Prepare To Be Amazed
NEW Registration Guidelines
The following programs are reserved for Elmhurst Public Library cardholders:

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

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

An EPL card is not required to attend programs marked “No registration required.”

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

Did You Know ...
Elmhurst Public Library fills 7,500 holds each month, and 90% are picked up. If some of your holds are part of the 10% left on the shelf, we can help! Provide us with an email address, and you’ll get notification the day the item becomes available. Sign up for text alerts to get real-time updates when your hold is ready for pickup.

- Sign up for text message alerts: elmlib.org/textalerts
- Sign up for email alerts: elmlib.org/emailalerts
- Freeze holds while you’re on vacation! elmlib.org/subscribe

More Parking!
We know you’ve been frustrated with the parking situation. We are pleased to share our partnership with Elmhurst Art Museum, which allows for overflow parking available to you in the Museum lot. Look for signs posted in the Library and Museum lots.

2016 Holiday Gift Guide
Check out Elmhurst Public Library’s 2016 Holiday Gift Guide filled with books, movies, and more giving suggestions for all ages. Pick up a copy at the Library or download it at elmlib.org/giftguide.

Looking for help with electronics or other product recommendations for your holiday gift list? You have free access to Consumer Reports with your Elmhurst Library Card at elmlib.org/consumer.

Friends of the Elmhurst Public Library Events
Since 1941, the Friends of the Elmhurst Public Library have enriched the Library’s resources and supported Library programs through funds from their dues and various fundraising ventures.

Annual Poetry Contest
Enter the Friends Poetry Contest from Feb. 1 through March 19. Students in grades 4-12 can submit original poetry by mail, in person, or online. A poetry reading for the winners is on Friday, April 28. Rules and entry information: elmlib.org/friends
Between the World and Me
by Ta-Nehisi Coates

In this profound work, Ta-Nehisi Coates offers a powerful new framework for understanding our nation’s history and current crisis. The idea of race in America damages us all but falls most heavily on the bodies of black women and men—exploited through slavery, segregation, imprisonment, and murder. What is it like to inhabit a black body and find a way to live within it? How can we all honestly reckon with this fraught history and free ourselves from its burden?

Yes, Chef: A Memoir
by Marcus Samuelsson

In this love letter to food and family, Samuelsson regularly walks to his Swedish grandmother’s house to prepare a roast chicken for Saturday dinner. He is Ethiopian and adopted, and he grows up to become a world-renowned chef. Yes, Chef chronicles Samuelsson’s journey from his grandmother’s kitchen to his arrival in New York City, where his talent and ambition earned him The New York Times three-star rating at the age of twenty-four at Red Rooster in Harlem.

Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis
by J. D. Vance

This is a passionate and personal analysis of a culture in crisis—white working-class Americans. The decline of this group, a demographically explosive country that has been slowly disintegrating over 40 years, has been reported on with growing frequency and alarm, but never before been written about from the inside. Former Marine and Yale Law graduate J. D. Vance tells his true story of what that social, regional, and class decline feels like when you are born with it hung around your neck.

Being Mortal
by Atul Gawande

The inescapable realities of aging and death are often covered up by medicine and doctors’ good intentions with false hopes and treatments. Through eye-opening research and gripping stories of his own patients and family, Gawande, a practicing surgeon, reveals the suffering this dynamic has produced. He examines the ultimate limitations and failures—in his own practices as well as others—as life draws to a close. And he discovers how we can do better.

The Distance Between Us
by Reyna Grande

In a childhood spent torn between two parents and two countries, Reyna Grande looks back on those tumultuous years as her parents trek across the Mexican border to “El Otro Lado” (The Other Side) in pursuit of the American dream. Reyna and her siblings stay in the care of their stern, already overburdened grandmother and wait for their mother’s return. When the time comes, Reyna must prepare for her own journey to “El Otro Lado” to live with her long-absent father, who has haunted her imagination for years.

Tribe: On Homecoming and Belonging
by Sebastian Junger

Benjamin Franklin once lamented that English settlers were constantly fleeing over to the Indians—but Indians almost never did the same. Since then, tribal society has exerted an almost gravitational pull on Westerners. Author Sebastian Junger shows us just how at odds the structure of modern society is with our tribal instincts, arguing that the difficulties many veterans face upon returning home from war do not stem entirely from the trauma they’ve suffered, but also from the individualist societies into which they must re integrate.
1 GoPro
Record, edit, and share your best action shots.
elmilb.org/gopro

2 Playaway Launchpad
Pre-loaded with games for kids and adults.
elmilb.org/launchpad

3 Turntable
Play your vinyl records or borrow ours.
elmilb.org/turntable

4 Phone Chargers
Give your Apple or Android device a boost.
elmilb.org/charger

5 Vegetable Spiralizer
The Culinary Cupboard has items like: pasta maker, food dehydrator, raclette, and ...
elmilb.org/culinary

6 Cookie Stamps ...
... cake pans, crepe maker, pasta maker, waffle maker, and so much more.
elmilb.org/culinary

7 Thermal Leak Detector
Test for air leaks with this handy device.
elmilb.org/improve

8 Board Games
You get a week to play and WIN. Try to be a good sport.
elmilb.org/boardgames

9 Laptops
Borrow a laptop to use anywhere in the building.
elmilb.org/laptop

10 Knitting Needles
Try your hand at crafting.
elmilb.org/knittingneedles

The Library of Tomorrow is here. We’re continually adding to include a special collection of board games, culinary gadgets, new technology, and more! See everything at: elmilb.org/extraordinary and browse on the 2nd floor.

YOUR LIBRARY
more than books
When winter winds howl, warm up with a good book! Join the Kids’ Winter Reading Program: All Aboard the Reading Express!

It’s cloudy and gray outside, but inside the Library you’ll find a winter wonderland of imagination and fun. Climb aboard the Library’s Winter Reading Express, where events, prizes, and more await.

Kids (newborns through grade eight) can join the Winter Reading Program. When they sign up in the Kids’ Library, they’ll receive a bookmark, a booklog to record the books read, and a reading challenge.

Kids who reach reading goals (determined by the reader’s age) by February 28 receive a sticker; a raffle ticket; coupons for free pizza from Pizza Palace, hot chocolate from Brewpoint Coffee, and more; and their name displayed on our “Train Depot” bulletin board!

Register at the Kids’ Help Desk with your valid Elmhurst Public Library card anytime from December 27 until February 28.

Did You Know ...
There is a Self-Checkout Station in the Kids’ Library!

Skip the line at the Checkout Desk and use the self-checkout in the Kids’ Library. It’s perfect for the times when you want to get your materials checked out, but the kids are begging for “five more minutes!” Or, let the kids help you—the station is at eye-level for little ones, and the touch screen makes it easy enough for preschoolers to use. Plus, it’s fun! Choose the option to print a receipt, have it emailed to you, or choose no receipt at all. Available in English, Spanish, and Polish.

Noah R., age 3, loves helping his mom check out items in the Kids’ Library
“Drive-In” Family Movie
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.
- Winter Wonderland
  Thursday, Dec. 1 • 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- The Good Dinosaur
  Thursday, Jan. 5 • 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- The Tigger Movie
  Thursday, Feb. 2 • 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Holiday Card-Making Workshop
Saturday, Dec. 3 • 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • For Families
Come as a family and create fabulous holiday cards to give or keep. We’ll provide all the craft materials, you provide the creative inspiration. No registration required.

Open Game Day
Wednesday, Dec. 28 • 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Kids’ Library • All Ages
Stop by the Library by yourself, with a friend, or with your family, and enjoy playing different featured board games each hour. No registration required.

