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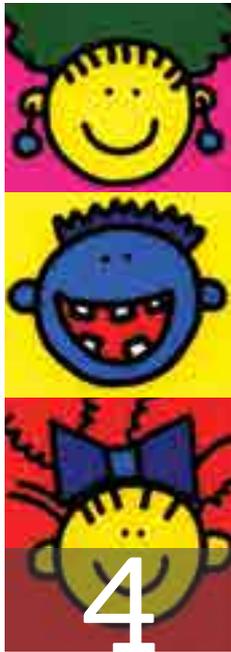
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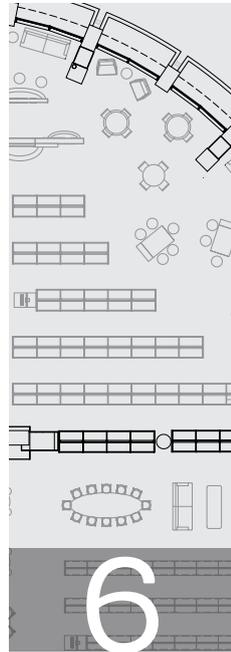
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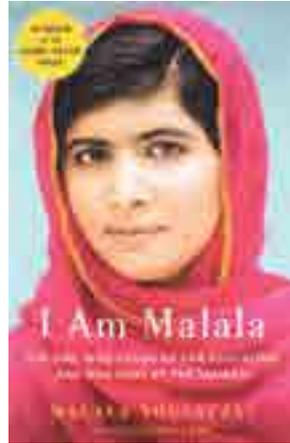
The following programs are reserved for Elmhurst Public Library cardholders:

- VIP
- Family
- Middle School
- Storytime
- High School
- Elementary School

Cardholders from other libraries may register in person or by phone for adult programs (excluding VIP) one week prior to the event if space is available.

An EPL card is not required to attend adult programs marked "No registration required."

Any additional requirements for registration are noted in individual program descriptions.



One Book, One Community

is an opportunity for the entire Elmhurst community to read and engage with the same book title during the summer. Three titles were singled out for their quality, readability and potential to inspire thought-provoking discussion while introducing readers to experiences beyond their own. You voted, and your top pick is [I Am Malala](#) by Malala Yousafzai.

Look for book and program information in the next issue of *Fine Print*.

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riends

of the Elmhurst Public Library

Our vision is to continue to build our membership in order to support the Library as it continues to be one of the nation's best.

- Kathy Profita, president of the Friends of the Elmhurst Public Library

WHO ARE THE FRIENDS?

Since 1941, the Friends of the Elmhurst Public Library have enhanced the Library's resources and supported Library programs through funds from their dues and various fundraising ventures. Working separately but alongside the Library, the Friends further the mission of the Library by securing materials beyond the scope of the ordinary budget to add further enrichment and opportunities to the citizens of Elmhurst.

AN INTEGRAL PART OF EPL'S SUCCESS

The Friends is a dedicated group who volunteers their time to enhance the Library so that it's a welcoming and exciting place for community members and visitors of all ages.

Here are some of the ways the Friends add value to the Library and your experience:

- eReaders for kids, teens, and adults,
- benches at Library entrances,
- sponsorship for the extremely popular Summer Reading Program, including prizes, such as York Theatre tickets and books.

BE A FRIEND OF THE LIBRARY

Anyone can become a member of the Friends of Elmhurst Public Library by filling out an online application and paying annual dues. Dues range from \$30 (Individual) to \$200 (Benefactor) per year. These dues go directly to benefit the Library.

The Friends of the Elmhurst Public Library is a 501(c)(3) organization and gratefully accepts funds through employer matched contributions and bequests.

elmlib.org/friends

UPGRADING YOUR LIBRARY EXPERIENCE

NEW!

Holds Location

Our new self-service Holds Room is open and ready! Patrons putting books on hold now have the option of two pick-up locations: Lobby and Drive-Up. Choosing Lobby means you'll pick up your materials in the Holds Room next to the Checkout Desk. Items are shelved "spine in," alphabetically by last name.

Note: these items are not checked out. You need to take your holds to the Self-Checkout kiosk or Checkout Desk to check them out onto your Library card.



NEW!

Book Sale Area

We've done some rearranging! The Book Sale area is relocated closer to the meeting rooms. These books are now easier to access and you're sure to find a great read.

NEW!

Text Message Alerts

Stay up-to-date on your account with the Library's new text messaging service.

- Get alerts about holds, items due soon, and overdue items with detailed information.
- Renew eligible items via text message.
- In addition, you will continue to receive your standard email or telephone notice.

Sign up today:
Text SIGNUP to 630-478-8575
or visit elmlib.org/textalerts

The Life Cycle of a Book

Learn some of the answers to the frequently asked questions on managing the Library's collection!

- CHAPTER 1 - Arrival

The book is reviewed in *Library Journal*, *Booklist*, *Publishers Weekly* or other publication. A Librarian reads the review and submits the order through a library book vendor. Using these vendors, who specialize in providing library materials, helps the Library get in-demand titles out faster.

Once the order is placed, Technical Services adds the title to the Library catalog so everyone can see that the title is on order. At this point, patrons can place Holds.

When the book arrives, it is unpacked and checked against the order in Technical Services. They send the invoice to Administration for payment and enter the price in the acquisition system.

The book is cataloged and fully processed in Technical Services and goes to Circulation to be put on the shelf.

- CHAPTER 2 - Checkout

Patrons who want to check the book out take it to the Checkout Desk or Self-Checkout kiosk.

Librarians monitor the book on the New Book shelves and remove the book when it has been there several months – or the shelves become too crowded. The Checkout Desk staff remove the "new" sticker and change the location of the book in the computer so that it can be found on the regular shelves.

The book is checked out and re-shelved many times. Library staff sometimes help people find the book, pull it from the shelf, and send it to the Checkout Desk or Drive Up to be held. The status is changed to "Hold" until it is checked out so that other patrons can see in the catalog that it's not available on the shelves.

- CHAPTER 3 - Wear and Tear

When the book starts to show its age, Circulation updates the status from "On Shelf" to "Repair" so people know where it is. The book is sent to the Librarian selector and they decide whether to retire, replace, or send the book to get fixed.

Librarians regularly review the collections and look for books that are outdated or not checked out any more.

- CHAPTER 4 - Departure

If the book is damaged or out of date, it is recycled.

If the book is still in good shape, Technical Services removes the book from the catalog and stamps the book "Withdrawn." It is then made available in the Book Sale area.

Registration Key

In Person: Stop by any Help Desk

By Phone: Call (630) 279-8696

Online: elmlib.org/registration

Spring Drop-in Storytime Schedule

For these drop-in storytimes, bring your valid EPL card the morning of the program to get tickets. Quantities are limited. More information on each storytime at elmlib.org/storytime.

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays	Saturdays
MARCH 1 – MAY 31 *Library closed April 1 and May 28					
Chicka Chicka Baby Newborn-11 months 9:30-9:50 a.m.	Rise & Shine Families (best for 1-5) 9:15-9:45 a.m.		Road to Reading Ages 3-5 9:15-9:45 a.m.	Rise & Shine Families (best for 1-5) 9:15-9:45 a.m.	Rhyme Time Ages 1-2 w/ adult 9:15-9:45 a.m.
					Chicka Chicka Baby Newborn-11 months 9:30-9:50 a.m.
					Rhyme Time Ages 1-2 w/ adult 9:50-10:20 a.m.
	Rise & Shine Families (best for 1-5) 10:15-10:45 a.m.			Rise & Shine Families (best for 1-5) 10:15-10:45 a.m.	Family Storytime All ages (best for 3-7) 10:45-11:15 a.m.

Special Needs Storytime

Wednesday, April 18 • 2-2:30 p.m.

Kossmann Room • For Families

(best for preschool ages+, siblings welcome)

Join us for a storytime especially designed for children with special needs or children who do best in a small group setting. Enjoy stories, songs, and interactive activities.

Registration recommended but not required.

See page 18 for additional inclusive programs for diverse learners.

Literacy Alive!

Early Literacy Fair

Saturday, April 21 • 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Large Meeting Room • For Families

Members of Elmhurst College's Kappa Delta Pi educational honor society lead interactive literacy and pre-literacy activities for families. Fun for preschoolers of all ages! **Tickets available the morning of the program.**

Meet Mother Goose

Tuesday, May 1

9:15-9:45 a.m. or 10:15-10:45 a.m.

Large Meeting Room

For Families (best for 1-5)

Meet Mother Goose and her nursery rhyme friends. Mother Goose brings stories, rhymes, and songs that are just right for toddlers and preschoolers. **Tickets available the morning of the program.**

StoryWalk Celebration at the Playground for Everyone

Sunday, May 20 • 1-4 p.m. • Storytimes: 1:30-2 p.m. and 2:30-3 p.m.

Offsite location: Butterfield Park, 385 E. Van Buren St. • All Ages

Celebrate the Library's first StoryWalk at Butterfield Park! Read *It's Ok To Be Different* by Todd Parr as you walk along Elmhurst's popular "Playground for Everyone." Bring a picnic blanket for a storytimes at the playground and add your artistic touch to a community weaving project. It's sure to be an afternoon of fun that celebrates inclusion and friendship.

