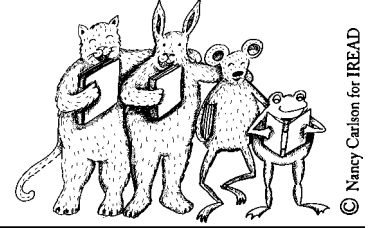


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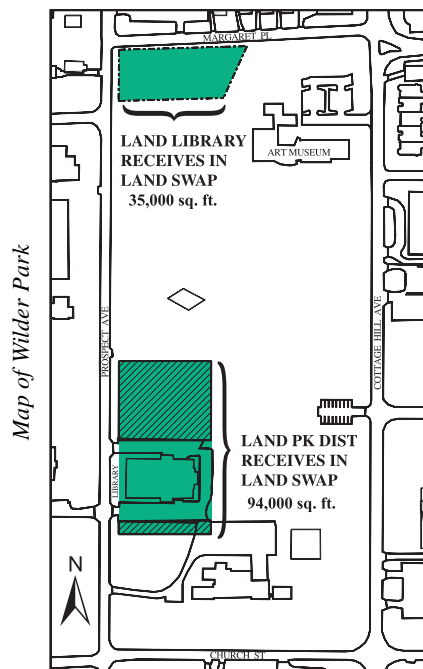
News from the
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Land Swap with Park District approved

In June, the Library Board, the City Council and Elmhurst Park District Commissioners signed an intergovernmental agreement designed to provide improved library and park services for the entire community.

Through this agreement, the library will give the Park District 94,000 sq. ft. of land in the center of Wilder Park in exchange for 35,000 sq. ft. in the northwest corner of the park.



The library proposes to use this land as well as city-owned land north of Wilder Park to build a new building. When the new library is built, the Park District will be given the library's current building and the surrounding land.

According to Library Board President James Wall, "We are very excited about this arrangement which we believe will benefit the entire community. We have completely outgrown the current library building and can no longer meet the needs of Elmhurst residents."

Wall said that in a larger building, the library would provide residents with expanded collections and services including increased public seating, more computer stations, a quiet room, meeting rooms, more programs, a drive-up window, adequate parking and much more.

Wall noted that, in a quest for additional space, the Library Board had originally considered expanding the current library building. However, the land the library owns is not enough for both an expanded building and sufficient parking. Therefore, the land exchange agreement was proposed. Not only will this arrangement preserve green space, it will meet the needs of both the library and the Park District for larger facilities to serve the community.

During the next few months, the Library Board will be working closely with an architectural firm and City staff to develop plans for the new building. These plans will be presented to the public for review and comment. Ultimately, the Library Board plans to fund this project through a referendum.

Library signs contract with architect

The Elmhurst Public Library Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the selection of the architectural firm of Lohan Associates of Chicago to design the new library building.

Library Board President James Wall said that 23 firms had submitted qualifications for this project. Lohan Associates was selected because the Library Board believes that they best meet the requirements for this project and will provide Elmhurst with a design that is both functional and elegant.

In addition to the new Des Plaines Public Library which will be completed later this summer, Lohan Associates also designed the DePaul University Lincoln Park Campus Library and the Barat College Library in Lake Forest. This internationally known firm has completed a number of projects in Chicago including the Oceanarium at the Shedd Aquarium and the addition to the Adler Planetarium.

Enjoy some "down-home" fun at the 15th annual Stories in the Park

Thurs., Aug. 10 • Wilder Park • 6 p.m.

Get ready for a foot-tapping, knee-slapping good time at this year's Stories in the Park!

Families, bring your blankets and picnic suppers to Wilder Park for the 15th annual Stories in the Park Storytelling Festival.

Enjoy listening to stories by nationally known, award-winning storyteller **Elizabeth Ellis** of Dallas, Texas. Known for her personal experience stories, Ms. Ellis' straightforward, heartwarming stories will enchant and delight you.

Back for her 15th straight year, **Marie Ringenberg** of Lombard will join other storytellers in bringing the flavor of "down-home" country fun to Wilder Park.

Enjoy the dynamic blues and string band music of the 20s, 30s and 40s by award-winning duo **Lil' Rev and Dave Fox**. These lively musicians play the harmonica, mandolin, ukulele, guitar, fiddle, washboard and even the jug!