Open LEGO Building
Thursday, Dec. 29 • 2-3:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 28 and Feb. 18 • 2-3:30 p.m.
Storytime Room • For Families (under 7 w/ adult)
Drop in anytime during this program to build something awesome with our many LEGO’s. No registration required.

New Year’s Eve Dance Party
Saturday, Dec. 31
10-10:45 a.m. or 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • For Families
Dance your way into the new year as we spin all our favorite storytime dance songs for your family enjoyment. Dress up or dress down, but don’t forget your dancing shoes for moving and grooving right up to our own special New Year’s countdown! Tickets available the morning of the program.

Drop-In Crafting
Wednesday, Jan. 4 • 9-9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
Storytime Room • For Families (under 7 w/ adult)
Drop in anytime during the program to create your own unique craft project. We’ll supply the materials, you supply the inspiration! No registration required.

Hands-On Art Masterpieces
Monday, Jan. 16 • 10-10:45 a.m.
Storytime Room • For Families
Join art teacher Sarah Johnson for a hands-on art project based on real artists. Learn about some famous artists and use their style techniques to create your own masterpiece to take home. All materials provided. No registration required.

Valentine Card-Making Party
Saturday, Feb. 4 • 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • For Families
Come as a family to make sweet Valentine cards for loved ones. We’ll supply materials, music, and treats; you provide the creative inspiration! No registration required.

Music Factory
Mondays, Feb. 6-Mar. 20 • 2-2:30 p.m.
Storytime Room • Ages 3-5 w/ adult
This fun new interactive program introduces basic music concepts to kids. Register starting Jan. 21 online, in person, or by phone.

Exciting Kids Winter Book Releases

 Reserve your copy online elmlib.org/kidsnewbooks
Parenting Book Discussion:
*The Conscious Parent: Transforming Ourselves, Empowering Our Children*
by Dr. Shefali Tsabary

*Wednesday, Jan. 18 • 7:15-8:45 p.m.*
*Storytime Room • For Parents*

This book contends that parenting shouldn’t focus on “fixing” a child’s behaviors, but rather to look at our responses and how they relate to triggers from our own childhood. She believes that in doing so a parent can replace shame and blame with more understanding and build a better relationship with their children. Join us for a discussion of the book and a new way to look at parenting. Books available when you register at the Kids’ Help Desk. Register starting Jan. 17 online, in person, or by phone.

Parents and Kids:
Living the Healthy Life
*Tuesday, Jan. 24 • 7-8 p.m.*
*Meeting Room A • For Parents*

Do you want to inspire your children to make healthy choices? Are you wanting to make more meals at home but just don’t have the time? In this workshop, learn tips to eat foods you enjoy and not deprive yourself, top ways sugar negatively affects the health and happiness of your family, and how lifestyle affects cravings. Register online, in person, or by phone.

### Winter Storytime Schedule • December-February

Highlighted storytimes denote the Winter Storytime Series, which runs Feb. 6-March 24. Register starting Jan. 21 online, in person, or by phone with your valid EPL card.

**Spanish Storytime**
*Thursday, Dec. 8 and Jan. 12 • 10-10:30 p.m.*
*Kossmann Room • Ages 1-5 w/ adult*

Tickets available the morning of the program.

*Music Factory description on previous page*
Make & Take Holiday Ornaments
Thursday, Dec. 1 • 4-5 p.m.
Storytime Room • Grades 3-8
Unleash your creativity while getting into the holiday spirit. Craft festive ornaments for the Library’s holiday tree in Wilder Park. You can also make an ornament to take home!
Register starting Nov. 19 online, in person, or by phone.

Way Cool Adventures
4-5 p.m. • Large Meeting Room • Grades K-1
Be a part of a cool club just for you! Each month, learn new things, play games, find out about books, and more.
■ Reindeer • Thursday, Dec. 8
  Register starting Nov. 26 online, in person, or by phone.
■ Penguins • Thursday, Jan. 12
  Register starting Dec. 8 online, in person, or by phone.
■ Polar Bears • Thursday, Feb. 9
  Register starting Jan. 12 online, in person, or by phone.

Read to the Dogs
2-3:30 p.m. • Storytime Room • 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, Dec. 10 • Register starting Nov. 25 in person or by phone.
■ Saturday, Jan. 14 • Register starting Dec. 10 in person or by phone.
■ Saturday, Feb. 11 • Register starting Jan. 14 in person or by phone.

Holiday Card Crafting
4-5 p.m. • Storytime Room • Grades 4-8
Make some amazing cards with advanced techniques in this hands-on class. You’ll take home the cards that you create.
■ Winter Holidays • Monday, Dec. 12
  Register starting Dec. 3 online, in person, or by phone.
■ Valentine’s Day • Thursday, Feb. 2
  Register starting Jan. 21 online, in person, or by phone.

Culture Craft Drop-in
4-5 p.m. • Kids’ Library • All Ages
Drop in anytime during these programs to make a craft that celebrates the culture of the month. Take a tour of the region’s unique places with our Google Cardboard virtual reality viewers.
■ Polar Expedition • Wednesday, Dec. 14
■ Puerto Rico • Wednesday, Jan. 11
■ Poland • Wednesday, Feb. 8

Junior LEGO Club
4-4:45 p.m. • Storytime Room • Grades K-2
Bring your friends and build something cool! Use our LEGO bricks to create your masterpiece.
■ Monday, Dec. 19
  Register starting Dec. 3 online, in person, or by phone.
■ Monday, Jan. 16
  Register starting Jan. 7 online, in person, or by phone.

Catch the Reading Bug
Tuesday, Jan. 3-24 • 4-4:45 p.m.
Storytime Room • Grades K-1
Have fun with friends each week sharing great stories and enjoying activities. Perfect for new readers! Register for this four-week series starting Dec. 17 online, in person, or by phone.

Learn Mandarin Chinese
Wednesdays, Jan. 11-Jan. 25 • 4-5 p.m.
Storytime Room • Grades 1-5
This beginner class features fun, interactive techniques to learn language basics. Register for this three-week series starting Dec. 17 online, in person, or by phone.

Homeschool Hangout
Thursday, Jan. 19 and Feb. 16 • 1-3 p.m.
Teen Space • All Ages
Attention homeschool families! Visit the Teen Space for hands-on activities and the chance to meet other home-schoolers on the third Thursday each month. No registration required.

Book & Drum Fest with Author Mike Grosso: I Am Drums
Saturday, Jan. 21 • 3-4:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • Best for Grades 4+
Meet local author and District 205 teacher Mike Grosso, whose new book I Am Drums tells the story of Sam and her passion to own and conquer a drum kit. School of Rock brings drum kits for rocking out. No registration required.

Chopped, Jr.
4-5 p.m. • Meeting Room A • Grades 3-5
Calling all junior chefs! Learn some basic cooking skills and create an edible masterpiece to eat or take home.
■ Monday, Jan. 23 • Register starting Jan. 7 online, in person, or by phone.
■ Monday, Feb. 20 • Register starting Feb. 11 online, in person, or by phone.

ONLINE HOMEWORK HELP
Students of all ages can work with a live tutor. Whether you have a math problem, research paper, or tough science assignment, Live Homework Help® can assist you. Access from the Library or your home from 10 a.m. to midnight every day.
Visit elmlib.org/tutor
Learn to Use a 3D Printer
4-5:30 p.m. • Lab (2nd Floor) • Grades 3-5
Learn the basics of 3D design and printing. Turn your ideas into real objects.
- **Tuesday, Dec. 6** • Register starting Nov. 19 online, in person, or by phone.
- **Tuesday, Jan. 24** • Register starting Dec. 17 online, in person, or by phone.
- **Tuesday, Feb. 7** • Register starting Jan. 21 online, in person, or by phone.
- **Thursday, Feb. 23** • Register starting Feb. 4 online, in person, or by phone.

