Holiday Wiggles & Giggles  Up to 35 mos. with adult
December 3 or December 4 @ 9:30 am
Friends and families, join us for some festive tales and a simple craft that will set the mood for the holidays. Limit 25.

Holiday Story Time  Ages 3, 4 & 5
December 5 or December 4 @ 10:30 am
Jingle all the way to the library for some festive tales and a simple craft that will set the mood for the holidays. Limit 15.

Polish Holiday Story Time  Ages 3, 4 & 5
December 6 @ 1:30 pm
Presented in Polish, join us for festive tales and a simple craft that will set the mood for the holidays. Limit 15.

No registration for HOLIDAY Story Times or W & G above. Admittance tickets may be obtained 30 minutes before programs begin at the Youth Services desk. One ticket per person; must be present to receive ticket.

MONTHLY PROGRAMS

LEGO Club  Ages 5-12
Wednesdays @ 6:30-7:30 pm - Sept. 19, Oct. 17, Nov. 7, Dec. 19
We supply the bricks-you bring your imagination. Your creations will be on display for everyone to see! No registration. Limit 30.

Chess Club
Chess players: Ages 6 & up
Checkers players: Ages 5 & up
Wednesdays @ 6 pm - Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14, Dec. 12
Practice your chess or checkers skill! Come and join other kids for an hour of fun! Parents & caregivers are encouraged to join their children. Registration recommended.

BINGO!  All ages, under 6 w/ adult
Thursdays @ 5 pm - Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 8, Dec. 6
A fun hour of everyone’s favorite game and candy prizes! No registration. Limit 15.

Youth Horticulture Workshops  Ages 7-13
Mondays from 4:30 - 5:30 pm
U of I Extension Services of Will County Master Gardeners offer a series of 4 horticulture activities:

Sept. 17 - Scarecrows & Soil! - Join the fun creating a silly scarecrow and find out all about kitchen composting!
Oct. 8 - Spooky Time! - Create your own spooky gourd and frightening bird feeder!
Nov. 12 - Horn of Plenty - Make a Harvest Cornucopia to take home!
Dec. 10 - Centerpiece & Succulent Ornament - Create a holiday floral arrangement and a cool ornament with a live plant!

Registration & fee of $2 for each of the above sessions required. Limit 16, minimum 5. Payment is due one week in advance of the event or child registration will be removed. Deadline for cancellation with refund is one week prior to the event.

The Book Chicks  Suggested grades 3-6
Thursdays @ 7 pm - Oct. 11, Nov. 8 & Dec. 13
Girls in suggested grades 3-6 are invited to share the love of reading together in this inspiring club. Discuss a book and create a simple craft. Didn’t have time to finish reading the book? You are still welcome to join us. Registration required. Limit 12.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Woodsy Necklace Craft  All ages
September 10 - 23
Use beads and stickers to create a fun Fall craft. Then, personalize it with your name! One per child while supplies last.

Hello Fall Craft  All ages
September 24- October 7
Create a seasonal sign featuring fall-inspired colors and a little squirrel. Hang your sign on the front door to welcome guests! One per child while supplies last.

BOOK CLUB

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Fall: September 24 - November 15
No registration for WEEKLY PROGRAMS. Admittance tickets may be obtained 30 minutes before programs begin at the Youth Services desk. One ticket per person; must be present to receive ticket.

Story Time  Ages 3, 4 & 5
Mondays @ 10:30 am and Tuesdays @ 10:30 am & 1 pm
Thematic tales, rhymes, songs and movement are paired with a simple craft to help children develop essential early literacy skills and get ready to read. Limit 15.

Wiggles & Giggles  Up to 35 mos. with adult
Monday @ 9:30 am, Tuesday @ 9:30 am, Wednesday @ 9:30 & 10:30 am, and Thursdays 9:30 am
Did you know that learning to read begins at birth? Wiggles & Giggles is designed with simple stories, finger-plays, bouncing rhymes, music and movement activities to encourage reading readiness. Limit 25.

OSMOS  Ages 5 and under with adult
Tuesdays @ 11:30 - 12 pm
An introduction to OSMOS, an award winning tangible play approach to learning with technology. Linked with an iPad, puzzles, word games, math and drawing will keep the learning fast and fun! Limit 5.

Simply Stories  All ages, children under 3 with adult
Thursdays @ 10:30 am
Join the fun! Drop in to share stories, rhymes, and songs. We will sing, talk, read and play to nurture early literacy skills. Limit 30.

Stay and Play  Ages 5 and under with adult
Thursdays @ 11:30 - 12 pm
Play is important as it is one of the primary ways young children learn about the world. Play with friends and experience new adventures in this stimulating, interactive, learning environment. Limit 30.

Polish Story Time  Ages 3, 4 & 5
Thursdays @ 1:30 pm
Presented in Polish, thematic tales, rhymes and movement are paired with a simple craft to help children develop essential early literacy skills and get ready to read. Limit 15.

