

# Elmhurst Public Library



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## Remembering John Carroll

On August 31, 2002, Library Trustee John Carroll died after 24 years of service on the Library Board. He held the offices of Board Vice President from 1987 to 1988 and Board President from 1988 to 1991. Mr. Carroll's expertise as an engineer greatly improved the operation of the library building. During his years as a Trustee, he participated in the hiring of two library directors and worked tirelessly with the other Board members to inform the public about two successful referenda. The first was for increased operating revenue in 1986, and the second in 2001 was to build the new library, which will be a continual source of learning, opportunity and enjoyment for many generations of Elmhurst children and adults.

A lifelong reader himself, Mr. Carroll, as President of the Board, was instrumental in the commissioning of sculptor Frank Eliscu to create the bronze statue "Once Upon A Time" for the outdoor children's garden. Unveiled in 1989, it was the first public outdoor sculpture in Elmhurst.

Despite his advancing lung disease, Mr. Carroll attended his last Board meeting less than two weeks before his death where he continued his tradition of making ice cream sodas for fellow Board members.

Mr. Carroll also served on the City Council for 16 years as First Ward Alderman. He and his wife, Phyllis, recently were honored for their decades of community service with the 2002 Elmhurst Jaycees Distinguished Service Award. John Carroll is missed greatly.

Contributions towards a permanent memorial in the new library for Mr. Carroll may be sent to the Elmhurst Public Library.

## Librarian wins humanities award

Judy Ekblad, our School Services Librarian and Assistant Head of the Young People's Department, is one of the recipients of the 2002 Studs Terkel Humanities Service Award!

This award is presented by the Illinois Humanities Council, in conjunction with Illinois mayors, to honor individuals who have encouraged greater public understanding of the humanities in their communities.

Judy is being honored in particular for her enthusiasm for books and her dedication to children's reading in her more than 25-year career at the Elmhurst Public Library. Judy has contributed to a phenomenal increase in circulation of children's books and program attendance. She has initiated several very successful programs such as Stories in the Park and the 2000 Yearning 2 Know (Y2K) Literature Festival, and she continues to encourage reading during her many visits to Elmhurst classrooms.

Judy will receive a bronze medal of recognition from Mayor Marcucci at the November 18 City Council meeting. Congratulations, Judy!



*Board Trustee John Carroll at the new library groundbreaking May 2002*

## Thank you to our legislators for grants

The library has received several Illinois FIRST Member Initiative Grants from local legislators for construction of the new library. Illinois House Republican Leader Lee A. Daniels provided \$2 million in grant funding for property acquisition along Margaret Place and for architectural and planning fees associated with the new building.

Illinois Senate President James "Pate" Philip provided a \$1 million grant to be used for general construction. This grant will offset the cost of the ashlar lannon stone masonry work on the exterior of the building.

State Senator Dan Cronin presented the library with a grant of \$275,000 which will be used towards construction of the Story Room in the Young People's Department. The new Story Room will feature theatrical lighting and audio-visual systems, specially carved woodwork and a large mural.

We are very grateful for the support and the help that our legislators have provided. We encourage everyone in Elmhurst to join us in thanking them.

## Make "Eye Contact" with your library card

The very special exhibit from the Smithsonian, "Eye Contact: Modern American Portrait Drawings from the National Portrait Gallery," will run at the Elmhurst Art Museum through Jan. 5, 2003.

As a special offer to area libraries, everyone who shows their library card will receive two admissions for the price of one to this once-in-a-lifetime exhibit.

The library also has a book display about the artists featured in this exhibit near the Reference Desk through November. For more information about the exhibit, call 630-834-0202.

**Book Sale** \$1 Bag Sale!  
Nov. 10-12 "It's in the bag!"

For *every* day of this sale, everything you can fit in a bag will be sold for \$1. Bring your own bag, or we'll give you one. Sale runs during regular library hours.

# Special Programs for Children

☺ Lucky's Family Storytime

Every Saturday  
10:30-11 a.m.

All ages

Enjoy a fine blend of stories and musical activities with Lucky, our Labrador puppet. No registration required.

📞 Families Are Fun  
Monday, Nov. 18

7-7:45 p.m.  
Ages: 3 & up

It's a fanfare of family stories in honor of National Children's Book Week (Nov. 18-24). Register by phone or at the "Ask Me" Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Nov. 9.