Squishy Circuits
3:30-4:30 p.m. • Storytime Room • Grades 3-5
Experiment with playdough, wires, and batteries with Squishy Circuits!
- **Thursday, Dec. 8** • Register starting Nov. 19 online, in person, or by phone.
- **Thursday, Jan. 19** • Register starting Jan. 7 online, in person, or by phone.
- **Thursday, Feb. 9** • Register starting Jan. 21 online, in person, or by phone.

Slither.io Frenzy!
4-5 p.m. • Lab (2nd Floor) • Grades 1-5
The game is simple: steer your snake around, gobble multicolored dots, and grow longer. The strategy lies in avoiding others who are doing the same.
- **Friday, Dec. 16** • Register starting Nov. 26 online, in person, or by phone.
- **Friday, Feb. 10** • Register starting Jan. 28 online, in person, or by phone.

Minecraft
Friday, Jan. 20 • 4-5:30 p.m. • Lab (2nd Floor) • Grades 1-5
Join other Minecraft fans and play the popular game! Use our computers or bring your own device (and charger). You need your own paid-for account to play the multiplayer version. Register starting Jan. 7 online, in person, or by phone.

Get Ready for the Great American Eclipse
Tuesday, Jan. 24 • 7-8 p.m. • Meeting Room B • For Families
Prepare for the celestial event of a lifetime! A total solar eclipse will be visible from coast to coast on August 21, 2017. Astronomer Alan Fenske helps you get you ready to find the perfect spots for viewing across the country. Hotels along the eclipse path are already filling fast! Get the inside scoop on this rare event, and make your summer plans early. Register starting Jan. 7 online, in person, or by phone.

Shivery, Wiggly Science
Enjoy hands-on experiments and activities featuring cold and shivery, chilly and wiggly science. More than cool! **Register starting Jan. 7 online, in person, or by phone.**
- **Junior Scientists**
  - **Thursday, Jan. 26** • 4-4:45 p.m. • Storytime Room • Grades K-2
- **Science Friday**
  - **Friday, Jan. 27** • 4-4:45 p.m. • Storytime Room • Grades 3-5

Makey Makey
Wednesday, Feb. 15 • 4-5 p.m. • Storytime Room • Grades 4-8
Make a piano out of bananas! Play video games with a remote made out of playdough! Come play with Makey Makey, an invention kit for everyone. **Register starting Feb. 4 online, in person, or by phone.**

STEM Challenge
It’s science competition day! We’ll give you exciting challenges to expand your science, technology, engineering, and math brain. **Register starting Feb. 4 online, in person, or by phone.**
- **Junior Scientists**
  - **Thursday, Feb. 23** • 4-4:45 p.m. • Storytime Room • Grades K-2
- **Science Friday**
  - **Friday, Feb. 24** • 4-4:45 p.m. • Storytime Room • Grades 3-5

Make ready for the National Geographic Explorer Virtual Hangouts!
See description for date and time information
- **Storytime Room • Grades K-8**
Meet scientists and explorers as they adventure all over the world. We’ll connect in the Kids’ Library via Google Hangouts with National Geographic scientists in the field while they work, and you can see them and ask them questions about what they do. When you’re working at a volcano in Hawaii or studying sharks off of the coast of Australia you have a crazy schedule, so we’ll announce our National Geographic Hangouts online a week or two before each program. Then you can meet us in the Kids’ Library to see and talk with real world scientists and adventurers! Keep up with the explorers and see dates announced at elmlib.org/natgeo.
Sixth-Annual Middle School Holiday Extravaganza
Thursday, Dec. 8 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Storytime Room • Grades 6-8
Create your own gingerbread house just in time for Christmas while watching the Christmas classic, Elf. Register starting Nov. 19 online, in person, or by phone.

Study for Finals
Saturday, Dec. 17–Tuesday, Dec. 20 • 1st Floor Meeting Rooms • Grades 9-12
A few more tests and you’re free for winter break! But first you have to study hard for those finals—and EPL is the perfect place to crack the books. Teachers are on hand to help with the hard stuff. You can bring along snacks and drinks to keep your mind sharp.

Check elmlib.org/teenprograms for the exact schedule, including when subjects will be covered and teacher availability. This program is for Elmhurst high school students who are studying for finals. No registration required.

DIY Giant Snowflake
Wednesday, Dec. 21 • 4-6 p.m.
Kossmann Room • Grades 6-9
Learn how to craft your own winter wonderland. Hang them in your window, on a door, or anywhere needing a festive touch. Register starting Dec. 3 online, in person, or by phone.

Board Game Geeks
6-7:30 p.m. • Kossmann Room • Grades 6-9
Calling all board gamers! We’ll provide board games, just bring your sense of adventure and competitive nature. Presented with The Gaming Goat.
- Tuesday, Dec. 27 • Register starting Dec. 10 online, in person, or by phone.
- Tuesday, Jan. 31 • Register starting Jan. 14 online, in person, or by phone.
- Tuesday, Feb. 28 • Register starting Feb. 11 online, in person, or by phone.

Open Mic Nite + Party
Friday, Dec. 30 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Teen Space • Grades 9-12
Celebrate New Year’s Eve-Eve! Get decked out in a festive outfit, sip some sparkling juice, and be entertained by your peers! (Performances must be rated PG.) You can also volunteer to earn service hours decorating or assisting with refreshments. Performers: Register online, in person, or by phone. Volunteers: email epitleen@elmhurst.org.

DIY Bath Bombs
Monday, Jan. 9 • 6-7 p.m.
Storytime Room • Grades 6-9
Make your very own bath bombs! These fizzy balls fill your bath time with color and great scents. All materials provided. Register starting Dec. 17 online, in person, or by phone.

Cutthroat Kitchen
Friday, Jan. 13 • 7-8:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • Grades 6-9
Play EPL’s version of Cutthroat Kitchen for a chance to win prizes. Each team has 2,500 “dollars” to spend on themselves, or to sabotage other teams—all while attempting to create a masterpiece. Register starting Dec. 17 online, in person, or by phone.

Candle Making Workshop
Saturday, Jan. 14 • 1-2:30 p.m.
Kossmann Room • Grades 8-12
Drop in to create beautiful and sweet-smelling candles. Come for an afternoon of friends, fun, and crafting. All materials provided. No registration required.

Magic: The Gathering Draft
Sunday, Jan. 15 • 1-5 p.m.
Meeting Room B • Grades 9-12
FREE Magic: The Gathering draft with the newest set! Join us for a no-cost Kaladesh booster draft and keep the cards! Space is limited so sign up quickly for gaming fun! Presented with The Gaming Goat. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Babysitting Training: Safe Sitter®
Monday, Jan. 16 • 11:30-5 p.m.
Admin. Conference Room • Ages 11-15
Using hands-on activities, this class covers topics such as babysitting as a business, how to successfully work with parents, child care essentials, injury prevention, and how to handle behavior issues. Participants must attend both sessions to get certified. Program fee is $18. Register starting Dec. 17 online, in person, or by phone.

Taste-Off
7-8 p.m. • Meeting Room A • Grades 6-9
Sample and rank different foods each month.
- Chocolate Tuesday, Jan. 17 • Register starting Dec. 17 online, in person, or by phone.
- Hot Dogs Tuesday, Feb. 21 • Register starting Feb. 4 online, in person, or by phone.
College Practice Exams
1-5 p.m. • Large Meeting Room • Grades 9-12
More info: elmlib.org/practicetest
Register online, in person, or by phone.
■ Practice SAT • Sunday, Jan. 29
■ Practice ACT • Sunday, March 5

Jewelry Creation
Monday, Jan. 30 • 6:30-8 p.m.
Storytime Room • Grades 6-9
Learn how to construct a bracelet or necklace from a professional jeweler. We’ll provide all you need to make your own jewelry; just bring your creativity! Register starting Jan. 14 online, in person, or by phone.

