What’s Happening
Elmwood Park Public Library

A place where life, work, and play unite.

The Library is excited to share our 2016-2019 Strategic Plan, which will be put into action beginning May 1. Library Trustees would like to thank our Elmwood Park residents, community leaders, business owners, and school officials for their insightful and valuable feedback.

As we move forward, the Library will be focusing on evaluating and enhancing our services to community groups, schools, and special populations, providing enriching and educational programming, increasing access to technology, developing more flexible and welcoming spaces, and improving convenience for residents.

So what does it mean for the Library to be a place where life, work, and play unite?

The Library supports individuals and families as they grow and navigate through life. A young child plays at the puppet theater, bringing stories to life. A six-year-old checks out his first book and starts the journey of learning to read. An elementary school group creates sculptures on the 3D printer, blending creativity, engineering, and technology. Teenagers volunteer and gain valuable work experience. An adult attends a program and learns new art skills that he never had time to develop before. A job seeker uses our public computers to identify the next step on her career path. A community group comes together in one of our meeting rooms.

Our Library is proud to be a place to fill all of these roles in our community, and looks forward to being the place for you to explore, connect, and create.

Read the full plan under the About EPPL section of our website.

2016 Summer Reading Program
Team Elmwood Park: Read for the Win!

June 5 - August 6

Our reading team needs you. You have the skills and smarts to lead us to victory in our summer reading challenge.

Any age is the right age to read - or be read to - and we have just the right program for you:

- Babies (Ages 0-3): Literacy Activities
- Kids (Age 3 - Kindergarten): 300 minutes
- Kids (Grades 1-3): 600 minutes
- MidKids (Grades 4-6): 1200 minutes
- Teens (Grades 7-12): Book Bingo
- Adults (18 & up): Book Bingo

Each program comes with the opportunity to earn prizes for reaching your goals, as well as raffle opportunities all summer long for extra stuff. So set your sights on the goal and Read for the Win!

Registration begins June 5 with our Summer Reading Kickoff Party. From 1:00-4:00 p.m. enjoy food, fun, and games at the Library.

Once you sign up, you’ll get a reading log/bingo card to track your progress. When you’ve finished, just stop by with your reading log/bingo card to pick up your prizes. It’s that easy! No need to report, and no worries if you’ll be out of town - even for the whole summer - just stop by and see us.

The first official day for prize pick-up is June 6, and the last day to collect prizes is August 6. Then all Summer Reading participants are invited to our Family Field Day Party on August 6 from 12:00-3:00 p.m. in Central Park (weather permitting).

For more information about this year’s Summer Reading, how it works, and related fun program information, check our website.

Book a One-on-One Tech Session

Need individual help with your computer, phone, or tablet? Have a question about an app or computer program? Schedule a one-on-one session with staff to get the help you need. We even have options for Spanish and Polish speakers.

Contact the Adult Services Desk or email us at askref@elmwoodparklibrary.org.

COMING SOON.
Our online newsletter will be available in Polish and Spanish.

PROXIMAMENTE.
Nuestro boletín informativo estará disponible en español en línea.

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Strona internetowa biuletynu dostępne w Polsce.

Always open: www.elmwoodparklibrary.org
**Crafting, Food & Drink**

**Adult Coloring Club (DI)**
- **Tuesdays** • June 7 / July 5 / Aug. 2 • 7:00-8:00 p.m.
- **Saturdays** • June 18 / July 23 / Aug. 20 • 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**DIY 101 (RR, registration ends 3 days before program date)**
- **Thursday, August 25** • 7:00-8:30 p.m. • Vinyl Cutter

**Eat & Make (RR, registration ends 3 days before program date)**
- **Saturdays** • June 25 / July 30 / August 27 • 2:00-3:00 p.m.
  - June 25: Icelandic Happy Marriage Cake & Watercolor Napkins
  - July 30: Potato Bites & Cork Board Coasters
  - August 27: Perler Bead Drink Covers & Flavored Syrups

**Homebrewing Club (RR, must be 21 or older to attend)**
- **Brew:** Saturday, June 11 • 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- **Bottling:** Monday, July 11 • 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- **Brew:** Saturday, August 13 • 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Make Your Own Coloring Book (RR)**
- **Tuesday, June 14** • 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**Chair Yoga (RR)**
- **Mondays** • 1:00-2:00 p.m. • June 13, 27 / July 11, 25 / August 8, 22

Chair yoga is gentle exercise done entirely in the chair or standing next to the chair. Learn about body and breathing while focusing on flexibility and the relaxation of body and mind. **Bring a yoga mat or towel with you to the class.**

**Yard Games in the Park (RR)**
- **Wednesday, June 15** • 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Join us for some yard games in Central Park. Games will include Bocce ball, bags, and horseshoes. Bring a team or come solo and enjoy some friendly competition.

