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Elmhurst League makes a difference!

Congratulations to the Elmhurst League of Women Voters! The League received the "Making a Difference Award" at the 50th Convention of the League of Women Voters of Illinois in Springfield this June for their three-year independent study of the Elmhurst Public Library and its needs.

Since the spring of 1998, under the chair of Barbara Swords, the Elmhurst League of Women Voters and the Elmhurst branch of the American Association of University Women diligently studied the space needs of the present library and reviewed plans for a new building.

They informed Elmhurst residents about the new library issue through newspaper articles, letters to the editor, an appearance at City Council and three public forum meetings. Two of these meetings were broadcast on cable TV.

Thanks to the League and AAUW for their steadfast dedication to this vital community issue!

You've got (library) e-mail

For faster, more efficient service, give us your e-mail address at the Circulation Desk.

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From preschool through high school —
make the grade with the Elmhurst Public Library!

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At the library:

- Books
- Internet access
- Web databases
(with thousands of full-text newspaper/magazine articles & more)
- Printed encyclopedias
- Online encyclopedias
- "Homework shelves" for specific assignments
- E-books
(quick reference books, Cliffs® Notes)
- Color copier
- CD-ROM atlas
- Helpful reference librarians
(the ultimate search engines)
- and much more . . .

From home

www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org:

- Web databases
- E-books
- Library catalog
- Phone (630) 279-8696:**
- Helpful librarians at the "Ask Me" or Adult Reference Desks during library hours
- Night Owl Reference after hours

Get carded @your library™

September is "Library Card Sign-Up Month." Do you have your Elmhurst Public Library card? There's a world of information and fun just waiting for you. Don't wait! Get "carded" this September at the library.

Get a new library card or renew your card in September and receive a FREE magnetic memo board for your refrigerator, while supplies last.

Record- breaking Summer!

It's been a record-breaking summer at the library!

- **Over 4,000** children participated in the "Feed Your Need to Read" Summer Reading Program.
- **Over 1,000** adults participated in the Summer Reading Program.
- Circulation for July 2001 rose an incredible 11% from July 2000! You checked out items **over 173,300 times** in June and July.

Programs for Children

For young children & their adult friends

Mother Goose Time

☎ Mondays, Sept. 17–Oct. 22
(NO SESSION ON OCT. 8)
10:30–11 a.m.

OR Tuesdays, Sept. 18–Oct. 23
9:30–10 a.m. OR 10:30–11 a.m. OR
6–6:30 p.m.

OR Thursdays, Sept. 20–Oct. 25
6–6:30 p.m.
Ages: 1 & their folks

Enjoy interactive songs and rhymes. Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 8.

Lap-Sit Stories

☎ Wednesdays, Sept. 19–Oct. 24
6:30–7 p.m.
Ages: 2–3 & a favorite adult

Enjoy stories, fingerplays, musical activities. Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 8.

Toddler Time

☎ Mondays, Sept. 17–Oct. 22
(NO SESSION ON OCT. 8)
9:30–10 a.m.

OR Thursdays, Sept. 20–Oct. 25
9:30–10 a.m. OR 10:30–11 a.m.

OR Fridays, Sept. 21–Oct. 26
9:30–10 a.m. OR 10:30–11 a.m.
Ages: 2 & a favorite adult

Let us treat you to stories, fingerplays, musical activities. An adult must attend with every two kids. Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 8.

Three's and a Special Friend: “A Fanfare of Families”

☎ Wednesdays, Sept. 19–Oct. 24
9:30–10 a.m.
Ages: 3 & a favorite adult

We'll share stories, musical activities and fingerplays about all kinds of families including animals and people too! Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 8.