Rain location will be in the Young People's Room in the library. No registration is required. Stories in the Park is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Elmhurst Public Library.



Special Children's Programs:

A Basketful of Stories

☺ **Every Saturday (except July 15)**
10:30–11 a.m.
Ages: 3–7

Join us at the library with Lucky, our special Labrador, and one of our storytellers who will delight us with stories, songs and surprises from a basket. No registration required.

Melikin Puppets Present: "The Circus"

📅 **Saturday, July 15**
10:30–11 a.m.
Ages: 3 & up

What's more fun than a circus? How about a "Puppet Circus?!" Melikin Puppets presents the biggest little show on earth! It's guaranteed fun and frolic for everyone from the Ringmaster's opening whistle to the grand finale. You'll meet Fumbles the clown, LuSeal the trained seal, Bruno the human cannonball and more. Pick up tickets at the "Ask Me" Desk *with library card* starting Sat., July 8.

Animal Encounters

📅 **Saturday, July 22**
(PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 19)
1–2 p.m.
Children entering kindergarten & up

If you're an animal lover, here is a program for you! Robert James, a zoologist, teacher & author, will bring a variety of interesting animals to the library. We may get to meet a porcupine and find out if it throws its quills, an armadillo and learn how it defends itself or an iguana—does it have more than two eyes? Dr. James will introduce us to a tarantula, a bat, a python and perhaps even an ostrich. This program isn't designed for wee ones. The audience will need to sit quietly & give Dr. James its undivided attention. Pick up tickets at the "Ask Me" Desk *with library card* starting Sat., July 8.

Puppet Fun

📅 **Monday, July 24**
10–10:30 a.m. OR 11–11:30 a.m.
OR 2–2:30 p.m.
Ages: 3–5

Children will learn how to make their own special puppets and try them out with us. Pick up tickets at the "Ask Me" Desk *with your library card* starting Sat., July 8.

Puppets Come to Life

📅 **Wednesday, July 26**
10–10:45 a.m. OR 2–2:45 p.m.
Children entering grades 1 & 2

You're invited to our puppetry workshop where you'll make a puppet, learn how to move it and make it talk. If you have a favorite joke, you and your puppet can share it with us. Pick up tickets at the "Ask Me" Desk *with library card* starting Sat., July 8.

Putting on a Puppet Show

📅 **Thursday, July 27**
10–11 a.m. OR 2–3 p.m.
Children entering grades 3–5

Learn the art of puppet making, manipulation and behind-the-stage techniques. Pick up tickets at the "Ask Me" Desk *with library card* starting Sat., July 8.

Funtastic Frog Fest

☎ **Sat., July 29**
10–11:30 a.m.
OR 1:30–3 p.m.
Ages: 3–7



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Join us for a fabulous, fun-filled frog fest. You'll enjoy games, prizes, crafts, stories and treats. Our froggy storytimes will begin every half hour during the morning and afternoon programs. Register by phone or at the "Ask Me" Desk *with library card* starting Sat., July 8.

Drop-In Storytime

☺ **Wednesdays, August 2–23**
10–10:30 a.m.
Ages: 3–7

You're invited for a fine blend of stories and musical activities. No registration required.

Books and Bingo

📅 **Thursdays, August 3–24**
10–11 a.m.
Children entering grades 2–8

Welcome to our bingo-book bash. We'll show off our new books, and you can play bingo and win small prizes. Pick up tickets for each session *with library card* starting Sat., July 22.

15th Annual Stories in the Park

☺ **Thursday, August 10**
Wilder Park
6 p.m.

See page 1.
No registration required.

How to sign up for programs:

- ☎ Phone or in-person registration
- 📅 Ticket pick-up at the "Ask Me" Desk
- ☺ No registration required

"Club Fun"

For kids entering Grs. 3–8

Register for each program separately:

Magic Workshop

☎ **Friday, July 7 1–2 p.m.**

PLEASE BRING A DECK OF CARDS AND A SMALL PACK OF CRAYONS.

Budding magicians, learn the tricks of the trade! Kevin Adair will share time honored secrets and treat you to a magically fun time. Registration by phone or at the "Ask Me" Desk *with library card* has begun.