**Retro Game Night FTW (RR)**
- **Thursday, June 30** • 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Play retro arcade and MS-DOS games including Defender, Paperboy, Tron, The Oregon Trail, Pac-Man, Sim City, Donkey Kong, Castle Wolfenstein, Street Fighter, and more.

**When Football Was Football (RR)**
- **Thursday, August 4** • 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Start the football season off right with writer Joe Ziemba. His humorous and interactive presentation will take you back to the beginning of Chicago football and the NFL.

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**Computers & Technology**

Join us in the Second Floor PNG Lab for these tech classes.

**Social Media Monday: LinkedIn (RR)**
- **Monday, June 20** • 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**Basic Computer Skills (RR)**
- **Thursday, July 14** • 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**Introduction to the Internet (RR, basic computer skills required)**
- **Wednesday, July 20** • 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**Social Media Monday: Meme Machine FTW (RR)**
- **Monday, July 25** • 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**Cyber Safety (RR, basic computer skills required)**
- **Tuesday, August 9** • 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**Social Media Monday: Social Media for Business (RR)**
- **Monday, August 15** • 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**Ancestry Library Edition (RR)**
- **Wednesday, August 31** • 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**Movie Matinees (DI)**

**Wednesday Matinees** • 1:30 p.m.

Watch popular new releases. Delicious popcorn provided.

**Film Lovers’ Friday** • 1:30 p.m.

Enjoy a classic, documentary, or foreign film.

For info about upcoming movies, please call us, visit our website, or get a monthly schedule at the Adult Services Desk.

**Trivia @ Baciami (RR)**

**Tuesdays • June 28 / July 26 / August 30 • 7:00-9:00 p.m.**

Bring a team of up to four people to Baciami Restaurant for a night of fun, challenging trivia and prizes.

**Book Discussions (DI)**

Pick up a copy of the book at the Adult Services Desk.

**Thursday Night Run & Read** • 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Want to work out with others in a friendly environment? Join us for a short run around Elmwood Park followed by a book discussion. All levels are welcome.

- **June 9** • *What I Talk About When I Talk About Running* - by Haruki Murakami
- **July 7** • *The Beautiful Ruins* - by Jess Walter
- **August 11** • *The Dinner* - by Herman Koch

**Tuesday Night Book Discussions** • 7:00-8:00 p.m.

- **June 21** • *Among the Thugs* - by Bill Buford
- **July 19** • *The Art of Fielding* - by Chad Harbach
- **August 16** • *Daytripper* - by Fabio Moon

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Blindfold Maze (RR)

*Tuesday, June 28 • 3:00-4:00 p.m. • Grades 6-12*

Do you have what it takes to make it through the maze - and do it blindfolded? Come and test your luck on our makeshift Library maze!

Pilates for Teens (RR)

*Tuesday, June 28 • 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. • Grades 6-8*

Get centered when a Yoga/Pilates expert visits the Library to teach us all the basics of Pilates and help us get fit!

Make sure you wear comfy clothes!

Perler Art (RR)

*Tuesday, July 19 • 2:30-4:00 p.m. • Grades 6-12*

Perler beads make the coolest works of art. It’s your turn to design something fun with us!

Project Next Generation Tech Classes (Grades 6-12)

Hour of Code (RR)

*Thursday, June 2 • 2:00-3:00 p.m.*

A hands-on coding experience introducing you to real-world coding.

Paint Your Face w/Photoshop (RR, two-part class)

*June 7 & 9 • 2:00-3:00 p.m.*

Learn Photoshop basics to produce a one-of-a-kind self portrait!

Movie Making (RR, four-part class)

*June 21, 23, 28, & 30 • 2:00-3:00 p.m.*

Write a script, shoot some footage, and edit it into a movie!

TinkerCAD 3D Design (RR, four-part class)

*July 19, 21, 26, & 28 • 2:00-3:00 p.m.*

Create digital 3D models & print them on our Makerbot Replicator!

Silhouette Silhouettes Vinyl Cutting (RR, two-part class)

*August 2 & 4 • 2:00-3:00 p.m.*

Learn to use the Cameo Silhouette Vinyl Cutter machine and Adobe Photoshop to create a framed vinyl cling of your own silhouette.

