What’s Happening @

Elmwood Park Public Library

December 2013 – February 2014

Drive-up Book Drop

It’s getting cold outside! Too cold to get out of your car to return your books... our Drive-up Book Drop is a convenient alternative. Just drive up, use either the book or media slot returns, and be on your way!

Our Drive-up Book Drop is located in the parking lot behind the Library. Just turn into the lot from Avenue of the Flags, then return your books and movies before exiting onto Grand Avenue. Stay warm!

Building Improvements: Coming Soon

Finishing up a proposal for work? Studying for a final? Need some space to spread out and concentrate? We are excited to announce that this Spring the Library will be adding five new study rooms for individual and group use. Three rooms will be added to Adult Services and two rooms to Youth Services.

In addition, we will also be adding a family restroom on the second floor.

Construction is slated for the Spring, but be aware that in preparation we will be moving things around. Once we start shifting, please don’t hesitate to ask for help. We’re happy to assist in any way!

Axis 360 eBooks

The Library offers two different ways to checkout eBooks with your library card:
- Overdrive’s Media on Demand
- Baker & Taylor’s Axis 360

Our Media on Demand eBooks are purchased as part of a large group of libraries, which allows us to offer a much bigger collection.

Currently, our Axis 360 collection is a collection of eBooks that is solely purchased by the Elmwood Park Library and only available to Elmwood Park patrons.

Starting in the new year, the Elmwood Park Library’s Axis 360 collection will be joining eRead Illinois, a statewide group that recently received a large grant to purchase eBooks for libraries in the northern half of the state.

As a result, our Axis 360 collection will be adding thousands of new downloadable eBook and Audiobook titles. These new titles will be shared with all libraries participating in eRead Illinois, but there should be plenty of new titles for you to check out! Also, any new or past titles purchased by the EP Library will still be limited to EP cardholders only.

We are very excited about expanding our eBook selection. Keep checking with us in the new year as we receive updates on the status of the project.

And, as always, if you want some help downloading eBooks or Audiobooks from either Axis 360 or Media on Demand, just stop by a Reference Desk and we’ll be happy to show you the way!

Library Closings:

Please note that the Library will be closed:
- Tuesday, December 24: Christmas Eve
- Wednesday, December 25: Christmas Day
- Tuesday, December 31: New Year’s Eve
- Wednesday, January 1: New Year’s Day
- Monday, January 20: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

YAC Charity Flower Sale

Thursday, February 13 from 4:00-9:00 p.m.
Friday, February 14 from 3:00 p.m.-Close

The Young Adult Council will be selling flowers to raise money for charity, so stop by February 13 or 14 to purchase a Valentine flower for yourself or a loved one!
General Programs

Sunday Jazz: The Petra van Nuis Quartet in Concert (DI)

**Sunday, December 2 @ 2:00-3:00 p.m.**

Enjoy live jazz at the Library with The Petra van Nuis Quartet. Vocalist Petra and guitarist Andy are true romantics and the timeless music of the Great American Songbook is what inspires them creatively. They enjoy unearthing obscure songs and their extensive repertoire is both impressive and unique. Rounding out the quartet are Joe Policastro on bass and Bob Rummage on drums.

Downton Abbey Viewing Party (DI)

**Monday, January 13 @ 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

**Monday, January 27 @ 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

**Monday, February 10 @ 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

**Monday, February 24 @ 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

Join us as we watch the latest two episodes of Downton Abbey. After the viewing we will have some tea, tea sandwiches, and discuss the show.

Radio Theater w/ Radio Players West (DI)

**Sunday, January 19 @ 2:00-3:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, February 16 @ 2:00-3:00 p.m.**

Return to the bygone days of Radio as Radio Players West present comedy and drama programs based on original scripts from the 1930s to 50s. Relive—or experience for the first time—the magic of old time radio with sound effects and original music.

Memories of Elmwood Park (DI)

**Tuesday, January 21 @ 7:00-9:00 p.m.**

Join us for a retrospective slide lecture of local history as Elmwood Park celebrates its centennial year: 1914-2014. Presented by Russ Parker, author and the Library’s Local History expert. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Handwriting Analysis for Adults and Teens (RR)

**Thursday, February 6 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.**

Join us when expert Chris McBrien teaches us the tools to see what our handwriting says about us!

Valentine Scrapbooking (RR)

**Saturday, February 8 @ 1:00-3:00 p.m.**

Join scrapbooking expert Linda Verzani for this Valentine’s Day paper craft workshop. Attendees will leave with 3 greeting cards and a treat bag to give to their favorite sweethearts!