📞 After-School Special  
Tuesday, Nov. 19

3:30-4:30 p.m.  
Ages: Gr. 2 & up

Hope you're feeling creative, because it's time to fashion some bright and sparkling decorations for Elmhurst Public Library's very own Christmas tree in Wilder Park. Also, you'll make a Thanksgiving craft and play a rousing game of "Who Wants to Be a Reader?" Register by phone or at the "Ask Me" Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Nov. 9.

📖 Historical Perspectives presents:

"Helen Keller"  
Thursday, Nov. 21  
4-4:45 p.m.

Ages: K & up

National Children's Book Week continues with a presentation of Helen Keller's life. Children will learn the story of this remarkable woman who, despite her great disabilities, graduated from college, became a prolific writer and improved the lives of persons with disabilities throughout the world. Pick up tickets at the "Ask Me" Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Nov. 9.

📖 "Great TV Turn Off" Poster Program

Ages: Preschool-Gr. 8

Attention all aspiring artists! Please design a poster for Elmhurst's "The Great TV Turn Off" (Feb. 13-19, 2003) showing interesting activities kids can do instead of watching TV. We'll use your poster to publicize the program throughout town. Pick up blank posters starting Sat., Dec. 7. All completed posters need to be returned to the "Ask Me" Desk at the library by Sat., Jan. 4.

📖 Puppets on the Wilder Side

Friday, Dec. 13  
7:30-8 p.m.

Ages: 3 & up

Our very own library puppeteers are back with a fun-filled program including "Jose & the Ghost," "Santa's Reindeer" & "Santa Mouse." Pick up tickets at the "Ask Me" Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Nov. 30.

📞 Holiday Crafts  
Saturday, Dec. 14

1-2 p.m.  
Ages: Gr. 2 & up

Feeling creative? Then come to the library and fashion your own special holiday decorations and gift surprises. Register by phone or at the "Ask Me" Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Nov. 30.

📞 After-School Special  
Thursday, Dec. 19

3:30-4:30 p.m.  
Ages: Gr. 2 & up

We're having a talent show! Entertain us by playing a musical instrument, singing a favorite song, telling a joke, reciting poetry, displaying your juggling skills or just be part of an enthusiastic, hand-clapping audience. Register by phone or at the "Ask Me" Desk *with your library card* starting Nov. 19.

☺ Flicks & Chips  
Friday, Dec. 27

1-4 p.m.

Ages: 5 & up

Relax with us while you view entertaining movies and nibble on tasty treats. No registration required.

📖 Winter Bingo

Ages 4-7 with an adult:  
Monday, Dec. 30

10-10:45 a.m.

OR

Ages 8 & up:

Thursday, Jan. 2

10-10:45 a.m.

You're invited for a rousing game of bingo and prizes. Children ages 4-7 (Monday) need to attend with an adult. Pick up tickets at the "Ask Me" Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Dec. 21.

📖 Comedy Ventriloquist:  
Chuck Field & Friends

Tuesday, Dec. 31

2-2:45 p.m.

Ages: 3 & up

Ring in the New Year with Chuck Field and his "friends." A great blend of amazing ventriloquism, entertainment, comedy and audience participation is bound to wow you! Chuck is a truly funny, imaginative and educational performer. Pick up tickets at the "Ask Me" Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Dec. 21.

📞 Learning to Sign  
K-Gr. 2:

Mondays, Jan. 6-27

3:30-4:15 p.m.

Gr. 3-6:

Tuesdays, Jan. 7-28

3:30-4:30 p.m.

Professional signer Kathy Kelly will teach the alphabet, commonly-used words and songs in sign language during this 4-week program. Register by phone or at the "Ask Me" Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., Dec. 21.

# Programs for Adults

📞 Internet Basics  
Sat., Nov. 16

9:30-11 a.m.

Learn the basics of searching the Internet. (Assumes a basic knowledge of computer use.) Please call to register.

📞 E-mail Basics  
Sat., Dec. 14

9:30-11 a.m.

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

📞 Book Discussion  
Wed., Nov. 20

2:30 & 7:30 p.m.

*In the Time of the Butterflies* by Julia Alvarez  
No discussion in December.

