

# Elmhurst Public Library

## Fine Print



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## Superheroes: Characters with Character

### Winter Reading Club

January 2 – February 29, 2004

Ages: 2 years – Grade 8

### Reading heroes unite!

Calling all two-year-olds through eighth graders who live in Elmhurst or attend an Elmhurst school!

Join the Winter Reading Club at the Elmhurst Public Library. Be a reading hero when you read (or listen to) the number of books listed below for your age.

### Take the challenge

Ages 2–K:

(listen to) 25 books

Grade 1:

15 books

Grades 2 & 3:

8 books

Grades 4–8:

5 books

Watch for the electrically charged superhero “Amp” in the library’s very own comic — *Saving The Day!*



### Characters showing character

Learn important values from reading about book characters with character. The Winter Reading Program is joining the citywide Character Counts program to promote six core ethical values (“The Six Pillars of Character”)—Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring and Citizenship.

Choose at least one book for your winter reading which features one of these “pillars.” Read about the importance of honesty and trustworthiness in *Arthur and the True Francine*. Or read a biography about the heroic Harriet Tubman who showed respect for all people.

Character Counts reading suggestions are available at the Kids’ Library or from the library’s Web site.

### Earn your reward!

When you complete your challenge, return your book log to the Help Desk in the Kids’ Library beginning January 9 to receive:

Ages 2–Grade 2:

- Reading Certificate
- Free kid’s size hot chocolate from LavAzza coffee bar

Grades 3–8:

- Raffle ticket for a grand prize donated by GEM Comics
- *Saving the Day*, an original comic created just for the Elmhurst Public Library (Available beginning Feb. 23)

### Join the crowd!

Have you checked out your new Elmhurst Public Library yet? Join the hundreds of people who visit us each day.

Since the new building opened on October 4, 2003, the daily number of visitors is up 40% from last year!

Average daily checkouts increased 24% in the first month the library was open. Reference questions increased 97%. And we continue to break previous records.

Did you know that you can check out most items yourself from the new Express Checkout stations in the lobby? About 20% of all our checkouts are now from these stations.

The library’s computers are in constant use, and many people are bringing their laptops to use the plug-in and wireless Internet access throughout the building.

The drive-up window and outside book drop are very popular. The LavAzza coffee bar in the lobby has been a big hit as well. Morning commuters can stop by for a cappuccino or espresso as early as 6 a.m.

Best of all, thousands of people are getting new library cards. If you don’t have your card yet, stop by with two forms of identification. An Elmhurst Public Library card is your passport to borrowing from our collection, surfing the Internet, attending interesting programs & much more.



## Coming Attractions

Reserve one of these titles or pick up a "Hot Copy."

### Fiction

#### *High Country*

by Nevada Barr

#### *Emma's Secret*

by Barbara Taylor Bradford

#### *The Cat Who Talked Turkey*

by Lilian Jackson Braun

#### *Bet Me*

by Jennifer Crusie

#### *The Passions of Chelsea Kane*

by Barbara Delinsky

#### *The Kills*

by Linda Fairstein

#### *Retreat, Hell*

by W. E. B. Griffin

#### *Absolute Friends*

by John Le Carre

#### *Mr. Paradise*

by Elmore Leonard

#### *The Second Chair*

by John T. Lescroart

#### *The Frumious Bandersnatch*

by Ed McBain

#### *The Zero Game*

by Brad Meltzer

#### *The Man in My Basement*

by Walter Mosley

#### *A Risk Worth Taking*

by Robin Pilcher

#### *The Sight of the Stars*

by Belva Plain

#### *The Amateur Marriage*

by Anne Tyler

#### *Blinded*

by Stephen White

## 2004 Book Discussions

We've got some great books lined up for you this year!

Join us on the third Wednesday of the following months at 2:30 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. for thought-provoking discussions. Register & pick up a copy of the book at the second floor Information Desk.

Wednesday, January 21

#### *My Cousin Rachel*

by Daphne Du Maurier

Romance, murder and intrigue abound when a Victorian young man falls in love with an older woman.

Wednesday, February 18

#### *Kitchen Confidential*

by Anthony Bourdain

Get an insider's look at the restaurant industry from a New York chef.

Wednesday, March 17

#### *The Handyman*

by Carolyn See

A struggling artist becomes a handyman and discovers his hidden talent for fixing the lives of those around him.

