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ela area public library's newsletter

September – November 2021

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Value and Transparency

This edition of *Footnotes* highlights the Elmhurst Library Board of Trustees. The Elmhurst Library is a district library governed by a seven-member elected board. District trustees generally serve four-year terms, following the off-year election cycle (2021, 2023). In May we welcomed two new trustees and are delighted to have taxpayers represented by trustees who are both committed to the excellent service patrons have come to expect at the Elmhurst Library, as well as committed to ensuring taxpayers receive excellent value for their tax dollars.

Our fiscal year runs July 1 through June 30 per state law. In June the Board approved both a balanced budget that includes no tax increase for the next year: the levy was held flat. In addition to their prudent financial oversight, we're still providing 5-star service, the 12th consecutive year of such recognition.

If you love data and are interested in a deep dive of library statistics, we welcome you to view our online Transparency Dashboard to review both our service and financial data for the past six years. We're proud of the value we provide to the community and are grateful for the stewardship of our seven trustees.

<https://www.eapl.org/about/transparency-portal>

Return to In-Person Programming & Mask Requirements

After months of virtual programming, we will offer some in-person programs this fall. Visit [eapl.org](https://www.eapl.org) for the latest service updates and mask requirements.

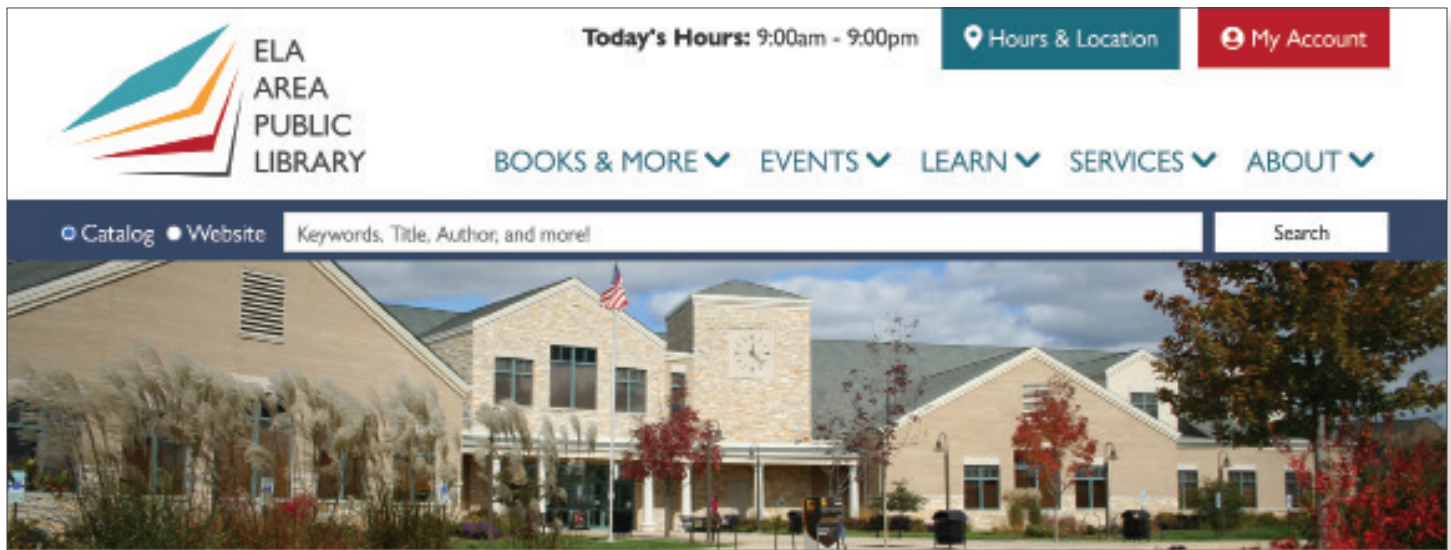
Passport Services Resume – By Appointment Only

Time slots are available on a 30-day rolling basis. To learn more about passport appointments and to schedule with us, visit <https://www.eapl.org/apply-passport>.

Note: The U.S. State Department has strict photo guidelines and acceptance of your photo is always at the discretion of the U.S. passport agency. This is a general overview and not all situations are covered. Please contact the Library at: (847) 438-3433 ext. 0 or visit travel.state.gov for more detailed information about passports.

Working Bikes Used Bike Collection–Sat., Sep. 18 from 9 a.m.–Noon

Do you have a bicycle collecting dust in the basement or garage? Once again, this non-profit has partnered with the Library to accept donations of adult bikes in repairable condition, gently used kids' bikes and accessories during this drop off collection held in front of the Library.



EAPL's new website



We've Got a New Look!

We are very excited to share with everyone our new logo, website and app!

Change is Good

It's been 10 years since we last updated our logo and website and so much has changed. We've expanded services and spaces, introduced new and innovative technologies, recognized and valued diversity in our growing community and evaluated our core values and sustainability to meet the needs of our users. We have chosen a new logo that is modern with an updated color palette and key elements that convey our mission. Our ambitions have grown and so have we, and we knew it was time to update our brand and make sure our look celebrates our values and forward-looking culture.

Introducing the NEW EAPL.ORG

Along with announcing our new brand identity, we have revamped our website. The new, mobile-friendly site delivers rich, new content in a modern, clean, stylish and organized layout to provide users with easy access to our online catalog, improved navigation, a variety of reading recommendations and valuable links to popular collections and services. Created with the reader experience in mind, the new website reflects the bold, energetic and joyful culture of the Library.



The Library's App has a New Look and Feel

Our new app has an updated interface and improved functionality. Here are a few things you can do:

- Have easy access to your library barcode number, and link additional accounts as needed.
- Browse and place holds on the catalog.
- View and update account information including holds and renewals.
- Find library resources with apps such as Overdrive, Flipster, etc. (each app requires a separate download).

If you already have the app, it should automatically update on both Android and iOS. A very small portion of users may have automatic updates turned off. In this case, users will be notified on the app to go to their device's app store to download the new version.

How Do I Get the App?

Download it at <http://www.yourlibraryapp.com/ElaAreaPublicLibrary> or search for "Ela Library" on your device's app store.

The app is designed for mobile devices.

adult programs

Registration (R) is required for all programs, unless noted (NR).

- *Registration begins Sep. 1 (unless noted)*
- *Zoom links are sent to your email the day of the event.*
- *In Person programs are held at the Library.*



Library Card Sign Up Month Celebration Freebie Fridays (In Person)

Let's celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month with weekly giveaways each Friday in September. Check out 10 or more items to receive a freebie at Checkout.