"Todd Parr's book celebrates the things that make us unique, like looks, families, and abilities. 'The Playground for Everyone' was designed with joyful inclusion in mind, so we thought it was a perfect fit," says Sarah Burnside, Early Childhood Librarian.

"The Playground for Everyone" at Butterfield Park is inclusive and fun for kids and adults of all abilities. The park is a place where everyone can play with their friends without barriers.

WHAT IS A STORYWALK?

StoryWalk was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT as a way to engage children and their caregivers with stories while they explore the outdoors. Pages of a story are set up along a path so you can read as you walk! Since the first StoryWalk in 2007, the idea has spread to all 50 states and at least 12 foreign countries.





“Drive-In” Family Movie

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. • Large Meeting Room
For Families

Enjoy a family-friendly movie on the first Thursday of each month. Bring a snack or lunch and sit in one of our drive-in “cars.” All films rated G. **Tickets available the morning of the program.**

- *Ratatouille* • Thursday, March 7
- *Ponyo* • Thursday, April 5
- *Peter Pan* • Thursday, May 3

STEM Party: Science of Flight

Thursday, March 29 • 2-3 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • For Families

Learn about the science of flight and do fun hands-on science activities. EPL and Elmhurst History Museum partner for this event connected to the museum’s *Snoopy vs. the Red Baron* exhibit, on display through June 17. **Tickets available the morning of the program.**

Open LEGO Building

Saturdays, March 31, April 14, and May 19
2-3:30 p.m. • Kids’ Library • For Families

Drop in throughout this program to build something awesome with our many LEGOs. **No registration required.**

The Music Factory

Mondays, April 2-May 14 • 1:30-2:15 p.m.
Kossmann Room • Ages 3-5 w/adult

This lively interactive program introduces basic music concepts to kids. Sing, march, clap, rattle, and bang along! **Register starting March 17.**

Literacy Alive! Early Literacy Fair

Saturday, April 21 • 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • For Families

See page 4 for more information. **Tickets available the morning of the program.**

Homeschool

Homeschool Hangout

Thursdays, March 15, April 19, and May 17
1-3 p.m. • Large Meeting Room • All Ages
Attention homeschool families! Join us for hands-on activities and the chance to meet other home-schoolers each month. **No registration required.**

Homeschool Art Open House

Saturday, March 24 • 12-4 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • For Families
Local homeschool students are invited to display their art. Drop off art pieces at the Kids’ Help Desk from March 8 until March 22. Open house with refreshments on Saturday, March 24. This is open to all homeschool students in Elmhurst and surrounding towns. **No registration required.**

Sensory Friendly Film: Sing

Friday, April 6 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • All Ages

The Library is offering a unique movie experience for those with sensory issues. During the film showing, the lights will be on and the sound turned down so you can get up, dance, walk, shout, or sing! **Registration required.** See page 18 for additional inclusive programs for diverse learners.

Teotlecuilli Aztec Dance Troupe

Saturday, April 28 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Large Meeting Room • For Families

This active dance performance features the beauty of traditional music, costumes, and instruments of the Aztec culture. Teotlecuilli works to rescue the roots of this indigenous community through interactive performance. Learn basic dance steps and join in the fun. Don’t miss it! **Tickets available the morning of the program.**

Puppet Show! Puppets on the Wilder Side

Friday, May 11 • 7-7:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • For Families

EPL’s talented teen puppeteers present a fantastic puppet show and a hand-clapping sing-along. **Tickets available the morning of the program.**

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Pizza Palace
Pump It Up
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Thirty Million Words Workshop

Saturday, March 10 • 2-4 p.m.

Meeting Room B • Parents

The book *Thirty Million Words: Building a Child's Brain* by Dana Suskind, MD encourages parents to use the power of their words to build their children's brains and shape their futures. Research proves a child's early language exposure is key to giving children the best start in life. The workshop provides strategies of incorporating more words and enriching a child's early language into day-to-day life and much more. Presented with Project HELP. **Registration required.**

Parenting Book Discussion: The Teenage Brain

Wednesday, March 21 • 7-8 p.m.

Kossmann Room • Parents

The teenage years can be difficult for parents as well as teens. Join us for a discussion of the book *The Teenage Brain: A Neuroscientist's Survival Guide to Raising Adolescents and Young Adults* by Frances Jensen. Pick up a copy of the book from the Kids' Help Desk when you register for the discussion. This program is for parents, only. No accompanying children can be accommodated. **Register starting March 3.**

Parent/Child Makery Class

6:15-7:30 p.m. • The Makery

Grades K-2 w/ adult

Enjoy a fun evening together, learning how to create something together. NOTE: These one-on-one adult/child classes cannot accommodate additional children.

■ Child Name Plate

Monday, March 26

Make a name plate for your child's room using the Cricut machine. Bring a photo of your child to add to the sign if you wish.

Register starting March 10.

■ Family Buttons

Monday, April 23

Bring photos from home or use pictures from our old magazines to create buttons for your whole family on our button makers. **Register starting April 7.**

Minecraft for Parents

Tuesday, April 17 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab • Adults

Learn the world of Minecraft! Parents learn some of the ins and outs of Minecraft, and get a chance to play! This class is for adults; children cannot be accommodated. **Registration required.**

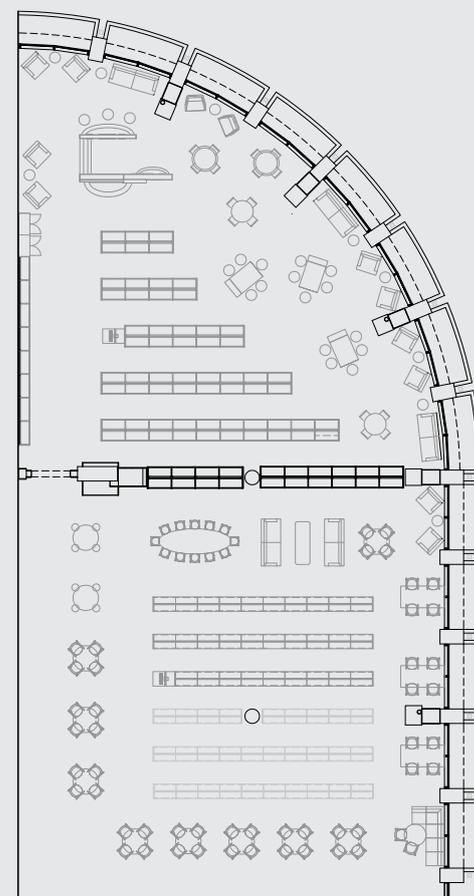
Kids' Library Renovation Update

Learning Garden: Read • Play • Learn

The Kids' renovation is well on its way, and young readers are growing in the new Learning Garden! This "play-and-learn" center promotes the best ways to develop the building blocks of literacy: Talk, sing, read, write, and play with your child!

Kids and caregivers alike love the face-out picture books nestled in a creative play literacy center. Books sorted by topic (e.g. Royalty, Dinosaurs, Family) encourage kids to discover new interests and build upon old favorites.

Children learn to solve problems and develop new interests during free play and exploration. Carefully designed to foster imagination and parent/child interaction, the Learning Garden allows kids to snuggle up with a new story, then act it out at the puppet stage. Building at the activity tables encourages conversation and turn-taking as well. Toys such as the train table require no batteries so kids can make their own sounds. Visit the Learning Garden in the Kids' Library and build pre-reading skills together with your child!



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Renovation Scavenger Hunt

Every Day • All Day • Kids' Library

We love scavenger hunts! As things move from place to place during the Kids' Library renovation, join us on weekly hunts for book characters, materials, maybe even service desks! We'll be staying open, and we'll still have plenty of fun to offer, even if things are a bit crazy. Look for the latest scavenger hunt sheet at the Kids' Help Desk each time you visit. Find the items on the sheet and earn a small weekly prize. **No registration required.**

Yoga Fridays

Fridays, March 2-23 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Kossmann Room • Grades 3-8

Wind down at the end of each week during this four-week series. Learn simple moves and practices that you can use beyond the class to keep your body and mind serene. **Register starting Feb. 17.**

Way Cool Adventures

4-5 p.m. • Large Meeting Room • Grades K-1

Be a part of a cool club where you learn new things, play games, find out about books, and more.

■ **Giants and Gnomes • Thursday, March 8**
Register starting Feb. 17.

■ **Outer Space • Thursday, April 12**
Register starting March 24.

Read to the Dogs

2-3:30 p.m. • Grades K-8

Bring a book or choose one of ours, and read aloud to one of our visiting therapy dogs. Register for a one-on-one 15-minute session with you and a pooch.

■ **Saturday, March 10 • Meeting Room A**
Register starting Feb 24 in person or by phone.

■ **Saturday, May 12 • Kossmann Room**
Register starting April 28 in person or by phone.

Chopped, Jr.

4-5 p.m. • Meeting Room A • Grades 3-5

Calling all junior chefs! Learn basic cooking skills and create an edible masterpiece to eat or take home.

■ **Tuesday, March 13**
Register starting Feb. 24.

■ **Tuesday, April 3**
Register starting March 17.