Wednesday, April 21

#### *The Quiet American*

by Graham Greene

When a young, high-minded American channels money to a "third force" during the French war in Indo-China, an older man finds it impossible to stand aside as an observer.

Wednesday, May 19

#### *Nickel and Dimed*

by Barbara Ehrenreich

What's it like to be working and poor in America? The author joined their ranks to find out.

June–August

No discussions. Join the Adult Summer Reading Club.

Wednesday, September 15

#### *Big Stone Gap*

by Adriana Trigiani

Enjoy a story about family and friends in small-town Virginia.

Wednesday, October 20

#### *The Seduction of Water*

by Carol Goodman

A writer uncovers secrets while searching for her mother's last manuscript.

Wednesday, November 17

#### *Into the Forest*

by Jean Hegland

Miles away from everyone, two sisters struggle to survive as society collapses around them.

December—No discussion.

## Keep track of your checkouts and due dates

Having trouble remembering everything that you have checked out, when items are due and what you have on reserve? Don't worry; we keep track of all this information for you. You can access it through the library's online catalog.

When you check the online catalog from one of the library's computers or from the library's Web site at home, simply click "Check your record."

Enter your name, library card number and a PIN (self-created password) to find the answers to all these questions.

Not only will you get a listing of every item that is checked out on your card, but you will also see when they are due. You can sort items by due dates and make a free printout from the library's stand-alone catalog computers.

Your record will also show you if you have any overdue fines. You can even renew items online and request them directly from the catalog.

To view the catalog from home, visit our Web site—[www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org](http://www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org).

If you aren't comfortable with computers, or if you need help, ask the library staff and they will help you find this information and make a printout for you.



Hundreds attended the library auction on November 15 at the Wilder Mansion. The auction lasted over 12 hours. People bid on items ranging from light bulbs to old computers to shelving.

# Library puppeteers get new stage

The Elmhurst Public Library's puppetry troupe, Puppets on the Wilder Side, is using a beautiful, new, hand-crafted puppet stage thanks to Elmhurst resident Mike Sadowski, who designed and custom built the stage himself.

The puppet stage is constructed from solid cherry wood with a hand-rubbed Danish oil finish. It features two lighting tracks with colored lights controlled by dimmer switches, adjustable curtains and a custom cut library leaf logo on the front.

Woodworking is a hobby for Mr. Sadowski. He spent over 170 hours on the project, donating his labor and materials. The Library Board, staff and especially the puppeteers are very grateful.

Puppets on the Wilder Side, now in its 19th year, is composed of about a dozen Elmhurst middle school and high school students. Brian Andrusyk, part-time Elmhurst Public Library librarian and full-time Library Media Specialist at Immaculate Conception High School, has coordinated the group since 1995. He was also a troupe member when he was in middle school.

The group performs puppet shows using its own scripts and handmade puppets twice a year. Those interested in joining must complete a workshop offered each summer. Sign-up will be announced in May.



*The Puppets on the Wilder Side troupe poses in front of their new stage. (back row) Director Brian Andrusyk, Jacob Peklo, Greg Ryan, Justin Czarnowski; (seated) Kristen Farrell, Christina Dorizas, Dylan Logan, Erick Tackes, Ajay Jakate; (not pictured) Dave Andrusyk, Cassie Belau. Dale Brown*

## Additional parking

The City-owned commuter lot at the corner of Park and Prospect as well as commuter parking spaces along the tracks are open for library parking after 5 p.m. on weekdays and all day on weekends.



## Stay healthy!

Stop by the library and search our online databases for great information on health and medicine.

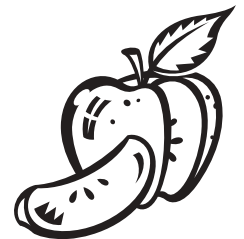
Choose from hundreds of articles in over 270 newspapers and magazines on the EBSCO database. These articles feature stories about the latest flu bug, great preventative advice about nutrition and exercise, facts on alcohol and drugs and much more.

The library also has the Physicians' Desk Reference online for detailed descriptions of prescription and non-prescription drugs.

FirstSearch database connects you to information on all areas of medicine from dentistry to nursing as well as resources for professional healthcare workers.

If you're under the weather or want to stay warm at home, visit [www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org](http://www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org). Many of these databases and articles are available from the library's Web site by entering your Elmhurst Public Library card number.