Fridays, Sep. 3, 10, 17, 24*

***Churros y Chocolate Food Truck**

3-5:30pm Free Churro with your library card

Alzheimer's Support Group (In Person)

For information contact Lisa Gaggiano at Ela Township 55+ at (847) 438-9160. Meets in the Library.
7-8pm Tuesdays, Sep. 7, Oct. 5, Nov. 2 (R)

English as a Second Language (ESL) Ingles como Segundo Idioma (In Person)

Free English classes for adults at the Library. Clases de Ingles gratuitas para adultos en la biblioteca.

Registration/Inscripción: Tuesday/Martes, Sep. 7 at 9:15am or 6pm

Class: 9:15am-12:15pm and 6-8:45pm

Tuesday and Thursday, beginning Thurs., Sep. 9

Clases: 9:15am-12:15pm y 6-8:45pm Martes y Jueves, Las clases empiezan el Jueves 9 de Septiembre.

For more information/Para más información: (847) 949-2200 x1399.

Warm Up Lake Zurich / Yarn Crafting (In Person)

Have fun and socialize as we knit and crochet and discuss everything yarn. All skill levels welcome.

4pm Thursdays, Sep. 9, Oct. 14, Nov. 11 (R)

Ela Library Quilt Talks (In Person)

Join us to discuss, share and learn about fabrics and quilt making. Quilters from beginning to advance skill levels are welcome. Show and tell is always a fun feature!

6:30pm Thursdays, Sep. 9, Oct. 14, Nov. 11 (R)

20th Anniversary of 9/11: Film and Webinar (Zoom)

Presented by the 9/11 Memorial & Museum, the 30-minute webinar highlights first-person accounts of the attacks and their aftermath and connects viewers with Museum staff in real-time through an interactive live chat. Speakers include first responders and families of those who lost their life.

All Day Fri., Sep. 10 (R)

Prune Like a Pro (Zoom or In Person)

Pruning doesn't have to be difficult. Learn a few basic techniques that can help you get your trees and shrubs in shape. Presented by Horticulture Specialist Sharon Yiesla.

7pm Mon., Sep. 13 Zoom or Sep. 13 In Person (R)

Awesome Australia (Zoom or In Person)

G'day, mate! With his tapestry of original photographs and stories, world traveler Brian Michalski illuminates ten months of backpacking and working in the Land Down Under. Hear about the country's fascinating history, grand traditions, chic urban life, charming slang, deadly animals and Aboriginal influences.

7pm Mon., Sep. 20 (R)

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

All programs/discussions are held in person, unless noted. Registration is required with a valid email address.

Books & Brews

7-8:30pm Tuesdays (R) *In Person

***Sep. 14 *The Guncle* by Steven Rowley, location TBD**

Oct. 12 *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hanna (Zoom)

Senior Book Discussion

Titles are available in large print, audio and regular print formats.

10-11:30am Mondays (R) (Zoom or In Person)

Sep. 27 *Raft of Stars* by Andrew Graff

Oct. 25 *The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett

Nov. 22 *The Removed* by Brandon Hobson

Genealogy Book Discussion (In Person)

For details about the author talk and book signing see page 7.

3pm Monday (R)

Oct. 18 *White Like Her* by Gail Lukasik

Young Adult for Adults Book Club (In Person)

Location TBD.

6-7pm Tuesday (R)

Nov. 9 *This Poison Heart* by Kalyann Bayron

BUSINESS

Motivation 101 (Zoom)

Do you have a project you need to tackle? An idea you want to make a reality? Do you just want to have more energy to go about your day? Learn some tips and tricks to keep your goals in sight and stay motivated for the road ahead.

7pm Thurs., [Sep. 23 \(R\)](#)

Risk is a Four Letter Word (Zoom)

Are you taking on too much investment risk? Most investors enjoy taking risks when moving in their favor, not so much when it's not. Join Ed Gjertsen II, CFP, in this interactive presentation where he discusses the risks that investors face to help them better understand themselves and their investments.

7pm Thurs., [Oct. 21 \(R\)](#)

iPhone Photography for Business (In Person)

A memorable photo makes an impact and the best camera is the one you have on you. This class shows you simple ways to improve your photography – a skill that can benefit your business and your life.

10am Sat., [Nov. 13 \(R\)](#)

GENEALOGY

Beginning Genealogy (Zoom)

Do you want to find out about your family history but don't know where to start? Learn how to launch your genealogy project in a few steps.

7pm Thurs., [Sep. 16 \(R\)](#)

Genealogy Book Discussion (In Person)

Meet to discuss *White Like Her*, in which author Gail Lukasik chronicles her genealogical journey to understand her family's racial heritage and her African-American mother's decision to pass for white. You must register to receive a copy of the book. For the author talk and book signing, see page 7.

3pm Mon., [Oct. 18 \(R\)](#)

Stories in Stone: Decoding the Sentiment Behind Cemetery Symbolism (Zoom)

Have you ever wandered through a cemetery and wondered about the meanings of designs carved on gravestones? Take a virtual cemetery tour with librarian and genealogist Debra Dudek and find out.

3pm Mon., [Nov. 15 \(R\)](#)

Memory Café (In Person)

Memory Café provides those with memory issues and their care partners the opportunity for conversation and connection through a variety of activities. Each month features a new theme. Co-sponsored with the Barrington Area Council on Aging (BACOA). Questions? Contact Pam Pellizarri at (847) 381-5030 or Christy Wagner at (847) 438-3433 ext. 140. Partially funded through a grant from the Alzheimer's Foundation of America.

10-11:30am Tuesdays, [Sep. 21](#), [Oct. 19](#), [Nov. 16 \(R\)](#)

Great Decisions (Zoom)

Join our discussion on world affairs. The program involves reading the Great Decisions Briefing Book, watching the DVD and discussing the most critical global issues facing America today. Visit fpa.org for topics. Contact Librarian Renée Stein at rstein@eapl.org for more details.

1-2:30pm Tuesdays, [Sep. 21](#), [Oct. 19](#) & [Nov. 16 \(R\)](#)

Pirates of the Great Lakes (Zoom or In Person)

The pirates of the Great Lakes were fewer but no less vicious than those who terrorized the Caribbean. This presentation dives into the history of piracy in the Great Lakes region, including the most infamous crimes, shipwrecks, and lake lore from an era when ships moved faster than news could spread. Presented by Sam Prestigiaco of Chicago for Chicagoans.