Rubber Stamp Workshop

☎ **Friday, July 14 1–2 p.m.**

Join us for a "rubber stamping" good time. Learn to design greeting cards, wrapping paper, bookmarks & more. Register by phone or at the "Ask Me" Desk *with library card* starting Sat., July 1.

Yo-yo Workshop

☎ **Friday, July 21 1–2 p.m.**

Learn the "how-tos" of spinning a yo-yo from yo-yo master Barry North. Register by phone or at the "Ask Me" Desk *with library card* starting Sat., July 1. Please bring a yo-yo to the workshop. If you need one, the instructor will sell yo-yos for \$5 each.

Programs for Adults:

Internet Basics

☎ **Mon., July 17 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.**

Learn the basics of finding information on the Internet. (Assumes a basic knowledge of computer use.)

E-mail Basics

☎ **Mon., Aug. 21 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.**

Learn the "in and outs" of using e-mail, such as attachments, viruses, etc. (Assumes a basic knowledge of computer use and the Internet.)

Online Library Catalog Training

☎ **Thurs., July 13 1:30–3 p.m.**

Wed., Aug. 9 1:30–3 p.m.

Thurs., Aug. 17 7–8:30 p.m.

Learn how to use the Web version of the library's catalog. After a lecture-style introduction, you will get "hands-on" practice looking up material on the catalog at the computer terminals. Phone registration is required.

Book Discussion (Registration preferred)

☎ **Wed., Sept. 20 2:30 & 7:30 p.m.**

The Magician's Wife by Brian Moore

LIBRARY CLOSINGS



The library will be closed
July 4 for Independence Day
and August 18 for Staff Institute Day.

Services on our Website

www.elmhurst.lib.il.us

NEW • Ask a Question

Looking for answers to brief factual questions and questions about the library's holdings and services? Click "**Ask a question**" from the library's home page. Fill out the simple form and click "Submit." Library staff normally will respond to your question within 24 hours. Elmhurst residents will be given first priority.

NEW • Request / Reserve Materials

Want to reserve material? Place a hold on a book, video, CD? Or request material from a different library? Click "**Request / Reserve Materials**" from the library's home page. Fill out the simple form and click "Submit."

NEW • Renew Materials Online

Request renewals on books & library materials online by clicking "**Renew Materials Online**" from the library's home page. Fill out the simple form & click "Submit."

• Browse the Library's Catalog

Search the library's catalog 24 hours a day by clicking "**Library Catalog**" from the library's home page and then "**Library Catalog (SWAN)**." This is the same Web version catalog available at the library. Click "**Search the Swan Catalog**" to access the catalog. Click "**View Your Circulation Record**" to find out what books you have checked out, due dates, any fines and material you have reserved.

Coming Attractions

Reserve one of these titles or pick up a "Hot Copy." Call 630-279-8696 or stop by the Information Desk to place a reserve.

Fiction

- James Lee Burke *Purple Cane Road*
- Tom Clancy *The Bear & the Dragon*
- Judith Gould *Time to Say Goodbye*
- J.A. Jance *Devil's Claw*
- Faye Kellerman *Stalker*
- Kathy Reichs *Deadly Decisions*
- Lawrence Sanders *McNally's Folly*
- Anne Rivers Siddons *Nora, Nora*
- Katherine Stone *Island of Dreams*

Nonfiction

- Sal Severe *How to Behave So Your Children Will, Too!*
- Judy Sheindlin *Keep It Simple, Stupid: You're Smarter Than You Think*

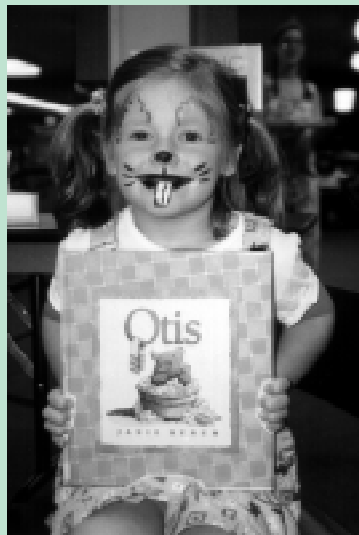
SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Registration continues through July 31

READ

for the fun of it!

at the Elmhurst Public Library



Maggie Regan joined the "Funny Bunnies Summer Reading Club" at the June 3 Summer Reading Kick-off. On that day children registered at the rate of one child per minute!