Family Story Time  All ages, children under 3 with adult
Saturdays @ 10:30 am (No program on 9/29) Parents and caregivers play a critical role as a child’s first teacher. Families are invited to share thematic tales, rhymes, and songs which establish a groundwork for literacy. A simple craft may be worked on together. Limit 25.

HOMER TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

Programs for KIDS
September - December 2018

FALL REGISTRATION BEGINS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 @ 8:30 A.M.
REGISTER FOR PROGRAMS ON THE LIBRARY WEBSITE
Step 1: Go to www.homerlib.org
Step 2: Click on the Classes and Events tab or Upcoming Events.
Step 3: Find the program you are looking for on the calendar and register.

Lego Club

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

New! Lego Club  All ages
Wednesdays, September 19 - October 24 @ 4:00 pm
Stop by the library to build & create with our new Lego Club! 

Crazy 8s Math Club for Grades 2-4  Grades K-2
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Tuesdays, September 18-November 13 @ 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Join the Crazy 8s Math Club where you’ll build stuff, run & jump, make music and make a mess...it’s a totally new kind of math club!
Registration required for this 8 week program (no meeting 10/30). Limit 12. Min: 6

Crazy 8s Math Club for Grades 3-5  Grades 3-5
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Wednesdays, September 19-November 14 @ 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Join the Crazy 8s Math Club where you’ll build stuff, run & jump, make music and make a mess...it’s a totally new kind of math club!
Registration required for this 8 week program (no meeting 10/31). Limit 12. Min: 6

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Hello Fall Craft
All ages
September 24- October 7
Create a seasonal sign featuring fall-inspired colors and a little squirrel. Hang your sign on the front door to welcome guests! One per child while supplies last.

Pokemon  All ages
Ages 6-13
September 26 & November 28 @ 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Calling all Pokemon enthusiasts! Bring your own cards to the library to battle, share ideas and trade. Registration required. Limit 20.
Art Workshops presented by Prairie Art Studio

**Ages 8-13**

**Mondays at 4:30-6 pm**

**Series taught by Michelle Stanley**

**Sept. 24 - Draw a Baby Panda in a tree using markers.** Pandas are the smallest newborn mammals, weighing only 3-5 ounces at birth.

**Oct. 23 - This art workshop is for children ages 8-13. Draw an ice skater bundled for winter weather using markers.**

**Registration and $2 fee required for each session. Limit 20.**

Payment is due one week in advance of the event or registration will be removed. Deadline for cancellation with refund is one week prior to the event.

**Escape Room Challenges**

**Ages 8-12**

**Tuesdays @ 7-8 pm**

If you like to solve puzzles and crack codes, come work as a team and break out! Tuesdays @ 7-8 pm.

**Oct. 23 - Monster Mash! You’ve gone to Igor’s Dance Dungeon to learn the Monster Mash.** Now you are locked up! Can you figure out how to get out of this eerie place?

**Nov. 27 - Caught in the Code!** You are stuck caught in an infinite loop having the same day over and over! Can you correct the code and de-loop the system to escape the loop? Registration & $2 fee required for each session. Limit 10.

Payment is due one week in advance of child’s registration will be removed. Deadline for cancellation, with refund, is one week prior to the event.

**Chicago Steel Hockey - Read with Rusty Challenge!**

**Ages 5-8**

**Oct. 5 - Nov. 16**

**Color a hockey puck every time you read 20 minutes.** Fill in all 30 pucks, then show completed sheets at the Youth Services desk by Nov. 16. Students can join us as we have some fun with a simple science activity. Snack and drink provided.

**Registration & $2 fee required for each session. Limit 12.**

Payment is due one week in advance of child’s registration will be removed. Deadline for cancellation, with refund, is one week prior to the event.

**Halloween Candy Corn Craft**

**All ages**

**October 8 - 21**

**Make a silly face on a candy corn magnet!** This Halloween craft will make a great addition to your holiday decorations! One per child while supplies last.

**Paper Crafting!**

**All ages**

**October 8 @ 2:30 pm**

Feeling creative? Stop by the KidZone and craft up some holiday fun! No registration. One of each craft per child while supplies last.

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**Discover the Minis!**

**All ages, children under 6 with adult**

**October 8 @ 12 pm**

Celebrate Columbus Day with Hawk and Rae, certified pet therapy horses! Meet outside (limit 50) weather permitting or inside (limit 30) and listen to a story, have a treat and greet the minis! Admission tickets may be obtained 30 minutes before program begins at the Youth Services desk. One ticket per person; must be present to receive ticket.

**Genius Hour @ the Library**

**Ages 8-12**

**Mondays @ 6:30-7:30 pm on Oct. 15, Nov. 19, & Dec. 17**

Unlock your inner genius with a roofmtil of geniuses! What are you passionate about? What do you want to do more than anything in the world? Follow your own interests and wonders as you research, explore, and share your projects.

The learning is self-driven and the first meeting will be a brainstorming session! Chrome books provided for the class. Registration for each session required. Limit 6.