☺ Lyric Opera Lectures

All lectures - 2:30 p.m.

Sun., Nov. 3 *Die Walkure*

Sun., Nov. 10 *Sweeney Todd*

Sun., Dec. 8 *Thais*

## A reminder to parents



While we strive to make the library safe for the *entire* family, young children left on their own in any public place are vulnerable. That's why we set a policy that **all children under the age of 7 must be attended by a parent or other responsible caregiver age 12 or older at all times while in the library.** Thank you for sharing your library experience *with* your children.

### How to sign up :

- ☺ No registration required
- 📖 In-person registration
- 📞 Phone (279-8696) or in-person registration
- 📖 Ticket pick-up at the "Ask Me" Desk

# Friends, Romans, Countrymen . . . Brush up your Shakespeare at Friends Annual Meeting Sunday, Nov. 10 - 7 p.m.

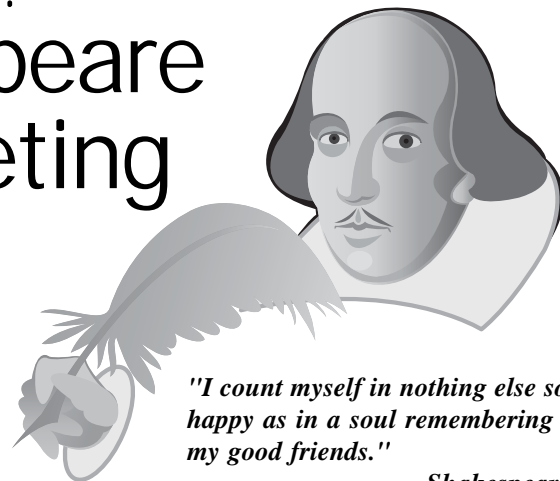
Did you know that William Shakespeare coined such common words and phrases as "assassination," "submerged," "dead as a doornail," and "a tower of strength"? Come to the Friends Annual Meeting and brush up your Shakespeare. Learn how Shakespeare's experience as the father of twins and the politics of his time helped him write such plays as *Twelfth Night* and much more.

After a brief business meeting, Shakespeare aficionado Marcia Goldstein will present "What Makes Shakespeare Immortal and Why is He Relevant Today." This stimulating talk will be filled with interesting anecdotes and little-known facts about the great bard, his times, and many of his plays.

A long-time admirer of Shakespeare, Ms. Goldstein attends every Shakespeare play she can. She even has seen several at the newly reconstructed Globe Theatre in London. For many years she has taught a course called "Enjoying Shakespeare" at College of DuPage. She also has taught at Elmhurst College, Northern Illinois University and Glenbard South High School.

The library thanks our "Friends" for their support of the Summer Reading Program, Stories in the Park and other library endeavors.

This meeting is for Friends members only. If you are not a member already, complete the reservation/membership form to the right and join the Friends at this special program!



*"I count myself in nothing else so happy as in a soul remembering my good friends."*

- Shakespeare

## Friends Reservation Form / Membership Application - 2003

*I would like to be a member of the Friends of the Elmhurst Public Library.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**YES** I (we) plan to attend the Nov. 10 Annual Meeting. \_\_\_\_\_ people will attend.

No, I (we) cannot attend.

*Please check one:*

Senior \$5     Individual \$10     Family \$20

Special Friend \$30     Best Friend \$50  
(Receive Friends mug or hat)    (Receive 2 FREE York Theatre tickets)

Send to: **FRIENDS**  
c/o Elmhurst Public Library  
211 Prospect Ave.  
Elmhurst, IL 60126

Please make checks payable to "Friends of the Elmhurst Public Library."

## Volunteering is a blast @your library™



*Middle school and high school Summer Reading volunteers dance to "YMCA" at an end-of-summer appreciation party.*

*A special thanks to DiLeo's Pizzeria in Elmhurst for very generously donating the pizza!*

We can't thank all our volunteers enough!

This year 111 volunteers helped run the Summer Reading Program. Over 60 volunteers recently helped count the number of library visitors during a week in October. We rely on our volunteers, and we'll need more to help out with the new library. If you'd like to join other library volunteers, call 630-279-8696.