7pm Mon., [Sep. 27 \(R\)](#)

Never Forget: A Holocaust Survivor's Story (Zoom or In Person)

Steen Metz was an 8-year-old boy in 1943 during WWII when he and his parents were arrested and deported from their home in Denmark to a work camp in Czechoslovakia. Metz, a local resident, is a member of the speaker's bureau of the Illinois Holocaust Museum in Skokie. He published his memoir *A Danish Boy in Theresienstadt* in 2011. For students in grade 6 and older. A book signing follows Metz' presentation.

7-8:30pm Wed., [Sep. 29 \(R\)](#)

Great Chicago Fire: Rising From the Ashes (Zoom or In Person)

Celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire, a calamity that burned through the city October 8-10, 1871, killing 300 people and leaving more than 100,000 residents homeless. The *Chicago Tribune* echoed the sentiment of most when it proclaimed in its first post-fire issue: "CHICAGO SHALL RISE AGAIN." Historian and author David Clark discusses the causes of the fire and how Chicago re-invented itself in the aftermath.

7pm Mon., [Oct. 4 Zoom](#) or [Oct. 4 In Person \(R\)](#)



Nazi Work Camp Theresienstadt, Czechoslovakia

adult programs

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Oaktober (Zoom)

Join the Ancient Oaks Foundation and their experts to learn how identify the common oak species of our area to the importance of what makes them a 'keystone' species!

7pm Wed., Oct. 6 (R)

Halloween Sign Craft (In Person)

Using the supplies provided, create a decorative wooden arrow sign just in time for the holiday. Presented by local artist Jennifer Lilliebridge. Space is limited. Ela cardholders only. Ages 15 and older.

6-8pm Wed., Oct. 13 (R)

Herbal Survival Kit (Zoom)

Be prepared for what comes your way this winter! Join Ehris and Velya of Grounded Goodwife to build your wellness herbal apothecary. Discover how antiviral herbs/ingredients, along with a strong immune system, can make all the difference.

7pm Thurs., Oct. 14 (R)

The Haunted Page, Trick & Tales for October Eves (In Person)

William Pack returns with a highly-interactive horror themed show of performance and storytelling. Edgar Allan Poe, Mary Shelly, Bram Stoker, M.R. James, and Shirley Jackson jump off the page and provide inspiration and spell-binding stories. Come prepared for thrilling action that will leave you amazed, that is, after you've stopped screaming and laughing. Adults only.

7pm Mon., Oct. 18 (R)

10 to TRY Annual Reading Program

Allow us to treat you to ten different genres or topics to stretch your reading horizons in 2021. Participants can enjoy a book of their choice within each topic or try something from the selected reading lists curated by our librarians. Read a book within all ten topics to complete the challenge and receive a prize. Register and log your books through the Beanstack app.

Mar. 1 - Dec. 31, 2021. For ages 12+ (R)

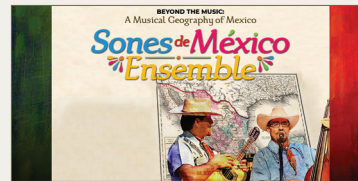
The last day for prize pickup is Fri., Jan. 7, 2022.

10 to TRY Meet Up (Zoom)

"10 to Try" Meet Up is a place to talk about books you've read recently. Each meeting focuses on a topic from the challenge and provides recommendations for your reading enjoyment.

7pm Wed., Oct. 20 (R)

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH



Sones de Mexico Ensemble: A Musical Geography of Mexico / Geografía Musical de México (YouTube)

Join us for lively lecture/demo presentation that combines music with a multi-media cultural history of Mexican regions to better understand the origins of the various musical styles as well as their significance to the diverse peoples that make up Mexico. The link to the video will be sent to registered participants on Sep. 15. A YouTube link is accessible on our channel through Dec. 31, 2021.

Deje que el grupo Sones de México Ensemble, dos veces nominado a los premios GRAMMY™, sea su guía en esta plática y demostración sobre la geografía musical de México.

Premieres Wed., Sep. 15 / miércoles 15 de septiembre (R)

Latinos in the Midwest /

Latinos en el Medio Oeste (Zoom)

Is there a unique way of life that Latinos have made in the Midwest, one that is distinct from how Latino people have lived in other parts of the country? Presented by Sergio González, an assistant professor of Latinx Studies at Marquette University.

¿Existe una forma de vida única que los latinos han hecho en el Medio Oeste, una que sea distinta de la forma en que la gente latina ha vivido en otras partes del país? Presentado por Sergio González, profesor asistente de Estudios Latinx en la Universidad de Marquette.

7pm Tues., Oct. 12 / 7pm martes 12 de octubre (R)

Betty Crocker and Her Cookbook That Changed How America Cooks (Zoom or In Person)

Created in 1921 by a flour company, Betty Crocker became the most famous and trusted advisor to American cooks. This illustrated program by historian Leslie Goddard, Ph.D., looks at how Betty Crocker was invented, why her cookbook has endured, the cultural influences it has adapted to and what makes her so iconic.

1pm Tues., [Oct. 19 Zoom](#) or [Oct. 19 In Person](#) (R)

Perfect Pumpkin Desserts (Zoom)

Pumpkin is such a versatile ingredient and is filled with so much potential just waiting to be tapped in your treats. Get ready to diffuse that autumnal vibe throughout your kitchen and fuel your fall spirit with perfect pumpkin desserts! Presented by Kristyn Slick.

7pm Wed., [Oct. 20](#) (R)

A Taste of Diwali (In Person)

Indian cooking instructor Ranjana demonstrates how to prepare several authentic Indian recipes that prove Diwali, the Festival of Light, is also the festival of flavors.

7pm Mon., [Oct. 25](#) (R)

Author Chris Bohjalian: A Live Virtual Event (Zoom)

Chris Bohjalian is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of 22 books. His work has been adapted into three movies and a TV series. Join us for a lively discussion about his newest release *The Hour of the Witch* – a perfect Halloween program! Space is limited.

6:30pm Wed., [Oct. 27](#) (R)

Bill the Baker: Cranberry Muffins and Sauce (Zoom)

Bill Reichman returns to share a seasonal family favorite made with fresh cranberries, granny smith apples and tart cherries.