**CrafterEve**

**Thursdays @ 6-7 pm**

**Oct. 18 - Create a burlap & fall floral wreath**

**Nov. 15 - Craft a Fall mason jar luminary**

**Dec. 20 - Make a festive pinecone Christmas tree to decorate for the holiday season**

Registration & $2 fee per session required. Limit 12. Payment is due one week in advance of child’s registration will be removed. Deadline for cancellation, with refund, is one week prior to the event.

**Sinister Spider Piñata**

**All ages**

**October 22 – November 4**

**Look out! There’s a creepy crawly spider at the library!** How many things do you think the spider has gobbled up? Enter your guess for a chance to win the piñata! One entry per child.

**Design to Discover**

**Ages 9-13**

**Monday @ 7 pm**

**Do you like to create art, build things, work with tools, or wonder how things work?**

**Oct. 22 - Frankensteins! It’s his 200th birthday! Create your own monster with wood, bolts & paint.**

**Nov. 26 - Make a Buzzwire Game with wood, circuits, batteries, bulbs, etc. Challenge yourself and your friends to see who has the steadiest hands!**

Registration & $2 fee required for each event. Limit 12. Payment is due one week in advance of event or child’s registration will be removed. Deadline for cancellation with refund is one week prior to the event.

**Color Your Own Trick or Treat Bag**

**Ages 7-12**

**Thursday, October 25 @ 6:30-7:30 pm**

Give your trick or treat bag a dash of personality! Color your own Halloween drawing into a bag. Trick or treating is always more fun with a bag you colored yourself. Bag and fabric markers provided.

Registration & $2 fee required. Limit 12. Payment is due one week in advance of event or child’s registration will be removed. Deadline for cancellation with refund is one week prior to the event.

**Pumpkin Patch Sticker Scenes**

**November 5 - 18**

Celebrate harvest time creating a fun Autumn scene with scarecrows, apple trees, pumpkins and more! One per child while supplies last.

**The Amazing Tim Adamz Magic Show**

**All ages, children under 6 with adult**

**Tuesday, November 13 @ 6:30 pm**

Tim Adamz combines comedy and magic in the great Love to Read Magic show. A family friendly show, every minute is packed with humor and surprise! No registration. Sponsored by J. March.

**Turkey Trouble**

**All ages**

**November 19 - December 2**

On no! The Thanksgiving turkey has escaped. Can you find the missing Turkey? When you find him bring him to the Youth Services desk for a reward!

**Read with Rover**

**For kids who have completed 1st grade**

**Wednesday, Nov. 21 & Thurs. Dec. 27 @ 10-11 am**

In the Read with Rover program, children read for 15 minutes to a dog and the dog loves to listen! A child that may be hesitant to read aloud to his family or friends is typically less stressed when reading to a dog. The dog never judges the child’s reading ability. Register your child for Reading with Rover today! Registration required for each session. Up to 5 siblings or friends may read during a 15 minute interval.

**Elf on the Shelf at the Library**

**December 1 - 23**

Our Elf, Noel, is coming back from the North Pole. He always has a lot of fun and finds a little mischief along the way! Visit daily to see what Noel is up to!

**Halloween Family Night!**

**All ages, children 6 and under with adult**

**Tuesday, October 30 @ 6 - 7:30 pm**

A spooky time awaits the entire family! Dress in your Halloween costume and bring your camera for photos. Refreshments, crafts, games, spin the prize wheel and more! Sponsored in part by Homer Township.
SPECIAL PROGRAMS

**Sock Monkey Craft**
- **All ages**
- **December 5 - 16**
- Craft this little monkey to add some fun to your holidays!

**Polish Christmas Traditions**
- **All ages, kids under 11 w/adult**
- **Wednesday, December 5 @ 6 - 8 pm**
- Presented in Polish and English, come learn Polish traditions, make decorations, try a Christmas delicacy and sing Polish carols.

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**Snowflake Science**
- **Ages 8-13**
- **Tuesday, December 11 @ 4:30 - 5:30 pm**
- Snowflakes are each unique and special, just like you! Learn why all snowflakes are different and create two snowflakes to take home! Make the first snowflake using a special chemical solution that creates "ice" crystals. Learn about chemical reactions and how evaporation can lead to a glistening creation. Use a 3D pen to design and create a second snowflake. Registration & $3 fee required. Limit 15, minimum 5. Payment is due one week in advance of the event or registration will be removed. Deadline for cancellation with refund is one week prior to the event.

**The Grinch * Holiday Movie & Craft**
- **All ages, children 5 and under with adult**
- **December 15 @ 11 am**
- Enjoy light refreshments and make a craft while watching the animated The Grinch Who Stole Christmas movie! Run time is 26 min.

**Gingerbread Pinata**
- **December 17 - 30**
- This sweet guy is stuffed full of fun! Guess the number of things inside the gingerbread man for a chance to take him home! One entry per person.

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**Seasonal Celebration**
- **All ages, children 6 and under with adult**
- **Sunday, December 9 @ 3:30 - 5:30 pm**
- Mark your holiday calendar for a wonderful, family event! Dress in your holiday finery to visit Santa at the library. Bring your camera for photos. Refreshments, crafts, games, spin the prize wheel, and more!

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