Pinterest Party (RR)

**Saturday, February 22 @ 1:00-3:00 p.m.**

Pinterest addicts and newbies alike are invited to come together for a crafting party! You will get a brief overview of what Pinterest is and how to use it, plus make Pinterest-inspired crafts.

Monthly Programs

Chicks w/Sticks: Daytime & Evening Knitting Circles (DI)

**Tuesday, December 3 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, December 5 @ 12:00-1:00 p.m.**

**Thursday, December 19 @ 12:00-1:00 p.m.**

**Thursday, January 2 @ 12:00-1:00 p.m.**

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

**Thursday, January 16 @ 12:00-1:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, February 4 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, February 6 @ 12:00-1:00 p.m.**

**Thursday, February 20 @ 12:00-1:00 p.m.**

Join Liz and Kim for the evening and/or daytime knitting circle and instruction session. Bring your knitting projects if you are an experienced knitter. If you are a beginner, don’t worry, we will give you a set of needles and yarn to keep, and teach you the basics.

Pathfinder Society Organized Play (RR)

**Wednesday, December 4 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday, December 18 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday, January 8 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday, January 29 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday, February 5 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday, February 26 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.**

Do you like playing role playing games? Have you ever played Dungeons & Dragons? Do you like fighting evil and finding loot? If you answered yes to any of those questions then you should come give the role playing game Pathfinder a try!

Homebrewing Club (RR)

**Bottle: Monday, December 2 @ 6:00-7:00 p.m.**

**Brew: Saturday, January 11 @ 10:00-11:00 a.m.**

**Bottle: Monday, February 10 @ 6:00-7:00 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)

**Circle Inn: Tuesday, December 17 @ 7:00-9:00 p.m.**

**Baciami: Tuesday, January 28 @ 7:00-9:00 p.m.**

**Baciami: Tuesday, February 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! Please note that in the new year we’ll be moving to Baciami Restaurant!
Programs with (DI) mean drop-in. Programs with (RR) require registration.

Registration for adult programs will begin on December 1, January 2, and February 1 for each month’s programs, unless otherwise noted.

Sign up online, in person, or call us!

**Computer & Technology**

**Word 2010 Basics** (RR)
Friday, January 31 @ 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Learn some of the basics of Word, including formatting your document, changing the look of your text, and inserting pictures.

**Excel 2010 Basics** (RR)
Friday, February 28 @ 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Learn the basics of Excel, including navigating spreadsheets, using basic functions, and how to create formulas.

**Book 1-on-1 Time w/a Librarian**
Missed our computer classes? Or have an extra question? Book 1-on-1 time with a librarian and we’ll answer your questions! Just call or email us at the Adult Services Desk to set up a time! Email: askref@elmwoodparklibrary.org

**Movie Madness!**

**Wednesday Matinees**

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**Lyric Opera Lecture/DVD Series**

During the lectures you will get to hear the story of that particular opera, learn about the composer, and listen to musical highlights. Then watch the DVD at the Library on the Saturday following the lecture! (DI)

- **Opera topic:** Die Fledermaus
  - **Lecture:** Tuesday, December 3 @ 1:00-3:00 p.m.
  - **DVD:** Saturday, December 7 @ 1:30-4:30 p.m.

- **Opera topic:** Madama Butterfly
  - **Lecture:** Tuesday, January 7 @ 1:00-3:00 p.m.
  - **DVD:** Saturday, January 11 @ 1:30-4:30 p.m.

- **Opera topic:** The Barber of Seville
  - **Lecture:** Tuesday, January 21 @ 1:00-3:00 p.m.
  - **DVD:** Saturday, January 25 @ 1:30-4:30 p.m.

**Book Clubs**

Pick up a copy of the book at the Circulation Desk!

**Holiday and Book Exchange Party** (RR)

**Thursday, December 5 @ 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

In lieu of the regular monthly book discussions, Liz and Molly are teaming up and doing some arts and crafts, paired with a book exchange. Bring a book to exchange with a fellow reader, and join us in making your own wrapping paper. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided. Make sure to sign up in advance!

**Pot Luck Book Club** (RR)

**Thursday, December 12 @ 6:00-7:00 p.m.:**
- **Martha Stewart’s Cooking School** - by Martha Stewart
- **Indian Cooking Unfolded** - by Raghavan Iyer
- **Big Sky Cooking** - by Meredith Brokaw and Ellen Wright

The Pot Luck Book Club meets monthly to share dishes made from a common cookbook. If you sign up, Liz will contact you the day before the program to let you know how many people we are expecting. You must bring a dish that you made from the book to participate.

