages 2-4, though children of all ages and their caregivers are welcome! Not held on December 26th (library closed).

Babytime Thursdays, 9:30am

We'll share bounces, rhymes, songs, and stories with you and baby at this short storytime, followed by playtime. Recommended for birth to about 24 months. Older kids are welcome to attend with you and baby. (Not held on December 28th, drop-in play will be offered instead)



Music and Movement Thursdays, 10:30am Dance, stretch, move, sing and play! This very active, music-filled program will encourage early literacy skills through songs, movement, and play with rhythm

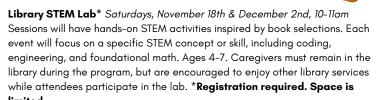
instruments and props. Recommended for toddlers and preschoolers; about 25 minutes. (Not held on December 28th, drop-in play will be offered instead)



Maker Wednesdays Wednesdays, 2-3:30pm

Get creative with weekly activities for kids focused on making, building, and creativity. No registration required, just stop by anytime from 2-3:30pm. Recommended for ages 5-11, held on Wednesdays when Norwalk Schools are in session and releasing early. Not held on November 22nd or December 27th.

Play Café Fridays, November 17th & December 15th, 10-11:30am Connect and play at this monthly playgroup! We will provide coffee and tea for parents and caregivers, and play experiences recommended for children ages 5 and under.



Bilinaual Storytime

Saturdays, November 25th & December 9th, 10:30-11:15am Our library is delighted to offer bilingual storytime in Spanish/English! Please join us for exciting stories, songs, and activities! Recommended for children 5 and under with a parent/caregiver.



Winter Break Drop-in Play

Thursday, December 28th, 9:30-11:30am Cold outside? Move and play inside! We'll have a variety of activities and toys for kids, with plenty of movement activities for getting those winter wiggles out. This will be held in place of our usual

Babytime and Music and Movement programs.

Free Winter Break Movie and Crafts

Thursday, December 28th, 1-3pm Watch Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem (PG, 2023, 1h 40m), have some popcorn, and do some related crafts! Crafts will be available starting at 1pm and continue during the movie. The movie will begin at 1:15pm.



TWEENS & TEENS

Teen Leadership Council (TLC)

Saturdays, November 18th & December 16th, 5-6:30pm At the TLC, teens take the lead on designing programs for teens. Meet-ups

include snacks, chatting about books, and brainstorming/planning future programs. The TLC is for teens who have applied & been

accepted. Participation can count towards silver cord hours. Grades 7-12th. Applications for the 2023-2024 school year are open Sept. - Dec. or until the group is full (whichever comes first). Pick up a form at the library or apply online here:



Teen Takeover Thursdays, 3:30-5pm

A weekly event for teens that alternates between hangouts and special editions. Registration strongly preferred for special editions as supplies are limited for these events. Grades 7-12th.

Teen Takeover Pumpkin Pie in a Mug Thursday, November 2nd, 3:30-5pm Start off November by perfecting your pie-making skills

(in a mug!). The library will provide instructions and all materials needed to make pumpkin pie in a mug as well as light crafts.

Teen Takeover: Hangout

Thursdays, November 9th, 16th & 30th & December 14th & 21st, 3:30-5pm We'll play video & board games, have snacks, and provide an assortment of crafts for our teen patrons! Walk-ins are welcome! Please note that the hangout on November 9th will be held in the teen area due to the library's book sale, and no video games will be offered that day.



Teen Takeover Gingerbread House Workshop

Thursday, December 7th, 3:30-5pm

Build and decorate your own gingerbread house at this Teen Takeover event! The library will supply the goods, you'll supply the creativity!

Teen After Hours Dungeons and Dragons*

Fridays, November 17th & December 15th, 5:30-8:30pm Join us once a month for pizza and D&D for teens. Use your imagination as volunteer DMs lead you through exciting RPG adventures! No previous D&D experience is needed. *Registration required. Grades 7-12th.