How to sign up for FREE programs:

- 😊 No registration required
- 📄 In-person registration
- ☎ Phone registration 630-279-8696 or in-person registration
- 🎫 Ticket pick-up at the “Ask Me” Desk

For children to attend by themselves

“Featuring Fabulous Families”

☎ Wednesdays, Sept. 19–Oct. 24
10:30–11 a.m. OR 2–2:30 p.m.
Ages: 3, 4 & 5

Join us for a feast of family tales, fingerplays and musical activities. We'll feature a variety of festive families. Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 8.

“A Rainbow of Stories”

☎ Thursdays, Sept. 20–Oct. 25
3:30–4:15 p.m.
Ages: 5, K & Grade 1

Children will enjoy a blend of colorful stories, crafts and musical activities from around the world focusing on families, celebrations, folklore, scary stuff and lots more. Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 8.

“An Animal Extravaganza”

☎ Tuesdays, Sept. 18–Oct. 23
3:30–4:15 p.m.
Ages: Grades 2 & 3

We'll present a potpourri of stories, poems, crafts and activities about all types of animals from cute, cuddly pets to majestic jungle beasts. Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 8.

Special programs

“A Basketful of Stories”

😊 Every Saturday
10:30–11 a.m.
Ages: 3–7

Join us for stories galore, and don't forget to pet Lucky our library Labrador puppet while you're visiting. No registration is required.

Chess Club

☎ Fridays, Sept. 14
Sept. 28
Oct. 12
Nov. 2
Nov. 16

Beginners: 6:30–7:15 p.m.
Experienced: 7:30–8:30 p.m.
Ages: 7 & up

Children are invited to play chess and learn more about the game. Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 8.



“Friday Family Fitness Night at Courts Plus”

(Sponsored w/ Elmhurst Park District)
☎ Friday, Sept. 21 7–7:45 p.m.
Ages: 3–6 with an adult
Courts Plus, 186 S. West Ave.

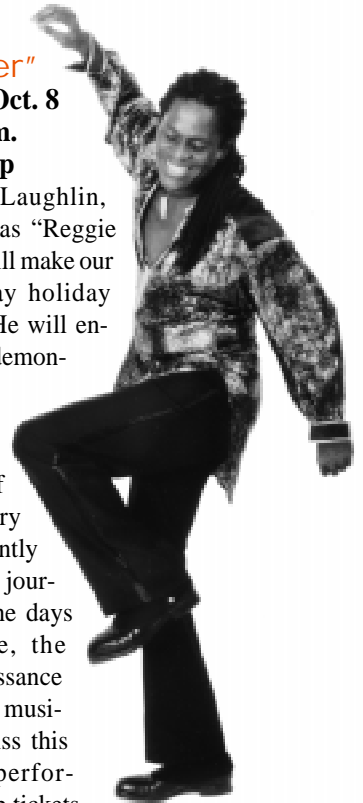
This program at Courts Plus will emphasize the importance of exercise and healthy eating through stories and fun activities. There will be a personal trainer who will engage the children in some invigorating exercises. Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 8.

“Reggie the Hooper”

☎ Mon., Oct. 8
10–10:45 a.m.

Ages: K & up

Reginald Mc Laughlin, better known as “Reggie the Hooper,” will make our Columbus Day holiday very special. He will enthrall us as he demonstrates the vibrant and intricate steps and routines of tap. The history of tap is brilliantly revived as we journey through the days of vaudeville, the Harlem Renaissance and Broadway musicals. Don't miss this exceptional performance. Pick up tickets at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 29.



Pumpkin Decorating Contest and Spooky Stories

☎ Friday, Oct. 26
7–8 p.m.
Ages: 4–adult

Carve, paint or decorate your pumpkin at home and bring it to the library for our contest. We'll give out prizes in different categories (scariest, funniest, most artistic, etc.) in the following age groups: 4–6 years old, 7–9 years old, 10–12 years old and 13 and older. While we're judging your pumpkins, you and your family will be treated to Halloween stories and goodies. After the contest you get to take your pumpkins home with you. Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Oct. 13.

