What’s Happening @
Elmwood Park Public Library
September, October & November 2014

Open House - Sept. 5
We’ve been working hard and you’ve been patient, and now our renovation project is complete. Come see all the changes!
Join us for an Open House on Friday, September 5 from 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. and allow us to show off our new space:
• Take a tour of Adult Services to see the new layout, including Study Rooms, Recently Returned shelving area, Express Internet Stations, Local History display, new AV Shelves, Self-Checkout, and more.
• Get a demo of our new website.
• Learn about all of the new databases that are free to use and available 24/7 on our website.
• And of course there will be refreshments and giveaways!
Stop by, take it all in, and fill out a comment card to let us know what you think!

New Website Live Sept. 5
Our new website is almost done and will be live September 5.
The new site is bright, modern and much more user-friendly.
We highlight Library news, programs & events, and new material on our home page. The menus make it easy to find all the information you’re looking for!

Centennial Celebration!
This year the Village has been celebrating its 100th birthday. Join us for a few programs this fall to help celebrate the Centennial!
• Memories of Elmwood Park
  Tuesday, September 16 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.
  Join us for a trip down memory lane presented by you, our patrons. To present your pictures, stories and memorabilia in celebration of the Elmwood Park Centennial, please register at the Adult Services desk. (Sponsored by the Friends of the Elmwood Park Public Library)
• Trivia Night @ Baciami
  Tuesday, September 30 @ 7:00-9:00 p.m.
  How good is your history? For September’s Trivia Night, we’ll be celebrating the Centennial with century-old trivia.
• Happy Birthday Story Time
  Tuesday, October 21 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
  Have the kids join us for a story time to say Happy Birthday to Elmwood Park!
• Book Discussions
  Our October & November adult book discussions are using books that take place in the early 1900s. See inside for details.
• 100 Year Musical Celebration
  Friday, November 21 @ 7:00-7:45 p.m.
  Celebrate the Centennial by listening to performances of popular music from the early 1900s. This program will take place at the Civic Center and will feature our honored guests, the choirs of Elmwood Elementary and John Mills Elementary.

School Textbooks
Did you know ... the Library has school textbooks, online homework help, research databases, books on your school reading lists, and staff who know about your assignments. Ask us how we can help you today!

Library Hours
Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Library Closings:
Monday, September 1: Closed for Labor Day
Monday, October 13: Closed for Staff Day
Friday, October 31: Open 9-5
Wednesday, November 26: Open 9-5
Thursday, November 27: Closed for Thanksgiving

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Movie Matinees

**Wednesday Matinees @ 1:30 p.m. (DI)**
- **September 3:** Heaven is for Real (PG)
- **September 10:** Transcendence (PG-13)
- **September 17:** Noah (PG-13)
- **September 24:** Bad Words (R)
- **October 1:** The Railway Man (R)
- **October 8:** Locke (R)
- **October 15:** The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (PG-13)
- **October 22:** Belle (PG)
- **October 29:** Draft Day (R)
- **November 5:** Captain America: The Winter Soldier (PG-13)
- **November 12:** The Fault in Our Stars (PG-13)
- **November 19:** Words and Pictures (PG-13)
- **November 26:** Million Dollar Arm (PG)

**Film Lover's Friday @ 1:30 p.m. (DI)**
- **September 5:** Bethlehem (NR, Hebrew)
- **September 12:** Mirage Men (NR)
- **September 19:** Blade Runner (R)
- **September 26:** The French Minister (NR, French)
- **October 3:** We Always Lie to Strangers (NR)
- **October 10:** Insomnia (NR, Swedish)
- **October 17:** The French Connection (R)
- **October 24:** Teenage (NR)
- **October 31:** Young Frankenstein (PG)
- **November 7:** Bringing Up Baby (G)
- **November 14:** Korengal (R, Swedish)
- **November 21:** Parenthood (PG-13)
- **November 28:** We are the Best (NR)

Petra van Nuis Quartet

**Sunday, November 16 @ 2:00-3:00 p.m. (RR)**

Chicago jazz vocalist Petra van Nuis is returning to the Elmwood Park Library for an afternoon performance with guitarist Andy Brown, bassist Joe Policastro, and drummer Bob Rummage. Come experience an afternoon with melody, rhythm, and a distinctive voice. Head over to http://www.petasings.com/ for a preview of what is in store!