Sewing Club
Wednesdays, Feb. 1-March 8
4:15-5:45 p.m. • Kossmann Room • Grades 6-12
Come for a creative afternoon of sewing! Bring two yards of cotton fabric and your imagination. Register starting Jan. 14 online, in person, or by phone.

Karaoke & Lip Sync Battle!
Friday, Feb. 3 • 7-8:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • Grades 6-10
Sing your heart out! Or lip-sync your heart out! Or bring your friends and perform as a group! Songs must be the radio version, with no swearing or profanity. Register starting Jan. 14 online, in person, or by phone.

Anime & Manga
Drawing Workshop
Saturday, Feb. 4 • 1-3 p.m.
Kossmann Room • Grades 6-12
Are you an anime or manga fan? Learn how to draw your own characters! Addie Afable, freelance comic book artist and Anime Central staff member will be your instructor. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Middle + High School Technology

3D Printing: Middle School
4-5:30 p.m. • Lab • Grades 6-8
Explore 3D printing and turn ideas into real objects.
■ Thursday, Dec. 15
Register starting Dec. 3 online, in person, or by phone.
■ Thursday, Jan. 12
Register starting Jan. 7 online, in person, or by phone.
■ Thursday, Feb. 16
Register starting Feb. 4 online, in person, or by phone.

3D Printing: High School
Thursday, Jan. 26 • 4-5:30 p.m. • Lab
Grades 9-12
Explore 3D printing and turn ideas into real objects. Register online, in person, or by phone.

.io Party Time
6:30-7:30 p.m. • Lab • Grades 6-9
Do you like Agario and Slitherio? There are other “.io” games out there to play! Join us to learn about these other games.
■ Monday, Dec. 19 • Register starting Dec. 3 online, in person, or by phone.
■ Monday, Feb. 13 • Register starting Jan. 28 online, in person, or by phone.

NEW Girls Who Code Club
Every Monday, starting Jan. 9
4-6 p.m. • Lab • Grades 6-12
We’re working to inspire, educate, and equip girls with important technology skills. Using the curriculum of the national non-profit girlswhocode.com, girls learn programming fundamentals, website coding, and mobile app development. Attendance is required every week. Register for this semester-long course online, in person, or by phone.

Minecraft! MyZone Version
Monday, Jan. 23 • 6:30-8 p.m.
Lab • Grades 6-9
Join other Minecraft fans for an ultimate multi-player adventure! You need either a paid-for account to log in at one of the Library’s computers or a personal device/tablet with the Minecraft app. Register starting Jan. 7 online, in person, or by phone.

Phone Photography Basics
Monday, Feb. 27 • 4-5:30 p.m.
Gathering Room • Grades 9-12
Learn to take better smartphone pictures. For Apple and Android phones. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Essential Oils Workshop
Tuesday, Feb. 14 • 6-7:30 p.m.
Meeting Room A • Grades 9-12
Learn more about the benefits of essential oils and create your own mixes to take home! Register online, in person, or by phone.

Cake Pop Creations!
Friday, Feb. 24 • 7-8:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room • Grades 6-9
Learn how to make and decorate these fun and delicious treats! All materials provided. Register starting Feb. 4 online, in person, or by phone.

Exciting Teen Winter Book Releases
Reserve your copy online: elmlib.org/teennewbooks
Get Tech Help!
Remember, you have three ways to get FREE technology help at the Library:

- **In-Person Classes** listed on these pages
- **Online Tech Classes** available from home at [elmlib.org/lynda](http://elmlib.org/lynda)
- **Drop-in Tech Help** Get answers to quick questions any time at the 2nd Floor Info Desks. Extra staff is available for more intricate issues on:
  - Thursdays • 5-8:30 p.m.
  - Saturdays • 1-4:30 p.m.

January is:

**DROP-IN TECHNOLOGY HELP MONTH**

Do you need help with a new gadget? Have you always wanted to know how to do something with your laptop? Are eBooks interesting but scary? Do you think you’re not getting all that you can out of your tablet? Getting lost with your GPS? We are here to help! Bring your laptop/gadget, any passwords, and cords to the 2nd Floor Information Desk every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday in January, and we’ll help you sort bytes from books, demystifying the process along the way. Free!

### TECH CLASSES FOR KIDS
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High School students may attend any of the Technology classes on pages 11-14

### SENIOR TECH CLASSES
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**Start Using Computers, Tablets, and Internet**

**No previous computer skills required. Registration is required unless otherwise noted.**

**VHS-to-DVD for Beginners**  
*Thursday, Dec. 15 • 7-8:30 p.m.*  
*Gathering Room*  
Save your VHS collection by converting to a digital format. You’ll get hands-on practice using EPL’s VHS-to-DVD converters.

**iPhone for Beginners**  
*Friday, Dec. 16 • 7-8:30 a.m.*  
*Lab*  
Learn about your iPhone’s settings, apps, and more. Bring your iPhone to class. Must know Apple ID and password.

**Computers for Beginners**  
*Saturday, Jan. 7 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.*  
*Lab*  
Interested in learning about computers, but unsure how to begin? Get started in this beginners’ fundamentals course.

**Digitization for Beginners**  
*Thursday, Jan. 12 • 7-8:45 p.m.*  
*Lab*  
Have a closet full of records, cassettes, and/or VHS and want to bring them into the 21st century? Learn about the Creative Studio, the perfect place to digitize your analog collection. **EPL cardholders only.**

**iPad for Beginners**  
*Wednesday, Jan. 25 • 7-8:45 p.m.*  
*Kossman Room*  
Learn about your iPad’s settings, apps, and more. Bring your iPad to class. Must know Apple ID and password.

**Vinyl-to-MP3 for Beginners**  
*Monday, Jan. 30 • 10-11:30 p.m.*  
*Gathering Room*  
Get hands-on practice converting vinyl to digital using the Creative Studio’s software and turntable. **EPL cardholders only.**

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**Top 10 EPL Digital Services**  
*Wednesday, Jan. 11 • 7-8:30 p.m.*  
*Lab*  
Discover how your Library card gives you access to all kinds of digital services. Borrow from a vast catalog of eBooks and eAudiobooks, learn a new language, take an online tech course, watch film festival nominees - all FREE and from the comfort of wherever life takes you.

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Looking for a class we don’t offer? Want to bring back a past class? Let us know! [programming@elmhurst.org](mailto:programming@elmhurst.org)
Learn Everyday Essentials

Keyboarding, mouse skills, and a basic understanding of computers required. Registration is required unless otherwise noted.

Excel Basics: Projects
- Saturday, Dec. 3 • 10-11:45 a.m. • Lab
- Thursday, Feb. 2 • 7-8:45 p.m. • Lab
Learn to set up and work with the most popular projects in Excel.

Google Docs, Sheets, and Slides Basics
- Friday, Jan. 6 • 3-4:30 p.m. • Lab
Learn the basic functions of Google Docs, Sheets, and Slides (free online versions of Microsoft Office) including how to share files and work collaboratively.

Intermediate iPhone
- Monday, Jan. 9 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m. • Lab
Take your iPhone skills to the next level. Discover many of the hidden or detailed features of the iPhone including texting tips, Siri, the camera, and more.

Intermediate Excel: Formulas
- Tuesday, Jan. 10 • 7-8:45 p.m. • Lab
- Wednesday, Feb. 8 • 7-8:45 p.m. • Lab
Get comfortable using formulas. This class covers average, median, multi-operations, “if” “and” “or” and more!

Advanced iPhone
- Friday, Jan. 20 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab
Want to dive into the deepest nooks and crannies of your iPhone? This class goes in-depth to explore the reaches of what your smartphone can do.