Summer Reading registration for children and adults continues through July 31.

THANK YOU!

Our sincere thanks to the Summer Reading Program sponsors for their generosity:

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- Ted Soltys—RE/MAX East-West
- TCBY Treats
- Uncle Andy's Restaurant & Pancake Shoppe
- York Theatre

Attention Genealogists!

Search the world's largest online genealogy library at EPL!

Finding your ancestors has just gotten easier. Thanks to a grant from the Illinois State Library, the Elmhurst Public Library now is offering access to all of the genealogy indexes and databases available through Ancestry.com, the world's largest online genealogy library.

Although some of Ancestry's databases are available free of charge on the Internet, the library's subscription provides access to a much wider range of information.

Ancestry.com links you to over 500 million names and over 2,000 databases, including AIS Census Indexes, the American Genealogical Biographical Index, Periodical Source Index, Civil War Research Database, obituaries, church and vital records and much more.

You can search Ancestry.com through the reference database computers located next to the Adult Services Reference Desk on the main floor of the library. Please ask a librarian if you need help getting started—and let us know what you think about it.

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Sun.: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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7:30 p.m., 3rd Tues. of each month, Berens Room

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April / May Memorials & Gifts

The following books & videos were dedicated with money donated to EPL in memoriam or as a gift.

- *The Decalogue* (a five-part video series) / *Double Lives, Second Chances: The Cinema of Krzysztof Kieslowski* by Annette Insdorf. In memory of Mel Peters from James and Mary Eleanor Wall.
- *Chicago Days: 150 Defining Moments in the Life of a Great City* by Stevenson Swanson, ed. In memory of Robert A. Hauser from Audrey Hauser and Family.
- *Perennials for Every Purpose* by Larry Hodgson. In memory of Mary Lou Weinacht from the Crestview Garden Club.
- *Beatrix Potter* by Alexandra Wallner / *Blueberry Shoe* by Ann Dixon / *Jamie O'Rourke and the Pooka* by Tomie dePaola / *Tell Me Something Happy Before I Go to Sleep* by Joyce Dunbar and Debi Gliori / *The Feet in the Gym* by Teri Daniels / *The Pig in a Wig* by Alan MacDonald / *Who Bop?* by Jonathan London / *You Forgot Your Skirt, Amelia Bloomer!* by Shana Corey. In memory of Tuula Eden Koski from Laura and Dave Edwards.
- *The Scrambler's Dozen* by Mike McGetrick. In memory of Edward Maloney from Ronald & Nina Stefani & Family.
- *The Real Estate Game* by William J. Poorvu. In memory of Juanita North from the Elmhurst Woman's Club.
- *The Brethren* by John Grisham. In memory of my twin sister Ilene Herrell on our 75th birthday from Shirley Sterling.

Gifts

- *Lulu's Busy Day* by Caroline Uff. In honor of the birth of Molly Roberta Evans from the Huntington Woods Women's League.
- *The Gates of the Alamo* by Stephen Harrigan. In honor of Reverend Dr. Paul Theodore Dietz on his 50th year in the ministry from Gretchen Westberg.



Tote Bags you can check out!

NEW!

Is checking books in and out a big balancing act? Borrow a library tote bag! To help you carry library materials, we are offering burgundy colored tote bags which may be checked out just like books. The bags will be due back in 3 weeks with unlimited renewals and no fines due!

Ask for a tote bag on your next visit!

Free Ravinia Lawn Passes



The library is raffling free Ravinia Festival lawn passes for classical and jazz performances through The Words & Music Program. Stop by the library's Information Desk in the lobby to pick up a raffle sheet, a list of the available July and August performances and the dates of the raffle drawings. You may enter only one time for as many different performances as you choose. Only Elmhurst residents and those with an Elmhurst Public Library card may participate.

The Words & Music Program is offered through the Suburban Library System and is generously sponsored by The Quaker Oats Foundation.

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