We also have many books that explain medical diagnoses and health problems in layman's terms. Please ask a librarian to help you with all these wonderful resources.



Visit

[www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org](http://www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org)

- Search the catalog.
- Get great reading suggestions for children and adults.
- Scan databases for articles & information on business, health, genealogy & more or search for phone numbers and addresses of residences and businesses nationwide.
- Check your library record to see what items you have checked out, due dates, items on hold and any overdue fines.
- Renew items online.
- View a schedule of library programs.
- Catch the latest library news and much, much more!

# Memorials & Gifts

The following books were dedicated with money donated to the Elmhurst Public Library in memoriam or as a gift in September, October and November 2003.

- **The Fall of Freddie the Leaf** (20th Anniversary Edition) by Leo F. Buscaglia. Dedicated in memory of Mary Lou Murphy from The Burns Family.
- **San Francisco On My Mind** published by The Globe Pequot Press. Dedicated in memory of Rosemary Vachta from Ross and Jacqueline Tipps.
- **Career Opportunities in the Fashion Industry** by Peter Vogt. Dedicated in honor of Pamela Iannotta on her 50th birthday from Jo Marie Bogusz and Donna De Simone.
- **Beautiful Roses** by Marie-Hélène Loaëc. Dedicated in memory of Mary Eastman from Marjorie McGrath.
- **The American Agent: My Life in the CIA** by Richard L. Holm. Dedicated in honor of Richard Holm from York High School Class of 1953.
- **Making Race Visible: Literacy Research for Cultural Understanding** edited by Stuart Greene and Dawn Abt-Perkins. Dedicated in memory of Mary Parson Donnellon from Dagmar and Jerry Harper.
- **The Plains Indian Photographs of Edward S. Curtis** by Edward S. Curtis. Dedicated in honor of Make A Difference Day, October 25 from the Elmhurst Afternoon Woman's Club.
- **For the Love of Hockey** by Chris McDonell / **Kids' Hockey: The Parents' Guide** by Gary Abraham. Dedicated in memory of Josh Charles Mason from The Zumbrock Family.
- **Women of the Wall** edited by Phyllis Chesler. Dedicated in memory of Betty Jean Peronto from Nancy and Sid Brown.

# Magnify print at home



Do you have a hard time reading regular sized type? If so we may have a solution. Check out the library's easy-to-use Prisma magnifying machine and take it home to enlarge print in full color on your television screen.

Simply plug this lightweight device into the video connection on your TV. You may borrow it for up to a week. We will even deliver it to homebound residents who live within Elmhurst City limits.

Please contact Outreach Librarian Joyce McIntosh at 630-279-8696 to request this magnifier.

*Fine Print* is Elmhurst Public Library's newsletter, published every other month to inform Elmhurst residents of services, resources and events offered by their library.

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#### Hours:

M-F: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
Sat.: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sun.: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

**Renew items by phone:**  
630-279-6030

**Library Board Meetings:**  
7:30 p.m., 3rd Tuesday of each month, Meeting Room 1

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For ADA special accommodations for programs, call the ADA Compliance Officer at 279-8696 or TTY at 782-4310 (new phone number), 1 week prior to the event.

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## Holiday Closings

The library will be closed on

**Wednesday, Dec. 31 at 5 p.m. and Thursday, Jan. 1.**

# Elmhurst Public Library Programs

## 📖 So You Want to Write a Book:

7 Essential Questions You Need to Answer

**Saturday, Jan. 10**  
**9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.**  
**(Bring a sack lunch.)**

**Meeting Room 1**  
**Max. 25**

The library is pleased to present this special workshop for aspiring authors. This six hour interactive program offers a gentle introduction to the realities of the trade publishing industry.

Discover the essential questions that lie at the heart of writing a book. Answering these questions will help you hone the process of your book idea, clarify your direction and look at the next step in the publication process.

Joe Durepos, the workshop leader, is the Senior Acquisitions Editor for Loyola Press, Chicago as well as an independent literary agent. He has a particular passion for placing religious, spiritual, inspirational, and motivational/self-help works in the general book trade. His background includes all aspects of the book industry. Mr. Durepos brings knowledge and wisdom to what is often a confusing process.