**Mystery Fans Book Discussion** (DI)

**Tuesday, January 21 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.:**
- **An Unsuitable Job** - by P.D. James
- **When We Were Orphans** - by Kazuo Ishiguro

Join Liz and other mystery fans to discuss mystery books. Don’t be shy, we love new members!

**Read It/Make It Book Discussion** (RR)

**Thursday, January 23 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.:**
- **DIY Mason Jars** - by Melissa Averinos
- **Tape It & Make It** - by Richela Fabian Morgan

Read the book, then make the craft! Join us each month for these crafty “book discussions” and make tree branch centerpieces in January, and duct tape roses in February. Supplies will be provided. **Ages 8–Adult.**
**Craft/Food Programs**

**Make Your Own Presents: Bottle Cap Crafts** *(DI)*
*Bottle Cap Crafts: Tuesday, December 3 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
*Bows & Wrapping Paper: Monday, December 9 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
*Sea Salt Scrub: Tuesday, December 17 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
This holiday season make your own presents to give away or keep for yourself! **Ages 10 & up.**

**Make Your Own Gingerbread House** *(RR)*
*Wednesday, December 18 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*
Make your very own gingerbread house with us! **Ages 10 & up.**

**I Want to Cook:** **Christmas Cookies** *(RR)*
*Christmas Cookies: Saturday, December 21 @ 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.*
*Fried Chicken: Tuesday, January 14 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*
*Cheeseburger Pie: Wednesday, February 12 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*
Get messy and learn how to cook! **Ages 10 & up.**

**Duct Tape Crafts** *(DI)*
*Tuesday, January 7 @ 7:00-7:45 p.m.*
*Tuesday, February 4 @ 7:00-7:45 p.m.*
Make fun things out of duct tape. **Ages 10 & up.**

**Plaster the Library with Post–Its!** *(DI)*
*Monday, January 13 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
Come play with post-its and decorate the library’s windows for winter! **Ages 10 & up.**

**Textured Coppered Earrings** *(RR)*
*Tuesday, January 21 @ 6:30-8:30 p.m.*
Join professional crafter Molly and make your very own beautiful textured earrings out of copper. **Ages 10–18.**

**Teen DIY: Holiday Lights** *(RR)*
*Tuesday, January 28 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
Ever wonder what to do with those leftover holiday lights? Use them to make awesome decorations for your bedroom! **Ages 10 & up.**

**Pop-Up Valentines** *(RR)*
*Tuesday, February 11 @ 7:00-7:45 p.m.*
Make an awesome pop-up valentine to keep or share! **Ages 10 & up.**

**Paint Chip Art** *(RR)*
*Monday, February 17 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
Use paint chips to make all kinds of amazing artwork! **Ages 10 & up.**

**Teen DIY: Stars, Stars, Stars!** *(RR)*
*Tuesday, February 25 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.*
This time we’re making star decorations to hang everywhere! Use them to make awesome decorations for your bedroom or anywhere else! **Ages 10 & up.**

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**Teen Yule Ball**

*Saturday, January 4 @ 7:00-10:00 p.m.* *(RR)*
It’s half Harry Potter and half a dance! Celebrate being off school with an awesome party! Dress up from Harry Potter or dress fancy, but come for food, movies, games and dancing! **Grades 7-12.**

**Young Adult Council**

*Thursday, December 12 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*
*Thursday, January 9 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*
*Thursday, February 13 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.*
Sign up to be part of the Young Adult council and plan what you want to happen at the Library. Eat snacks, be part of the Library, have fun, earn volunteer hours, and support great causes! **Grades 7-12.** *(DI)*

**Handwriting Analysis**

*Thursday, February 6 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.* *(RR)*
Join us when expert Chris McBrien teaches us the tools to see what our handwriting says about us! **Ages 10 & up.**

**Writer’s Club**

*Wednesday, February 5 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
*Wednesday, February 12 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
*Wednesday, February 19 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
*Wednesday, February 26 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Want to be a better writer? Join our club, not just to share your own writing, but to play games and learn skills to make you a better writer!

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**Did you know ... the Library has textbooks, online homework help, research databases, books on your school reading lists and a staff who knows about your assignments! Ask us how we can help you today!**
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Registration for teen programs will begin on December 1, January 2 and February 1 for each month’s programs, unless otherwise noted. Sign up online, in person at the library, or call us!

