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starstruck

Please note that some of these events require registration, others are drop-in. Bring your BALibrary card for admission. Patrons from other library districts admitted as space is available. Seating is first come, first served.

Moon Over Barrington

Wednesday, March 16, 6 – 9 PM

All ages w/caregiver

The Lake County Astronomical Society brings sophisticated telescopes to help you view the Moon and other objects in the sky. Weather permitting. Drop in.

Ancient Stories from the Sky

Wednesday, March 16: 6, 7 & 8 PM

All ages w/caregiver

Visit the moon and stars in the Discovery Center's inflatable planetarium, and listen to stories about ancient Greek mythology. Meeting Room. Register.

Family Theater: Rumpelstiltskin

Wednesday, March 23, 1 PM

All ages w/caregiver

Bring the whole family as Improv Playhouse spins this classic tale into a heap of laughs! Meeting Room. Drop in.

Family Fort Building

Sunday, April 17, 2 – 4 PM

All ages w/caregiver

Make a fun fort together then watch the family-friendly movie *Tangled*. Program Room. Drop in.

KidFest at Citizens Park

Saturday, May 7, 11 AM – 3 PM

All ages w/caregiver

Enjoy a wide variety of fun, free outdoor activities with the library and other local organizations at Barrington Area KidFest. Outdoors at Citizens Park, right next to the library. Drop in.

Family Concert: Macaroni Soup!

Friday, May 20, 11 AM

Ages 2 – 6 w/caregiver

Join us for a family concert filled with music and movement activities for the whole family. Meeting Room. Drop in.



Celebrate All Things Star Wars with crafts, costumes, photo ops, and more during this fun family event. Jedi or Sith, bounty hunter or princess, padawan or world class smuggler — all are welcome, cosplay encouraged. [Register now!](#)

This 'out of this world' program is from 1:30 – 4:30 PM, but some events are time-specific:

Star Wars Sunday

Sunday, March 6
1:30 – 4:30 PM

1:30 – 4 PM: The first 50 Barrington Area Library card holders to attend will have a chance to sit down with caricature artist Cara Dunning and take home a souvenir portrait!

2:30 – 2:45 PM or 3:45 – 4:00 PM: Calling all cosplayers! Be part of our epic Star Wars photo op. Meet-up location to be announced on day of event.

3:00 – 4:45 PM: Join us in the Zimmerman Room to watch the animated adventure *Star Wars: The Clone Wars*.

Call for Submissions: How has Star Wars changed your life? Fond memories of your first viewing? Met favorite Star Wars actors? Share your memories with us through writing, photos, or video, and you might see them on the big screen at Star Wars Sunday! Submissions and questions can be sent to Asero@balibrary.org or kmills@balibrary.org.

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Story Time

Please bring your Barrington Area Library Card for admission. Patrons from other library districts are admitted as space is available. No registration required. Story Room.

mondays

Family Story Time

Ages 2 – 5 w/caregiver
March & April, 2:30 PM

tuesdays

Baby Time

up to 24 months w/caregiver
March & April, 10 AM
Share songs, stories and rhymes with your baby and connect with other new parents in this story time and play time.

Toddler Time

Ages 2 & 3 w/caregiver
March & April, 11 AM
Play and explore with stories, songs, art and more in this energetic class for toddlers. Dress for a mess!

wednesdays

Family Story Time

Ages 2 – 5 w/caregiver
March & April, 10 AM & 11 AM

thursdays

Baby and Toddler Playtime

Ages 0 – 3 w/caregiver
March & April, 10:30 – 11:30 AM
Children learn as they play. Explore hands-on activities and connect with other grown-ups in this fun class.



Around Town Story Times

Cookie Monsters

Thursdays, March 10, April 14, May 12, 11 AM
Ages 4 – 6 w/caregiver

Cookie making and story time at Whole Foods Market in Kildeer!
Registration opens one month before the event. Register by calling (847) 726 – 4613 or emailing ann.kagan@wholefoods.com
Whole Foods Market, 20281 N. Rand Road, Kildeer

Cookies and Milk Story Time

Mondays, March 21, April 18, May 16, 10:30 AM
Ages 2 – 5 w/caregiver

Stories, snacks, and smiles at Panera in The Arboretum! Register.
Panera Bread, 100 W Higgins Rd, South Barrington