Soldering (RR, four-part class)

*August 16, 18, 23, & 25 • 4:00-5:00 p.m.*

Learn to solder & make electronics kits that light up, drive, or scurry.

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).

Teen Movies (DI)

*Wednesdays • 7:00-8:45 p.m. (unless noted)*

- June 1: Krampus (PG-13)
- June 8: NO MOVIE TODAY
- June 15: Talladega Nights (PG-13)
- June 22: The Forest (PG-13)
- June 29: The Visit (PG-13)
- July 6: Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story (PG-13)
- July 13: Mockingjay, Part 2 (PG-13) (6:30-8:50pm)
- July 20: Lazer Team (PG-13)
- July 27: Blades of Glory (PG-13)
- August 3: Daddy’s Home (PG-13)
- August 10: Real Steel (PG-13) (6:30-8:50pm)

Gaming Programs

Dungeons & Dragons (DI)

*June 16 / July 21 / August 18 • 5:30-8:30 p.m. • Grades 7-12*

Trading Card Games: Magic the Gathering & Yu-Gi-Oh! (DI)

*Wednesdays • 4:00-6:00 p.m. • Ages 10-18*

Minecraft for Teens (RR)

*Tuesday, June 7 • 3:00-4:00 p.m. • Grades 6-12*

*Tuesday, July 5 • 2:30-4:00 p.m. • Grades 6-12*

*Tuesday, August 9 • 2:30-4:00 p.m. • Grades 6-12*

Ping Pong & Gaming (RR)

*June 21 / July 26 • 2:00-4:00 p.m. • Grades 6-12*

*August 16 • 4:00-5:00 p.m. • Grades 6-12*

Sticky Note Art (DI)

*Tuesday, August 2 • 1:00-5:00 p.m. • Grades 6-12*

Stop by any time between 1:00-5:00 p.m., grab some sticky notes, and help us decorate our windows for the fall.

Ghost Day (RR)

*Friday, August 12 • 12:00-5:00 p.m. • Grades 6-12*

Join us for all kinds of ghostly fun. We’ll have some movies, activities, and a presentation from real life Ghost Hunter Dave Olson from the Chicago Paranormal Investigators.

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MidKid Programs & Events (Grades 3-6)

Project Next Generation Tech Classes (Grades 4-6)

**Hour of Code: Scripting (RR)**
*Thursday, June 2 • 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
A step up from normal box coding, this is a hands-on coding experience that introduces you to real-world coding.

**Negative Space Art (RR, two-part class)**
*June 7 & 9 • 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Combine art and technology in this fun program that utilizes vinyl cutting technology and natural artistry.

**Movie Making (RR, six-part class)**
*June 21, 23, 28, 30 and July 5 & 7 • 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Lights, Camera, Action! Let’s write a script, shoot some footage, and edit it into a movie!

**Kano Computer Kit (RR, four-part class)**
*July 19, 21, 26 & 28 • 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Kano is a DIY computer kit designed to help people of all ages assemble a computer from scratch and learn basic coding skills.

**Mixcraft (RR, four-part class)**
*August 2, 4, 9 & 11 • 4:00-5:00 p.m.*
Learn how to use the digital audio creation software Mixcraft and make your own song.

**Ozobots (RR, two-part class)**
*August 16 & 18 • 6:00-7:00 p.m.*
Have fun using your own robot to explore hands-on coding and learn about command coding.

**Papercraft and Photoshop (RR, two-part class)**
*August 23 & 25 • 6:00-7:00 p.m.*
Create a unique papercraft figure, print it, assemble it, photograph it, and then Photoshop it!

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Craft Crazy (RR)

Come do crafts with us! Sign up for each program separately.

- **Thursday, June 9 • 1:00-2:30 p.m.** • Let’s Go Fly a Kite
- **Thursday, June 30 • 3:00-4:00 p.m.** • DIY: Fossil Eggs
- **Thursday, July 7 • 3:00-4:00 p.m.** • Sidewalk Chalk Art
- **Thursday, July 14 • 3:00-4:00 p.m.** • Squirt Gun Watercolors
- **Thursday, July 21 • 3:00-4:00 p.m.** • DIY: Pinata
- **Wednesday, August 10 • 1:00-2:00 p.m.** • Outdoor Salt Art
- **Wednesday, August 24 • 4:00-5:00 p.m.** • Koinobori (Japanese Flying Carp)
- **Monday, August 29 • 7:00-8:30 p.m.** • Perler Bead Party

MidKids Pilates (RR)

*Tuesday, June 14 • 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.*
Get centered when a Yoga/Pilates expert visits the Library to teach us all the basics of Pilates and help us get fit! Make sure you wear comfy clothes!