Open House: Android for Beginners
- Tuesday, Jan. 24 • 7-9 p.m. • Lab
Discover the basics of your Android smartphone with one-on-one assistance. Drop in any time during this clinic with your device. No registration required. EPL cardholders only.

- Wednesday, Jan. 25 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab
Learn basic features of this research database including searching techniques, an overview of available collection, and more.

PowerPoint Basics
- Tuesday, Feb. 7 • 7-8:45 p.m. • Lab
Learn to create, edit, and save presentations.

Intermediate Mac
- Thursday, Feb. 9 • 7-8:45 p.m. • Lab
Take your skills with a Mac computer to the next level. This class covers the App Store, system preferences, customizing your Dock, QuickTime, and more.

Advanced Excel: PivotTables
- Wednesday, Feb. 15 • 7-9 p.m. • Lab
Pivot tables sort, summarize, and analyze data. Excellent Excel knowledge required.

Anti-Virus Software: Windows Defender Basics
- Friday, Feb. 17 • 3-4:30 p.m. • Lab
Protect your computer from dangerous viruses, spyware, and malware for free. This class introduces PC owners to Windows Defender, and walks through the steps to scan and remove viruses on Windows Vista or newer computers.

Codecademy Basics
- Monday, Feb. 20 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab
Codecademy is a free online platform to learn coding in HTML, Python, Java, and more. Learn how to create a Codecademy account, start using modules, and more.

Also Try:

Elmhurst Public Library has many tools to help you improve your skills. Two of these resources are Lynda and Gale Courses.

Lynda is an online collection of instructional video courses on wide-ranging topics including Excel, marketing, Google Analytics, photography, and much more. Learn independently, at your own speed, on your own schedule.

View the courses anywhere you have internet access. Get tips, learn productivity pointers, or explore products.

Get more in depth with Gale Courses. Taught by college instructors and experts, this online storehouse of courses can boost your professional or personal knowledge.

New sessions begin every month. Although courses cannot be transferred as college credit, participants receive a written record upon successful completion.

Subjects include:
- Business
- Healthcare
- Photography
- Technology
- Finance
- Graphic Design
- Sales and Marketing
- Web Design
- and more!

That's just a small sample of the many online resources ready and waiting for you to explore—all of which you can access with your Elmhurst Public Library card.

Take a look today: elmlib.org/learn
Explore Social Media, Apps, and More

**Understanding of internet and email account required. Registration is required unless otherwise noted.**

**Instagram Basics**
*Tuesday, Dec. 13 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
Join millions of people editing and sharing photos and video on Instagram. Smartphone required.

**Crowdfunding Basics**
*Wednesday, Dec. 14 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
Crowdfunding is an industry in which project developers, businesses, and inventors, take to the internet to gain funding for their next great idea. Get an overview of Kickstarter and Indiegogo for both creator and funder.

**Social Media for Beginners**
*Monday, Dec. 19 • 10-11:30 a.m. • Lab*
Get an overview of the most popular social media sites like Facebook and YouTube.

**Cutting the Cable Cord**
- *Thursday, Dec. 29 • 7-8:45 p.m.*
- *Tuesday, Feb. 21 • 7-8:45 p.m.*
*Meeting Room B*
Watch TV without a cable company! Learn about streaming services that use an internet connection instead of traditional cable.

**Twitter Basics**
*Tuesday, Jan. 31 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
Learn the functions and lingo including the difference between a hashtag and a tweet.

**Get Fit with Technology**
*Wednesday, Feb. 1 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
Learn how to use technology like your smartphone and computer to get in shape. Get an overview of free and low-cost fitness technology, apps, and more.

**eBay Basics**
*Monday, Feb. 6 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
Start buying and selling online through eBay. Learn the key parts of an online auction, how to create an account, and more.

**Learn a New Language**
*Wednesday, Feb. 22 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
From online courses to foreign language magazines and monthly conversation clubs, learn about the many Library resources available to learn a new language.

**Pinterest Basics**
*Tuesday, Feb. 28 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
Want to learn how this popular website can enhance your everyday life? We'll teach you how to set up an account, build a collection, and manage your stockpile.

Create, Make, and Build

**For frequent technology users. Registration is required unless otherwise noted.**

**3D Printing Basics: Jewelry**
*Wednesday, Dec. 7 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
Use the power of 3D printing to create a custom design. Get an overview of the process, work hands-on, and get a 3D prototype! *EPL cardholders only.*

**Design Basics**
**Microsoft Publisher**
*Thursday, Dec. 8 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
Learn how to use Microsoft Publisher to create your own custom layouts, including posters and business cards.

**Online Image Editing: Pixlr Basics**
*Tuesday, Dec. 20 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
The future of image editing is online with this free tool. Learn how to access Pixlr, make edits, and save your images.

**DSLR Studio**
*Wednesday, Dec. 21 • 7-8:45 p.m. • Lab*
Learn about your digital camera’s manual functions including aperture, shutter, and more. Bring your DSLR camera to class. *EPL cardholders only.*

**Photoshop Basics**
*Thursday, Dec. 22 • 7-9 p.m. • Lab*
Learn how to edit your photos using Photoshop Elements.

**Intermediate Photoshop: Family Photos**
*Wednesday, Jan. 18 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
Learn how to correct photo errors, fix red eye, and more. You must know how to use Photoshop, or have taken the "Photoshop Basics" class. Bring a few photos to class.

**Design Basics: Online Creation With Canva**
*Thursday, Jan. 5 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
Canva is a free online layout software. Learn how to create your own custom posters, social media graphics, and more.

**Silhouette Cameo Basics**
- *Thursday, Jan. 19 • 7-8:45 p.m. • Lab*
- *Thursday, Feb. 9 • 10-11:30 a.m. • Lab*
Learn how to use the Silhouette Cameo, an electronic cutting machine for creating intricate designs in material such as paper, vinyl, and more. *EPL cardholders only.*

**Intermediate 3D Printing: Free Form Sculpting**
*Thursday, Feb. 23 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Lab*
Learn how to digitally sculpt and print your 3D masterpiece with free software such as Meshmixer, Sculptris, and more.
Elmhurst Public Library: A Place to Create

MAKERY INSTALLATION UPDATE
Preparations for the installation of a makerspace in EPL’s basement continue. This makerspace, called the Makery, serves as a hub for community members to explore their interests and grow their skills while making their imagined creations become a reality.

Scheduled to open in Spring 2017, the Makery features many types of equipment and amenities. Our staff is already hard at work learning about all the great possibilities opened up by this space.

Make It @ the Library Open House
Saturday, Feb. 11 • 1-4 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Adults, Teens, and Kids Age 7+
See the newest gadgets appearing in the Library’s makerspace, including a laser cutter, 3D printers, embroidery and sewing machines, material cutters, and more. Enjoy a drop-in Valentine’s Day craft (while supplies last). Register online, in-person, or by phone.

Silhouette Cameo + Ellison Die Cutter
Saturday, Feb. 18
2-2:45 p.m. or 3:15-4 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Adults, Teens, and Kids Age 7+
Learn to use an electronic cutting machine (Silhouette Cameo) and an Ellison Die Cutter to create your own amazing paper crafts. Perfect for teachers, designers, and card-making enthusiasts! Register online, in-person, or by phone.

Laser Cutter Cardboard Safari
Saturday, Feb. 25
2-2:45 p.m. or 3:15-4 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Adults, Teens, and Kids Age 7+
No idea what a laser cutter is? No problem! Learn all about laser cutting and how you can use it to get creative while building large animal heads cut out of cardboard on the new Full Spectrum laser cutter. Register online, in-person, or by phone.