Read & Play at Gymboree

Mondays, March 7, April 4, May 2, 9 AM
0 – 5 years w/caregiver

Stories and playtime at Gymboree Play & Music in The Arboretum.
Please note: shoes will be removed and adults must wear socks in the Gymboree facility. Register. *Gymboree Play & Music, Arboretum, 100 West Higgins, South Barrington*

Language Stars Story Time

Spanish - Saturday, March 5, 11 AM
Mandarin - Saturday, May 21, 11 AM
Ages 2 – 6 w/caregiver
Teachers from Language Stars, a Chicago-based provider of early foreign language education, provide an interactive story time in their native language. Program Room.

Pajama Story Time

Wednesday, May 11, 7 PM
Ages 2 – 6 w/caregiver
Wear your PJs, bring a stuffed friend, and listen to some bedtime stories and songs. Program Room. Drop in.





Just For Parents

Craft projects that are fun for parents and caregivers, and good for baby's development!

DIY Baby Food Workshop @ Whole Foods

Monday, May 9, 6:30 PM

Join us for this parents-only workshop at Whole Foods in Kildeer to learn the basics of making baby food for your little one. [Register.](#)
Whole Foods Market Kildeer, 20281 N. Rand Road, Kildeer.

Rhyme-Time Screen Printing

Monday, April 11, 7 PM

Fun to sing, easy to learn: nursery rhymes and repetition of words/sounds encourage and develop language skills in your baby or toddler. Let's create a one-of-a-kind wearable screen-printed item with a rhyming design. Supplies provided but you're welcome to bring an item of your own to print on as well. Conference Room. [Register.](#)

Soft Books

Monday, April 25, 7 PM

Fun to read, safe to chew, soft to touch. Come create a fun and flippable, virtually unrippable page turner for your early learner. Supplies provided. Conference Room. [Register.](#)

Family Book Club

Join our Family Book Club and discover the benefits and the joy of reading aloud with your child. Pick up a complimentary copy of the book, read it together, then join us for discussion and activities. Program Room. Register.

Nate the Great and the Big Sniff by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat & Mitchell Sharmat

Wednesday, March 30, 6:30 PM

Grades K – 1 w/caregiver

The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary

Monday, April 4, 7 PM

Grades 2 – 3 w/caregiver

Page Turners Book Club

Pick up and read a free copy of the book ahead of time. Then join us for a discussion and activity. Program Room. Register.

Lowji Discovers America by Candace Fleming

Tuesday, April 19, 7 PM

Grades 4 – 5

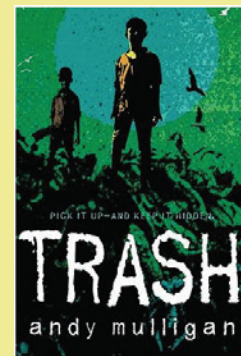
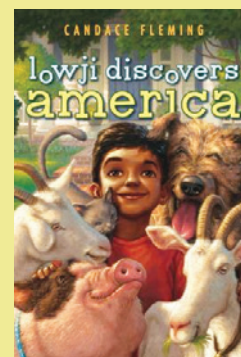
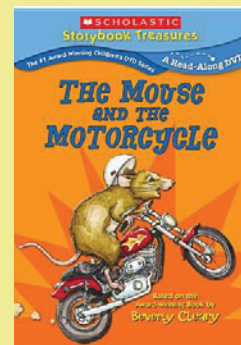
Lowji is disappointed to leave Bombay, India, until he realizes he may finally be able to keep a pet — or a few! — in his new American home.

Trash by Andy Mulligan

Wednesday, April 27, 7 PM

Grades 6 – 8

When three orphan boys discover a lost bag of valuables in the enormous trash dump they call home, they are pulled into a thrilling mystery and a dangerous chase across the city.



Drop In Art Play

All ages w/caregiver

Saturday, March 5, 2 – 3:30 PM

Friday, March 25, 10 – 11:30 AM

Wednesday, April 13, 2:30 – 4 PM

Monday, April 25, 10 – 11:30 AM

Tuesday, May 3, 10 – 11:30 AM

Wednesday, May 18, 10 – 11:30 AM

Little artists express themselves with a new process-oriented art project each week. Mess-makers welcome! Program Room. Drop in.



create – make – explore

Afterschool STEAM

Tuesdays, March 15 & 29,

April 12 & 26, 4 PM

Grades K – 3

Join us for fun, hands-on activities that incorporate science, technology, engineering, art, or math (STEAM).