General Programs

**Daytime Knitting Circle (DI)**
- **Thursday, September 4 @ 12:00-1:00 p.m.
- **Thursday, October 2 @ 12:00-1:00 p.m.
- **Thursday, November 6 @ 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Bring your needles and yarn and come for an hour of knitting and socializing. No instructor, just a casual knitting get together.

**Author Visit: Ron Mentone (DI)**
- **Tuesday, October 21 @ 7:00-8:45 p.m.

Join local author Ron Mentone as he gives a presentation and takes questions about his book, “Dominic & Ross, My Two Uncles.” Copies of the book will be available.

**Homebrewing Club (RR)**
- **Brew: Saturday, September 20 @ 10:00 a.m. -1:30 p.m.
- **Bottle: Monday, October 20 @ 6:00-7:00 p.m.
- **Brew: Saturday, November 1 @ 10:00 a.m. -1:30 p.m.

The Homebrewing Club brews and bottles their very own beer at the Library. You must attend a brew to attend the bottle. You must be 21 or older to attend.

**Trivia Night (RR)**
- **Baciami: Tuesday, September 30 @ 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- **Baciami: Tuesday, October 28 @ 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- **Baciami: Tuesday, November 25 @ 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Trivia Night is Back! Bring a team of up to 4 people for a night of fun and challenging trivia. We’ll have prizes for the winners!

**The Repurposed Library (RR)**
- **Recycled Book Picture Frames: Thursday, October 9 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- **3D Book Art: Thursday, November 13 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Help us repurpose some of our discarded materials into fun housewares and accessories. This month we will be using the pages of discarded books to create interesting 3D art pieces you can take home with you.

Lyric Opera

Join us for our Lecture & Film series by the Lyrica Opera, where we will have a lecture and discussion of the featured opera, then the following Saturday watch the film.

**Don Giovanni (DI)**
- **Lecture:** Tuesday, September 16 @ 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- **Film:** Saturday, September 20 @ 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Join lecturer William Nelson for a spirited discussion of Don Giovanni. Based on the legends of Don Juan, Don Giovanni features music by Mozart and libretto by Lorenzo da Ponte.

**Il Trovatore (DI)**
- **Lecture:** Tuesday, October 14 @ 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- **Film:** Saturday, October 18 @ 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Join lecturer Denny Hayes for a spirited discussion of Il Trovatore. Based on the play El Trovador by Antonio García Gutiérrez, Il Trovatore features music by Verdi and libretto by Salvadore Cammarano.
Programs with (DI) mean drop-in.
Programs with (RR) require registration.

Registration for adult programs will begin on September 2, October 1 and November 1 for each month’s programs, unless otherwise noted.

Sign up online, in person, or call us!

**Soups On!**

*Wednesday, November 19 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m. (RR)*

It’s starting to get cold... it’s time for soup!

Join A Theme Events as they show you how to prepare three different delicious soups: pumpkin vegetable, red pepper, & broccoli. Of course you will get to sample the soups, and take home recipes, as well.

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**Computers & Technology**

**Introduction to the Internet** (RR)

*Wednesday, September 10 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*
*Thursday, October 23 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*
*Monday, November 24 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*

This class will introduce you to the Internet and explain the basic elements of navigating around online. Learn about Web browsers, how to use links, the forward and back buttons and how to perform a simple search. Must possess basic computer skills to register.

**Word 2010 Basics** (RR)

*Thursday, September 25 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*

Learn some of the basics of Word, including formatting your document, changing the look of your text and inserting pictures.

**Basic Computer Skills** (RR)

*Monday, October 6 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*

This class offers beginning and hands-on training on the basic components of computers like using the keyboard and the mouse, navigating in Windows and Internet browsing.