7pm Wed., [Nov. 3](#) (R)

White Like Her (Zoom or In Person)

Author Gail Lukasik shares her personal and genealogical journey to uncover her mother's racial heritage which led to the discovery of lost family. For a discussion of her book, *White Like Her*, see page 4. Book signing following presentation.

2-3:30pm Thurs., [Nov. 4 Zoom](#) or [Nov. 4 In person](#)

Enchanting Bruges (Zoom)

Take a virtual tour of the enchanting, medieval city of Bruges, Belgium with a day trip to Flanders Fields.

6:30pm-7:30pm Tues., [Nov. 9](#) (R)

Autumn Soups (In Person)

A new harvest season means new recipes to explore during this time of year. Chef Susan Maddox returns to demonstrate some wonderful autumn soups. Learn some quick and easy recipes to add to your family favorites as you explore different combinations of flavors and textures sure to please everyone!

7pm Wed., [Nov. 10](#) (R)

The Defense of Bastogne: A Veteran's Day Program (Zoom or In Person)

Battlefield expert Robert Mueller highlights the stubborn resistance by overwhelmed infantry and armored units at key road junctions in the transportation hub of Bastogne. The defeat of Hitler's 1944 Winter Offensive and the less recognized efforts during the Battle of the Bulge are also discussed.

1pm Thurs., [Nov. 11](#) (R)

Transgender 101 (Zoom)

Join award-winning consultant and speaker, Nikk Cochran Selik, as he discusses key concepts and terminology related to transgender identity, shares practical tools for being a supportive ally, and answers questions, all in a non-judgmental setting. We will also discuss special considerations for transgender children and adolescents.

7pm Mon., [Nov. 15](#) (R)

Holiday Card Making (In Person)

Make a set of unique, one-of-a-kind, decorative cards for the upcoming holiday season. Presented by local artist Jennifer Lilliebridge. Ages 15 and older. Space is limited. Ela cardholders only.

6-8pm Mon., [Nov. 29](#) (R)

Holiday Tech Gifts (Zoom or In Person)

Find out all the hottest gadget gifts available this holiday season. From smart home and smart phones to toys and oddities, we'll open people's eyes to lots of cool options for the family's (or your own) wish list!

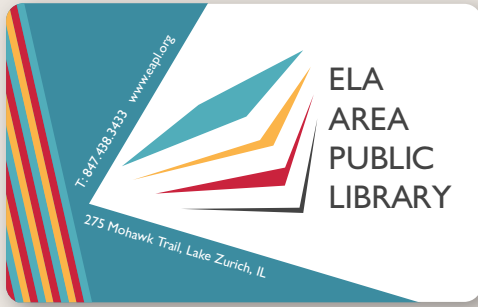
7pm Wed., [Dec. 1 Zoom](#) or [Dec. 1 In Person](#) (R)

Chicago Bronze Handbell Ensemble (In Person)

A holiday favorite, Chicago Bronze returns to share the sounds of the season. Registration begins Nov. 1.

2pm Sat., [Dec. 4](#) (R)





September is Library Card Sign Up Month!

Discover the Power of a Library Card!

From borrowing audiobooks to streaming movies to taking virtual Do It Yourself classes, there is so much you can access with a library card. Visit www.eapl.org for details on how to get your card or stop in and visit Check Out.

Freebie Fridays

Fridays, Sep. 3, 10, 17, 24

Check out 10 or more items any Friday in September and receive a freebie at Check Out. One freebie per cardholder, while supplies last.

Churros Y Chocolate Food Truck

3-5:30pm Fri., Sep. 24

Show us your library card and receive a free churro. One per library card, while supplies last. Located in front of the Library.

Study Rooms Reopen; New Online Reservations

Second floor study rooms are now open! Updates include new, versatile tables equipped with USB ports and outlets and more comfortable seating. NEW – Room 7 can now accommodate groups up to 10 people.

Reserve Online

Ela cardholders now have the ability to reserve a study room online at eapl.libnet.info/reserve. Just one more reason to get your Ela Library card!



Welcome Tutor.com!

Get Homework Help and More at eapl.org/databases

Ela Library now offers FREE online homework help and career assistance powered by Tutor.com. All you need is your Ela Library card (of course!) and a computer or device with a web browser and Internet connection. Once you create an account, you can also log in with the tutor.com app on your tablet or mobile device.

For Students

Tutor.com provides one-on-one tutoring in subjects including Math, Science, Social Studies, English as a Second Language, Citizenship, Computer Literacy and more. Tutoring sessions take place in an easy-to-use online classroom, available daily from 2-11pm. Drop off essays or math questions for overnight review and assistance within 24 hours. Take practice quizzes and exams to put your learning to the test including test prep for the GED, SAT, and ACT. And, connect with a tutor to help write a paper, search for writing tips or submit a paper for review.

For Job Seekers

Get live, one-on-one assistance daily from 2-11pm with finding job openings, preparing for an interview, and writing resumes and cover letters. Drop off resumes and cover letters for overnight review and assistance within 24 hours.

computer programs

Due to the popularity of computer classes, please do not register for classes you have already taken within the last year.

**Prerequisite*

OFFICE APPLICATIONS

Microsoft PowerPoint (Zoom)

**Comfortable using a mouse and keyboard*

Learn the basic skills to create, modify and print documents.

10-11:30am Tues., [Sep. 7 \(R\)](#)

Microsoft Excel 1 (Zoom)

**MS Word I or related experience*

Learn to create basic spreadsheets with formulas and charts.

10-11:30am Tues., [Sep. 28 \(R\)](#)

Microsoft Excel 2 (Zoom)

**MS Excel I or related experience*

Learn to create different types of charts, work with formulas, edit cells, sort and filter data.

10-11:30am Tues., [Oct. 5, \(R\)](#)

Advanced Excel 1 (Zoom)

**MS Excel 2 or related experience.*

Take your Excel skills to the next step; this class will focus on simple to complex formulas including VLOOKUP, Arrays, Financial Analysis and much more.

6:30-8pm Tues., [Oct. 19 \(R\)](#)

Advanced Excel 2 (Zoom)

**Advanced Excel 1 or related experience.*

Look at more complex tables and charts including using pivot tables and charts.

6:30-8pm Tues., [Oct. 26 \(R\)](#)

Microsoft Word 1 (Zoom)

**Comfortable using a mouse and keyboard*

Learn the basic skills to create, modify and print documents.

10-11:30am Thurs., [Oct. 28 \(R\)](#)

Advanced Excel 3 (Zoom)

Take your Excel skills to the next level! This workshop reviews macros, data validation, stocks, forecast sheets and advanced financial formulas.