Meet the Artist (RR)

*Thurs., June 23 • 3:00-4:00 p.m. • Piet Mondrain
Thurs., July 28 • 3:00-4:00 p.m. • Frida Kahlo
Thurs., August 18 • 4:00-5:00 p.m. • Hokusai*
Join us each month for an exploration of a different artist and make your own work of art.

Gaming Programs

Come play games with us. If you don’t know how to play either Minecraft, Chess, or Pokémon, we will happily teach you!

**Minecraft for MidKids (RR)**
*Tuesday, June 14 • 2:00-3:30 p.m.*
Tuesdays • July 5 / August 9 • 1:00-2:30 p.m.

**Chess Club (RR)**
*Fridays • June 10 / July 15 / August 12 • 4:00-5:00 p.m.*

**Play Pokémon Trading Card Game (RR)**
*Fridays • June 17 / July 22 / August 19 • 4:00-5:00 p.m.*

MidKids Read: Book Club (RR)

*Wednesday, August 31 • 4:00-4:45 p.m.*
*Roller Girl* by Victoria Jamieson
Pick up a copy of the book from the Kids & Teens Desk a month ahead of time.

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**Kids Programs & Events**

### Story Times

**Moms, Pops & Tots (DI)**
*Wednesdays • June 8 - July 27 • 9:30-10:00 a.m. • Ages 0-2*
Stories, songs, and playtime designed with little ones in mind.

**Story Time in the Park • Tuesdays (DI)**
*Tuesdays • June 7 - July 26 • 11:00-11:30 a.m. • Ages 2-5*
Join us for a story time in a local park!
- **June 7 / July 5** • Triangle Park (77th Ave. and Diversey)
- **June 14 / July 12** • Kathy Torpe Park (76th Ave. and Fullerton)
- **June 21 / July 19** • John Mills Park (76th Ave. and Diversey)
- **June 28 / July 26** • Central Park (75th Ave. and Fullerton)

**Preschool Story Time (RR, Choose Session 1 or 2) • Ages 3-5**

**Session 1:** *Wednesdays • June 8 - July 27 • 10:00-10:30 a.m.*
Join us for stories, songs, & fun. After 30 minutes of stories, stay for 15 minutes of “Stay & Play” with puppets, parachute, bubbles - you never know what awaits!

**Session 2:** *Thursdays • June 9 - July 28 • 11:00-11:30 a.m.*

**Stories & Crafts (RR)**
*Session 1: Ages 4-10 • Session 2: Ages 4-8*

**Pajama Story Time • June 23 / Aug. 17 • 7:00-7:45 p.m.**

**Thomas the Train Story Time • August 10 • 4:00-4:45 p.m.**

**Basketball Story Time • June 13 • 4:00-4:45 p.m.**

**Happy Summer Story Time • June 27 • 4:00-4:45 p.m.**

**Olympic Story Time • August 23 • 4:00-4:45 p.m.**

### Red Cross: Fun & Safety Classes (RR)

**Kid Firestoppers (RR)**
*Tuesday, June 14 • 2:00-3:00 p.m. • Grades K-3*

**Community Safety Day for Parents (RR)**
*Thursday, June 16 • 7:00-8:30 p.m. • For parents*

**W.H.A.L.E. (Water Habits Are Learned Early) (RR)**
*Tuesday, June 21 • 2:00-3:00 p.m. • Grades K-5*

**Scrubby Bear (RR)**
*Tuesday, July 12 • 2:00-3:00 p.m. • Grades K-3*

**Masters of Disaster (RR)**
*Tuesday, July 26 • 2:00-3:00 p.m. • Grades K-8*

**Home Alone (RR)**
*Thursday, August 4 • 4:00-5:00 p.m. • Grades K-5*

### Mighty Makers: Noodle City (RR)
*Saturday, July 16 • 10:30-11:30 a.m. • Grades K-2*

You've built with LEGOs and logs before, but have you ever tried spaghetti & marshmallows? Make towers with spaghetti & your creation.