**Radio EP**

*Monday, December 2 @ 5:00-6:00 p.m.*
*Monday, December 9 @ 5:00-6:00 p.m.*
*Monday, December 23 @ 5:00-6:00 p.m.*
*Monday, January 6 @ 5:00-6:00 p.m.*

Ever wanted to be a talk show DJ or blogger? This is your chance! Join us for two weeks of instructional classes and then get your own show time! Please see Omar or Kim for more information and to sign up for a show time!

**Grades 7-12. (RR)**

Not sure if you’re interested? Want to hear some of the broadcasts that we did this summer to see what it’s like? Visit [www.blogspotradio.com](http://www.blogspotradio.com) and search “eplteen” to find all of our archived radio broadcasts.

**Radio EP: A Christmas Carol**

*Wednesday, December 4 @ 4:00-7:00 p.m.*
*Wednesday, December 11 @ 4:00-7:00 p.m.*

Do you love Radio, acting or both? We will be broadcasting our very own production of *A Christmas Carol* on the radio! We have 15 parts to fill. Come on December 4th to receive your part and rehearse. Then on December 11th we will record the real show. You must attend BOTH sessions!

**Ages 10 & up. (DI)**

**Gaming Programs**

**Drop-in Gaming (DI)**

*Thursday, December 26 @ 3:00-5:00 p.m.*
*Thursday, January 2 @ 6:00-8:00 p.m.*

School’s out! Come play games with us! Grades 6-12.

**Life Size Clue (DI)**

*Thursday, January 2 @ 1:00-2:00 p.m.*

We’re going to play the board game Clue without the board! You’re the game character and it’s up to you to solve the mystery in the library! Ages 10 & up.

**Dungeons & Dragons (DI)**

*Thursday, December 19 @ 5:30-8:30 p.m.*
*Thursday, January 16 @ 5:30-8:30 p.m.*
*Thursday, February 20 @ 5:30-8:30 p.m.*

Join us for a casual D&D campaign. Grades 7-12.

**Original Dungeons & Dragons Campaign (RR)**

*Monday, December 9 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*
*Monday, December 23 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*
*Monday, January 6 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*
*Monday, January 13 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*
*Monday, February 10 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*
*Monday, February 24 @ 5:00-9:00 p.m.*

Run by the creator of the Chicago Regional Alliance of Gamers, this D&D campaign follows the original rules of the game! Grades 7-12.

**Magic the Gathering & Yu-Gi-Oh! (DI)**

*Wednesday @ 4:00-6:00 p.m.*

Play the popular trading card games Magic the Gathering & Yu-Gi-Oh. Don’t know how to play? We’ll be happy to teach you! Every week is casual, open play. Extra events are listed below. Ages 10 & up.

*December 18: Magic: EDH Tourney*
*January 15: Magic: $8 Theros booster draft $8*
*January 29: Magic: EDH Tourney*
*February 19: Magic: $8 Born of Gods booster draft $8*
*February 5: YuGiOh: $8 Legacy of the Valiant Tourney $8*
*February 26: Magic: EDH Tourney*

**Teen Game Night (DI)**

*Thursday, January 30 @ 6:00-8:30 p.m.*
*Thursday, February 27 @ 6:00-8:30 p.m.*

Play board, card, and video games with us! Grades 6-12.

**Teach Omar to Play Minecraft (RR)**

*Monday, January 27 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.*

Do you love Minecraft? Come teach Omar how to play and show him all the tips and tricks you know! Grades 6-12.

**Project Next Generation Technology Class**

The Project Next Generation computer & technology class will be having a Winter/Spring session of fun and learning for 6th-8th graders. The session begins February 18 and will meet twice a week on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 4:00-6:00 p.m. for 8 weeks.

The class will involve technological activities, including working with electronics, music, circuitry, photo & video editing, and more! Registration begins February 1.

Funding for this grant project was awarded from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services to the Secretary of State/Illinois State Library under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

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Children’s Programs

Arts/Crafts/Games Programs

LEGO Club (DI)
Monday, December 2 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Monday, January 6 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Monday, February 3 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Join us for tons of LEGO fun building models, having contests, and making movies! We’ll supply the LEGOs. Grades K-8.

Make an Advent Calendar (RR)
Thursday, December 5 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Make an advent calendar and countdown to Christmas! Ages 4-10.

Make Your Own Gingerbread House (RR)
Wednesday, December 18 @ 4:00-5:30 p.m.
Make your very own gingerbread house with us! Grades 2-5.