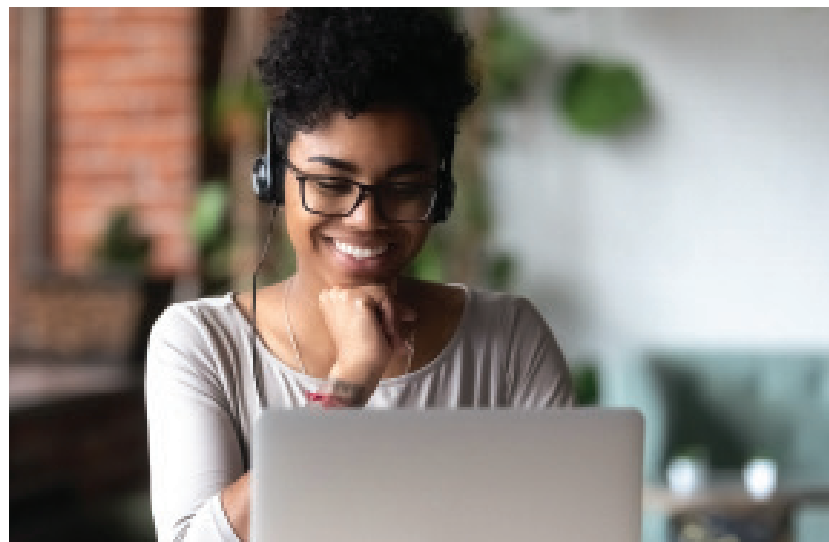
6:30-8pm Tues., [Nov. 2 \(R\)](#)

Microsoft Word 2 (Zoom)

**MS Word I or related experience*

Learn how to create headers and footers, adjust margins, insert bullets and use mail merge.

10-11:30am Thurs., [Nov. 4 \(R\)](#)



ADVANCED TOPICS

Great Apps & Websites for Entertainment (Zoom)

Look at free to low-cost apps for your entertainment. Includes apps for adults and children.

6:30-8pm Thurs., [Sep. 9 \(R\)](#)

Online Garage Sale (Zoom)

Ebay, Craigslist, Facebook Marketplace, and Let Go... all in one!

6:30-8pm Thurs., [Sep. 30 \(R\)](#)

Digital Assets (Zoom)

What happens to your digital assets once you're gone: Social media accounts, digital books, photos, music, videos, etc.? Who do you want to have access once you are no longer here?

6:30-7:30pm Tues., [Oct. 12 \(R\)](#)

How to use Canva (Zoom)

This graphic design tool helps users create posters, business cards social media graphics, invitations, etc.

6:30-7:30pm Thurs., [Nov. 16 \(R\)](#)

Create Your Own Photobook Online (Zoom)

**Please have a valid email address.*

Use your digital photos to create your own photo book in print with the website Picaboo.

10-11:30am Tues., [Nov. 30 \(R\)](#)

Meet Your Trustees



Cindy Blank, Treasurer

Why I wanted to be a Library Trustee:

My family has enjoyed using the services of the Ela Area Public Library for over 35 years.

When I retired, I had the time and desire to give back to the community. The involvement of being a trustee for the last ten years has been rewarding. The Board is always exploring ways to best serve all our patrons, being fiscally responsible in using the tax dollars. It is great to be part of the team contributing to the well-earned 5-star rating.

In addition to being a trustee, I am involved in the community in the following ways:

I am a very active parishioner of St. Francis de Sales Parish. I am also a committee member of Boy Scouts of America (BSA) Troop 93, as well as a merit badge counselor for BSA.

My favorite part of our library is:

It is hard to pick one thing I love about the library, but I would have to say the people! The staff is so knowledgeable and helpful on how to find what you are looking for, answering reference questions, answering technology questions, and even recommending books to read.

What I love about my community:

It is such a friendly community. The library has served as a hub for getting the community together. I look forward to lifted covid restrictions and returning to that sense of community.

My favorite events/programs are:

I really enjoy crafting in the Forge or genealogy classes where I learn how to research family history. I also like the entertainment programs, especially around the holidays!



Kathy Caudill, Vice President

Why I wanted to be a Library Trustee:

I became a library trustee because it gave me a chance to give back to a community and a library that my family and I love. I also decided to run for the library board for the same reason that a lot of people volunteer – because someone invited me to consider doing so!

In addition to being a trustee, I am involved in the community in the following ways:

In Lake Zurich, I have been a Cub Scout den leader, taught 3-year-old Sunday school, served in various volunteer positions

at church and schools, including volunteering at the Middle School South library, and serving as member of a parochial school board, liturgy board and lector.

My favorite part of our library is:

I love all areas of our library, but I especially appreciate the quiet areas on the second floor.

What I love about my community:

I have met so many wonderful friends and neighbors living in this community. I was drawn to Lake Zurich in part because it reminds me of where I grew up in Minnesota – in a suburb of St. Paul.

My favorite library events/programs are:

That is a little like asking “who is your favorite child?” or “what’s your favorite book?” That being said, I think author visits and cooking demonstrations are among my favorite programs.



Eric Corzine

Why I wanted to be a Library Trustee:

Libraries have always been a big part of my life. Growing up, my parents would often take me to the library. Later, while in the military, one of the first things I did when moving to a new community was to get my library card. I am honored to have served on the board for almost five years now.

In addition to being a trustee, I am involved in the community in the following ways:

I am a member of the Rotary Club of Lake Zurich.

My favorite part of our library is:

The Digital Media Lab, Forge, programs/events and Library of Things are my favorites. Library of Things has over 100 items that are not traditional library items. Items like Wi-Fi hotspots, telescopes, Roku and fishing poles. If you haven’t checked it out (Yes, pun intended) make sure you do. However, one of my favorite parts of the library is not a “What” but a “Who”... our staff and librarians. They are a wealth of knowledge and extremely helpful.

My favorite library events/programs are:

How do you choose JUST ONE? That said, one of my favorites is the annual Chicago Bronze Handbell Ensemble concert.



Anne Hurst

In addition to being a trustee, I am involved in the community in the following ways:

I am a member of the Village of Hawthorn Woods Finance Committee, a high school speech and debate coach, a Speech & Debate Tournament Tech Support and Community Judge Recruiter, a member of CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Outreach and Training Teams, and a hospitality and volunteer coordinator for various charities and non-profits.