Positive Parenting

📞 **Thurs., Oct. 4–Nov. 8 7–9 p.m.**

Family counselor Janet Hodge will talk with parents about positive discipline targeting children up to age 11. The class fee is \$30. The course text, *Active Parenting Today* by Michael Popkin, will be available to buy for \$14. Register in person at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 22.

NEW!

Homeschool Club!

📞 **Thursday, September 27 AND
Thursday, October 25
1:30–2:30 p.m.**

Homeschool students—meet other Elmhurst homeschoolers & learn at the library! Our monthly meetings will feature book discussions, guest speakers, getting published workshops & more. The first meeting is a researching “scavenger hunt.” Call for age requirements. Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 8.

NEW!

Homeschool Open House

📞 **Wednesday, October 10
7:30–8:30 p.m.**

Parents—discover the resources, materials and services the library offers homeschoolers. Also, give us ideas to meet your needs better. Register by phone or at the “Ask Me” Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Sept. 22.



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Teen Readers . . .
start your engines!

Win a trip to Miami to meet NASCAR Driver Ward Burton!

Elmhurst readers ages 12–18—jump-start your creative writing in a national essay contest. Read a book from a “Best Books for Young Adults” list and write an essay about why you’d recommend the book to a friend and how the book inspires today’s teens. Submit an entry form and your essay by 5 p.m. Oct. 12. The Grand Prize Winner & adult travel companion will meet Ward Burton in Miami. For book lists, entry forms and official rules, make a pit stop at the library or visit www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org. This program is sponsored by Hershey’s® Milk and the American Library Association.

Programs for Adults

Internet Basics

📞 **Mon., Sept. 10 7–8:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 12 10–11:30 a.m.**

Learn the basics of searching the Internet. (Assumes a basic knowledge of computer use.)

E-mail Basics

📞 **Sat., Sept. 29 9:30–11 a.m.
Mon., Oct. 1 10–11:30 a.m.**

Learn the basics of e-mail. (Assumes a basic knowledge of computer use and the Internet.)

Advanced Web Searching

📞 **Sat., Oct. 20 9:30–11 a.m.
Mon., Oct. 22 10–11:30 a.m.**

Learn advanced searching techniques, how to use search engines and more. (Assumes a basic knowledge of computers and the Internet.)

Online Catalog Training

📞 **Thurs., Sept. 13 1:30–3 p.m.
Mon., Oct. 22 1:30–3 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 27 10–11:30 a.m.**

Learn to use the Web version of the library’s catalog with “hands-on” practice.

Book Discussions (Registration preferred)

📞 **Wed., Sept. 19 2:30 & 7:30 p.m.**

In the Garden of Papa Santuzzo
by Tony Ardizzone

Wed., Oct. 17 2:30 & 7:30 p.m.

Disgrace by J. M. Coetzee

Elmhurst Garden Club’s “Through the Decades” Floral Display

☺ **Sat., Sept. 22 – Sun., Sept. 23**

Help the Elmhurst Garden Club celebrate its 75th Anniversary by visiting a special floral display in the Wilder Room during regular library hours. The display will represent the various decades the club has been serving the community.

“Van Gogh & Gauguin— The Studio of the South” An Exhibition Preview

📞 **Sun., Nov. 4 2 p.m.**

Art historian Jeff Mishur from Art Excursions will present a special slide-lecture on the anticipated Van Gogh and Gauguin exhibition at the Art Institute of Chicago. The exhibition will run from Sept. 22–Jan. 13 and will show works both artists created when they lived and worked together at Van Gogh’s house in Arles, France, considered by many scholars to be the height of both their careers. Seating is limited. Please call 279-8696 to register.



Lyric Opera Lectures

NEW
TIME!

All lectures:

2:30–3:30 p.m.

Registration is not required.

Season Preview

Hear a sampling of each of the operas at this season’s Lyric Opera of Chicago.

Sunday, September 9, 2001

Given by several lecturers.