Reservations are required, and space is limited to 25 people. Register at the second floor Information Desk *with your Elmhurst Public Library card*. When you enroll you'll be given a questionnaire for Mr. Durepos which must be returned to the library before January 7. You'll be working through noontime, so please bring a sack lunch with you.



*Joe Durepos of Loyola Press*

## 😊 Lyric Opera Lectures

**Lucia di Lammermoor**  
**Sun., Jan. 11**  
**2:30 p.m.**

**The Pirates of Penzance**  
**Sun., Jan. 25**  
**2:30 p.m.**

**Madama Butterfly**  
**Sun., Feb. 8**  
**2:30 p.m.**

### **Meeting Room 1**

Learn more about these operas performed this season by the Lyric Opera of Chicago. No registration is required.

## 📖 Book Discussions

**Wednesday, Jan. 21**  
**2:30 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.**  
**Meeting Room 1**

*My Cousin Rachel*  
by Daphne Du Maurier

**Wednesday, Feb. 18**  
**2:30 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.**  
**Meeting Room 1**

*Kitchen Confidential*  
by Anthony Bourdain

Register and pick up a copy of the book *with your Elmhurst Public Library card* at the second floor Information Desk.

## 🔍 Mysteries: Why We Love to Read (and Write) Them

**Thursday, Jan. 15 • 7 p.m. • Meeting Room 2**

What makes us stay up until the wee hours to figure out “who done it”? How do mystery authors hook us into reading an entire series? Author David J. Walker will take a look at why we love mysteries and explain his “Don’t Open the Door” theory.

Mr. Walker has published seven mystery novels. The first novel in his Malachy P. Foley series was nominated for an Edgar Award. A lifelong Chicagoan, he has been a South Side parish priest, an investigator with the Chicago Police Department’s Office of Professional Standards and an attorney. He now writes full-time and is the president of the Midwest Chapter of Mystery Writers of America.

Registration is required. Call the library *with your Elmhurst Public Library card* or stop by the Information Desk to sign up.

## 🔍 Don't Forget! Tips for Improving Memory

**Saturday, Jan. 24 • 2 p.m.**  
**Meeting Room 2**

Do you want to have a more efficient memory? In this educational and entertaining program, Dr. Linda Sasser will present a brief overview of how memory works, including the characteristics of sensory, short-term and long-term memory. Learn strategies for remembering people’s names and other important information.

Registration is required. Call the library *with your Elmhurst Public Library card* or stop by the Information Desk to sign up.



## 🔍 A Fireside Chat with Franklin D. Roosevelt

**Friday, Feb. 6**  
**7 p.m.**  
**Meeting Room 2**

Historical dramatist R. J. Lindsey brings President Franklin D. Roosevelt to life. FDR will speak about politics, the Depression, the arts, polio, war, taxes and international relations. Laugh with him as he tells stories about Congress, Fala, Churchill, King George VI and of course Eleanor. At the conclusion of his Fireside Chat, the President will answer questions from the audience.

Presenter R. J. Lindsey has created over 20 historical programs for libraries, schools, museums and other groups. His portrayal of Roosevelt has been presented at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., Churchill’s Underground War Cabinet Rooms in London and the 1996 Democratic National Convention.

Registration is required. Call the library *with your Elmhurst Public Library card* or stop by the Information Desk to sign up.



# Kids' Storytimes

## ☎ Mother Goose Time

**Ages: 1 with an adult**  
**Mondays, Jan. 26–March 15**  
**(NO SESSION FEB. 16)**  
**9:30–10 a.m. & 10:30–11 a.m.**  
**Wednesdays, Jan. 28–March 17**  
**9:30–10 a.m.**  
**Saturdays, Jan. 31–March 20**  
**9:30–10 a.m.**  
**Storytime Room**  
**Min. 8 children / Max. 15**

A language enrichment program where adults help their children participate in interactive songs and rhymes. Register by phone or at the Help Desk *with your Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Jan. 17.

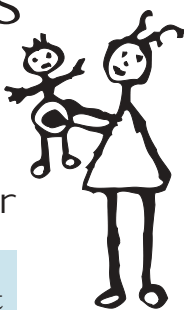


## ☎ Toddler Time

**Ages: 2 with an adult**  
**Tuesdays, Jan. 27–March 16**  
**9:30–10 a.m. & 10:30–11 a.m.**  
**Thursdays, Jan. 29–March 18**  
**9:30–10 a.m.**  
**Fridays, Jan. 30–March 19**  
**9:30–10 a.m.**

**Storytime Room**  
**Min. 8 children/Max. 15**

Enjoy stories, musical activities and fingerplays. Register by phone or at the Help Desk *with your Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Jan. 17.