**Excel 2010 Basics** (RR)

*Tuesday, November 11 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*

Improve your knowledge of Excel 2010 in this class. Learn the basics of Excel, including navigating spreadsheets, using simple functions, and how to create simple formulas.

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**Book 1-on-1 Time w/a Librarian**

Missed our computer classes? Need help with your tablet or phone? Or just have some other computer/tech question? Book 1-on-1 time with a librarian and we'll be happy to help!

Call or email us at the Adult Services Desk to set up a time in advance.

Phone: 708-395-1219, Email: askref@elmwoodparklibrary.org

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**Book Discussions**

Pick up a copy of the book at the Circulation Desk a month ahead! Discussions will be held in the Korbel Room.

*"The Night Circus" - by Erin Morgenstern (DI)*

*Tuesday, September 16 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*

A circus comes to town out of the blue and without warning. Within its tents, young magicians Celia and Marco compete to be the best, having done so since childhood. However, under the backdrop of their intense rivalry, a blossoming romance develops.

*"Life After Life" - by Kate Atkinson (DI)*

*Thursday, October 21 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*

On a cold and snowy night in 1910, Ursula Todd is born, but dies before she can draw her first breath. On that same cold and snowy night, Ursula Todd is born, and lets out a lusty wail. As she grows, she also dies, repeatedly, in a variety of ways, while the world marches on towards its second world war. Does Ursula’s apparently infinite number of lives give her the power to save the world from its inevitable destiny?

*"The Jungle" - by Upton Sinclair (DI)*

*Tuesday, November 18 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*

The story of Jurgis Rudkus, a Slav immigrant, who marries frail Ona Lukoszaite and seeks security and happiness as a workman in the Chicago stockyards. Once there, he is abused by foremen, his meager savings filched by real estate sharks, and at every turn, he is plagued by the misfortunes arising from poverty, poor working conditions, and disease.

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**Gaming Programs**

**Pathfinder Society Organized Play** (RR)

*Wednesday, September 3 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*
*Wednesday, October 1 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*
*Wednesday, November 5 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*

Do you like role playing games? Have you ever played Dungeons & Dragons? Then you should come give the role playing game Pathfinder a try! Run by staff member Garrett.

**CRAG: Pathfinder Group** (RR)

*Thursday, September 4 & 18 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*
*Thursday, October 2 & 15 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*
*Thursday, November 6 & 20 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*

This Pathfinder group meets to play twice a month is run by the head of the Chicago Regional Alliance of Gamers.

**CRAG: Open Gaming** (DI)

*Saturday, September 13 @ 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.*
*Saturday, October 11 @ 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.*
*Saturday, November 8 @ 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.*

Drop in one Saturday a month to play a variety of table top games! This program is run by the head of the Chicago Regional Alliance of Gamers.
Teen Programs & Events

I Want to Cook!

Have you always wanted to learn how to cook? Come to these classes and learn how! This fall we'll be learning to cook all types of fall foods. So bring an apron, it might get messy! Ages 10-18.

Monday, September 22 @ 6:30-8:30 p.m.—Caramel Apple Pie

Monday, October 27 @ 6:30-8:30 p.m.—Candy Treats

Monday, November 24 @ 6:30-8:30 p.m.—Thanksgiving Dinner

Technology Programs

Radio EP (DI)

Monday, September 16 and 23 @ 4:00-5:00 pm

Ever wanted to be a DJ or talk show host? Now's your chance! Join us for two weeks of "on-the-job" training and then get your own radio show!

Grades 6-12.

Mechatronics: Robot Building for 6th-8th Graders (RR)

Saturday, September 27 from 1:00-4:00 pm

In this class you will design, build and run your very own robot! This program is for 6th-8th graders and is in partnership with the Robotics Program from Triton College. Space is limited.

Grades 6-8.

Tech Talk with Omar and Ahren (DI)

Thursday, October 2 @ 4:00-5:00 pm

Bring your phones and gadgets and chat with Omar and Ahren about new technology and what the library should have!

Grades 6-12.