### More Fun Programs

**Ride the Horse (DI)** • All ages
*Wednesdays • June 1 / July 6 / August 3 • 4:00-4:30 p.m.*

**The Traveling Penguin (RR)**
*Monday, June 6 • 1:00-1:45 p.m. • Grades K-2*

**Baseball Fun (RR)**
*Monday, June 20 • 4:00-4:45 p.m. • Grades K-2*

**Famous Race Horses (RR)**
*Tuesday, July 7 • 4:00-4:45 p.m. • Grades K-2*

**Puzzle Fun (RR)**
*Monday, July 11 • 4:00-4:45 p.m. • Ages 5-10*

**Soccer Mania (RR)**
*Monday, July 18 • 4:00-4:45 p.m. • Grades K-2*

**Board Games with Miss Irene (RR)**
*Monday, July 25 • 4:00-4:45 p.m. • Ages 5-10*

**Swimming Fun (RR)**
*Thursday, August 11 • 4:00-4:45 p.m. • Grades K-2*

**Sox vs. Cubs - Chicago Rivalry (RR)**
*Thursday, August 25 • 4:00-4:45 p.m. • Grades K-2*

**Hockey Time (RR)**
*Tuesday, August 30 • 4:00-4:45 p.m. • Grades K-2*

### Featured Guest Performers

**Dave Rudolf: Get in the Game (RR)**
*Thursday, June 16 • 4:00-5:00 p.m. • Ages 4-10*
Dave is back with an interactive, musical sports show that everyone will enjoy!

**Musical Guest: Macaroni Soup (RR)**
*Thursday, June 30 • 4:00-5:00 p.m. • Ages 3-8*
Active music show that gets brains and bodies firing on all pistons. Sneakily educational, and fun for the whole family.

**Staley Da Bear (RR)**
*Tuesday, July 19 • 2:00-3:00 p.m. • Ages 5-12*
Come & join us for a visit from Staley Da Bear, Mascot of our own Chicago Bears. He will put on an amazing program you won't want to miss!

### Read to a Therapy Dog (RR)
*Thursday, August 11 • 7:00-8:15 p.m. • Ages 4-7*
This program improves children’s reading and communication skills through short reading sessions with a trained therapy dog. Therapy Dog Woody will be here to listen to you. Call the Kids & Teens Desk or stop in to book a 15-minute spot. Sign up begins August 1.

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Family Events & Movies

Family Hula Dance Instruction (RR)
Tuesday, July 12 • 4:00-4:45 p.m. • All ages

Family Life-Sized Jenga (RR)
Thursday, July 28 • 6:00-7:00 p.m. • All ages

Family Movie Showings (RR)
Tuesdays • 7:00 p.m. (unless noted) • Popcorn will be served • All ages
June 7 • Space Jam
June 14 • The Big Green
June 21 • Rookie of the Year
June 28 • The Mighty Ducks
July 5 • When Marnie Was There
July 12 • My Neighbor Totoro
July 19 • Howl’s Moving Castle (6:45 p.m.)
July 26 • Kiki’s Delivery Service

See You Around Town

The Library is excited to be a part of Elmwood Park’s summer festivities. We’ll be at the Summer Concert Series and Farmer’s Market, The Taste of Elmwood Park, and the Fourth of July Parade with a special book or movie character guest provided by The Friends of the Library.

Upcoming Releases in Books & DVDs

Want to be put on hold for any of these upcoming releases? Give us a call at 708.453.7645 or visit our online catalog, login, and place the holds yourself.

You can also sign up to be a part of our Bestsellers Club, where you automatically get put on hold for the newest releases from the authors on our list. Never miss your favorite author’s books again! Sign up online or in Adult Services.

June Books
The Pursuit -
Janet Evanovich
End of Watch -
Stephen King
Foreign Agent -
Brad Thor

July Books
Falling - Jane Green
Night & Day -
Iris Johansen
Truly Madly Guilty -
Liane Moriarty
Magic - Danielle Steel

August Books
Three Sisters, Three Queens -
Philippa Gregory
Sweet Tomorrows -
Debbie Macomber
Damaged - Lisa Scottoline
Smooth Operator - Stuart Woods

Who are the Friends and what do they do?
The Friends of the Elmwood Park Public Library is a group of local folks who care about helping the Library and raise money to enhance library programs and services.

Be a Friend - Buy a Book!
The Friends organize and maintain an ongoing book sale in the Library’s lobby. Prices range from $0.25 for kids books to $1.00 for adult books, with occasional specialty items. Browse the paperbacks, kids books, cookbooks, DVDs, and more, and simply pay at the donation box. You may also donate books to the Library at the dropbox in the lobby.

Thank you for your support!