Hand Sewina with Charlene*

Saturdays, November 18th & December 16th, 1-3pm Local sewing expert, Charlene, will lead participants on guided hand-stitching and hand sewing projects. Projects are geared toward beginning hand sewers and recommended for those in grades 4-6th. Participants must be in

4th grade or older. Registration required. November 18 - Autumnal place setting December 16- Yo-yo Pine Tree Ornament



Books, Bites & Boba

Tuesdays, November 28th & December 19th, 6-7pm Boba tea, booktalks, and noms! There is no assigned reading, just bring yourself and be ready to talk about a book you've been reading, or listen while others share, and sip on some boba tea! Registration strongly preferred. Grades 6-12th.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament 2 Wednesday, December 27th, 1-3:30pm Join us for another Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament, brought back by popular demand! The winner of the tournament will earn a gift card to GameStop. Attendees are able to bring their own Switch devices to use while not in active tournament play. Brackets will be determined at the beginning of the event, so be sure to arrive on time! Light snacks provided. Grades 6th-12th.



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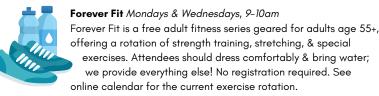
Spread Some Holiday Cheer

Help the Foundation support future library initiatives and get yourself some new reading material at the Book Sale on November 9-11. And watch our webpage and social media for your opportunity to give to the Foundation with our end of the year giving program.

The library is partnering with local organizations to support those in need. Watch for the "Lights of Love" campaign to bring the opportunity to decorate a Christmas tree at the library to support Norwalk Hometown Pride. Help get gifts into the hands and homes of those in need this season. Stop by the library's lobby between November 20-December 4 & select an ornament tag from the Holiday Giving Tree, sponsored by the Norwalk Area Ministerial Association Warrior Giving Project. Each tag has a short wish list of a Norwalk resident along with their requests. Shop for those gifts and return them unwrapped to Norwalk Easter Public Library along with the ornament tag.

Recycle your unused holiday lights this season. Bring the strands to the collection box in the library's lobby from November 6-January 21 & they will be recycled by Waste Management.

ADULTS



No Forever Fit on 12/25 due to holiday closure.

Forever Fit Special Event-Yoga* Saturdays, November 4th & December 16th, 9-10am *Registration required for yoga due to limited space. 11/4's registration opens on 10/21 & 12/16's registration opens on 12/2.

Forever Fit Special Event-Tai Chi Fridays, December 8th & 29th, 9-10am No registration required; presented by ShadowFist Kung Fu & Tai Chi. No Tai Chi in November due to holiday closures.

Brunch & Learn-From Passion to Action: Community Volunteering

Wednesday, November 1st, 10:15-11:15am

This panel presentation will discuss volunteerism in Norwalk & the origin of the Community Volunteer Fair (see All Ages section for details). The library will provide a light fare of breakfast items & refreshments. Registration is recommended but not required; opens on 10/18.

Craft, Chat, Chill select Wednesdays, 10:15-11:15am Sip on coffee or tea at the Triple C! Chat with new friends, munch on pastries, & work on a small craft project.

Registration is recommended but not required. 11/29 Felt Creations; registration opens on 11/15 12/13 Personalized Keychains; registration opens on 11/29

Game Night with The Dealt Hand

Thursdays, November 2nd & December 7th, 6-8pm

If you like to play card or board games or you are looking for a mutual place to play D&D (Dungeons & Dragons), this night is for you! We'll provide the space & refreshments, the Dealt Hand will provide board games plus teach how to play popular games. Registration is recommended but not required; opens on 10/19 & 11/22.

In the Garden with the Central Iowa Houseplant Club

Saturday, November 4th, 10-11am

Join us for plant chat & interaction with the Central Iowa Houseplant Club! Whether you are a Master Gardener, a green thumb enthusiast, or just beginning, this event will have a mix for everyone.

Let's Get Crafty- Tote-ally Unique Bags*

Saturday, November 4th, 1-3pm Adults will decorate 1 large canvas tote bag & 1 zippered pouch, using our Cricut & Heatpress. As supplies & time lasts, adults may bring their own additional totes/bags to decorate.

*Registration required; opens 10/21.

Holiday Treats with Plant-Based Point* Tuesday, November 14th, 6:30-8pm Join Robin from Plant-Based Point to talk all things plant-based baking. Learn the benefits of plant-based foods while meeting all your sweet tooth needs. Attendees will also learn how to make (and taste test!) a no-bake fudge! *Registration required; opens 10/31.