Geocaching and Twitter Scavenger Hunt (RR)

Monday, November 24 @ 4:00-5:00 pm

Use GPS and Twitter to go on a scavenger hunt around the circle! Grab a friend and your phone and join the hunt!

Grades 6-12.

Craft Programs

What's in a Name? Decorative Ornaments (RR)

Thursday, September 4 @ 7:00-8:30 pm

Find out what your name means and create a wire ornament.

Grades 6-12.

We Have Lift-Off: Rockets! (RR)

Wednesday, September 10 @ 4:00-5:30 pm

We'll build a rocket launcher out of PVC pipes and send a 2-liter bottle on a mission to great new heights.

Grades 6-12.

Duct Tape Crafts (DI)

Monday, September 15 @ 7:00-7:45 pm

Make fun things out of duct tape.

Ages 10-18.

Flower Fashion (RR)

Tuesday, September 23 @ 7:00-8:00 pm

Join us as we make beautiful dresses for paper model figures using flower petals.

Grades 6-12.

Photo Painting (RR)

Monday, October 6 @ 4:00-5:30 pm

Make a beautiful painting beginning with a photo!

Grades 6-12.

Marshmallow Wars (RR)

Wednesday, November 12 @ 7:00-8:00 pm

Why shoot the breeze when you can shoot mini marshmallows instead? Build a shooter and battle it out!

Grades 6-12.

Makey Journey (RR)

Wednesday, November 19 @ 7:00-8:30 pm

Ever wanted to bring a video game to life? Put your imagination to the test and design your own game!

Grades 6-12.

Teen Read Week:

Turn Your Dreams Into Reality @ Your Library

Thursday, October 2 @ 7:00-8:00 pm AND Thursday, October 16 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Stop by on October 2nd to create a journal worthy of your dreams. After documenting your dreams at home for the next two weeks, join us again on October 16th to turn your favorite dream into a short graphic novel, short story, storyboard or screenplay. Grades 6-12. (RR)

HUNGER GAMES

TRIBUTES, ARE YOU READY?

You have been chosen as tribute for the Elmwood Park Hunger Games. Sign up beginning November 1 and complete 3 tasks over the course of the next 3 weeks. Your scores will be ranked. Then, the final challenge will take place on Friday, November 21 @ 4:00-5:00 pm to determine who the victor of the Hunger Games will be!

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Grades 6-12.
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Registration for teen programs will begin on September 2, October 1 and November 1 for each month’s programs, unless otherwise noted.
Sign up online, in person at the library, or call us!

Gaming Programs

**Dungeons & Dragons** (DI)
*Thursday, September 18 @ 5:30-8:30 p.m.*
*Thursday, October 16 @ 5:30-8:30 p.m.*
*Thursday, November 20 @ 5:30-8:30 p.m.*
Play a casual game of D&D with us. New players welcome! Grades 7-12.

**Magic the Gathering & Yu-Gi-Oh!** (DI)
*Wednesdays @ 4:00-6:00 p.m.*
*No Class on Wednesday, November 26*
Play the popular trading card games Yu-Gi-Oh and Magic the Gathering. Don’t know how to play? We’ll be happy to teach you! Every week is casual, open play. Come to the program to find out what extra events & tournaments we’ll have. Ages 10–18.

**Other Teen Fun**

**Starry Night: The Fault in Our Stars** (RR)
*Thursday, September 18 @ 6:15-8:30 p.m.*
Join us in making your own glow-in-the-dark mini constellation while falling in love all over again with Hazel and Gus in the movie, *The Fault in Our Stars.* (This movie is Rated PG-13.) Ages 13-18.

**Hip-Hop Dance Class** (RR)
*Thursday, September 25 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
*Thursday, November 6 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
Deanna of Forevermore Dance & Theatre Arts will be stopping by the library to teach you the latest hip-hop moves. Never taken a dance class before? That’s ok, we’ll be starting with the basics! Grades 6-12.

**Bust a Move: Thriller** (RR)
*Thursday, October 23 @ 7:00-7:45 p.m.*
If you don’t already know the dance to the iconic Michael Jackson music video, *Thriller*, join us in learning some scary moves. Grades 6-12.