## ☎ Stories, Stories Everywhere

**Ages: 3, 4 & 5**  
**Wednesdays, Jan. 28–March 17**  
**10:30–11 a.m.**  
**Thursdays, Jan. 29–March 18**  
**10:30–11 a.m.**

**Storytime Room**  
**Min. 10 children/Max. 35**  
 Splendid stories and lively musical activities. Register by phone or at the Help Desk *with your Elmhurst Public library card* starting Sat., Jan. 17. **Younger siblings are not admitted.** Children may attend on their own or with an adult.

## ☎ Take Flight with Fantasy

**Ages: 5, K & Gr. 1**  
**Tuesdays, Jan. 27–March 16**  
**3:30–4 p.m.**

**Storytime Room**  
**Min. 10 / Max. 40**  
 Folktales and fanciful activities will capture your imagination. Register by phone or at the Help Desk *with your Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Jan. 17.

# Kids' Programs

## ☎ Learning to Sign

**K–Gr. 2**  
**Mondays, Jan. 5–26**  
**3:30–4:30 p.m.**

**Gr. 3–6**  
**Tuesdays, Jan. 6–27**  
**4:30–5:30 p.m.**

## Storytime Room

**Max. 30**  
 Learn the basics of sign language. Registration by phone or at the Help Desk *with your Elmhurst Public Library card* began Dec. 20. There may still be openings.

## ☎ African Village Folktales

**Ages: 4 & up**  
**Monday, January 19**  
**Martin Luther King Day**  
**10–10:45 a.m.**

**Meeting Room 2**  
 Urban Gateways and Hot Silk Productions presents African folktales including “The Lion and the Woman,” “The Tug of War” and “The Frog Who Wanted to Be a Singer.” The actors incorporate storytelling, body movement, African music and dramatization to bring these tales to life. Pick up tickets at the Help Desk *with your Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Jan. 10.

## ☎ “Stomp Your Feet to the Jammin’ Beat”

**Ages: 5 & up**  
**Monday, Feb. 16**  
**Presidents’ Day**  
**10–10:45 a.m.**

**Meeting Room 2**  
 Amy Lowe, who has entertained throughout the U.S., will perform upbeat, interactive songs and stories about self esteem, world peace, family and friends. Pick up tickets *with your Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Feb. 7.

# Drop-In Storytimes!

Just stop by for these fabulous storytimes. No registration is required, but you must present your *Elmhurst Public Library card* at the door. Seating is on a first-come-first-served basis.

## ☺ Mother Goose Time

**Ages: 1 with an adult**  
**Mondays, Jan. 26–March 15**  
**(NO SESSION FEB. 16)**  
**11:30 a.m.–Noon**  
**Storytime Room**  
**Max. 40 people**

## ☺ Rhyme Time

**Ages: 1 & 2 with an adult**  
**Thursdays, Jan. 29–March 18**  
**6:30–7 p.m.**  
**Storytime Room**  
**Max. 40 people**

Discover the joys of language in stories, songs and rhymes.

## ☺ Toddler Time

**Ages: 2 with an adult**  
**Fridays, Jan. 30–March 19**  
**10:30–11 a.m.**  
**Storytime Room**  
**Max. 40 people**

## ☺ Stories, Stories Everywhere

**Ages: 3, 4 & 5**  
**Wednesdays, Jan. 28–March 17**  
**1:30–2 p.m.**  
**Storytime Room**  
**Max. 40 people**  
**Younger siblings are not admitted.** Children may attend on their own or with an adult.

## ☺ Saturday Family Storytime

**All ages**  
**(most appropriate for children 3–7)**  
**Every Saturday**  
**10:30–11 a.m.**  
**Storytime Room**  
**Max. 40 people**  
 A super selection of stories, songs and surprises. No registration needed

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You will be asked to show your EPL card to attend programs that do not require registration. Please bring it with you.



