



FOX RIVER GROVE Memorial Library



Small Library, Big Ideas

June & July 2026

Registration is required for all library programs unless otherwise noted. Registration dates are as follows.

FRGML cardholders: Monday, June 1

Open to all patrons: Monday, June 8

Call 847-639-2274 or come into the Library to register!

SUMMER READING 2026 PLANT A SEED, READ



IMPORTANT DATES!

Monday 5/18: Registration Opens

Friday 5/22: Start Logging

Wednesday 7/29: Last Day to Log

Youth Challenges (Ages 0-13)

- Find the Fox each week in Youth Services
- Log reading minutes & complete reading activities to earn prize wheel spins & Beanstack Grand Prize drawing tickets
- Keep playing - new badges available each week!

Teen & Adult Challenges (Ages 14+)

- Register by Monday 6/1 to be entered into a special early bird prize drawing
- Log reading minutes to earn weekly drawing entries and grand prize drawing tickets



Summer Reading grand prize drawing winners will be announced at the FRGML Summer Picnic. Good luck!

Summer Reading Challenges are on



beanstack

Scan to get the app or visit
frgml.beanstack.org



RAIN OR SHINE!

FRGML Summer Picnic

SATURDAY
AUGUST 1

PICNIC GROVE PARK
(598 BIRCH LANE, FOX RIVER GROVE)
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

All ages • Registration not required

Join us for a delightful day of free games and activities to celebrate summer with our amazing community. Bring your own picnic lunch or purchase hot dogs, chips, beverages, and beer from our local partners.



Follow FRGML on Facebook & Instagram for event details. Get ready to plant a seed and read with



Fox River Grove Memorial Library this summer!

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Elaina Komala
Library Director

We're so enthusiastic about our Summer Reading Challenges this year that we've expanded them to nine weeks. That means not only more time to log the minutes you've read, but also more wheel spins and *Find the Fox* opportunities downstairs, plus more weekly prize drawing winners upstairs!

TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS

Ages 14+



FRGML MAKERSPACE

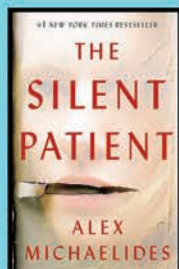
Where imagination becomes creation!

Our spring makerspace sneak peeks were such a success, we have extended them for the summer! Walk-ins are encouraged during sneak peek hours. We will guide you through the process of creating your own custom bookmark or greeting card using our Cricut Maker 4, while supplies last. Makers under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

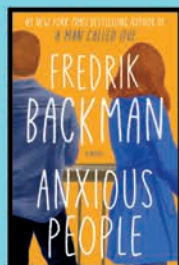


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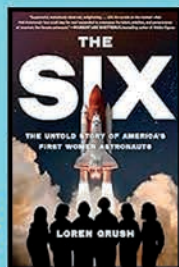
BOOK CLUB
Second Thursdays
5:00 p.m.



6/11
The Silent Patient



7/9
Anxious People



8/13
The Six

Plant a Seed, Read



COFFEE CHAT & PLAY

Fridays 6/12 & 7/10
10:30 a.m.

Registration not required



Join us for coffee at 10:30 a.m. Then stick around to play Yahtzee with new friends at 11:30 a.m.!



WEEKLY FUN RUNS

Saturdays • 7:30 a.m.

meet at Algonquin Road School
(975 Algonquin Rd, Fox River Grove)

All levels - walk, run/walk, run, and run really fast! Lace up and meet us at the park. We're super fun!



DID YOU KNOW...?

P.S.A. for FRGML Cardholders



- If you are #565 on hold in Libby for a book you can't wait to read, email Bridgett at bkaiser@frgml.org.
- She can help shorten your wait, typically by a lot!



- We can deliver materials to your home, often same day.
- No strings attached, no excuse needed. Really!



- Jigsaw puzzles are available for you to take home and enjoy. Bring them back, or keep them!
- Puzzle donations of any piece size are also accepted.
- There's always a community puzzle in progress at the Library. Come puzzle with a new friend!

YOUTH & FAMILY PROGRAMS



SOUL HARBOUR RANCH

Friday 7/10
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Family

Visit with therapy horses and dogs, learn about the animals, and make a themed craft.

PLAY BUILDERS, LLC

PURPOSEFUL PLAY, EXPERTLY GUIDED

Saturday 6/20
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 12-24 months
11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. 2-3 year olds

Play groups led by speech & occupational therapists.