Let's Get Crafty- Cookie Sheet Calendar*

Thursday, November 16th, 6:30-8pm Adults will decorate 1 metal cookie sheet with magnets & ribbon for a custom calendar.

*Registration required; opens 11/2.

Tuesdays, November 28th & December 19th, 6:30-8pm This is a gathering space for crafters of the fiber arts set, regardless of skill level. Chat about your current projects, admire each other's work, help one another, & then stitch the rest of the night away! No registration required.

Let's Get Crafty- Custom Ornaments* Thursday, November 30th, 6:30-8pm Adults will use acrylic paint, stickers, & ribbons to create up to 6 custom ornaments. *Registration required; opens on 11/16.

From Page to Plate: Cookies & Bars

Tuesday, December 12th, 6:30-8pm This cookbook themed book club will feature a specific theme for each meeting. Checkout a cookbook or magazine that fits the theme & select a recipe to make.

Drop off or send your recipe to the library & we'll print copies

for the group. On discussion night, bring your dish, ready to be served, to share with the group. Enjoy sampling dishes brought by the group & discuss the cookbooks, techniques, authors, & more!

Crafting with Craft Bevvies at 804 Main Thursday, December 14th, 4-6pm Come for a relaxing time with a small craft while you enjoy an adult or nonalcoholic beverage from the bar. Supplies are provided; you purchase your own beverage if you want one. We're making key chains!

ALL AGES/FAMILY

Homeschool Meetup Fridays, November 3rd & December 1st, 10-11:30am
Homeschooling families are invited to join us to connect with each other and library staff and enjoy some coffee, juice, and snacks. Held monthly, usually on the first Friday. Each month we'll have a different art and STEM activity for kids as well as information about library resources.

All Ages Pizza & Board Game Night* *Friday, November 3rd, 5:30–8:30pm* Play board games and have some pizza at the library! The Dealt Hand will bring an assortment of games and can help you choose and learn to play. This free event is great for families to attend together, board games for all ages will be available. Ages 11 and under should be accompanied by an adult. ***Registration required.**

Community Volunteer Fair Monday, November 6th, 4-6pm

If you are looking for ways to serve the Norwalk community, the Community Volunteer Fair is the place to start! Each of the attending entities will be able to



answer any questions about their volunteer needs and share upcoming opportunities. Light refreshments will be provided. Questions may be directed to Adult Services Librarian Kayla at kbecker@norwalk.iowa.gov

Pop-Up Banned Book Giveaway Saturday, November 11th, 10am-12pm

The Banned Wagon comes to Norwalk - Annie's Foundation's Banned Wagon will be holding a Pop-Up Banned Book Giveaway. All giveaway books were removed from the NCSD in compliance with lowa SF496.

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Kids Adults Program registration and further details available at norwalklibrary.libcal.com (see QR Code) or contact library to register



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Caturdays at the Library Saturdays, November 11th & December 9th, 10am-12pm Visit with adoptable cats & kittens at the library! On-site adoptions are not available, but enjoy a meet and greet session. Whiskers TNR volunteers will answer your questions about adoptions and the TNR (Trap-Neuter-Return) program.

Family Crafternoon: Small Crafts for Gifting Saturday, December 2nd, 1-3pm We'll have stations set up with supplies and instructions for making small crafts great for gifting, as well as cards and gift tags. Open to all ages, and families are encouraged to craft together! Younger children will need assistance with some of the options. Drop in anytime from 1-3pm.

Howlidays at the Library Tuesday, December 5th, 4-7pm

Santa Claus is coming to the library - kids can chat with Santa and parents can take advantage of a photo opportunity (bring your own camera). Join staff & our fuzzy canine mascot Scribbles for holiday stories, crafts, & light refreshments at this drop-in event.

Free for all gaes!

Library Laser Tag* - Friday, December 29th, 6-10pm
Laser tag is back at the library! Family play will be available from 6-8pm and teens-exclusive play for grades 7-12th will be available from 8-10pm. *Registration required; opens on November 29th.

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