Dress for a mess. Program Room.

Register.

DIY Art

Thursday, March 24

Grades 3 – 5, 1:30 PM

Grades 6 – 8, 3 PM

We have the materials, you bring the ideas — let's make art! Program Room. Register.

DIY Journals

Wednesday, May 4

Grades 3 – 5, 4 PM

Grades 6 – 8, 5 PM

Learn the basics of bookbinding, then create your own journal. Program Room. Register.

Creative Cartooning

Tuesday, May 17, 4 PM

Grades 3 – 7

Create your own cartoons with Chicagoland cartoonist, Mark Anderson. Learn how to draw expressive faces, sketch and ink bodies in motion, write jokes, and use symbols to express ideas. Program Room. Register.

Free Comic Book Day

Saturday, May 7

All ages

Drop by the main library atrium or South Branch and get your free comic. One per person as quantities and selection are limited.



ACT Practice Test

Saturday, March 12, 9:30 AM

Saturday, May 14, 9:30 AM

Grades 9 – 12

Representatives from Kaplan will administer a practice ACT test. Using their results, students will be able to target specific areas to study. Perfect for students who are planning on taking the April or June test. Register. Meeting Room Side A.

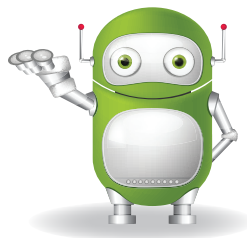
Finals Café

Dates TBA

Grades 9 – 12

Study for finals at the library. We'll open up the meeting room for extra group study space, while providing snacks to keep you energized and cuddle time with therapy dogs to take away stress. Meeting Room.

time for tech



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LEGO Club

Wednesdays, March 9, April 6,
May 11, 4 PM
Grades 1 – 5
Make LEGO robots, create stories,
and build amazing creations. Pro-
gram Room. Drop in. Space is limited
and available on a first come, first
served basis.

Tech Open Lab

Friday, March 18, 10 – 11:30 AM
Friday, April 29, 4 – 5:30 PM
Monday, May 23, 4 – 5:30 PM
All ages w/caregiver
Families play and create with LEGO
robots, stop motion animation, iPads,
and more. Program Room. Drop in.

Battlebots

Tuesday, March 22,
2 – 3:30 PM
Grades 4 – 8
Team up to create LEGO Mindstorms
robots that will battle against each
other. Program Room. [Register](#).

Minecraft Party

Friday, March 25, 2 – 3:30 PM
All ages w/caregiver
We know you love Minecraft — so
do we! Let's create Minecraft-inspired
crafts, and play Minecraft on our
computers. Program Room. Drop In.

Learn to Code

Monday, April 4
[Grades 2 – 4, 4 PM](#)
[Grades 5 – 8, 5:15 PM](#)
It's National Robotics Week! Cel-
ebrate by learning the basics of
coding. Create an animation or a
game using Scratch or Hopscotch.
Program Room. Register.

WeDo Together

Saturday, April 16,
[10:30 AM & 2 PM](#)
PreK - 2nd grade, w/caregiver
Kids team up with their adults to build
and code a working LEGO robot!
Program Room. Register.



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Library Closings
Sunday, March 27, Easter
Monday, May 30, Memorial Day

personal history



Mrs. Lincoln & Mrs. Kennedy: A Living History Portrayal

Thursday, March 31, 7 PM

Historical interpreters Laura Keyes and Leslie Goddard bring Mrs. Lincoln and Mrs. Kennedy to life in an imagined meeting at the Smithsonian Museum's First Ladies exhibition. They reminisce about living in the White House, negotiating the role of First Lady, and the challenges they endured after their husbands' deaths. Meeting Room. [Register.](#)



Richard III: The Historical King and Shakespeare's Villain

Thursday, April 14, 7 PM

Remember The Bard on the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death. The recent discovery of the remains of the historical King Richard III has sparked a re-evaluation of his true character. Historian John Nygro compares factual information about Richard's physical body and contemporary accounts of his personality with Shakespeare's portrayal of him as a malformed, evil manipulator. Meeting Room. [Register.](#)