My favorite part of our library is:

I love Library of Things!

What I love about my community:

Hawthorn Woods is a beautiful village with warm and friendly people, a devoted village board, and great neighbors who care about the community and each other.

My favorite library events/programs are:

I love the Summer Reading Challenge and the 10-to-Try Challenge!



Cathy McCauley, Secretary

Why I wanted to be a Library Trustee:

I wanted to get deeply involved in the community, give back and do something that matters.

In addition to being a trustee, I am involved in the community in the following ways:

I'm working on the Ela Peace Project with other community members to plant a peace pole and gardens near the Ela Historical Society and Museum. It will be the first peace pole of its kind in Lake County.

My favorite part of our library is:

The kids section! That's where I spend most of my time in the library with my two curious daughters. Both of them love to read. I just finished *House of Sticks* by Ly Tran.

What I love about my community:

The parks in our township are amazing! I love that my kids have access to so much nature. For me, taking walks at Cuba Marsh or near Echo Lake on the trail is giving me an opportunity to learn a bit more about native plants. It's also so peaceful.

My favorite library events/programs are:

Super kid-focused! The Children's Department events and programs are so fun. The library provides a special place for my family to explore and enjoy the world.



Mary Silcroft

Why I wanted to be a library trustee:

I ran for the library board because of my passion for reading. As a long-term resident of Lake Zurich, and one that utilizes many of our library services, giving back to the community is important to me. I want to help the library grow and prosper for many years to come.

My favorite part of the library is:

My favorite place to discover new books is the Staff Picks and Book Club areas. Some of my favorite books have been found there.

My favorite library events/programs are:

Another favorite of mine are the adult programs. Our library offers so many informative and educational programs, it's tough to choose.



Crystal Steker, President

My favorite part of our library is:

What I like most about the Ela Area Public Library is that staff adapts programs to meet the changing needs of our community.

Perhaps the most obvious example of this is when the physical library building closed during the pandemic. Staff created alternative ways for patrons to use resources. The Drive Up opened for book requests made online or via the phone. Programs and speakers were made available through Zoom. The library quickly made the financial commitment to expand ebooks, movies, and magazine offerings to minimize waiting for digital materials. I am appreciative of staff efforts during the last year to make resources available to all of us even when the library doors were closed.

What I love about my community:

I have had the privilege of seeing our community through a variety of lenses over the last 30 years. What I most appreciate about this community is our willingness to put aside differences to come together on important issues. EAPL has become a cornerstone in connecting our community by ensuring free and equal access to information and ideas to all. Our library is more than a building with LOTS of great books. It is a space for us to connect, discover and share.

forge **programs**

Registration (R) is required for all programs, unless noted (NR).

- **Registration begins Sep. 1 (unless noted)**
- **Zoom links are sent to your email the day of the event**
- **In Person programs are held in Forge at the Library**

Makerspace Drop-In (In Person)

Discover Forge where the making is limitless. Drop in to start a project, ask questions and learn more about what the Forge has to offer! We'll also have a creative project for you to make and take home (while supplies last).

5-7pm Wednesdays, [Sep. 8](#); [Oct. 6](#); [Nov. 3](#); All ages (NR)

Girls Who Code (Zoom or In Person)

Are you a girl interested in computer science? Learn about programming skills and work towards developing a project that solves a real-world problem in your community. Programming skills include topics such as loops, functions, and conditionals. All experience levels are welcome! You must be able to attend at least 4 of the 6 sessions.

1-3pm Sundays, [Sep. 12](#), [Sep. 26](#); [Oct. 10](#), [Oct. 24](#); [Nov. 7](#), [Nov. 21](#), Grades 6-12 (R)

Anime Glass Painting (In Person)

Create a unique glass frame with your favorite anime scene or character. There will be a variety of options to pick from or create your own using our Cricut or CAMEO cutting machines!

6pm Wed., [Sep. 15](#), Grades 6-12 (R)

Sewing Basics (In Person)

Learn the basics of using a sewing machine to create a simple project. All materials and equipment provided. Due to high interest, *registration is limited to one class per person per season.*

6-8pm Mon., [Sep. 20](#), [Oct. 18](#) or [Nov. 15](#), Ages 12+ (R)

Alcohol Ink Coasters (In Person)

Create your own coasters using permanent markers and rubbing alcohol, then learn about how the Silhouette CAMEO and Cricut cutting machines can give your coasters that personal touch.

6pm Wed., [Sep. 29](#), Ages 14+ (R)

Dungeons & Dragons (In Person)

Have you ever wanted to play Dungeons & Dragons but don't know how? Join us for an introductory one-shot session where we teach you the game's mechanics, rules, and art of role playing. This class is open to all levels but is recommended for beginners. Characters and dice provided.

6-8pm Thurs., [Oct. 14](#), Grades 8-12 (R)

Light-up Touchcubes (In Person or Kit Pick Up)

Make your own touch-sensitive lightcube using simple electronics and paper. Play games and decorate your cube at this hands-on event. Kit pick up option available.

4-5:30pm Thurs., [Oct. 21](#), Grades 6-12 (R)

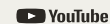
Paint a 3D-Printed Sugar Skull (In Person)

Discover the world of 3D printing while painting a sugar skull and learning a little bit about Day of the Dead.

6pm Wed., [Oct. 27](#), Ages 14+ (R)

Take Home Crafty K Kits

All kits require registration and are limited to Ela cardholders. Registration opens on September 1 and closes the day before pick up for each kit. All kits include supplies, directions and video instruction. Kits are available for pick up at the Information Desk. Ages 18+.



Macrame Coaster

This simple "finger knitting" is perfect for beginner knitters.

Register [Sep. 1](#), Kit Pick Up: [Mon., Sep. 20–Fri., Sep. 25](#)



Painted Pumpkin

Spruce up your Fall décor with this custom wooden pumpkin.

Register [Sep. 1](#), Kit Pick Up: [Mon., Oct. 18–Fri., Oct. 22](#)



Wine Bag

The perfect hostess gift to bring to your holiday party.

Register [Sep. 1](#), Kit Pick Up: [Mon., Nov. 15–Fri., Nov. 20](#)

Eureka!