## Thank you Garden Club for 50 wonderful years

The Elmhurst Garden Club is celebrating its golden anniversary of decorating the library for the holidays. In honor of the year of the rose and the anniversary, the decorations this time will feature "golden roses."



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Again this year, the Garden Club is collecting crocheted or knitted caps, mittens and scarves to decorate the library and to be donated to local charities. Please drop off all homemade or purchased items at the Information Desk. We'll have knitting books and patterns in the lobby in November.

We extend a very special thanks to the Garden Club for bringing holiday cheer and beautiful decorations to the library for half a century!

# Memorials & Gifts

The following books were dedicated with money donated to the Elmhurst Public Library in memoriam or as a gift in August and September 2002.

## Memorials

- *God: A Guide for the Perplexed* by K. Ward / *Things That Count* by G. Meilaender. In memory of Kenneth Zwadlo from his wife, Jeanne.
- *American Folk* by G. Ward & others. In memory of Judie Murray from Phyllis L. Igoe.
- A monetary donation was made in memory of James W. "Scotty" Boyle from Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.
- *Christmas in Scotland* by World Book, Inc. In memory of Margaret Campbell from Connie DeStefano.
- *Autistic Spectrum Disorders* by M. Waltz. In memory of Dr. Dave Gingrich from Basil and Elaine Libovicz.
- *Soft Metal* by M. Brand / *Crossroads* by M. Brand / *The Quest of Lee Garrison* by M. Brand / *The Shepherd of Guadalupe* by Z. Grey. In memory of Albert A. Weiher from Linda M. Levine.
- *Dreamscaping* by R. Clausen. In memory of Joseph Banas from Bruce and Alice Peterson.

- *You Cannot Be Serious* by J. McEnroe / *Choosing & Using Hand Tools* by A. Rae. In memory of Carl Ullmann from Barb Topper and Family.
- *Guitar: Music, History, Players* by R. Chapman. In memory of Dennis O'Toole from Gerald and Matilda O'Toole.
- *The History of Photography* by S. F. Spira. In memory of Thomas O'Toole from Gerald and Matilda O'Toole.
- *Small Gardens for Modern Living* published by Hamlyn. In memory of John O'Toole from Gerald and Matilda O'Toole.

## Gifts

- *Angelina and Henry* by K. Holabird / *Blossom and Boo Stay Up Late* by D. Apperley. In honor of Olivia Lee Slavin on her Christening from "Gramma" Pat and "Grampa" Joe Hatz.
- *Stuffed: Adventures of a Restaurant Family* by P. Volk. In honor of Bill and Phyllis Doan on their 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary from Gordon and Lois Elliott.
- *From the Heart of Covington* by J. Medlicott. Purchased with money donated by Rita M. Connor.

# Coming Attractions

Reserve one of these titles or pick up a "Hot Copy." To place a reserve, call 630-279-8696, stop by the Information Desk or request the book directly from the online catalog.

## Fiction

- David Baldacci ..... *The Christmas Train*
- Sandra Brown ..... *The Rana Look*
- A. S. Byatt ..... *A Whistling Woman*
- John Case ..... *The Eighth Day*
- Joan Collins ..... *Star Quality*
- Robin Cook ..... *Seizure*
- Michael Crichton ... *Prey*
- Amanda Cross ..... *The Edge of Doom*
- Janet Evanovich ..... *Visions of Sugar Plums*
- Richard Paul Evans *The Last Promise*
- Dean Koontz ..... *By the Light of the Moon*
- James Patterson .... *Four Blind Mice*
- Mary Jo Putney ..... *Christmas Revels*
- Nora Roberts ..... *Chesapeake Blue*
- Harry Turtledove .... *Ruled Britannia*

## Nonfiction

- Michael D'Orso ..... *Plundering Paradise: The Hand of Man on the Galapagos Islands*
- Paul Fussell ..... *Uniforms: Why We Are What We Wear*
- Judith Martin ..... *Star-Spangled Manners: In Which Miss Manners Defends American Etiquette for a Change*
- Steve Turner ..... *Amazing Grace: The Story of America's Most Beloved Song*

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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., 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues. of each month, Berens Room

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**Nov. 28, Dec. 24, Dec. 25,**  
**Dec. 31** (at 5 p.m.) and **Jan. 1.**



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