Junior LEGO Club

4-4:45 p.m. • Meeting Room A • Grades K-2

Bring your friends and build something cool! Use our LEGOs to create your masterpiece.

■ **Tuesday, March 20**
Register starting March 3.

■ **Monday, April 16 OR Friday, April 20**
Register for one session starting March 24.

■ **Monday, May 21 OR Friday, May 25**
Register for one session starting May 5.

Drop-in Game Day

Wednesdays, March 21, April 18, and May 16
10 a.m.-5 p.m. • Kids' Library • All Ages

Play classic board game favorites and try out some new games. **No registration required.**

LEGOs Extreme

Friday, March 23 • 4-4:45 p.m.

Kossmann Room • Grades 3-8

Are you a LEGO fanatic? Accept the challenge to create an extreme masterpiece. **Register starting March 10.**

Spring Break Movie:

The Incredibles

Wednesday, March 28 • 1-3 p.m.

Kossmann Room • All Ages (Under 7 w/adult)

Spring break fun with everyone's favorite family of superheroes! Rated PG. **Tickets available the day of the program.**

What Do You Know About Elmhurst?

Wednesday, April 18 • 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Kossmann Room • Grades 3-8

Meet Alex Ford, a York High School student who is writing an interactive book about Elmhurst. Alex talks about the process of crafting his book and also tells some of the interesting things he's learned about Elmhurst history along the way. Play an interactive "Mysterious Elmhurst" game, too! **Registration recommended, but not required.**

Random Acts of Googly Eyes

May 1-31 • All Day • Kids' Library • All Ages

Join in our month of merriment when you pick up a bag of environmentally-friendly googly eyes at the Kids' Help Desk. You can add the adhesive-backed eyes to almost anything, making a cheery lamppost, computer, banana, whatever! Spread some fun this month by engaging in Random Acts of Googly Eyes! **No registration required.**

NOTE

A valid Elmhurst Public Library card is required to attend Kids' Library programs, including family events and storytimes.

Registration Key

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By Phone: Call (630) 279-8696

Online: elmlib.org/registration

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Kids' STEAM Classes

• science • technology • engineering • arts • math •



Drop-in Art Day

Tuesdays, March 13, April 24, and May 22

10 a.m.-5 p.m. • Kids' Library • All Ages

Stop by the Kids' Library throughout the day to create an art project. **No registration required.**

Drop-in Science Fun

Thursdays, March 15, April 19, and May 10

10 a.m.-5 p.m. • Kids' Library • All Ages

Stop by the Kids' Library throughout the day to learn cool science facts and do simple hands-on science. **No registration required.**



Learn to Use a 3D Printer

4:30-5:30 p.m. • Lab (2nd Floor) • Grades 3-5

■ Thursday, March 22 • Register starting March 3.

■ Thursday, April 26 • Register starting April 7.

■ Thursday, May 24 • Register starting May 5.

Code with Scratch Jr

4-4:45 p.m. or 5-5:45 p.m. • Kossmann Room • Grades K-2

Learn the basics of computer coding by designing a game and story using the Scratch Jr app on the Library's iPads.

■ Tuesday, March 27 • Register starting March 10.

■ Tuesday, May 29 • Register starting May 12.



Kids' Makery Craft Lab

Monday, April 9 • 4-5 p.m. • The Makery • Grades 3-5

Learn how to use makerspace equipment for your own future projects. (Kids younger than middle school must be directly supervised while in the Makery outside of this class.) **Register starting March 17.**

LEGO Robotics Club

Tuesday, April 10 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Meeting Room A • Grades 3-5

Builders and brick enthusiasts assemble! Explore the basics of robotics engineering with LEGO WeDo. Take building to a new level! **Register starting March 24.**

Contests

Design-a-Bookmark Contest

Feb. 1-March 10 • Grades K-8

Design an original bookmark for Elmhurst Public Library – the theme is **READING**. Design your bookmark in pencil or black ink. (No color, please!) After the contest ends, winning bookmarks will be used throughout the Library.

Winners receive copies of their bookmark and a gift certificate for Barnes & Noble. Presented with the Friends of the Elmhurst Public Library.

Pick up an entry form in the Kids' Library or online at elmlib.org/designabookmark



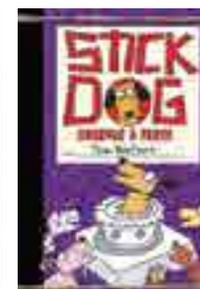
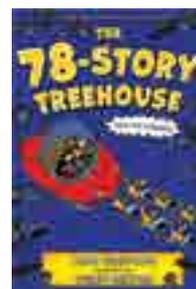
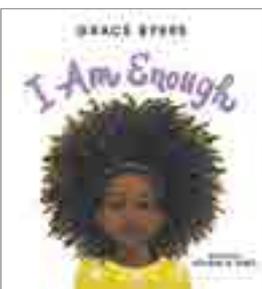
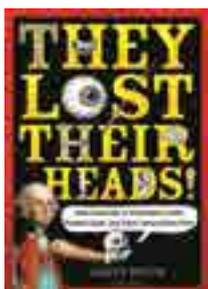
Why My Pet Is the Best Pet Yet Essay Contest

April 1-30 • Grades K-8

Write a short creative essay about "Why My Pet Is the Best Pet Yet." Winners receive a prize and recognition at the Elmhurst Pet Parade on May 19. Presented with the Kiwanis Club of Elmhurst and the Spring Road Association. Pick up an entry form at the Kids' Library Help Desk or at elmlib.org/pet

Spring Book Releases for Kids

Reserve your copy online: elmlib.org/kidsnewbooks



MIDDLE SCHOOL



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Are you in 5th-8th grade? Apply to be a Summer Reading Volunteer! Applications are online or at the Kids' Help Desk starting April 1. Turn in your completed applications to the Kids' Help Desk by April 30.

elmlib.org/SRvolunteers

3D Printing

4:30-5:30 p.m. • Lab • Grades 6-8

Explore 3D printing and turn your ideas into real objects.

■ *Thursday, March 8*

Register starting Feb. 17.

■ *Thursday, April 12*

Register starting March 24.

■ *Thursday, May 10*

Register starting April 21.

Carvey Workshop

Tuesday, March 13 • 5-6 p.m. • Lab • Grades 6-8

Learn about Easel, the free Carvey software you can use to design and prepare projects. Located in the Makery, the Carvey is a milling machine that engraves, shapes, and carves designs. Register starting Feb. 24.

Gummy vs. Real Food Challenge

Friday, March 23 • 7-8 p.m.

Large Meeting Room • Grades 6-8

Come and play if you dare! Select one of two hidden food trays and eat what's underneath. Will you get the gummy or the real food? Register starting March 3.

Iron Chef: Elmhurst

Friday, April 20 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room • Grades 6-9

Test your skills using the Library's secret ingredient or be a judge. Register starting March 31.

Middle School Craft Lab: Eco-Friendly DIY

Monday, April 30 • 7-8:30 p.m.

The Makery • Grades 6-8

Craft and paint your own eco-friendly projects that transform everyday junk into something fun and useful. We provide the materials; you provide the creativity! Register starting April 14.

Taste-Off: Hot Chips

Friday, May 18 • 7-7:45 p.m.

Large Meeting Room • Grades 6-8

Which restaurant has the best hot chips? You decide! Register starting April 28.

Middle + High School

Advanced Sewing Lab

Mondays, March 5, April 2, and May 14

6:30-8:30 p.m. • The Makery • Grades 6-12

Skilled sewers: Bring your own patterns, fabric, and notions to this open sewing lab. Get guidance and support while you create your own project. Patterns and supplies are not provided. Register starting Feb. 17.

High School

Teen NBA 2K18 Tournament

Saturday, March 3 • 2-4:30 p.m.

Meeting Room A • Grades 9-12

Get your game on: Participate in our Xbox One NBA 2k18 Tournament! Prizes awarded to winning player. Rules: Tournament is bracket-style with two-minute quarters per game. Championship has four-minute quarters. Must keep same team throughout and no legacy teams. Registration required.

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Catapult Challenge

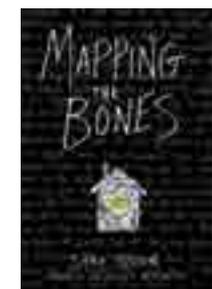
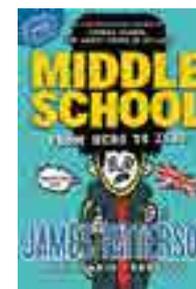
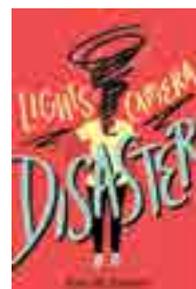
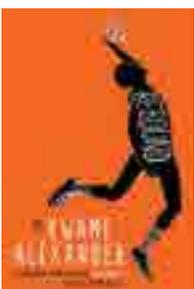
Wednesday, March 7 • 4-5:30 p.m.

Teen Space • Grades 9-12

Build a miniature catapult with littleBits, electronic building blocks, then challenge each other to destroy the other's castle. Registration required.