Discover a new inventor then tinker, invent, and engineer something on your own! All kits include collectible inventor card, supplies and directions. Kits are available for pick up at the Forge makerspace. **Ages 6-14 (R) (Kit Programs)**

Ellen Ochoa

Learn about Ellen Ochoa's invention and create something of your own! Register starting Oct. 1. **Kit Pick Up: [Thurs., Oct. 14–Sun., Oct. 31](#)**

Karl Benz

Learn about Karl Benz's invention and create something of your own! Register starting Nov. 1. **Kit Pick Up: [Sun., Nov. 14–Tues., Nov. 30](#)**

Glow-in-the-Dark Terrarium (Kit Pick Up)

Create your own mini terrarium. Using mason jars, glow paint, and other materials, put together an indoor garden, perfect for fall and winter months.

Register [Nov. 1](#), Kit Pick up: [Nov. 17–Nov. 30](#), Grades 6-12 (R)

Etching Picture Frame Glass (In Person)

Explore different ways to use the CAMEO or Cricut cutting machines to create stencils that can be used to make some amazing home décor. An 8x10 frame and supplies are provided.

6pm Wed., [Nov. 17](#), Ages 18+ (R)

Find more craft programs in Adult Programs on pages 4-7.

teenprograms

Registration begins Sep 1. A valid email address is required. Questions? Contact readers@eapl.org. PIN/password required for event registration.

For teens in grades 6-12. In Person programs are held at the Library. Zoom links sent the day of the event. If a program has supplies, you will be notified once they are ready for pick up. If you have any questions, please contact Reader's Services at readers@eapl.org.

10th TRY Annual Reading Program/Meet Up

See page 6 for details.

Challenge ends December 31, 2021.

For ages 12+ (R) The last day for prize pickup is Friday, January 7, 2022.

10th TRY Meet Up (Zoom)

See page 6 for details.

7pm Wed., [Oct. 20](#) (R)

Mindfulness Techniques (In Person)

Being a teenager is hard. Learn useful mindfulness techniques from the Barrington Behavioral Health & Wellness group. Discover new coping mechanisms to help get you through all of life's challenges.

4-5pm Thurs., [Sep. 9](#) (R)

Warm Up Lake Zurich Yarn Group (In Person)

Have fun and socialize as we knit and crochet and discuss everything yarn. Donations of crafted items are accepted for local charities. All skill levels welcome.

4-6pm Thurs., [Sep. 9](#); [Oct. 14](#); [Nov. 11](#) (R)

Girls Who Code (Zoom or In Person)

See page 12 for details. Check the Forge (page 12) for more STEM events!

1-3pm Sundays, [Sep. 12, 26](#); [Oct. 10, 24](#); [Nov. 7, 21](#) (R)

Fall Candle Making (In Person)

Create fun seasonal candles out of beeswax. Roll your way to a beautiful candle in this relaxed setting. All supplies provided. Kit pick-up available.

4:30-5:30pm Thurs., [Sep. 23](#) (R)

Teen Book Club (In Person)

Calling teen book lovers! Let's discuss what we've been reading and add some books to our to-read lists. Get a free book and learn about new and upcoming releases for teens only. Pick up your free book at the library to discuss. Snacks provided.

4-5pm Mon., [Sep. 27](#) (R)

4-5pm Thurs., [Nov. 18](#) (R)



Anime Club (In Person)

It's back! Come to the library to watch and discuss anime, talk about manga, and generally have fandom fun. There will be snacks! For grades 8 & up.

4-5pm Tues., [Oct. 5](#) (R)

Light Up Touchcubes (In Person or Kit Pick Up)

See page 12 for details.

4-5:30pm Thurs., [Oct. 21](#) (R)

Haunted Lake Zurich (In Person)

Teens come and gather around the campfire and listen to the spooky stories of Lake Zurich. Snacks and scares will be provided. Dress warm. If it rains, the event will be held in the Teen Lounge.

6-7pm Thurs., [Oct. 28](#) (R)

NaNoWriMo Write In (In Person)

It's National Novel Writing Month! If you have a story in you waiting to get out this is the event you've been waiting for. Join us at three write-in sessions as we set our word count goals, share writing prompts, and write our hearts out. Snacks will be provided.

4-5:30pm Tuesdays, [Nov. 2, 16, 30](#) (R)

What You Must Know When Your Child Turns 18! (In Person)

At 18 your child is now a legal adult. Your ability to make medical and financial decisions is now limited. Find out what you need to know to unlock these limitations! Presented by Shire Law Group, PC. In partnership with District 95 Educational Foundation.

7pm Thurs., [Nov. 4](#) (R)

Transgender 101 (Zoom)

Join award-winning consultant and speaker, Nikk Cochran Selik, as he discusses key concepts and terminology related to transgender identity, shares practical tools for being a supportive ally, and answers questions, all in a non-judgmental setting. We will also discuss special considerations for transgender children and adolescents.

7pm Mon., [Nov. 15](#) (R)

kidsprograms



Programming will be in flux throughout the fall. Please check our online Events calendar and follow us on Facebook or Instagram for updates and pop-up programming announcements.

September registration begins Wed., Sep. 1 at 9am

October registration begins Fri., Oct. 1 at 9am

November registration begins Mon., Nov. 1 at 9am

Library Card Sign Up Month Celebration

Freebie Fridays

Let's celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month with weekly giveaways each Friday in September. Check out 10 or more items to receive a freebie at Checkout.

Fridays, Sep. 3, 10, 17, 24

Churros Y Chocolate Food Truck

Show us your library card and receive a free churro. One per library card, while supplies last. Located in front of the Library.

3-5:30pm Fri., Sep. 24

Scavenger Hunt

Discover what is hiding outside in front of the library! Hidden items will change periodically. Turn in your completed sheets for a weekly prize drawing. Each entry will remain in the drawing for the entire month unless pulled as a winner.

All ages (NR)

Crafts-To-Go

Visit the Children's Department and pick up a craft to make at home.

Storywalk

Together with the Village of Lake Zurich Parks and Recreation Department and the Ancient Oaks Foundation, the Library will feature a new story every few months for families to enjoy while walking through our beautiful parks and nature preserves! Check our website for a list of current Storywalk locations and titles.

All ages (NR)

Play and Learn

Gather your family or friend pod and explore our themed play literacy room!

September: Post Office (Sep. 13 – Sep. 30)

October: Flower Shop (Oct. 11 – Oct. 30)

November: Animal Clinic (Nov. 8 – Nov. 30)

Please sign up for only one time slot each month.

Each scenario provides kids with the chance to play, imagine, and learn in new creative ways, expanding their literacy skills and knowledge of the world.

Recommended for ages 3-7; for groups up to 10 people. One member of your group must have an Ela Library card.