Embroidery Machine
Saturday, March 4
2-2:45 p.m. or 3:15-4 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Adults, Teens, and Kids Age 7+
An embroidery machine can sew embellishments such as monograms, decorations, and logos onto textiles. Learn how to use it and make a patch or pin. Register online, in-person, or by phone.

The Creative Studio
Access high-end equipment and software needed to complete digital audio, visual, and graphics projects. Whether for professional, personal, or school-related projects, find the tools you need at the Creative Studio.

The Creative Studio is perfect for music recording, photo sessions, graphic work, movie editing, and more. All of the rooms are equipped with iMacs, Adobe Creative Cloud, iMovie, and Garage Band/Logic Pro. Other items, including photography equipment, are available to check out. Studios are available in four-hour blocks for EPL cardholders. Make a reservation by calling (630) 279-8696. Drop-ins are welcome!

You can also create with a 3D printer and a poster printer.

More information at elmlib.org/creativestudio.
In Stitches Needleworkers
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, Dec. 6, Jan. 3, and Feb. 7
6:30-8:30 p.m. • Gathering Room

Tuesdays, Dec. 13, Jan. 10, and Feb. 14
12-2 p.m. • off-site: Brewpoint Coffee

DIY CROP Day
Saturdays, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, and Feb. 11
10 a.m.-3 p.m. • Large Meeting Room
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! We'll bring EPL's in-house paper craft equipment. Space is limited. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Tangling Club
Tuesdays, Jan. 17 and Feb. 28 • 7-8 p.m.
Meeting Room B
Tangling is a popular form of doodling that's fun, relaxing, and produces amazing results. A less structured form of Zentangle. No art experience required! Register online, in person, or by phone.

Calligraphy 101
Saturdays, Jan. 21 and 28 • 2-4 p.m.
Kossmann Room
Do you love the look of calligraphy? Learn the basic techniques of calligraphy lettering with Dena Bellows, a member of the Chicago Calligraphy Collective. VIP: Each participant must register for this two-part series in person or by phone with their own Library card.

Organizing Mementos
From Young to Old
Saturday, Feb. 4 • 2-3 p.m. • Large Meeting Room
We’ve all got memorabilia lying around, our own childhood memories and items passed down from parents and grandparents. Have you thought about sorting your collection but need help to get started? Discover organizational tips so you can better enjoy your keepsakes. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Creative Card Making
10 a.m.-12 p.m. or 1-3 p.m. • Kossmann Room
Join us for crafty creativity. All materials provided. No experience necessary. VIP: Each participant must register in person or by phone with their own Library card.

Glass Etching
Wednesday, Dec. 7 • Kossmann Room
10 a.m.-12 p.m. or 1-3 p.m.

Perler Bead Magnets
Wednesday, Jan. 18

Framed Origami Art
Wednesday, Feb. 15

Craft Lab: Winter Wednesday
6:30-8:30 p.m. • Admin. Conference Room
Get out of the house and learn new crafts to keep busy during the winter months. We’ll make items to give or keep around the house and brighten up the gray winter season. Register online, in person, or by phone.

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Coloring for Mindfulness
Thursday, Dec. 22, Tuesdays, Jan. 10, and Feb. 14
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.

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Check out some creativity
Get your creativity flowing with the Library of Extraordinary Things. Check out sewing machines, knitting needles, and more with your Elmhurst Public Library card.
elmlib.org/extraordinary
Board Game Club
Thursdays, Dec. 8, Jan. 12, and Feb. 9
6:30-8:30 p.m. • off-site: Brewpoint Coffee
(124 W. Park Ave.)
Whether an avid player or a total newcomer, join us for contemporary board games such as Settlers of Catan, Machi Koro, and more! No registration required.

York Chamber Music Concert
Fridays, Dec. 9, Jan. 20, and Feb. 10
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.

Lyric Opera Lectures
Sundays • 2:30-3:45 p.m. • Kossmann Room
Hear the story, learn about the composer, and listen to music. No registration required.
- The Magic Flute by Mozart
  Sunday, Dec. 11
- Norma by Bellini
  Sunday, Jan. 15
- Carmen by Bizet
  Sunday, Jan. 29
- Eugene Onegin by Tchaikovsky
  Sunday, Feb. 19

Introduction to Bridge
Mondays, Jan 9-Feb. 13 • 1-3 p.m. • Kossmann Room
Bridge has been played for hundreds of years and still has the ability to stimulate the brain and entertain. Learn to bid, play the cards, and appreciate the game. No experience necessary. Register for this six-week series online, in person, or by phone.

Open Bridge Club
Thursdays, Jan 12, 26, Feb. 9, and 23
6:30-8:30 p.m. • Admin. Conference Room
Enjoy an evening of bridge twice each month. Open to all skill levels. No registration required.

Date Night at the Movies
6:30-9 p.m. • Large Meeting Room • Ages 18+
Spend a night out at EPL! Watch a movie and enjoy fresh popcorn. Hire a babysitter, grab your spouse or a friend, and enjoy a night out! No registration required.
- Ghostbusters Rated PG-13
  Friday, Jan. 27
- The Nice Guys Rated R
  Friday, Feb. 17

Friday Features
Every Friday, starting Feb. 10 • 2-4:30 p.m. • Large Meeting Room
Enjoy an afternoon at the movies every Friday watching the latest and greatest DVD releases. Find each week’s featured film at elmlib.org/friday. No registration required.

Healthy Holiday Choices
Wednesday, Dec. 7 • 6:30-8 p.m. • Large Meeting Room
Join nutritionist Dana Strohmaier in this hands-on cooking demonstration to learn how to make simple, healthy holiday side dishes and appetizers. Library Insiders is a series of programs specially designed for adults with disabilities. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Next Chapter Book Club
Wednesdays, Dec. 13, Jan. 11, 25, Feb. 8, and 22
6:30-7:30 p.m. • Meeting Room B
The Next Chapter Book Club is a literacy program for adults with developmental disabilities. Anyone can join, regardless of reading ability. Library Insiders is a series of programs specially designed for adults with disabilities. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Chinese New Year
Saturday, Jan. 28 • 2-3 p.m. • Large Meeting Room
Join us in ringing in the Year of the Rooster. Make a craft and snack on some traditional Chinese New Year celebration foods. Library Insiders is a series of programs specially designed for adults with disabilities. Register online, in person, or by phone.

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Elmhurst Job Club
Thursdays, Dec. 1, Jan. 5, and Feb. 2
9-11 a.m. • Gathering Room
The Goodwill Workforce Connection Center is here to help you find work! Stop by on the first Thursday of each month. This free service helps with resume assistance, career exploration, vocational training, and more. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Elmhurst Business Connection
Thursdays, Dec. 15, Jan. 19, and Feb. 16
8-9:30 a.m. • Meeting Room B
Fox Valley SCORE mentors join business owners in the Elmhurst community on the third Thursday of each month for informal roundtable discussions. Get advice, network, and share your experience with your peers. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Social Media Savvy for Your Business
Thursday, Dec. 8 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B
Social media platforms like Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn can be valuable to developing your business. Staying focused is the key objective. Get tips and learn about the wall, profile optimization, best practices, and success stories. Presented by Norbert Barszczewski, president of JP Net Quest. Sponsored by Fox Valley SCORE. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Open House:
Get Your Resume Ready
Wednesday, Dec. 28 • 1:30-3:30 p.m. • Lab
Receive hands-on help navigating the complicated world of electronic resumes. Instructors offer formatting, template, and other technology help for resume editing/creation. Class members should prepare a pertinent list of information prior to attending. Drop in any time during this program. No registration required. EPL cardholders only.