Spring Book Releases for Middle School

Reserve your copy online: elmlib.org/msnnewbooks



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Online: elmlib.org/registration

HIGH SCHOOL

littleBits

Mini-Golf Windmill Challenge

Thursday, March 8 • 4-5:30 p.m.

Teen Space • Grades 9-12

Build a mini-golf windmill with littleBits and then play mini-golf. **Registration required.**

Shaving Cream Easter Eggs

Wednesday, March 21 • 5-6 p.m.

The Makery • Grades 9-12

Dye eggs using shaving cream and food coloring. **Registration required.**

Filmed Sketch Class

Mondays, April 2-23 • 7-9 p.m.

Teen Space • Grades 9-12

Create a video using improv comedy. Improv leaders Clark and Lizzy are your guides during this four-week course. **Registration required.**

DIY Prom Makeup

Saturday, April 7 • 3-4:30 p.m.

Meeting Room A • Grades 9-12

Practice a custom makeup look perfect to recreate on prom night. Bring your own foundation, eyeliner, and mascara. Presented with Judith B Salon. **Registration required.**

Mario Kart Tournament

Wednesday, April 11 • 6-7:30 p.m.

Meeting Room A • Grades 9-12

Choose your favorite character and race around the courses in our Mario Kart Wii tournament. Prize awarded to winning player. **Registration required.**

Tuned In or Tuned Out:

Teens in Today's Political World

Tuesday, April 17 • 7-8 p.m.

Teen Space • Grades 9-12

Tuning out because you're overwhelmed by today's political realities? Stop! Your world needs you. The authors of *Wake, Rise, Resist* are ready to guide your generation on how to tune in and make a real difference—without losing your mind. Come be inspired! **Registration required.**

DIY Record Player

Wednesday, April 18 • 4-5:30 p.m.

Teen Space • Grades 9-12

Learn how to use some cardboard and a needle to make your own DIY record player! **Registration required.**

Cram for Exams

Dates in May TBD • Grades 9-12

Library Meeting Rooms

It's time to crack open the books at EPL! Meeting rooms are available for you and your classmates to review the semester's work so you can ace those finals. **No registration required.** Get the schedule in May at elmlib.org/teenprograms.



The Technical / Vocational Education Pathway to a Great Career

Tuesday, March 6 • 7-8 p.m. • Meeting Room A
High School Students + Adults

Are you looking for a great-paying job that doesn't require a four-year degree? Want to get into a fast-growing industry? A technical or vocational pathway may be the right fit for you. Learn more about these in-demand careers and the education/training needed to enter those fields. **Registration required.**

Teen Job + Volunteer Fair

Wednesday, March 14 • 3-6 p.m.

offsite: York High School • Grades 6-12

Come to this information session and learn about both volunteer and paid work opportunities for local organizations. Learn how to obtain work permits if you're under 16. Sponsored by: Elmhurst Public Library, Elmhurst Commission on Youth, Elmhurst District 205, Elmhurst Juniors, Elmhurst Park District, Elmhurst YMCA, and Kiwanis Club of Elmhurst. **No registration required.**

Maximize Your College Visits

Monday, April 9 • 7-8 p.m. • Kossmann Room

Grades 9-12 w/parents

Visiting a college campus is an integral part of the college application process. Get tips and advice on how to maximize your college visit while also helping to increase your college admissions chances. **Registration required.**

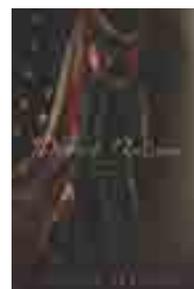
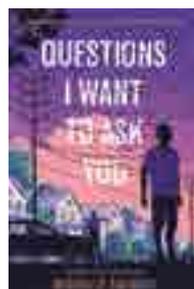
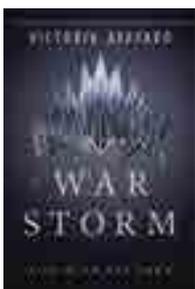
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Online AP Test Prep

Get the support you need with
elmlib.org/tutor

Spring Book Releases for High School

Reserve your copy online: elmlib.org/hsnewbooks



TECHNOLOGY

Get Free Tech Help!

Remember, you have three ways to get FREE technology help at Elmhurst Public Library:

■ **Drop-in Tech Help** Get answers to quick questions any time at the 2nd Floor Info Desks. Extra staff is available for more involved questions on:

Thursdays • 5-8:30 p.m.

Saturdays • 1-4:30 p.m.

■ **Online Tech Classes** available from home at elmlib.org/lynda

■ **In-Person Classes** (pages 11-13)

Contact us if you are unsure which class is best suited for you: (630) 279-8696 or reference@elmhurst.org.



Featured Classes

Cutting the Cable Cord

Thursday, March 8 • 2-3:30 p.m. • Lab

Watch TV without a cable company! Save money and stress by using your internet connection to stream content using Hulu, Netflix, and Amazon Prime.

Computer Files Management for Beginners

Tuesday, March 27 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Learn how to organize your computer files. This class covers the File Explorer and how to use a USB drive.

Minecraft for Parents

Tuesday, April 17 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab • Adults

Registration information on page 6.

Drop-In: eLibrary on Personal Devices

Tuesday, April 24 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Drop-in for one-on-one help setting up Elmhurst Public Library's eLibrary on your smartphone or tablet. **EPL cardholders only.** Registration recommended, but not required.

Drop-in: Android for Beginners

Friday, May 11 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

EPL cardholders only. Registration recommended but not required.

Your Smart Home

Tuesday, May 15 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Meeting Room A

Learn what's available, what's around the bend, and all the trends leading to "The Internet of Things."

Ancestry.com [Library Edition] Basics

Wednesday, May 30 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Learn basic features of this research database including searching techniques and an overview of collections.



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TECHNOLOGY

Google

Google Drive Basics

Monday, March 5 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Bring your account login and password to class.

Google Docs, Sheets, and Slides Basics

Tuesday, March 13 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Bring your account login and password to class.

Google Photos Basics

Thursday, April 5 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Bring your account login and password to class.

Social Media

Snapchat Basics

Thursday, March 29 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Bring your smartphone, username, and password to class.

Instagram Basics

Monday, April 23 • 3-4:30 p.m. • Lab

Bring your username and password to class.

Twitter Basics

Monday, May 14 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Bring your username and password to class.

Apple

iPhone for Beginners

Thursday, March 29 • 2-3:30 p.m. • Lab

Bring your iPhone, Apple ID, and password to class.

Intermediate iPhone

Monday, April 16 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Bring your iPhone, Apple ID, and password to class.

Advanced iPhone

Monday, May 21 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Bring your iPhone, Apple ID, and password to class.

Microsoft

Excel Basics: Projects

Wednesday, March 7 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Intermediate Excel: Formulas

Wednesday, April 11 • 2-3:45 p.m. • Lab

Microsoft OneDrive Basics

Thursday, April 19 • 10-11:30 a.m. • Lab

Advanced Excel:

Pivot Tables

Thursday, May 31 • 7-8:45 p.m. • Lab

Technology Classes for Students

Note: High school students are welcome to attend adult classes on page 11-13.

3D Printing *Grades 6-8*

■ *Thursday, March 8 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.*

■ *Thursday, April 12 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.*

■ *Thursday, May 10 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.*

Registration information on page 9.

Carvey Workshop *Grades 6-8*

Tuesday, March 13 • 5-6 p.m.

Registration information on page 9.

Filmed Sketch Class *Grades 9-12*

Mondays, April 2-23 • 7-9 p.m.

Registration information on page 10.

Learn to Use a 3D Printer

Grades 3-5

■ *Thursday, March 22 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.*

■ *Thursday, April 26 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.*

■ *Thursday, May 24 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.*

Registration information on page 8.

Code with Scratch Jr *Grades K-2*

■ *Tuesday, March 27 • 4-4:45 p.m. or 5-5:45 p.m.*

■ *Tuesday, May 29 • 4-4:45 p.m. or 5-5:45 p.m.*

Registration information on page 8.

LEGO Robotics Club *Grades 3-5*

Tuesday, April 10 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Registration information on page 8.

Technology Class Registration Guidelines

All technology programs require registration unless otherwise noted.

Any additional requirements for registration are noted in individual program descriptions.

An EPL card is not required to attend adult programs marked "No registration required."

Cardholders from other libraries may register in person or by phone for adult programs (excluding VIP) one week prior to the event if space is available.



MAKERY TECHNOLOGY

Design Basics:

Cricut Design Space

Wednesday, April 25 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Come learn the basics of Cricut's Design Space, the online design interface used for the Cricut electronic cutting machines in the Makery. **EPL cardholders only. Registration required.**

Intermediate Cricut

Wednesday, March 7 • 7-8:30 p.m. • The Makery

Make a craft in the Makery by using the Cricut electronic cutter. **EPL cardholders only. Registration required.**

Design Basics:

Silhouette Studio

Thursday, May 3 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Learn the basics of Silhouette Studio, the design software used for the Silhouette Cameo. **EPL cardholders only. Registration required.**

Photoshop Clinic:

Line Drawing

Monday, March 26 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Come to this clinic and learn to convert your color photo into the perfect line drawing! Line drawings are the first step to "printing" using the laser cutter. Bring your own photo. **Registration required.**

Inkscape Basics

Wednesday, March 28 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

This class introduces you to Inkscape, a free professional graphics vector editor, great for making designs for the Makery's laser cutter or other graphics. **Registration required.**

Intermediate Inkscape

Tuesday, May 22 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Improve your skills in Inkscape, a free professional graphics vector editor, great for making designs for the Makery's laser cutter or other graphics. Recommended for patrons who have taken Inkscape Basics. **Registration required.**

Design Basics:

Easel for the Carvey

Wednesday, May 23 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Learn about Easel, the free Carvey software you can use to design and prepare projects. Located in the Makery, the Carvey is a milling machine that engraves, shapes, and carves designs. **EPL cardholders only. Registration required.**

3D Printing Basics

Monday, April 2 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab

EPL cardholders only. Registration required. High school students are welcome to register for this class.