Otello by Verdi

Sunday, September 16, 2001

Lecturer: Jim Fealey

Street Scene by Weill

Sunday, October 7, 2001

Lecturers: Howard & Mary Robins

I Capuleti e i Montecchi

by Bellini

Sunday, October 28, 2001

Lecturer: Lyn Snoble

Billy Budd by Britten

Sunday, November 11, 2001

Lecturer: Kip Kelley

Hansel & Gretel

by Humperdinck

Sunday, December 2, 2001

Lecturer: Arn Schenk

La Bohème by Puccini

Sunday, January 13, 2002

Lecturer: Arn Buonamici

Parsifal by Wagner

Sunday, January 27, 2002

Lecturer: Linda Veleckis

The Magic Flute by Mozart

Sunday, February 10, 2002

Lecturer: Carol Winston

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Hours:

M-F: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Sat.: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sun.: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Library Board Meetings:

7:30 p.m., 3rd Tues. of each month, Berens Room

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For ADA special accommodations for programs, call Raita Vilnins, 279-8696 or TTY 832-1252, 1 week prior to the event.

Memorials & Gifts

The following books were dedicated with money donated to EPL in memoriam or as a gift in June & July 2001.

- *The Tower of Pisa* by J. Barter / *The Russian Kremlin* by M. Greene / *The Medieval Cathedral* by W. Lace / *Roman Roads and Aqueducts* by D. Nardo. In memory of Thomas Bergh from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Graybill.
- *The First Ladies of Elmhurst* by Ruth Strand & Eugenie Urick. In memory of Aleta Schneeheagen from the Elmhurst Woman's Club.
- *Heritage Of Ireland* by N. Harris. In memory of Ann "Annie" Margaret Barclay from Robert Antolak.
- *The Price of Motherhood* by Ann Crittenden. In honor of Joanne Brundage, founder of Mothers & More, from the DuPage County Chapter of Mothers & More on the beginning of their 15th year.
- *Dream Plants for the Natural Garden* by H. Gerritsen & P. Oudolf. In honor of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Eaton on their 50th Wedding Anniversary from Mr. & Mrs. Ted Koch.

Develop Yourself:

Expose your mind to a banned book

What do Harry Potter and Huck Finn have in common?

Both have been threatened with removal from library bookshelves last year.

Celebrate your freedom to read at the library during Banned Books Week on Sept. 22-29.

We'll have several books ready for check-out which others have tried to ban from libraries throughout the country.

Join the celebration and spread the word that censorship is far more dangerous to freedom than the ideas expressed in books.

Coming Attractions

Reserve one of these titles or pick up a "Hot Copy." To place a reserve, please call 279-8696, stop by the Information Desk or request the book directly from the online catalog.

Fiction

- Isabel Allende *Portrait in Sepia*
David Baldacci *Last Man Standing*
Lawrence Block *Hope to Die*
Rita Mae Brown *Alma Mater*
Sandra Brown *Envy*
Nelson Demille *Up Country*
Laura Esquivel *Swift as Desire*
Diana Gabaldon *The Fiery Cross*
Martha Grimes *The Blue Last: A Richard Jury Mystery*
Joyce Carol Oates *Middle Age: A Romance*
- Tim LaHaye &
Jerry B. Jenkins *Desecration (Left Behind Series #9)*
- Sue Miller *The World Below*
Robert B. Parker .. *Death in Paradise: A Jesse Stone Novel*
James Patterson *Violets are Blue*
Anne Perry *Funeral in Blue*
Anne Rice *Blood and Gold: The Vampire Chronicles*
Nora Roberts *Midnight Bayou*
Nicholas Sparks .. *A Bend in the Road*
Danielle Steel *The Kiss*
Stuart Woods *Orchid Blues*

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Book Sale Sept. 7-10

Buy fiction, nonfiction, music and more at great prices during the library's fall book sale, downstairs in the Berens Room.

Sun., Sept. 9 Buy-1-get-1-free day
Mon., Sept. 10 \$1 bag day

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