**Locked in a Room with a Zombie** (RR)
*Thursday, October 30 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
One locked room, sixty minutes, twelve humans, one zombie. Solve the puzzles, find the key and get out before time runs out! Grades 7-12.

**Writers’ Club**
*Wednesdays, November 5, 12, 19 and 26 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m. (RR)*
National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) is a yearly celebration where participants try and write a novel in 30 days. Take the challenge with us! Don’t want to commit to a novel? Join us for fun writing activities! Grades 6-12.

**Project Next Generation**

Our Project Next Generation classes teach kids in Grades 6-8 a variety of technology skills in a fun and relaxed classroom atmosphere. This fall we’re breaking it up into four different themed sessions:

**PNG: Soldering** (RR)
*September 2, 4, 9 & 11 @ 4:00-6:00 p.m.*
Join this PNG class if you want to learn how to solder! We’ve got cool electronics kits that light up, drive and scurry. When you’re finished you can take your creation home with you and you’ll be an expert in circuitry and soldering!

**PNG: Photoshop “Facepaint”** (RR)
*October 7, 9, 14 & 16 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Join this PNG class if you want to learn Adobe Photoshop basics. We’ll use a combination of cameras, tracing on paper, and photoshop to produce a one-of-a-kind self portrait!

**PNG: L.E.D. Ghosties** (RR)
*October 30 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Join this PNG class to make some spooky D.I.Y. “ghosts” using ordinary items and some simple L.E.D.’s (light emitting diodes), batteries and magnets!

**PNG: Movie Making** (RR)
*November 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20 & 25 @ 4:00-5:30 p.m.*
Join this PNG class if you want to learn how to shoot and edit your own movie using top-notch HD cameras and Adobe Premiere Elements! Use our green screen to transport your actors almost anywhere and post your finished videos on your YouTube channel when you're done. Bring a friend and some ideas and have a blast!

For more information visit our blog (http://png-eppl.blogspot.com/) and sign up online.

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**Young Adult Council**
*Thursday, September 11 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*
*Thursday, October 9 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*
*Thursday, November 13 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*
Do you want a say in what the library does for teens? Want to make a difference in your community and get volunteer hours for it? Join YAC! Grades 7-12.
Family Literacy Night

Wednesday, September 24 @ 7:00-8:30 pm (RR)
Join us for a parent workshop on getting your child ready to read. This event is open to families with children under 5 and their siblings. Parents will attend the workshop while the children enjoy story time and a craft.

There is a limit of 12 families, so sign up September 2!

Drop-in Story Times

Moms & Tots (DI)
Wednesdays @ 9:30-10:00 a.m.
Stories, songs, and movement for the very young. Ages 0-2.
(Classes begin September 10)

Drop-in Story Time (DI)
Mondays @ 11:00-11:30 a.m.
Enjoy a half hour of your favorite stories & songs! Ages 2-5.
(No Class October 13)

Drop-in Story Time (DI)
Tuesdays @ 11:00-11:30 a.m.
Enjoy a half hour of your favorite stories & songs! Ages 2-5.
(Classes at the library begin October 21)

Story Time in the Park

Story Time in the Park (DI)
Tuesdays @ 11:00-11:30 a.m.
September 2 @ Triangle Park (Diversey & 77th Avenues)
September 9 @ Bambi Park (Diversey & 74th Avenues)
September 16 @ Central Park (Fullerton & 75th Avenues)
September 23 @ Kathy Torpe Park (Fullerton & 76th Avenues)
September 30 @ Triangle Park (Diversey & 77th Avenues)
October 7 @ Central Park (Fullerton & 75th Avenues)
October 14 @ Triangle Park (Diversey & 77th Avenues)

Enjoy stories, songs, games & fun in the park! Ages 2-5. Note: If the weather looks bad, please call the Library to check the status of story time. If outdoor story time is cancelled, we’ll hold story time indoors at the Library instead.

After October 14, story time will be back at the library for winter!

Children’s Programs & Events

Afternoon/Evening Story Times

Join us afternoons or evenings for these specially themed story times.