Additional Makery Programs for:

- Family on pages 6
- Kids on page 8
- Middle School on page 9
- High School on page 12-14



Makery Profile: Learning Through Creativity

Since its opening last summer, the Makery is abuzz with activity as patrons explore the space, take classes to learn to use the equipment, or experiment on their own. Any given day, a trip down to the basement begins with the elevator doors opening to reveal unique projects being planned and created.

GAME TIME

Edie P., a 3rd grader at Field Elementary School, used the 3D printer in the Makery to print colorful shoe-shaped pieces for her original board game, which she presented at the Young Inventor Challenge at Navy Pier. She took home a \$500 scholarship for Most Creative Concept. Edie and her mom, Donna, agreed that using the Makery for the game pieces and a poster helped give her presentation a more professional look. "I can't believe how lucky we are to have such an incredible resource," said Donna.

CRAFTING IT FORWARD

Anthony and Grace are passionate about the environment and helping the community. For their Environmental Biology final project at College of DuPage, they crocheted mats from plastic shopping bags to donate to a homeless shelter. The duo found the Makery a perfect space to work, cutting the bags into strips to make "plarn" (plastic yarn), then using crochet hooks to create a 2'x7' mat. Grace informed us, "It takes about 50 hours and 2,000 bags to make a single mat." Want to get involved? **Save the date: June 11.** Crochet mats community project at EPL.

Tell us how the Makery inspires you! Tag @askelmhurst or #elmhurstmakery on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter and show us what you made!

NEW! Reserve the Laser Cutter

- Reservations can be made in: .5, 1, 1.5 and 2-hour blocks
- Maximum of two upcoming reservations
- Limit of one reservation per day
- Book up to seven days ahead
- Reservations are held for 15 minutes after start time

Note: First time users receive an email request to opt-in to receive email from the system. The link in this email must be clicked within 24 hours.

The laser cutter is one of the more complex machines in the Makery at Elmhurst Public Library. Therefore, it is important to arrive prepared in order for your projects to turn out. Prepare for your visit by watching the video on the reservation page.

elmlib.org/lasercutter

If you prefer, call (630) 279-8696 and ask to reserve the laser cutter.

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Online: elmlib.org/registration

CREATE



In Stitches Club

Knitters, crocheters, and needleworkers of all skill levels: Bring a project on which to work, get answers to your questions, and have fun! **No registration required.**

■ **Tuesdays, March 6, April 3, and May 1**

6:30-8:30 p.m. • Gathering Room

■ **Tuesdays, March 13, April 10, and May 8**

12-2 p.m. • Gathering Room

■ **Wednesdays, March 21, April 18, and May 16**

12-2 p.m. • Gathering Room

■ **Learn How To Knit**

Tuesdays, March 27, April 24, and May 22

6:30-8:30 p.m.

NEW LOCATION off-site: Brewpoint Workshop & Roastery (617 N. York)

Pick up a new skill at Brewpoint's newest location! This DIY program introduces you to knitting and how the Library can support your creativity. **No registration required.**

VIP Creative Card Making

10 a.m.-12 p.m. or 1-3 p.m. • Meeting Room B

Join us for step-by-step instruction to create basic cards. No experience necessary. **VIP: Each participant must register in person or by phone with their own Library card.**

■ **Wednesday, March 14**

Register starting March 1.

■ **Monday, April 16**

Register starting March 14.

■ **Monday, May 14**

Register starting April 16.

DIY CROP Day

Saturday, March 10 • 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

The Makery

Join us for an all-day scrapbooking (and more) event at the Library. Bring your supplies and spread out at your own table all day! The Library's in-house paper craft equipment is also available to use. **Registration required.**

Tangling Club

Wednesdays, March 14, April 11, and May 9

7-8 p.m. • Meeting Room B

Tangling is a popular form of doodling that's fun, relaxing, and produces impressive results. A less structured form of Zentangle. No art experience required! **Registration required.**

Creative Card Making Workshop

Friday, March 23 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

The Makery

Expand your card-making skills by learning how to use the Makery's papercrafting tools. Take home a custom card straight out of your own imagination. **Register online, in person, or by phone.**

Date Night at the Makery

Friday, March 23 • 6-8 p.m. • The Makery

Spend a night out at EPL crafting in the Makery. Hire a babysitter, grab your spouse or a friend, and enjoy a night out! **Registration required. Patrons must sign up with a partner.**

VIP Craft Lab: Eco Series

6:30-8:30 p.m. • The Makery

Learn how to upcycle everyday objects into new and useful craft projects. All materials provided. **VIP: Each participant must register in person or by phone with their own Library card.**

■ **Repurposed Pill Bottles**

Tuesday, March 20 or Wednesday, March 28

Register starting Feb. 19.

■ **Seed Paper Tags**

Tuesday, April 17 or Wednesday, April 25

Register starting March 20.

■ **Pocket Notebooks**

Wednesday, May 23 or Tuesday, May 29

Register starting April 17.

Spring Cleaning Craft Swap

Do you have a closet full of crafting supplies you need to get rid of? Are you looking to freshen up your crafting stash? Drop off your new or gently used crafting supplies during one of our drop-off times (below) and receive a ticket to the Craft Swap. For ticket holders, doors open at 1 p.m. on April 14. For the general public, the craft swap doors open at 2:30 p.m.

■ **Drop-Off Times (at Welcome Desk):**

Monday, April 2 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 11 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Saturday, April 14 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

■ **Swap Time:**

Saturday, April 14 • Large Meeting Room

Ticket holder admission: 1-4 p.m.

General public: 2:30-4 p.m.

Fragrant Spring Floral Arrangements

Sunday, May 6 • 2-3 p.m.

Large Meeting Room

Learn to construct stunning containers from discarded items, where to find inspiration, and watch the different techniques used to create quick bouquets and more intricate arrangements. **Registration required.**

Coloring for Mindfulness

Tuesdays, March 13, April 10, and May 8

2-3 p.m. • Admin. Conference Room

Transform your mind and spirit with the new trend in relaxation: coloring! Choose from beautifully detailed designs, colored pencils or markers, and become totally absorbed in the joy of coloring. **No registration required.**

Featured Digital Resource:



As an Elmhurst resident or business owner, you can access subscription-based digital Library resources remotely – for free! **OptimalResume** helps to create, present, manage, and share your professional credentials.

You can use this tool to create high-impact, interactive career materials based on your career goals. Develop professional resumes, cover letters, and practice your interview skills.

elmlib.org/optimalresume

The Technical / Vocational Education Pathway to a Great Career

*Tuesday, March 6 • 7-8 p.m. • Meeting Room A
Adults + High School Students*

Are you looking for a great-paying job that doesn't require a four-year degree? Want to get into a fast-growing industry? A technical or vocational pathway may be the right fit for you. Learn more about these in-demand careers and the education and training needed to enter those fields. **Registration required.**

Get Your Small Business Online

*Thursday, March 8 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B*

Let's get your small business online. Learn the basics of setting up and registering your business identity (including getting a URL to direct customers to your online presence). Presented with Fox Valley SCORE. **Registration required.**

Elmhurst Business Connection

*Thursdays, March 15, April 19, and May 17
8-10:30 a.m. • Meeting Room B*

Fox Valley SCORE mentors join business owners in the Elmhurst community each month for informal roundtable discussions. Get advice, network, and share your experience with your peers. **Registration required.**

Elmhurst Co-Working Connection

*Thursday, March 15 • 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
Gathering Room*

Is your "office" usually at home or in the Library? Generate ideas and share tips with other work-from-home entrepreneurs at this networking event. **Registration required.**

Learn to Use Small Business Builder for Your Business Plan

Thursday, March 22 • 6:30-8:30 p.m. • Lab

Join us for this hands-on workshop on using Gale's Small Business Builder to start or develop your business plan. This interactive tool walks you through the steps needed to create a professional business plan. **Registration required.**

Set Up a Company-Branded Email for Your Small Business

*Thursday, April 12 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B*

Learn how to use your domain name for company-branded source of communication to your clientele. Company-branded emails can help your business stand out from your competitors. Learn the steps to promote and build your business using email. Presented with Fox Valley SCORE. **Registration required.**

Social Media For Your Small Business

*Thursday, May 10 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B*

Most small businesses use social media to promote their business. Join us for a discussion on using social media to market your business. Discuss key points of the major social media platforms: Facebook, Pinterest, LinkedIn, and Twitter. Presented with Fox Valley SCORE. **Registration required.**



COMMON CONNECTION: THE ENVIRONMENT

The Common Connection

The Common Connection is a series of programs using film, discussion, and critical thinking to identify topics that influence the world today – no matter who we are. Despite societal shifts and changing values, the thread that connects all of us to our humanity remains strong. Coming together at the Library to learn and discuss these complex issues is the first step towards forging a deeper understanding of the world around us and the unique individuals that comprise our community. This issue's topic is the environment.