10am, 2pm or 6pm M-TH or 10am Saturdays (R)

Fantasti-Kits

Sign up for a monthly kit full of crafts, activities and surprises! Registration begins the first day of each month. Kits are available for pick up beginning on the 14th of each month. Due to demand, an Ela Library card is required for registration.

Ages 0-12 (R)

Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) Kit

Learn more about Dia de los Muertos, a holiday celebrated in Mexico and other Latin American countries, through crafts and activities. **Registration begins Oct. 1 and kits are available for pick up beginning Oct. 14.** Due to demand, an Ela Library card is required for registration.

Ages 4-12 (R)

Everybody in the Red Brick Building: Author visit with Anne Wynter (Zoom)

Join us for a loud bedtime story! Author Anne Wynter presents her new picture book and entertains you with a chain reaction of sounds to wake you up and then lull you back to sleep. Registrants should pick up a craft kit starting Thursday, Oct. 14. Please complete the art project before we meet the author. We will have a drawing to give away copies of the book to attendees.

7pm Thur., Oct. 21, Ages 3-8 (R)

Arts & Crafts

Cartooning with Mark Anderson

Get your paper and pencils ready and join Mark on Zoom for these live, interactive cartooning classes. The zoom link will be sent to your email the morning of the program.

Action Animals

Get ready to draw all sorts of amazing cartoon animals in action! Running! Jumping! Flying! Pouncing! (I'm exhausted just thinking about it!) It's pure zoological zaniness!.

4pm Mon., [Sep. 20](#), Ages 6 and up (R)

Draw Your Own Haunted House

Do you like your cartoons a little bit spooky? Then this is the class for you! Will there be werewolves? Maybe. Vampires? Possibly. Frankensteins? Who can say...Toon in and find out. (Insert spooky laugh here.)

10am Sat., [Oct. 23](#), Ages 6 and up (R)

Secret Spies, Goofy Gadgets

Meet Agent 327 and help him create secret spy gadgets for his next mission. Laser watches! Flying cars! Secret code glasses! Anti-gravity socks! And anything else you can come up with! Oh no! I've been discovered! Run! And sign up now.

7pm Wed., [Nov. 17](#), Ages 6 and up (R)

Online Art Programs with Christine Thornton

Gather your own supplies and join Christine online. Each class features an instructional video through YouTube and the chance to connect with the teacher and classmates on Facebook. A link to the video will be sent to your email.

Paint Like Frida

Christine guides you through this creative project and provides tips to help you paint like Frida Kahlo!

The video is available Thurs., [Sep. 23](#) at 10am through Wed., [Sep. 29](#) at 9pm. Registration closes on Thurs., [Sep. 23](#) at 9am.

Ages 7 and up (R)

Kiddie Crafternoon @ the Library

Learn new tricks and techniques to create masterful DIY crafts! Please dress for a mess. Sign up for only one class each month. Masks are required.

4pm Wed., [Oct. 6](#) or Thurs., [Oct. 7](#)

4pm Wed., [Nov. 3](#) or Thurs., [Nov. 4](#)

For unaccompanied children grades K-3 (R)

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Storytimes

Storytime @ Home (YouTube)

Join us for storytime adventures! We'll sing, dance, read and learn some basic sign language in this fun video series.

Fridays, [Sep. 10](#), [24](#); [Oct. 8](#), [22](#); [Nov. 12](#), [26](#), All ages (R)

Storytime in the Park

Join us at Paulus Park this fall! Weather permitting, we'll read stories, dance and sing together. Please see our webpage for more details.

1:30pm Wed., [Sep. 22](#), Ages 0-5 with caregiver

1:30pm Tue., [Oct. 26](#) (please come in costume) Ages 0-5 with caregiver (R)

Soul Harbor Ranch

Visit with the staff, volunteers and miniature therapy horses from Soul Harbor Ranch, while you hear the story of Mystery and the rest of the horses' visit to the Graceful Gallop Mall. In case of inclement weather, this program will be canceled.

11am Sat., [Oct. 16](#), Accompanied children of all ages (NR)



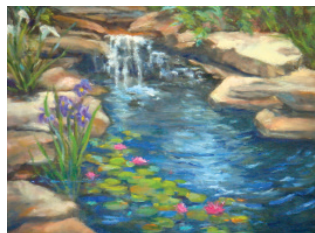
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Art Gallery and Display

The Library has an art gallery located on the second floor. Works of emerging and established local artists are displayed. For information about the art featured, visit the Reference or Information Desks.

Art gallery (second floor)

September	Maryann Pailey	Oil
October	Barb Bemstein HARPS	Oil/Pastel
November	Victoria Elizabeth	Watercolors



Meet September's Artist Maryann Pailey

Maryann Pailey began her instructional in oils in 2002, studying under the direction of fine artist and teacher Frankie Johnson. Over the years, Pailey has developed a style that is distinctly her own. She is captivated by the beauty of natural

surroundings and enjoys painting the landscape. Florals and still-lives are other favorite subjects. Her own travel also enters the artist's work in the form of cityscapes and street scenes. She enjoys the challenges of interpreting each new subject onto her canvas.

Pailey's work appears in private collections in California, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, New York and Wisconsin. In 2008, she was commissioned to create a large painting for Kemper Lakes Golf Club, which is on permanent display.

Contact Maryann at mpailey1@gmail.com.

Display Your Collection

The Library has a locked display case available to display your collection. Examples include artwork, photography, dolls, coins, model trains, Cub Scout pinewood derby cars, pins, Pez dispensers, pop-up cards, and many more. To reserve this monthly space to showcase your collection, contact the Public Information Department at pub.info.dept.staff@eapl.org.



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Board meetings are open to the public and are held in person and viewable via Zoom. They begin at 6pm on the third Tuesday of the month: Sep. 21, Oct. 19 and Nov. 16.

Library Hours

Monday – Thursday 9am – 9pm
Friday 9am – 6pm
Saturday 9am – 5pm
Sunday 12pm – 5pm

Currently Scheduled Library Closings

Mon., Sep. 6	Labor Day
Fri., Oct. 22	Staff Training
Wed., Nov. 24	Close at 5pm
Thurs., Nov. 25	Thanksgiving

Phone

(847) 438-3433 Information Desk

Program Registration

Register online at www.eapl.org/events
or (847) 438-3433.

If you need an accommodation for a visual, hearing, or other disability, please let us know at least two weeks before the program you plan to attend.

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