Genealogy Overseas

Wednesday, April 20, 7 PM

Crossing the pond is easier than you think. Local genealogist Jacquie Schattner presents the history of immigrant travel into the US and explains how to find genealogical records in most European countries. She will share a list of books and over 70 American and European websites for genealogical research. Meeting Room. [Register.](#)



Elements of Landscape Design

Wednesday, May 4, 7 PM

Planned outdoor spaces add value and more livable space to your home. Dan Doering of Barrington's Doering Landscape Company will get you thinking about design in the space you have. Learn how to establish a best plan of action, and to maintain your property during the changing seasons. Meeting Room. [Register.](#)

Digital Gardening

Tuesday, May 10, 2 PM

It's finally spring! Get ready for gardening with handy tools to plan and manage your garden. Learn about a variety of apps to plan your landscaping and identify plants, as well as websites to inspire and inform. Demonstration. Conference Room. [Register.](#)

Mix & Match: Using Annuals and Perennials Together

Tuesday, May 10, 7 PM

Think of yourself as only a perennial or annual gardener? Combining the two can give your garden continuous color from the very early part of spring until the latter part of fall. Keep your garden lively by learning how to put these two types of plants together. Meeting Room. [Register.](#)

Live from Barrington, It's Second Fridays!



Register soon, seating for these popular performances is first come, first served. Light refreshments.

Traditional Irish Players

Presented by the Irish Music School of Chicago

Friday, March 11, 8 PM

Experience authentic Irish traditional music as it was first created: preserved and passed down from generation to generation through oral tradition and spirited jam sessions. Get the craic on for Saint Patrick's Day!



Third Sunday String Band

Friday, April 8, 8 PM

Formed from a serendipitous meeting of musicians at the famed Old Town School of Folk Music, Third Sunday String Band brings down the house with fiddles, banjos, mandolins, flutes, percussion, guitar, bass, and vocals and rousing, old-time folk songs.



Jeanette Andrews Magic

Friday, May 13, 8 PM

Nationally hailed as "an inspiration," Andrews presents a new take on the art of the impossible. Magic provokes the audience into contemplating their perceptions. Philosophy, psychology, and art combine to create a unique, elegant, and entertaining experience for the audience.

local author fair

Author Fair

Saturday, April 16, 2 PM

Whether you are an avid reader or an aspiring writer, you'll enjoy this opportunity to interact with some of the Barrington area's best and brightest authors. Chat with writers representing many genres and styles: many will have their works on hand for purchase and signing. Refreshments. Meeting Room.

Call for Authors!

Once again we invite local authors in the Barrington community to showcase their work, discuss and sell their books, and network with one another while learning more about the business of writing and publishing. If you're a published author living in the Barrington area, please join us – last year's Author Fair was a tremendous success! **Submit the online form at balibrary.org/author-fair by Monday, March 21, 2016.**





Librarians Liz and Sam discuss popular titles in a social book club for adults. Meets upstairs at The Annex, 205 Park, right next to McGonigal's in downtown Barrington. We'll provide some appetizers or desserts — other food and beverages available for purchase.

Monday, March 14, 7 PM

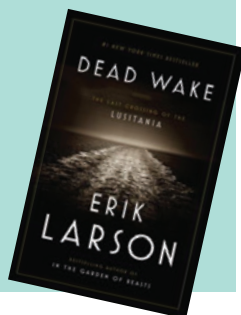
***Missoula: Rape and the Justice System in a College Town* by Jon Krakauer**

Monday, April 11, 7 PM

***Whiskey & Charlie* by Annabel Smith**

Monday, May 9, 7 PM

***Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania* by Erik Larson**



Flustered by Facebook?

Trying to build your LinkedIn profile? Librarian Liz Kirchhoff can help with your social media questions. Email lkirchhoff@balibrary.org or call the library for a free appointment.

Book Discussions with Lanny Ori

*open your eyes.
enrich your mind.
expand your horizons.*

Enjoy engaging conversations with professional book discussion leader Lanny Ori and other discerning readers. Reserved books are available on the 2nd floor on a first come, first served basis. Adults, young adults. Register. Meeting Room.