Focusing on our **Environment** reminds us how we impact our world. Learn more about climate change and explore modifications you can make in your own home. Environmental change can be exciting, providing new opportunities for creativity and collaboration. Meet others who share your goals and discuss how you can create the change to save our planet. EPL offers three avenues of learning: Education, Discussion, and Action.

One Earth Film Festival: Happening: A Clean Energy Revolution

Sunday, March 4 • 1-3 p.m. • Off-site: Schaible Science Center at Elmhurst College

Screen and discuss the film *Happening*, the story of inspiring citizens, business leaders and politicians championing the clean energy revolution. Director James Redford embarks on a colorful personal journey into the dawn of the clean energy era as it creates jobs, turns profits, and makes communities stronger and healthier across the U.S. Presented with Elmhurst Cool Cities Coalition. Rated TV-14. **Registration required.**

Common Connection: TED Talk Conversations about the Environment

7-8 p.m. • Admin. Conference Room

Watch and discuss two TED Talks about the environment and our impact, positive and negative, on it. **Registration required.**

■ *Thursday, March 8*

A Climate Solution Where All Sides Can Win by Ted Halstead and *The Inside Story of the Paris Climate Agreement* by Christiana Figueres

■ *Thursday, April 12*

Why Climate Change is a Threat to Human Rights by Mary Robinson and *Climate Change is Happening. Here's How We Adapt* by Alice Bows-Larkin

■ *Thursday, May 10*

A Case for Optimism on Climate Change by Al Gore and *Let's Prepare For Our New Climate* by Vicki Arroyo

Native Gardening and Restoration

Monday, March 19 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Meeting Room A

Learn about vegetation native to our area, the importance of preserving plants and current restoration projects during an interactive presentation and discussion. Attendees may chose to take home native foliage to add to their home gardens. Presented by Remic Enswailer, manager of the outdoor biology lab and prairie projects at College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn. **Registration required.**

Common Connection: Film Series

2-4 p.m. • Meeting Room A

Expand your mind at the movies each month – popcorn included! **No registration required.**

■ **Before the Flood**

Wednesday, March 28

Actor Leonardo DiCaprio meets with scientists, activists and world leaders to discuss the dangers of climate change and possible solutions. Rated PG.

■ **A Plastic Ocean**

Wednesday, April 25

When he discovers the world's oceans brimming with plastic waste, a filmmaker investigates the pollution's environmental impacts. Not rated.

■ **Wasted! The Story of Food Waste**

Wednesday, May 9

Every year 1.3 billion tons of food is thrown away. Filmmakers explore the reasons for this waste and ways to fix the problem. Not rated.

Climate Change: Facts, Solutions, and What You Can Do

Monday, April 9 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room

Learn the most recent information about climate change, potential solutions, and what you can do to help. The presentation will be given by a leader trained with The Climate Reality Project, a worldwide non-profit founded by Al Gore. You will walk away with specific actions you can take personally, within your community, and on the state and national levels. Presented with Elmhurst Cool Cities. **Registration required.**

Rachel Carson: The Woman Who Launched the Environmental Movement

Monday, May 7 • 7-8 p.m.

Large Meeting Room

Biologist and author Rachel Carson warned the world of the potentially dire environmental impact of chemical pesticides in her best-selling 1962 book, *Silent Spring*. In this brand-new living-history program, set in 1963, Leslie Goddard portrays Carson as she discusses her childhood love for the living world, her passion for writing, and her work to awaken the world to the beauty and fragility of nature. **Registration required.**

Eco Car Show

Thursday, May 17 • 6-8 p.m. • All ages

off site: corner of Prospect and Park, just north of the Library

Interested in an eco-friendly vehicle to help save gasoline, and possibly the planet? Representatives from Tesla, Elmhurst Cool Cities, and Fox Valley Electric Auto Association show off green options, answer questions, and give test drives. (Valid drivers license required.) **No registration required.**

Check out the Craft Lab: Eco Series programs on page 14.

SENIORS + FOOD



Senior Technology Series

10-11:30 a.m. • Lab • Age 55+

■ Technology Literacy • Monday, March 12

Tweet? App? The Cloud? Don't know what these technology terms mean? Come to this class to learn all the terminology surrounding technology trends. **Registration required.**

■ Intro to the Internet • Monday, April 9

Get a proper introduction to the internet! What are internet browsers? How do I navigate to a website? This class answers these and other beginner questions. **Registration required.**

■ Phone Photography Basics

Monday, May 14

The best camera is the one that's always with you! Learn to take better smartphone pictures. For both Apple and Android phones. **Registration required.**

ACCESSIBILITY ASSISTANCE

For ADA special accommodations, call the Outreach Specialist one week prior to the event at (630) 279-8696.

Need a hand while at the Library? Stop by the Checkout Desk on your way in and ask to use a wheeled hand cart or wheelchair to navigate the stacks.

VIP Culture Club

10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. • Age 55+

Large Meeting Room

Learn about the culture and customs of the featured region through guest speakers and sample the region's cuisine. **VIP: Each participant must register in person or by phone with their own Library card.**

■ Croatia • Thursday, March 8

■ Slovenia • Thursday, April 12

■ Chile • Thursday, May 10

Mindfulness

Meditation Practice

Monday, April 16 • 1-2 p.m. • Meeting Room A

Learn mind-body techniques to aid in promoting mental calmness, physical relaxation, self-awareness, and living in the present. **Registration required.**

Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning Basics

Saturday, April 28 • 2-4 p.m.

Large Meeting Room

Learn about wills, trusts, powers of attorney, probate, and guardianship from an experienced attorney. Take the first step to create or update a plan that is appropriate for you and your personal circumstances. **Registration required.**

Beer Club

Learn about, taste, and discuss great beer at local establishments.

Registration required.

■ Tuesday, March 13 • 7 p.m. • Age 21+ off-site: One Fifty One Kitchen | Bar (151 N York, Elmhurst)

\$18 fee collected at event for food pairing with different styles of beer.

■ Tuesday, April 10 • 7 p.m. • Age 21+ off-site: Elmhurst Brewing Company (171 N Addison Ave, Elmhurst)

Bring a unique 6-pack to trade at this bottle share event.

■ Tuesday, May 8 • 7 p.m. • Age 21+ off-site: Exit Strategy Brewing (7700 Madison St, Forest Park)

\$10 tasting fee collected at event.

Dish! Club for Cooks

Wednesdays, March 14, April 11, and May 9
12-1 p.m. • Admin. Conference Room

Exchange recipes, sample foods, and indulge in discussion. **No registration required.**

Wine Club

Fridays, March 2, April 6, and May 4

3-4 p.m. • Admin. Conf. Room • Age 21+

Learn about and discuss wine with other aficionados. **No registration required.**

VIP Sustainable Cooking with One Fifty One Kitchen | Bar

Monday, April 30 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room

A discussion and cooking demonstration led by Chef Evan Sumrell of One Fifty One Kitchen | Bar. **VIP: Each participant must register in person or by phone with their own Library card.**



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INCLUSIVE

Celebrate Autism Awareness Month

Sensory Friendly Film: *Sing*

Friday, April 6 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room • All Ages

The Library is offering a unique movie experience for those with sensory issues. During the film showing, the lights will be on and the sound turned down so you can get up, dance, walk, shout, or sing! **Registration required.**

Autism Awareness Film:

Temple Grandin

Monday, April 16 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Meeting Room A

Join us for the HBO film *Temple Grandin* starring Claire Danes. This film is a biopic of Grandin, an autistic woman who has become one of the top scientists in the humane livestock handling industry. Rated TV-PG. **Registration required.**

Special Needs Storytime

Wednesday, April 18 • 2-2:30 p.m.

Kossmann Room • For Families

(best for preschool+, siblings welcome)

Join us for a storytime especially designed for children with special needs or children who do best in a small group setting. Enjoy stories, songs, and interactive activities. **Registration recommended but not required.**

New! Sensory Collection

Ask about Sensory items at the Kids' Help Desk and the Info Desk on the 2nd Floor. Items are available for in-library use and for check out.

Present:

Dementia Activity Club

1:30-2:15 p.m. • Admin. Conference Room

Those with dementia or Alzheimer's are welcome to join for activities. Caregivers are required to attend. **Registration required.**

■ Travel • Tuesday, March 6

■ Meet the Comfort Dogs

Tuesday, April 3

■ Kindness Baskets • Tuesday, May 1

CAN: Chicago

Aphasia Network

Friday, March 16, April 27, and May 25

4-6 p.m. • Lexicon Cafe

Monthly coffee chat group for adults living with aphasia. **No registration required.**

LIBRARY INSIDERS



Karaoke Night

Tuesday, March 20 • 6-8 p.m.