- Football Story Time
  Thursday, September 11 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
- Italian Story Time—with guest author Maryann Pisano
  Tuesday, September 16 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
- Peacock Story Time
  Monday, September 30 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
- Black Cat Story Time
  Tuesday, October 14 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
- Birthday Story Time
  Tuesday, October 21 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
- Pajama Story Time
  Thursday, October 23 @ 7:00-7:45 p.m.
- Healthy Eyes Story Time—with special guest Dr. Kelly!
  Tuesday, October 28 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
- Turkey Story Time
  Thursday, November 7 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
- Thankful Story Time
  Tuesday, November 18 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
- Friendship Story Time
  Thursday, November 20 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.

100 Year Musical Celebration

Friday, November 21 @ 7:00-7:45 pm (DI)
Celebrate the 100th birthday of Elmwood Park by listening to performances of popular music from the early 1900s. This program will take place at the Civic Center (2 Coni Parkway) and will feature our honored guests, the choirs of Elmwood Elementary and John Mills Elementary. All ages welcome and invited!

Miss Carol’s Story Times

The fall session begins September 10 & 11 and runs until December 10 & 11. (No Class November 27)
Please see Miss Carol for more information & availability.

The next two sessions will begin in January.

Preschool Story Time (RR)
Session 1: Wednesdays @ 10:00-10:45 a.m.  
Session 2: Thursdays @ 11:00-11:45 a.m.
Stories, songs & activities for preschoolers. Ages 3-5.

Spanish Story Times

Cuentos de Falda (DI)
Thursday, November 7 @ 10:15-10:45 a.m.
Drop-in for a lapsit story time for babies in Spanish! Cuentos, canciones, y movimientos para los más pequeños. Ages 0-2.
(Class begins September 11)
Family Pumpkin Carving

**Wednesday October 29 @ 7:00-8:30pm** *(RR)*

We’ll provide the pumpkins and the tools. You bring your creativity and your family to carve your awesome pumpkins together! Children between the ages of 5-10 are invited to attend with a parent. There is a limit of 20 children due to space!

**LEGO Club** *(DI)*

Monday, September 8 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Monday, November 8 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Join us in building lots of fun stuff! We’ll supply the LEGOS. Grades K-8.

**Ride the Horse** *(DI)*

Wednesday, September 3 @ 4:00-4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, October 1 @ 4:00-4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 3 @ 4:00-4:30 p.m.
Come ride the mechanical horse! All ages.

**Club Fold ’Em** *(RR)*

Monday, September 15 @ 4:00-5:30 p.m.
Monday, October 20 @ 4:00-5:30 p.m.
Monday, November 17 @ 4:00-5:30 p.m.
We’re going to fold all kinds of paper things! Grades 2 & up.

**Board Game Fun with Miss Irene** *(RR)*

Thursday, September 25 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Play your favorite board games with Miss Irene! Ages 5-10.

**Dave Herzog’s Marionettes** *(RR)*

Monday, October 27 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Dave Herzog and his marionettes are here for a fun Halloween show! All Ages.

**Pre-Teen Programs & Events**

**For Pre-Teens in Grades 3-6**

**Woven Bracelets** *(RR)*

*Wednesday, September 17 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Learn to make beautiful woven bracelets. Grades 3-6.

**Post-It: Back to School** *(RR)*

*Monday, September 22 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Help us decorate our windows with Post-Its as we prepare for back to school and fall! Grades 3-6.

**Flower Fashion** *(RR)*

*Tuesday, September 23 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Join us as we make beautiful dresses for paper model figures using flower petals. Grades 3-6.

**Friendship Bracelets** *(RR)*

*Tuesday, October 7 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Learn to make bracelets for all your best buds! Grades 3-6.

**Silhouette Vinyl Decorating** *(RR)*

*Monday, October 20 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
Make a cool decoration for your phone or anything using vinyl silhouettes! Grades 3-6.

**Washi Tape Crafts** *(RR)*

*Monday, November 17 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
Do you know what Washi Tape is? It’s similar to duct tape. Come try out this cool new tape to decorate just about anything you can think of! Grades 3-6.