Club Fold ‘Em (RR)
Monday, December 23 @ 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Monday, January 13 @ 4:00-5:30 p.m.
Monday, February 10 @ 4:00-5:30 p.m.
Join Club Fold ‘Em and make awesome things out of paper! Grades 2 & up.

Drop-in Origami (DI)
Thursday, December 26 @ 1:00-3:00 p.m.
School’s out! Drop-in anytime and make some origami with us! All ages.

Crafty Club: Snow People (RR)
Tuesday, January 7 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
Are you crafty? Join our club and make a fun new craft every month! Grades 2-5.

Puzzlemania Game Day! (DI)
Tuesday, January 28 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Do you like puzzles? Come do some puzzles with Miss Irene! Ages 4-10.

Pop-Up Valentines (RR)
Tuesday, February 11 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
Make an awesome pop-up valentine to keep or give away! Grades 2-5.

Paint Chip Art (RR)
Monday, February 17 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Use paint chips to make all kinds of amazing artwork! Grades 2-5.

Crafty Club: Thumb Print Painting (RR)
Tuesday, February 18 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
Are you crafty? Join our club and make a fun new craft every month! Grades 2-5.

General Programs

Ride the Horse (DI)
Wednesday, December 4 @ 4:00-4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, January 7 @ 4:00-4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 5 @ 4:00-4:30 p.m.
Come ride the horse! All ages.

Christmas Party (RR)
Monday, December 16 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Join us for stories and songs to celebrate Christmas, and maybe even a very special guest! Ages 3-8.

Reader’s Theater (RR)
Thursday, January 2 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.
Enjoy favorite holiday stories acted out for you by the Young Adult Council group! Ages 4-8.

Meet a Chicago Wolves Player! (RR)
Wednesday, January 8 @ 4:30-5:45 p.m.
Meet a real Chicago Wolves Hockey Player. He will be here to take pictures and answer questions and share all kinds of inside information on hockey! All ages.

American Eagle Theater
Presents: The Jungle Book

Thursday, January 23 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m.

See the story of The Jungle Book come to life as it is acted out by this amazing theater company! This exciting show, filled with music, dance and percussion, will introduce kids to Rudyard Kipling’s Classic Tale of Mowgli, a boy who has been raised by wolves in the Indian jungle. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library! Grades K-3.

Letters to Santa

The Elmwood Park Library will be accepting your letters to Santa. Our elves, right here in EP, will make sure your letter gets to Santa and that his response gets back to you! The last day you can drop off your letter to Santa is December 16th. Make sure you include your address so Santa can write you back! Happy Holidays!
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**Chicago Wolves Winter Reading**

Looking for something to do during the winter months while you snuggle under that blanket? We recommend reading, of course!

Kids in Grades K-8 are invited to join our winter reading program sponsored by the Chicago Wolves Hockey Team. Read 3 books in January and 3 books in February to earn prizes!

Sign-Up in Youth Services today!

**Family Movies**

Bring the whole family and join us for some Family Movies. Popcorn will be served! All ages. (DI)

@ 7:00 p.m.

**Holiday Scavenger Hunt**

Come in any time between December 23rd and January 4th and participate in our Holiday Scavenger Hunt for some Holiday fun while school is out! All ages.

**Dave Herzog’s Marionettes**

Santa Claus is coming to town and he’s bringing a whole sleigh full of holiday cheer with him. Join Santa and his friends as they ring in the holidays with their special brand of Christmas magic. All ages.

**Super Stolie Show**

Our friend Super Stolie will be here to perform an exciting Valentine’s Day show full of music and laughter! Super Stolie has entertained children and families at the Taste of Chicago, Navy Pier, and many other venues. The live show is a high-energy experience, encouraging children to dance and freeze, hop and balance. All ages.

**Dave Herzog’s Marionettes**

Tuesday, December 10 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m. (RR)

Santa Claus is coming to town and he’s bringing a whole sleigh full of holiday cheer with him. Join Santa and his friends as they ring in the holidays with their special brand of Christmas magic. All ages.

**Family Movies**

Bring the whole family and join us for some Family Movies. Popcorn will be served! All ages. (DI)

@ 7:00 p.m.

**Holiday Scavenger Hunt**

Monday, December 28—Saturday, January 4

Come in any time between December 23rd and January 4th and participate in our Holiday Scavenger Hunt for some Holiday fun while school is out! All ages.