# Kids' Clubs

## Kids' Book Discussion

**Ages: Gr. 2 & 3**

**Monday, Feb. 9**

**3:30-4:30 p.m.**

**Storytime Room**

Read the true story of sled dog Balto who helped bring medicine to sick children in Alaska. Children can choose to read either *The Bravest Dog Ever: The True Story of Balto* by Natalie Standiford or *Balto and the Great Race* by Elizabeth Cody Kimmel. We'll talk about the stories, make crafts and munch on snacks. Register and pick up the book(s) at the Help Desk with your *Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Jan. 31.

## Chess Club

**Ages: 7 & up**

**Fridays, Feb. 13 & 27,**

**March 12 & 26,**

**April 2 & 16**

**Beginners:**

**6:30-7:15 p.m.**

**Experienced:**

**7:30-8:30 p.m.**

**Meeting Room 2**

We welcome children who like to play chess and who want to learn more about the game. Register by phone or at the Help Desk with your *Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Jan. 31.

# Storytime volunteers needed

Do you love working with children? We're looking for volunteers to work one hour per week during our storytimes. These volunteers will sit near the door in the Storytime Room, take attendance, distribute handouts and check library cards. If interested, please call Sharon Karpel at 630-279-8696.

## After-School Special: The ABCs of First Aid

**Ages: Gr. 2 & up**

**Thursday, Jan. 22**

**3:30-4:30 p.m.**

**Storytime Room**

Karen Heerdt-Appel of Elmhurst Memorial Healthcare will give an interactive demonstration of first aid techniques that can be used in a variety of situations. Be prepared! Register by phone or at the Help Desk with your *Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Jan. 10.

## After-School Special: A Hawaiian Adventure

**Ages: Gr. 2 & up**

**Thursday, Feb. 26**

**3:30-4:30 p.m.**

**Storytime Room**

Experience the beauty of Hawaii through stories, music & crafts. Then sample a tasty Hawaiian treat. Register by phone or at the Help Desk with your *Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Feb. 14.

## Homeschool Club

**Ages: Gr. 2-8**

**Thursday, Jan. 22**

**1-2 p.m.**





**Thursday, Feb. 26**

**1-2:30 p.m.**

**Storytime Room**

Same programs as After-School Specials.

## Registration:

-  Phone (279-8696) or in-person registration
-  In-person registration
-  No registration required but an EPL card must be shown at the door.
-  Ticket pickup at the Help Desk

Programs will be cancelled if minimum registration is not met.

# The Great TV Turnoff

February 19 - 25

## "Great TV Turn Off" Poster Program

**Ages: Preschool-Gr. 8**

**Wed., Jan. 14**

**3:30-6 p.m. OR**

**Sat., Jan. 17**

**1-4 p.m.**

**Storytime Room**

Come to the library to design a poster for Elmhurst's "The Great TV Turn Off" which show fun activities kids can do instead of watching TV. We'll use your poster to publicize the program throughout town. No registration needed; however, parents or guardians must sign a waiver giving permission for the poster to be displayed.

## Tim Hannig's "Pro-Kids Show!"

**Ages: For families**

**Thursday, Feb. 19 OR**

**Friday, Feb. 20**

**7-7:45 p.m.**

**Meeting Room 2**

One child recently called this program "a Las Vegas show for kids"! Tim Hannig will delight us with magic, music, drama, comedy, puppetry and lots of audience participation. Pick up tickets at the Help Desk with your *Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Feb. 14.



Sandi Sylver and "Toodles"



## The Great TV Turn Off Library Scavenger Hunt

**Ages: For families**

**Saturday, Feb. 21**

**1-2 p.m. OR**

**Monday, Feb. 23**

**7-8 p.m.**

**Storytime Room**

Your family will act as a team and follow clues to help you become more acquainted with our building. Small prizes await those who finish. Register by phone or at the Help Desk with your *Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Feb. 14.

## "Adventures in Storytelling"

**Ages: For families**

**Tuesday, Feb. 24 OR**

**Wednesday, Feb. 25**

**7-7:45 p.m.**

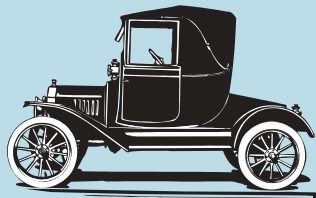
**Meeting Room 2**

Sandi Sylver is a charismatic and vivacious storyteller and ventriloquist, and she'll introduce us to her puppet sidekick, "Toodles," who is "six with attitude." She'll also serenade us with songs accompanied by her guitar. Pick up tickets at the Help Desk with your *Elmhurst Public Library card* starting Sat., Feb. 14.