Disclaimer: This playgroup is led by licensed therapists, but is not a therapy service and does not replace evaluation or treatment. No therapist-client relationship is established.

SUMMER STORYTIME

June 10 - July 29
Wednesdays • 10:30 a.m.
 Family • Drop-In

Picnic Grove Park (598 Birch Lane, FRG)
 Registration not required

Join us weekly for stories, songs & play!

***6/24 will take place at FRGML**

THE CARDBOARD CHRONICLES

BUILD Monday 7/27
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 pm
 Family • Drop-In

PLAY Tuesday 7/28 - Friday 7/31
10:00 a.m. - 6:00 pm
 Family • Drop-In

Our meeting room turns into a cardboard fort playland. Join us to build, then come back to play!

CREATION STATION

Friday 6/12
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
 Family • Drop-In
 Registration not required

Look for us on the library lawn.

Stop by with the family for tie-dye fun & let us worry about the mess. Children will receive one T-shirt each, while supplies last. Bring your own items to dye too!

Doggie Tales

Saturday 6/6
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
 Grades K-8

Register your reader to practice their read-aloud skills with a furry friend from Soul Harbour Ranch.

SOUL HARBOUR RANCH

LEGO CLUB

Saturdays 6/27 & 7/25
1:00 p.m.
 K-Grade 4: Builders
 Grades 5-8: Brick Buddies

Brick Buddies will be paired with Builders to create fun team builds.

Read It and Eat Book Club

Thursdays 6/18 & 7/16
5:00 p.m.
 Grades 5-8

HELLO UNIVERSE by Erin Entrada Kelly
CORALINE by Neil Gaiman

Pick up the book, read at your pace, & discuss over pizza with friends.

Middle School Craft Club

Tuesdays 6/9 & 7/7
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
 Grades 5-8

Explore diverse media to build basic skills in design, color, and composition.

Where should I be? Just check the key!

- Caregivers may leave the Library if desired
- Caregivers must remain in the Library
- Caregivers must remain in the room with their children

We make every effort to ensure our programs are accessible to all abilities and neurodiversities. Let us know how we can help!

PHOTO WAIVER The Fox River Grove Memorial Library reserves the right to photograph program participants and patrons. Photos are for Library use only and may be used for promotion in print, digital, and social media. Attending Library events provides your expressed consent to take and utilize photographs taken of you and/or your family.

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Elaina Komala

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Board of Trustees Meetings

Tuesday, June 16, 2026 - 6:30 p.m.

No July meeting

Library Closings

Friday, June 26, 2026 - Late opening at noon

Saturday, July 4, 2026 - Closed

Saturday, August 1, 2026 - Closed (Visit us at Picnic Grove Park!)

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The **Friends of the Library** is a not-for-profit volunteer organization that promotes public literacy and supports Library programs and services.

BECOME A FRIEND TODAY!



The group is open to new members and volunteers and generally meets once a month on the second Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at 100 Lounge.



Scan here to fill out an interest form or send an email to frgmfriends@frgml.org to get additional information.

Follow the *Friends of the Fox River Grove Library* on Facebook!

Recent initiatives made possible by donations from the Friends:

Thank you, Friends!

- New bench, stools, and pillows in the Book Nook
- Summer Reading Challenge prizes + FRGML Summer Picnic partnership

You're invited to a
Portillo's
FUNDRAISER
Come Join Us!

Eat Portillo's. Support a Cause. Receive 20% of the proceeds!

Present this flyer in-restaurant or use the online code for online/app orders, and 20% of the proceeds will be donated to:

Friends of the Fox River Grove Public Library District

At the Portillo's located at: When:

855 Cog Circle

July 23, 2026

Crystal Lake, IL

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

ONLINE CODE: PORTILLOS23

SAVE THE DATE!

Fox Chase & Youth Mile
Sunday, October 4, 2026

Rec Council website:

FRGML is a donation collection site for the
CARY-GROVE FOOD PANTRY

- NO perishable or expired items allowed.
- Please check expiration dates before donating.

More info on how you can help or shop at the pantry:
www.cgfoodpantry.org

Calling all local seniors
(Ages 50+)!

FRG Seniors Meetings: 1st & 3rd Weds
Village Hall: 305 Illinois St, FRG
9:00 a.m.: Coffee & Treats
10:00 a.m.: Activities

Contact: frgseniors@gmail.com

Save the Date
FRG ANNUAL FIREWORKS

11TH
OF JULY