Free Career Counseling
Mondays, Dec. 12, Jan. 9, and Feb. 13
9:30 a.m.–12 p.m. • Board Room #9
Need input on your job search strategy or a review of your resume? Book a free 30-minute session to get one-on-one job search help from JVS Career Moves. Register by contacting Joyce Bogolub at joycebogolub@jvschicago.org.

Navigating Your Financial World: Estate Planning
Wednesday, Jan. 11 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Meeting Room A
What is the difference between a will and a trust? Is life insurance a good way to pass on money to beneficiaries or a charity? How do you make everything simple for your family? Bring your questions and learn about estate planning from David E. Hoy, Law Offices of Hoy & Sahlas, LLC. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Navigating Your Financial World: Medicare Seminar
Wednesday, Feb. 8 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Meeting Room A
Medicare can be confusing. David Wylly of the Medicare Solutions Network presents what Medicare covers, what it doesn’t, and your potential out-of-pocket expense. He discusses Supplement and Advantage Plans; Part D Prescription Coverage; and cost-saving strategies for the future. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Pinterest: What’s It All About? Should I Be There?
Thursday, Feb. 9 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B
With more than 70 million users, Pinterest has become a valuable tool for many small businesses looking to drive sales or connect with potential clients. Presented by Virginia Weiskopf, owner and CEO of Weiskopf Consulting. Sponsored by Fox Valley SCORE. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Board Games with Ken Bartels
Monday, Feb. 20 • 7-8 p.m. • Kossmann Room
Not “Monopoly” or “Clue,” but nonprofit boards and their roles, responsibilities, and challenges. Ken Bartels explores topics such as fundraising, recruitment, retention, governance and leadership. With over 40 years of experience working with nonprofit boards, Ken shares his insights into this important facet of community involvement. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Online Selling for Success
Thursday, Jan. 12 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B
Set up an eCommerce site that works for you. Find credit card processing options and learn about eCommerce startup costs. Bob Koch, CEO of Quiver Pen Holders, shares his journey from new product idea, to manufacturer selection, to building an internet storefront site. Sponsored by Fox Valley SCORE. Register online, in person, or by phone.

EPL’s Business Librarian
Business Librarian Cheryl Fortman can answer your business-related questions or help you with one-on-one research assistance. Contact her at (630) 279-8696 or cheryl.fortman@elmhurst.org.
Identity Theft Prevention

Thursdays, Dec. 1 • 7-8:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room

Learn how to safeguard personal and financial information from experts in the field. Includes how to recognize phishing, tech support scams, and how to report these crimes to the authorities. Presented with the League of Women Voters. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Present: Dementia Activity Club

Mondays, Dec. 12, Jan. 9, and Feb. 13
1:30-2:15 p.m. • Admin Conference Room

Those with early onset dementia or Alzheimer’s are welcome to join for activities. This program is for those with early-to-mid stage dementia. Caretakers are required to attend. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Lañgüàgê Clubs

Discuss a variety of topics, learn new vocabulary, and practice grammar. All you need is a basic knowledge of the language. (Spanish is for intermediate to advanced speakers.) No registration required.
■ Ciao Italia! Culture • Conversation
  Wednesdays, Dec. 14, Jan. 11, and Feb. 8
  6:30-8:30 p.m. • Admin Conference Room
■ ESL Conversational Group
  Thursdays, Jan. 19 and Feb. 16
  7-8 p.m. • Admin. Conference Room
■ ¡Conversemos en Español!
  Mondays, Jan. 23, Feb. 6, and 20
  7-8:30 p.m. • Admin. Conference Room

Genealogy Club

7-8:45 p.m. • Meeting Room B

Join others interested in family history research to share tips, tools, and experiences. Visit elmlib.org/genealogyclub for more info. Register online, in person, or by phone.

■ Genealogy Club Special: Record Analysis with Excel • Tuesday, Dec. 13
Is a growing mass of notes, microfilm, and search results becoming unmanageable? Robert Pine shows how to use Excel to organize and save the results of your labors.
■ Genealogy Club Special: Birth, Death, and What Happens In Between
  Monday, Jan. 9 and Tuesday, Jan. 10
Enjoy a hands-on exploration of online genealogy research in this two-part session. Bring your laptop/tablet and copies of family documents.
■ Regular Meeting: Tuesday, Feb. 14

Small Resolutions, BIG Changes

Tuesday, Jan. 10 • 7-8 p.m. • Meeting Room A

Are you resolving to lose weight, sleep better, de-stress, or improve your health in other ways? Learn how to have more energy, fewer cravings, and take back control of your life. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Intro to Mindfulness

Tuesdays, Jan. 17 and Feb. 21 • 2-3 p.m.
Kossmann Room

Learn the basic concepts of mindfulness, including meditation, and other activities that promote mindfulness in this two-part series. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Embrace the New Year Through Meditation

Monday, Jan. 23 • 7-8 p.m. • Large Meeting Room

Join Michael Ribet to learn practical strategies to reduce stress and create a more healthy and positive lifestyle. Practice meditation techniques to help you gain a real and profound sense of serenity and joy. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Online Dating Workshop

Thursday, Feb. 2 • 7-8:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room

Just in time for Valentine’s Day, learn about online dating. While we can’t guarantee you a date, we will set you up with the tools to create a winning profile. Bring your laptop or borrow one from the Checkout Desk. Register online, in person or by phone.

Are You Curious About Medical Cannabis?

Wednesday, Feb. 22 • 7-8 p.m.
Large Meeting Room

Medical cannabis (medical marijuana) is legal in Illinois. Learn what that means in this presentation covering the science, biology, laws, application process, and patient experience, followed by an open Q&A session. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Reverse Mortgage Seminar

Monday, Feb. 27 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Meeting Room A

Learn the advantages, requirements, and consumer protection guidelines for reverse mortgages and enjoy light appetizers. Register online, in person, or by phone.

MindYour Mind

Author Visit:
Elizabeth Berg
Friday, Dec. 2
7-8 p.m.
Large Meeting Room

It’s Elizabeth Berg’s birthday, and she’s spending it with you! Hear the New York Times bestselling author read from her cheerful new book, Make Someone Happy: Favorite Postings, a collection of her popular Facebook page missives. Pick up your own copy (available for purchase) or give to a loved one. We’ll provide the wrapping paper! Register online, in person, or by phone.
**Wine Club**
Fridays, Dec. 2, Jan. 6, and Feb. 3
12-1 p.m. • Gathering Room • Age 21+
Learn about and discuss wine with other aficionados. No registration required.

**Beer Club**
- **Tuesday, Dec. 13** • 7 p.m. • Age 21+
  off-site: Red Arrow Tap Room
  111 E. First Street (Elmhurst)
  $10 tasting fee (collected at event)
- **Tuesday, Jan. 10** • 7 p.m. • Age 21+
  off-site: Flight 112
  110 W. Park Ave. (Elmhurst)
  $25 tasting fee (collected at event)
- **Tuesday, Feb. 14** • 7 p.m. • Age 21+
  off-site: Pints 112 S York (Elmhurst)
  $10 tasting fee (collected at event)
Learn about, taste, and discuss great beer at local establishments. Register online, in person, or by phone.

**Dish! Club for Cooks**
Wednesdays, Dec. 14, Jan. 11, and Feb. 8
12-1 p.m. • Admin. Conference Room
Exchange recipes, sample foods, and indulge in discussion.

**Check, Please! Elmhurst**
Sundays, Jan. 22 and Feb. 26
2-3 p.m. • Admin. Conference Room
Share your opinions on local restaurants and find great new places to dine. Each month, we decide on a few restaurants to try and come back the next month to share our dining experiences. Register online, in person, or by phone.

**Chocolates From Around the World**
Monday, Jan. 30 • 7-8 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Sample a variety of chocolates from around the world and hear pastry chef Rose Deneen discuss the chocolate production process. Chef Deneen also demonstrates how to make two easy chocolate treats. Samples and recipes provided. Register online, in person, or by phone.