**Tweens Read: Book Club** *(RR)*

*Wednesday, September 24 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Freaking by Lana Krumwiede
*Wednesday, October 29 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Coraline by Neil Gaiman
*Wednesday, November 19 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman
Pick up a copy from the library after the 25th of the month. Grades 3-6.

**Panels: Comic Book Club** *(RR)*

*Thursday, October 23 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Love comics? Come chat about them with other pre-teens who do too! Grades 3-6.

**Pre-Teen Advisory Council**

*Monday, September 8 @ 7:00-8:00pm*
*Monday, October 6 @ 7:00-8:00pm*
*Monday, November 10 @ 7:00-8:00pm*
Are you in grades 4-6? Do you want to help plan programs at the library and get involved in your community? Join our Pre-Teen Advisory Council (PTAC) and share your thoughts and ideas about what the library should do, have fun and earn volunteer hours for it! Grades 4-6.
Friends of the Elmwood Park Public Library

Thank you Friends!

We would like to give a big thank you to the Friends of the Elmwood Park Public Library for their generous contributions towards this year's Summer Reading Program! We would also like to thank the Friends for providing the bean bag game and books for our booth at the Taste of Elmwood Park in August. Lots of people came to play, and we gave away hundreds of books for free. Thank you!

Who are the Friends and what do they do?

We are a group of local folks just like you, who care about helping our community’s library continue to be the outstanding resource for the residents of Elmwood Park and their children. Our primary purpose is to raise money to enhance library programs and resources. Since 2002 we have raised close to $27,000 through membership fees and bookcase sales.

How do I support the Friends or become a member?

All it takes to become a Friend is a $5 annual donation. As a Friend, you are welcome to join our monthly meetings and volunteer to help with special projects and events. To join, please contact Adult Services desk for more information at 708-395-1219 or leave a voicemail directly for the Friends at 708-395-1298.

You can also support the Friends by buying or donating books to be sold in the Main Lobby. Proceeds from these book sales go towards Library programs and resources.

Library Card Sign Up Month

September is National Library Card Sign-up Month!

Are you missing a library card? Or do you need to renew yours? Stop by the Library and get it taken care of so that you have access to all our books, movies, music, magazines, databases, ebooks and more! And if you do register for a new card, or renew your old card during September, you'll get a small gift!

If you already make good use of your card, stop by the Adult Services Desk and flash us your library card and receive a library key chain or magnet! Head upstairs to the Youth Services Desk where kids will get a chance to dig in our treasure chest to claim a small prize if they show us their card. (Limit 1 prize per person)

Banned Books Week

September 21-27 is Banned Books Week.

This week we take the time to highlight books that have been challenged or banned from libraries, and talk about the dangers of censorship. To read more, visit ALA.org or BannedBooksWeek.org.

This week you can find displays of Banned Books in both Youth and Adult Services. Check one out today!

Brainfuse: Online Tutoring & Test Prep

Looking for some help with homework? Need to study for a big test? Want input on the paper you're writing? Then try Brainfuse, our online tutoring program.

Log in to Brainfuse (you must create a login, but it’s free!) through the Library’s website and get started. Or download the Brainfuse app for your phone or tablet. What can you do once you’re logged in?

- Get live online help from a tutor for either a specific problem or general help and skills building. Choose a grade level and subject and you will be connected to a white board where both you and the tutor can chat and draw out examples.
- Submit a paper to the Writing Lab and receive an email with feedback within 24 hours.
- Get practice tests for the ACT, SAT, or state aligned tests.
- Find helpful flash cards to study for different tests and subjects, or create your own.

This is not just for kids! You can use Brainfuse to get help for passing the GED or US Citizenship Test. You can get help with using Microsoft Office products, writing a resume, or finding a job.

For accommodations at an event or class, please contact us, allowing seven days’ notice to best serve you.

Our events and classes are photographed and/or recorded for promotional purposes. Please let us know if you prefer not to be photographed or videotaped. Your name will not be used without your written consent.