**Dave Herzog’s Marionettes**

Tuesday, December 10 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m. (RR)

Santa Claus is coming to town and he’s bringing a whole sleigh full of holiday cheer with him. Join Santa and his friends as they ring in the holidays with their special brand of Christmas magic. All ages.

**Super Stolie Show**

Thursday, February 13 @ 4:00-5:00 p.m. (RR)

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**Family Movies**

Bring the whole family and join us for some Family Movies. Popcorn will be served! All ages. (DI)

@ 7:00 p.m.

**Holiday Scavenger Hunt**

Monday, December 28—Saturday, January 4

Come in any time between December 23rd and January 4th and participate in our Holiday Scavenger Hunt for some Holiday fun while school is out! All ages.

**Dave Herzog’s Marionettes**

Tuesday, December 10 @ 7:00-8:00 p.m. (RR)

Santa Claus is coming to town and he’s bringing a whole sleigh full of holiday cheer with him. Join Santa and his friends as they ring in the holidays with their special brand of Christmas magic. All ages.

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**Story Times**

**Afternoon/Evening Story Times**

Join us afternoons or evenings for these specially themed story times. *Ages 4-8. (RR) Registration first of each month.*

- **Christmas Around the World Story Time**
  *Thursday, December 12 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.*

- **Pajama Story Time**
  *Thursday, December 26 @ 7:00-7:45 p.m.*

- **Doggie Story Time**
  *Thursday, January 9 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.*

- **Gross Out! Story Time**
  *Tuesday, January 14 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.*

- **Celebrating Diversity Story Time**
  *Tuesday, January 21 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.*

- **Snowman Story Time**
  *Thursday, January 30 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.*

- **African American History Story Time**
  *Tuesday, February 4 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.*

- **Kitty Story Time**
  *Thursday, February 6 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.*

- **Thomas the Tank Engine Story Time**
  *Thursday, February 20 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.*

- **Jungle Story Time**
  *Tuesday, February 25 @ 4:00-4:45 p.m.*

- **Pajama Story Time**
  *Thursday, February 27 @ 7:00-7:45 p.m.*

**Spanish Story Times**

Our Spanish Story Times will be taking a break in December, but will start up again in January and February!

- **Cuentame un Cuento (RR)**
  *Thursdays @ 9:30-10:15 a.m.*

  Join us for stories, songs, and crafts for preschoolers in Spanish! Para niños entre 3 y 5 años. Disfruta de historias dichas en español y diviértete haciendo simples manualidades. *Ages 3-5.*

- **Cuentos de Falda (DI)**
  *Thursdays @ 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.*

- **Miss Carol’s Story Times**

  Miss Carol’s story time session ended in November. The next session begins *January 8 & 9* and runs until the end of April. Sign-ups for the session will begin January 2.

  Please see Miss Carol for more information & availability.

- **Preschool Story Time (RR)**
  *Session 1: Wednesdays @ 10:00-10:45 a.m. -or-
  Session 2: Thursdays @ 11:00-11:45 a.m.*

  Stories, songs, & activities for preschoolers. *Ages 3-5.*

- **Drop-in Story Times**

  Moms & Tots and Drop-in Story Times will be taking a break in December, but will start up again during the first full week of January.

  - **Moms & Tots (DI)**
    *Wednesdays @ 9:30-10:00 a.m.*

    Stories, songs, and movement for the very young. *Ages 0-2.*

  - **Drop-in Story Time (DI)**
    *Mondays @ 11:00-11:30 a.m.*
    *Tuesdays @ 11:00-11:30 a.m.*

    Enjoy a half hour of your favorite stories & songs! *Ages 2-5.*

  - **Outdoor Story Time in the Park (DI)**
    *Tuesday, December 10 @ 11:00-11:30 a.m.*

    Join Miss Irene for a special Holiday Story Time in the Park among all the beautiful decorations! Brrrr..... Happy Holidays! *Ages 2-5.*

  - **Special Holiday Baby Drop-in (DI)**
    *Wednesday, December 11 @ 9:30-10:00 a.m.*

    It’s a special Holiday baby lapsit of stories, songs, and movement for the very young. *Ages 0-2.*

  - **Special Holiday Preschool Story Time (DI)**
    *Wednesday, December 11 @ 10:00-10:45 a.m.*

    It’s a special Holiday story time with stories, songs & activities for preschoolers. *Ages 3-5.*

**Registration for story times will begin on December 1, January 2 and February 1 for each month’s programs, unless otherwise noted.**

Sign up online, in person at the library, or call us!