***A Change of Climate* by Hilary Mantel**

Tuesday, March 15, 7:30 PM OR

Thursday, March 17, 2 PM

A young missionary couple in Africa encounters inexplicable evil. Returning home, it is never spoken of again, but a marital affair ignites long-held rage and grief, secrets are revealed, and a family's love and faith are tested.

***The Wife of Martin Guerre* by Janet Lewis**

Tuesday, April 19, 7:30 PM OR

Thursday, April 21, 2 PM

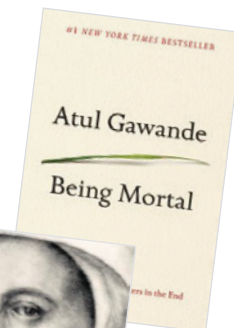
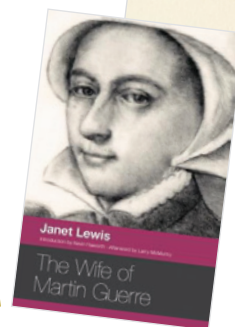
Based on a notorious trial in sixteenth-century France, this moving, short classic about a young woman twisting helplessly in a dilemma posed by love and duty is filled with contemporary questions ideal for discussion.

***Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End* by Atul Gawande**

Tuesday, May 17, 7:30 PM OR

Thursday, May 19, 2 PM

This important and thought-provoking book explores aging, and how to make the last years of life meaningful. As a practicing surgeon, Gawande relates the medical profession's limitations in handling aging and death.



business: it's better in barrington



Going Into Business: Evaluate Yourself and Take the First Steps

Thursday, March 10, 7 PM

Assess your prospects and find the initial direction and inspiration needed to move forward in realizing your dream. Mark Lieberman. Co-sponsored by SCORE. [Register](#). Zimmerman Room.

QuickBooks Online

Thursday, March 31, 7 PM

Sam Kordys of OnPoint Accounting sets out the advantages and disadvantages of Quickbooks Online. Discover the differences between online and desktop versions and which might be right for you. [Register](#). Zimmerman Room.

The Ins and Outs of Video Resumes

Wednesday, April 20, 6 PM

Video resumes are a growing trend in the workplace, but do you need one? Learn more about preparing for and recording your own video resume, and gain insight into the benefits and drawbacks. [Register](#). Zimmerman Room.

Email Marketing Practical Training and Tutorial for Beginners and Intermediate

Wednesday, April 27, 7 PM

Resources needed to create your first email campaign and tips on making a great newsletter. Learn key aspects of a professional email marketing campaign – leave armed with the tools needed to create your own. Co-sponsored by SCORE. [Register](#). Zimmerman Room.

Funding Alternatives and How they Affect your Small Business

Wednesday, May 18, 7 PM

Arnie Goldberg leads a workshop on:

- options and tax consequence for raising money for working capital, equipment, and growth opportunities;
- types of debt financing and sources;
- the lease versus loan alternative;
- equity as an alternative to debt;
- finding an investment partner, equity funds, angel investors and cloud funding.

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Resources for Job Seekers

Thursday, May 26, 6 PM

Explore and ask questions about the library's online career resources to help further or change your career. Laptop availability is limited, so feel free to bring your own. [Register](#). Zimmerman Room.

About Library Programs

Register for programs at balibrary.org, by phone at 847.382.1300, or in person.

Programs require registration unless otherwise indicated. ADA accommodations are available with at least 48 hours notice.

The library reserves the right to take photographs and video of program participants. Photos and videos are for library use and may be used in publicity materials. Patrons who do not wish to be part of photographs or videos should notify staff.



non-profit know-how

Grant Seeking for Non-Profits

Tuesday, March 15, 2 PM
Community Engagement Librarian
Ashley Johnson provides a hands-on
introduction to the Library's newest
resource — Foundation Directory
Online. Learn about other helpful
resources for nonprofits available at
BAL. [Register](#). Conference Room.



Volunteer Management with HandsOn Suburban Chicago

Wednesday, April 6, 7 PM
Everyone knows non-profits run on
volunteer power. HandsOn Suburban
Chicago's Director of Community En-
gagement Sarah Van Huis gives you
tips, shares resources, and encour-
ages the work you do with volun-
teers. [Register](#). Conference Room.

Attaining 501c3 Tax Filing Status with Kelleher & Buckley LLC.