Large Meeting Room

Join us for karaoke, games, and pizza.

Registration required.

Library Insiders is a series of programs specially designed for adults with disabilities.

Next Chapter Book Club

Wednesdays, March 7, 21, April 4, 18, and

May 2, 16, and 30 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Meeting Room B

The Next Chapter Book Club is a literacy program for adults with developmental disabilities. The goal of this book club is to read an entire novel by taking turns reading aloud. Anyone can join, regardless of reading ability. **Registration required.**

Homebound Delivery

Any Elmhurst resident who is temporarily or permanently unable to come to the Library because of illness, disability, or other factors is eligible for home delivery service. Any type of circulating materials (books, audiobooks, movies, CDs, etc.) may be delivered to homebound residents.

elmlib.org/delivery

Caregiver's Corner

Featuring materials specially chosen for individuals with Alzheimer's or other types of dementia, this free-standing shelving holds items like *Reminisce Magazine*, *Nostalgia Digest*, story dice to encourage storytelling, and jigsaw puzzles. Check out memory kits which contain photo books, CDs, folktales, and other materials pertaining to a specific country for "armchair traveling." Located near Large Print on the 2nd Floor.

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LOOK AT THINGS UNTIL
SOMEONE SHOWS US HOW
TO LOOK AT THEM WITH
DIFFERENT EYES." -PICASSO





Women of World War II: On the Front Lines and the Home Front

Thursday, March 7 • 7-8 p.m.
Large Meeting Room

During World War II, American women took on many new roles, both in the military and as civilians. Learn how women made incredible contributions to the war effort, including through the American Red Cross Clubmobile program. This club served up doughnuts, coffee, and American girl-next-door friendliness at the front lines in Europe, Southeast Asia, India, and Australia – wherever the troops were found. **Registration required.**

Genealogy Club: Dig Into Your Research

Tuesdays, March 6, April 3, and May 1
7-8:30 p.m. • Meeting Room B

Bring your family papers, research work, and questions. Work on your own or with others interested in family history research to share tips, tools, and experiences. **Registration required.**

Film Screening *Martin Luther: The Idea That Changed the World*

Sunday, March 11 • 2-4 p.m.
Large Meeting Room

On October 31, 1517, a penniless monk named Martin Luther sparked a revolution that would change everything. This movement, the Protestant Reformation, changed Western culture at its core, sparking the drive toward individualism, women's rights, separation of church and state, and even free public education. **No registration required.**

Spring Cleaning for the Mind and Body through Meditation

Monday, March 12 • 7-8 p.m.
Large Meeting Room

See how meditation can grant the peace you seek. Learn a simple technique leading to the deepest levels of peace and joy and how meditation can enrich one's life, personally, professionally, and spiritually. **Registration required.**

Meditation: An Antidote to Stress

Tuesday, May 8 • 7-8 p.m.
Large Meeting Room

Explore the healing power of meditation and learn how to create peace in your life in spite of the stress around you. Facilitated by Michael Ribet, long-time meditator. **Registration required.**

Ciao Italia! Culture + Conversation

Wednesday, March 14, April 11, and May 9
6:30-8:30 p.m. • Admin. Conference Room

Interested in the language, geographical areas, and customs of Italy? This group is for you! From beginners to advanced, improve your Italian language skills in a relaxed atmosphere while exploring the lifestyle of the peninsula. **No registration required.**

Great Decisions

1:30-3 p.m. • Large Meeting Room

Learn about critical global issues facing America with professor Gary Midkiff. When you register, get a copy of the article, then discuss at the program.

■ **China and America:
The New Geopolitical Equation**
Tuesday, March 27
Register starting Feb. 27.

■ **Media and Foreign Policy**
Tuesday, April 24
Register starting March 27.

■ **Turkey: A Partner in Crisis**
Tuesday, May 22
Register starting April 24.

Open Bridge Club

Thursdays, March 8, 22, April 5, 19, May 3, 17,
and 31 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Kossmann Room

Open to all levels. **No registration required.**

Bridge + Pinochle Club

Every Tuesday, March 6-May 29
1-3 p.m. • Kossmann Room

Enjoy an afternoon of bridge and pinochle. Open to all levels. **No registration required.**

Board Game Club

Every Thursday • 6:30-8:30 p.m.

NEW LOCATION off-site: *Brewpoint
Workshop & Roastery (617 N. York)*

Whether an avid gamer or a total newbie, join us for contemporary board games. **No registration required.**

Friday Features

Every Friday, March 2-May 18 • 2-4:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room

Enjoy an afternoon at the movies. Find each week's featured film at elmlib.org/friday. **No registration required.**

Lyric Opera Lectures: *Faust*

Sunday, March 4 • 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Kossmann Room

Hear the story, learn about the composer, and listen to music. **No registration required.**

York Chamber Music Concert

Friday, March 9 and April 13
7-8:30 p.m. • Large Meeting Room

Hear live music performed by talented musicians from York High School's Performing Arts Department. **No registration required.**

Parks and Rec Trivia

Monday, March 12 • 7-9 p.m. • Ages 18+
off-site: Red Arrow Tap Room (111 E. 1st St.)

Test your knowledge and compete for prizes. Seating is first come, first serve. Kids welcome if accompanied by adults. **Register for reminders and details at elmlib.org/trivia.**

Marvel Cinematic Universe (MCU) Trivia

Monday, May 7 • 7-9 p.m. • Ages 18+
off-site: Red Arrow Tap Room (111 E. 1st St.)

Test your knowledge and compete for prizes. (Excludes *Avengers: Infinity War*.) Seating is first come, first serve. Kids welcome if accompanied by adults. **Register for reminders and details at elmlib.org/trivia.**

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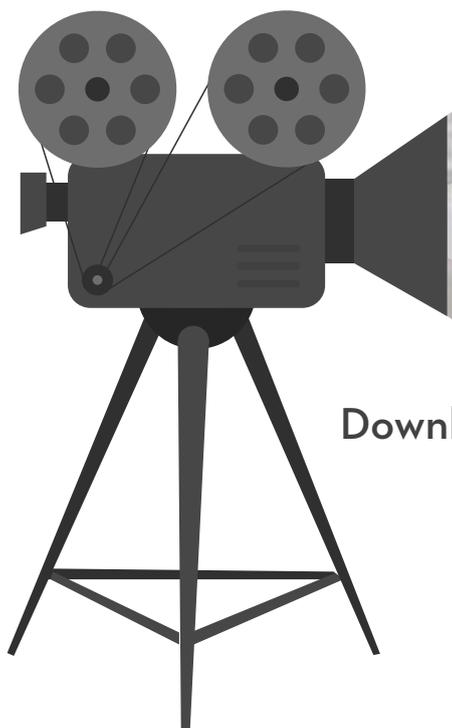
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Autism Awareness Film: *Temple Grandin*

Monday, April 16 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Meeting Room A

Join us for the HBO film *Temple Grandin* starring Claire Danes. Rated TV-PG. **Register online, in person, or by phone.** See page 18 for additional inclusive programs for diverse learners.

Ukulele Circle

Friday, May 4 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room • All Ages

It takes less than a minute to learn a few chords on the ukulele, and you're ready to start playing! Jam with a rhythm section or listen to music ranging from folk to rock. We have ukuleles to try, or bring your own! **If you need an instrument, registration required.** No registration required if you bring your own ukulele.

Author Summit: Publish and Promote Your Book Like a Pro

Thursday, March 15 • 7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room

Join award-winning author Jackie Camacho-Ruiz for a workshop designed to maximize your success as an author. Get practical book publishing tips, learn the secrets of book promotion, and how to amplify your status as an author. This event is co-sponsored by Villa Park Public Library. **Elmhurst residents and non-residents: registration required.**

Part of *Inside Writing & Publishing: DuPage Branch* initiative. More events at elmlib.org/dupagewriting

Featured Event

Author Visit: Devin Murphy

Thursday, April 26

7-8:30 p.m.

Large Meeting Room



The only thing better than reading a great book is meeting the great mind that produced that book. Join us for an evening with acclaimed author Devin Murphy as he shares his experience writing his debut novel *The Boat Runner*, described by *The New York Times* as "chilling" and "riveting." It's the little-known story of young Dutch boys used by the Third Reich and the courageous boatmen who risked their lives to sabotage the Nazis and transport refugees.

After, enjoy a brief Q&A and book signing. Copies of *The Boat Runner* will be available for purchase. **Register online at elmlib.org/author, in person, or by phone.**

Book Discussion: *The Boat Runner* by Devin Murphy

Join us April 18 or 19 to discuss the novel before Devin Murphy's visit on April 26. **More info on page 21.**

Local Author Fair: Accepting Applications

Elmhurst Public Library's Local Author Fair is Saturday, June 23. Submissions are accepted from May 1 until June 8. An EPL card is not required to participate, and approved applicants are able to sell books and have the opportunity to do a book talk.