# Just for Teens

## Saint Valentine's Day Massacre and other True Chicagoland Ghost Stories

Hear a professional ghost hunter!



Thursday February 12  
7 p.m.

Meeting Room 2  
For Elmhurst teens  
in High School

Take a slide show tour of one of Chicago's most eerie locations—the scene of the St. Valentine's Day massacre—as well as other spooky sites. Richard Crowe of Chicago Supernatural Tours, a full-time professional ghost hunter, will lead you on a fascinating trip through haunted Chicagoland.

On St. Valentine's Day 1929 at a warehouse at 2122 North Clark Street in Chicago, seven of gangster "Bugs" Moran's men were gunned down. It was the most spectacular mob hit in Chicago gangland history.

Although the warehouse is now torn down, there are still rumors of sobs and strange noises at the locale and some say the bricks from the old building have a curse on whoever owns them.

Mr. Crowe will also talk about "Resurrection Mary," the South Side hitchhiking ghost, the spirited Robinson Woods Indian Burial Grounds and other creepy places.

Registration is not required. Just stop by.

## Ups & Downs of Love

A book list for teens



*This Lullaby*

by Sarah Dessen

*Stoner & Spaz*

by Ronald Koertge

*New Rules of High School*

by Blake Nelson

*How I Fell in Love and*

*Learned to Shoot Free Throws*

by Jon Ripslinger

*Empress of the World*

by Sara Ryan

*What My Mother*

*Doesn't Know*

by Sonya Sones

*Hard Love*

by Ellen Wittlinger

*Bringing Up the Bones*

by Lara M. Zeises



Teens, do your homework, read and hang out in the new teen area—just for you!

# Computer Classes

The library is pleased to begin hands-on computer classes in our new Computer Training Lab on the second floor. The lab is equipped with 15 computers for students to use as they learn. Adults and high school students who have an Elmhurst Public Library card are invited to attend.

Let us know what computer skills and programs you'd like to learn. We welcome your ideas and suggestions for future classes at the second floor Information Desk.

A small fee may be charged to cover some of the costs of the classes, support a wider variety of computer classes more frequently, and to ensure attendance. Fees must be paid at the Information Desk at the time of registration by cash or check.

## Intro to Computers

Fri., Jan. 16

9:30–11:30 a.m.

Sat., Feb. 21

9:30–11:30 a.m.

Wed., March 24

6:30–8:30 p.m.

Computer Training Lab  
Max. 15

Fee: \$10 per person

Learn the basics of using a computer. You'll learn how to log onto the computer; open, close and save files; copy and move data; use the computer desktop; use the mouse; navigate Microsoft Windows and more. This class is for people to learn basic Microsoft Windows skills. No previous computer knowledge is required. Register in person with your Elmhurst Public Library card and fee at the second floor Information Desk.

## Intro to Word

Thurs., Feb. 5

6:30–8:30 p.m.

Tues., March 9

9:30–11:30 a.m.

Computer Training Lab  
Max. 15

Fee: \$10 per person

Learn how to use the word processing program Microsoft Word. This class will cover basic skills such as creating, saving and naming a document; setting margins; using spell check and more. No prior knowledge of Word is required, but you must have basic Windows, mouse and keyboarding skills. Register in person with your Elmhurst Public Library card and fee at the second floor Information Desk.

## Internet Basics

Sat., Jan. 17

9:30–11:30 a.m.

Wed., Jan. 28

9:30–11:30 a.m.

Thurs., Jan. 29

6:30–8:30 p.m.

Sat., Feb. 7

9:30–11:30 a.m.

Computer Training Lab  
Max. 15

Fee: \$10 per person

Learn how to search the Internet. You must have basic Windows, mouse and keyboarding skills to attend. Register in person with your Elmhurst Public Library card and fee at the second floor Information Desk.

## Library Catalog Training

Thurs., Jan. 29

10–11:30 a.m.

Thurs., Jan. 29

2–3:30 p.m.

Tues., Feb. 17

7–8:30 p.m.

Computer Lab  
Max. 15 • No fee

Learn how to use the library's catalog. Call or visit the Information Desk with your Elmhurst Public Library card to register.