Thursday, April 28, 7 PM
You've got the passion. Now you
need the tax filing status. Learn about
attaining 501c3 status for your non-
profit with lawyers from Barrington's
Kelleher & Buckley group. [Register](#).
Conference Room.

Prospecting Grant Research with Forefront

Thursday, May 19, 7 PM
Robin Dillow from Forefront, Chi-
cago's premier philanthropic resource
and library (formerly Donors Forum),
leads an introduction to the Forefront
Library, prospect research concepts,
and resources that support finding
grants. [Register](#). Conference Room.



Check out a VHS to DVD Transfer Kit Today

You can now transfer VHS tapes to digital format in the
convenience of your own home! The library owns 4 kits.
Questions? Email Gwyneth Stupar gstupar@balibrary.org

Cutting the Cable Cord

Thursday, May 5, 7 PM
Thinking about getting rid of cable? Learn
about options for streaming to your TV.
Discover devices (like Roku and Apple TV)
and services (such as Netflix and Hulu) that
are available. [Register](#). Meeting Room.



Make

You must be a BAL cardholder to participate in the following Maker programs

Button Maker Workshop

Thursday, March 3, 7 – 8:30 PM
Design a button with your company or non-profit's logo on our Studio software, then assemble the buttons with the library's button maker. Each participant will leave with 20 buttons. [Register](#). Conference Room.

Laser-Cut Luggage Tags

Tuesday, March 8, 7 – 8:30 PM
Design and cut a luggage tag on wood or colorful acrylic. [Register](#). MakerLab.

Wall Art

Tuesday, April 5, 7 – 8:30 PM
Quotes? Animals? Shapes? The possibilities are endless. Learn how to cut an original design and affix it to a canvas. [Register](#). Conference Room.

Tick-Tock: Make a Clock!

Thursdays, April 7 & April 21, 7 – 8:30 PM
In this 2-part course, learn to design and assemble a functioning clock using the library's laser cutter. Participants must register for both sessions. [Register](#). Conference Room.



Practical 3-D Modeling: DIY Edition

Monday, May 3, 7 – 8:30 PM
Broken or missing knobs, fixtures, and parts plague every home. Learn how to reconstruct basic objects using 3-D modeling techniques. [Register](#). Conference Room.

Graduation Gift Card Holders

Thursday, May 12, 7 – 8:30 PM
Learn how to make a custom gift card holder for graduation or any occasion. [Register](#). Conference Room.

Fun Felt Coasters

Tuesday, May 17, 7 – 8:30 PM
Learn how to use our Silhouette Cameo cutter to make festive coasters out of felt for all of your summer parties! [Register](#). Conference Room.

Make It Sundays

Meet the 3-D Printer

Sunday, March 13, 1 – 4:30 PM
See our 3-D printers at work in our Atrium! We'll explain how prints are made and what software must be used. Drop in. Atrium.

Laser-Cut Garden Stakes

Sunday, April 17, 1 – 4:30 PM
See our laser cutter at work in our Atrium! We'll explain how items are cut and what design software must be used. Drop in. Atrium.

Paper Flowers

Sunday, May 15, 1 – 4:30 PM
Assemble a paper flower that has been cut using the Silhouette Cameo. Drop in. Atrium.



Community Makers: Sugar Hand Scrub

Tuesday, March 29, 7 – 8:30 PM
Judy Zabielski from Acacia Organics provides a hands-on workshop on sugar hand scrubs. Afterward, Librarian Gwyneth will demonstrate how to etch on a glass jar using stencils made with the Silhouette Cameo cutter. Each participant will receive a glass jar and scrub. [Register](#). Meeting Room Side A.



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Closing Dates

Sunday, March 27, Easter

Monday, May 30, Memorial Day

#Trending



Love chatting about pop culture? Then you'll love #Trending, a new, fun, free-wheeling discussion group meeting at Starbucks (125 S. Hough St) in downtown Barrington. Bring your phone or tablet to share pix and videos! Refreshments provided. Register.

After the Awards

Thursday, March 10, 7 PM

Congrats, you survived award show season! Share your thoughts on best and worst dressed and what surprised you at the Grammys, Golden Globes, and Academy Awards.

Life after Letterman

Thursday, May 26, 7 PM

Letterman's been off the air for a year. Who is your new favorite late-night TV host? We'll also dish about the most memorable interviews of the year.