Apply at elmlib.org/localauthorfair.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Books available when you register

Registration Key

In Person: Stop by any Help Desk

By Phone: Call (630) 279-8696

Online: elmlib.org/registration

The Supremes at Earl's All-

You-Can-Eat by Edward Kelsey Moore

■ Wednesday, March 21 • 1 p.m. • Meeting Room B

■ Thursday, March 22 • 1 p.m. • Gathering Room

■ Thursday, March 22 • 7 p.m. • Admin. Room



Three high school friends support each other through the joys and difficult times of four decades. They meet each Sunday at Earl's diner for conversation, great food, laughter, and sometimes tears. This debut novel focuses on strong women facing challenges together. Register starting Feb. 21 in person or by phone.

The Boat Runner

by Devin Murphy

■ Wednesday, April 18 • 1 p.m. • Meeting Room B

■ Thursday, April 19 • 1 p.m. • Gathering Room

■ Thursday, April 19 • 7 p.m. • Gathering Room



This coming-of-age story begins in the summer of 1939, when a young Dutch teen's family leads a life of prosperity until the outbreak of World War II, when his world becomes chaotic and he faces moral dilemmas. Critics describe the book as "effectively detailed, morally complex, satisfying, and inspiring." Register starting March 21 in person or by phone.

The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend

by Katarina Bivald

■ Wednesday, May 16 • 1 p.m. • Meeting Room B

■ Thursday, May 17 • 1 p.m. • Gathering Room

■ Thursday, May 17 • 7 p.m. • Gathering Room



Bookseller Sara Lindqvist travels from Sweden to Iowa to meet her pen pal, Amy Harris, but finds when she arrives that she is just in time for Amy's funeral. Sara decides to open a bookstore to sell Amy's houseful of volumes, in this homage to the life-changing power of literature. Register starting April 18 in person or by phone.

SPECIAL EVENT Author Visit: Devin Murphy Join us Thursday, April 26 for an evening with author Devin Murphy! He shares his experience writing his debut historical fiction novel *The Boat Runner*. Don't miss this event! **More info on page 20.**

Read Between the Wines

off-site at Flight 112 Wine House [112 W. Park Ave.]

Hillbilly Elegy

by J.D. Vance

Tuesday, March 6 • 7 p.m.



An account of growing up in Appalachia and Middletown, OH, while facing the challenges of a new life in middle class society, this memoir explores a family and community gaining and losing traction on the American dream. Register starting Feb. 6 in person or by phone.

The One-in-a-Million Boy

by Monica Wood

Tuesday, April 3 • 7 p.m.



A young, Guinness records-obsessed boy does yard work for a 104-year-old woman and begins a friendship with her that affects every member of his family, including his mostly-absent father. Register starting March 6 in person or by phone.

The Dry

by Jane Harper

Tuesday, May 1 • 7 p.m.



Australian federal agent Aaron Falk returns to his hometown, suffering its worst drought in a century, to attend the funeral of his childhood best friend. Falk and the local detective find that this small town is hiding big secrets. Register starting April 3 in person or by phone.

THANK YOU

for the tremendous response to the Winter Reading Challenge! While the official reading challenge may be over, you can continue your own personal challenge with our [Personal Reading Recommendations](#) service.

Send an email to reference@elmhurst.org and include the titles and authors of three books you liked and one you didn't. We'll respond with several suggestions.

elmlib.org/prr

The Keeper of Lost Things

by Ruth Hogan

Tuesday, April 10 • 6:30 p.m.

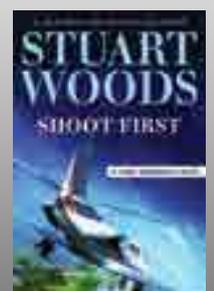
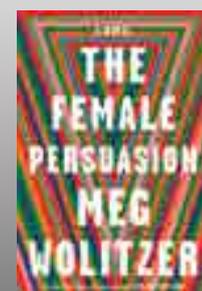
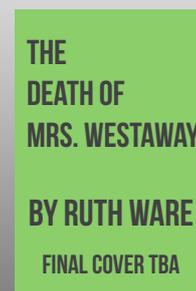
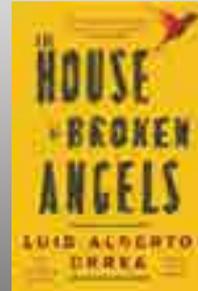
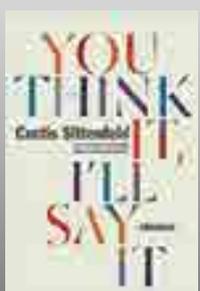
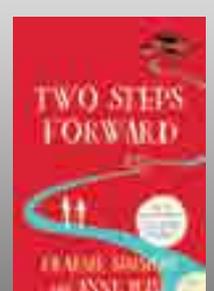
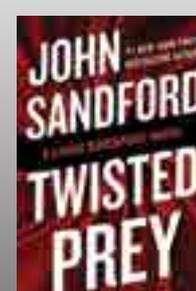
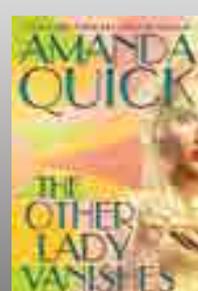
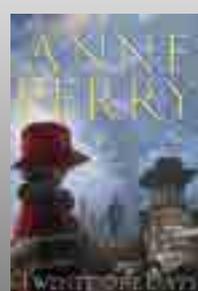
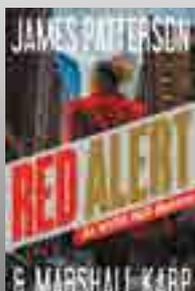
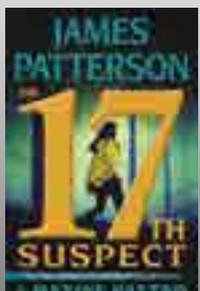
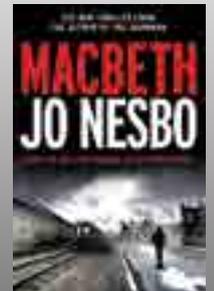
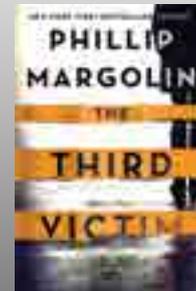
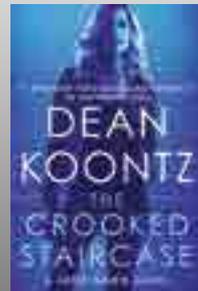
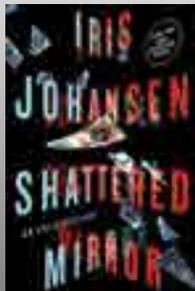
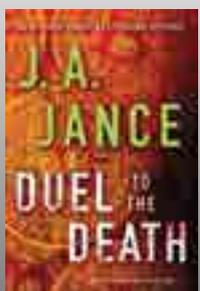
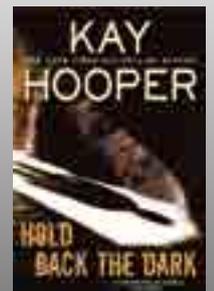
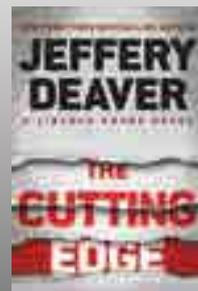
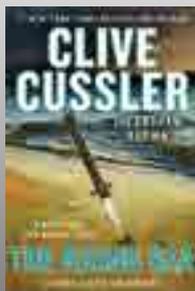
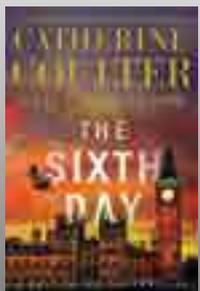
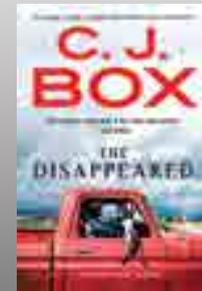
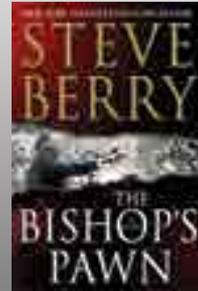
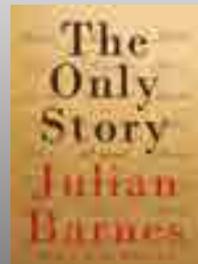
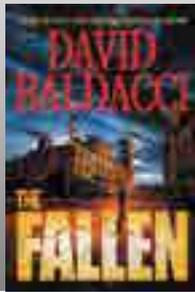
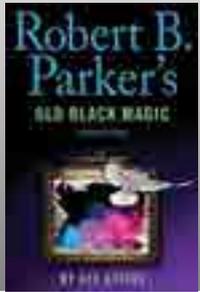
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A once-celebrated author and collector of lost objects leaves his treasures to an assistant, trusting her to fulfill his legacy and return the items to their owners. Unforeseen repercussions ensue. EPL and EAM partner for this book discussion connected to the museum's *Rescuer of Once-Loved Things* exhibit. Books available at the Library for EPL patrons. Call [Elmhurst Art Museum](#) to register at (630) 834-0202.

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Library Director Mary Beth Harper says, "Receiving this award is especially satisfying because it took the combined efforts of the Elmhurst community, Library Board, and EPL staff to make this possible. Our smart, flexible, and efficient staff, coupled with the support of our community is what makes the Library fantastic."

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