**Senior Technology**
These monthly classes are a great way to get familiar with technology and develop your tech skills. Ages 55+

**Google Maps for Seniors**
Monday, Dec. 12 • 10-11:30 a.m. • Lab
Learn the fundamentals of Google Maps, how to plan trips, use street view, and see amazing sights from a computer.

**Anti-Virus Software: Windows Defender**
Monday, Jan. 16 • 10-11:45 a.m. • Lab
Have a PC with Windows Vista or newer? This class introduces Windows Defender and goes through the steps to scan and remove viruses.

**Craigslist for Seniors**
Monday, Feb. 13 • 10-11:30 a.m. • Lab
Start buying and selling on Craigslist, the internet’s largest classifieds section.

**Bring Your Grandkids**
to programs (page 5-8).
Night of Dance, Day of Infamy
Tuesday, Dec. 6 • 1-2 p.m. • Large Meeting Room
Tomorrow marks the 75th anniversary of “A Date Which Will Live in Infamy.” Join storyteller Terry Lynch as he portrays Navy Chief Radioman Edward Campbell, eyewitness to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Hear bittersweet stories reliving the events and aftermath of an attack that stunned virtually everyone in the country and swept the USA into WWII. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Hamilton: An American Musical The Story and Music
Monday, Dec. 12 • 7-8:15 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Due to popular demand, we are bringing back our Hamilton presentation! Before you see the smash Broadway hit, come to the Library for an evening of music, history, and all things Alexander Hamilton. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Christmas in Chicago
Tuesday, Dec. 13 • 1-2 p.m. • Large Meeting Room
Revisit local holiday traditions, including how the annual Chicago Thanksgiving parade began in 1934 to help lift the spirits of residents during the Great Depression. Along the parade route, department stores competed to outdo each other’s elaborate window displays. More recently, Christkindlmarket and ice skating at Millennium Park help Chicago ring in the holidays. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Cleopatra: The Last Pharaoh of Egypt
Thursday, Jan. 19 • 7-8 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Cleopatra is one of the most famous female rulers in history. The Egyptian queen shares her astounding story, audacious spirit, and astonishing guile at this first-person performance by Martina Mathisen. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Great Decisions Series
Learn about critical global issues facing America with professor Gary Midkiff. When you register, get a copy of the article, then attend the program to discuss the topic. Register in person to receive your copy of the topic article.

Great Inaugural Speeches
Sunday, Jan. 8 • 2-3:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
On January 20, our new president delivers the 58th inaugural speech in United States history. Many of the previous were disappointing: dull, uninspiring, and lacking vision. Gary Midkiff returns to review seven exceptional inaugural speeches that stood out for inspiring and challenging our country. Presented with Elmhurst History Museum. Register online, in person, or by phone.

Twentieth Moments: Chicago in the 20Th Century
Thursday, Feb. 16 • 7-8 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
What is Chicago? What will Chicago be in the future? What has Chicago been in the past? These are all complex questions that fascinate Chicagans, whether they have been here five months or 50 years. Drawing on historic photographs and visual materials from the Chicago Public Library, the Chicago History Museum, and other institutions, urbanologist Max Grinnell invites attendees into a discussion of these themes. Register online, in person, or by phone.
BOOK DISCUSSIONS
Books available when you register

Trading Titles
Thursday, Dec. 8 • 1 p.m. • Meeting Room B
Love books? Love to talk about books? Love to hear about new books? This is the group for you! How it works: read whatever you want, and then come share your thoughts about it. You’ll be sure to hear about some great reads. More info at elmlib.org/trading. Register online, in person, or by phone.

The Nightingale
by Kristin Hannah
This novel transports you to wartime France, where estranged sisters Vianne and Isabelle are just trying to do what they think is right in the difficult and confusing times of WWII. Register starting Jan. 9 in person or by phone.

Everything I Never Told You
by Celeste Ng
“Lydia is dead. But they don’t know this yet.” So begins this exquisite novel about a Chinese American family living in 1970s Ohio. A gripping page-turner and also a sensitive family portrait. Register starting Feb. 8 in person or by phone.

Read Between the Wines
off-site at Flight 112 Wine House (112 W. Park Ave.)

Trading Titles
Tuesday, Dec. 6 • 7 p.m.
Love books? Love to talk about books? Love to hear about new books? This is the group for you! How it works: read whatever you want, and then come share your thoughts about it. You’ll be sure to hear about some great reads. More info at elmlib.org/trading. Register online, in person, or by phone.

The Personal History of Rachel Dupree
by Ann Weisgarber
Moving from Chicago to South Dakota, this novel follows the struggles of a black family as they struggle to hold together in the Badlands of 1917. Register starting Jan. 9 in person or by phone.

The Widow
by Fiona Barton
There’s a lot Jean hasn’t said over the years about the crime her husband was suspected of committing. The truth—that’s all anyone wants; psychological suspense and intrigue pave the path. Register starting Feb. 21 in person or by phone.

Read to Me! A Storytime for Grown-Ups
Fridays, Dec. 16, Jan. 20, and Feb. 17
12:15-12:45 p.m. • Kossmann Room
Being read to is a rare pleasure. It not only stimulates the mind, it invigorates the imagination. Bring a lunch, sit back, and enjoy a short, intriguing story read aloud to you. Doors open at noon. Story starts at 12:15 and lasts 30 minutes. No registration required.

Storytime For Grownups Podcast
Missed a storytime or just want to listen again? Visit elmlib.org/sfgpodcast and let the tales carry you away.

Rebecca
by Daphne du Maurier
Friday, Jan. 20 • 6:30 p.m. • Elmhurst Art Museum
“Last night I dreamt I went to Manderley again” reads the first line of this best-seller which has never gone out of print since its first publication in 1938. EPL and EAM partner for this book discussion connected to the museum’s Sense of Place exhibit. Books available at the Library for EPL patrons. Call Elmhurst Art Museum to register at (630) 834-0202.

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- **Read the latest issue of Fine Print online, before it mails!**
  
  ![Fine Print](elmlib.org/fineprint)

- **Sometimes I forget what I’ve already read, so I keep track by enabling on my Reading History.**

  ![Reading History](elmlib.org/readinghistory)

- **Just before our last family road trip we discovered Playaways, which are small devices pre-loaded with an audiobook. Each kid got to listen to the book of their choice, which kept them occupied and happy, which made me happy!**

  ![Playaway](elmlib.org/playaway)

- **Before clicking the [Place Hold] button, I check to see if the item is on shelf. If the answer is yes, then I call EPL at (630) 279-8696. They have my item waiting at the Checkout Desk or Drive-up Window in an hour.**

  ![Place Hold](elmlib.org/holds)

- **When I broke my leg, I was unable to get to the Library while on bed rest for eight weeks! Luckily, the Library delivers to homebound (temporary or permanent) Elmhurst Public Library cardholders.**

  ![Home Delivery](elmlib.org/homedelivery)

- **Skip the wait and register for programs online!**

  ![Registration](elmlib.org/registration)

- **Instead of waiting for subscriptions to show up or giving into temptation in the grocery store checkout line, I get my magazines digitally through the Library. They are the real deal: full-color, cover-to-cover issues, and I can read them on my tablet or computer as soon as they are released.**

  ![Magazines](elmlib.org/emagazines)

  *... Same thing goes for newspapers!*  

  ![Newspapers](elmlib.org/enewspapers)

- **When I travel, I like to pack light, so checking out a preloaded Nook is a must for me. Each one holds a stack of vacation books less than a 1/2" tall. Subjects include popular fiction, romance, mystery, teen, graphic novels, and more.**

  ![Book an Nook](elmlib.org/bookanook)

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