Live Video Chat with ISS Astronaut
Kathleen Rubins, Ph.D.
Thursday, June 30
Elgin area students will chat with an astronaut aboard the International Space Station and with Elgin Native and NASA Lead Capcom Hal Getzelman. The event will stream live on NASA Television. For information, go to www.gailborden.info/space.

Space Ice Cream Social
Monday, June 6  7 - 8 pm  Lobby
Tour the Discover Space exhibit, take your picture with some outer space characters and enjoy some ice cream. Wear a space costume for a chance to win a prize. Thank you to the 501st Legion.

LEGO® Space Showcase for Kids
Thursday, June 2  4 - 5 pm  Lobby
See page 17.

Journey to Space
NASA items on display will include an actual moon rock, a space shuttle tire, an astronaut suit, rocket replicas, space shuttle model and more.
Lunar Module replica from Global Effects used in the movie Apollo 18.
StarLab traveling planetarium.
See page 17.

MISSION: READ
Summer Reading Challenge
May 15 – July 30
See page 2.
**MISSION: READ**

2016 Summer Reading Challenge

May 15 – July 30

Pick up a reading log in person at the Main Library or Rakow Branch or by printing a log at home from www.gailborden.info/space.

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**Summer Reading is for everyone!**

**Baby & Me (birth – 23 months)**
Share the love of stories with your littlest ones. Read together and do easy pre-reading activities together.

**Readers (grades 1 – 5)**
Read for fun all summer long and do STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) activities.

**Reading Together (2 years – kindergarten)**
Read and do some fun ready-to-read activities together.

**Zone (grades 6 – 8)**
Re-read old favorites and find new ones this summer.

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**Summer Reading Challenge Blast-off!**

All ages*

Sunday May 15 Noon – 2 pm

Storyrooms No registration.

Join us before the ESO family concert for an instrument petting zoo and face painting.

See page 14 for more information.

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**Read all summer & earn PRIZES!**

Turn in your completed reading log at the Main Library or Rakow Branch from July 1 to July 30 to claim your prizes:

- Choice of a paperback book or a mini-bundle of comic books (while supplies last).
- Pass to swim free one time at Wing Park Pool or Lords Park Pool from August 1 to 14.
- Coupon from a local business.
- Two free ride passes or a reduced price unlimited ride wristband good at the Elgin Carnival on Thursday, September 8, 5 - 9 pm.

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**Family Overnight Adventure Grand Prize**

Families that finish the summer reading program may request an entry form into a special drawing by visiting the Main Library or Rakow Branch. The prize is an overnight stay in downtown Chicago including transportation, hotel, free admission to the Adler Planetarium and food vouchers for a family of five.

One entry per family.

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**MISSION: READ Studio 270 Summer Reading Challenge**

For every 20 hours you read, your name will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a grand prize of a $100 Amazon gift card (one winner), 2nd place prize of a $50 Amazon gift card (two winners), and 3rd place prize of a $10 Amazon gift card (ten winners).

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**MISSION: READ Adult Summer Reading Program**

Pick up a Mission: Read log at any service desk, fuel up with some great reads, and you’re on your way! Read six books for a chance to win a mini-tablet. Attend a space-related library program and receive an extra drawing entry.

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**Gold Star Partners**

Gold Star Partners help children of all ages finish the Gail Borden Public Library District’s Summer Reading challenge. Any school, daycare center, camp or program serving children can become a Gold Star Partner.

Contact Julia Langlois at 847-608-5011 or jlanglois@gailborden.info.

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**MISSION: READ programs** at the Rakow Branch start on page 10.
**MISSION: READ programs** in Spanish start on page 18.
Those Were the Days Radio
Players West Presents
War of the Worlds
Author: Howard E. Koch
Sunday, May 22  2 – 3:30 pm
Meadows Community Rooms
Registration required.
Experience how Orson Welles caused panic in the nation broadcasting “War of the Worlds” written by Howard E. Koch. This show is from the original 1938 script with live sound effects and original music. Produced by special arrangement with Playscripts, Inc. (www.playscripts.com)

The War of the Worlds Book Discussion
Wednesday, May 25  7 – 8:30 pm
Elgin Room
Join Librarian Tish Calhamer for an exciting and enriching discussion along with your fellow readers.

What’s Happening in Space?
Monday, June 6  7 – 8:30 pm
Elgin Room
Registration required.
More than 250 billion dollars is spent on space activities world-wide and more than 60 nations have space agencies. Learn about space programs around the world from Larry Boyle, Vice President of the Chicago Society for Space Studies.

Looking for Earth Elsewhere
Wednesday, May 18  7 – 8:30 pm
Meadows Community Rooms A&B
Registration required.
We have found well over 5,000 planets around other stars. Are any like Earth? Adler Planetarium Educator Michelle Nichols will highlight the search for planets around other stars.

Military Programs in Space
Monday, May 16  7 – 8:30 pm
Elgin Room
Registration required.
Did you know that at least six nations have spy satellites? Larry Boyle, Vice-President of the Chicago Society for Space Studies, will discuss the history and current status of the world’s military space programs.

The Science of The Martian
Thursday, June 2  7 – 8:30 pm
Meadows Community Rooms A&B
Registration required.
The movie The Martian incorporated major input from NASA and Mars exploration scientists to bring realism to the movie. What did the movie get right, or wrong? Adler Planetarium Educator Michelle Nichols will bring you to the Red Planet and highlight technological advancements that you may see in future Mars expeditions.

Mysteries of the Cosmos—Beyond the Big Bang
Wednesday, June 22  7 – 8:30 pm
Elgin Room
Registration required.
As scientists train ever more sophisticated instruments toward the heavens, the observations and theories developed attempt to push back the boundaries of the unknown. Explore questions that challenge our understanding of the cosmos.

The Explosive Universe
Grades 3 & Up
Monday, June 13  7 – 8 pm
Elgin Room
Registration required.
Sanford Morganstein will talk about the explosive universe including the Big Bang, the evolution of stars, supernovas, black holes and the formation of planets as well as concepts to understanding the size of the universe. Mr. Morganstein earned his Bachelor’s Degree in physics from MIT and his Master’s in Astrophysics from the University of Chicago. He is an inventor with 35 patents and a volunteer at the Adler Planetarium.

Family Lunch Picnic with Magician and Balloon Artist
Magic Matt
Tuesday, June 14  Noon – 1 pm
Bring a picnic lunch to the library’s west lawn at noon. Beverage and dessert will be provided by the library. At 12:30 pm, Magic Matt will present his magic show. In case of inclement weather, tickets will be handed out on a first-come, first-served basis starting at 11:30 am at the Greeter desk on the day of the performance.

Spanish Family Picnic
Miércoles, 29 de junio a las 6 pm
Traigan su lonche al pasto occidente de la biblioteca a las 6 pm. Refrescos y postres serán provisto. En caso de mal clima, este programa será cancelado.
**Out of This World Adventure!**
3 – 6 years with families
Saturdays, May 21, June 4  10:30 – 11 am
Meadows Community Rooms
Registration begins May 2.
Explore outer space with stories, songs, crafts and a snack.

**¡Aventura fuera de este mundo!**
3 – 6 años con sus familias
Sábado 21 de mayo  2:30 – 3 pm
Salones de la Comunidad Meadows
Inscripciones comienzan el lunes, 2 de mayo.
Explora el espacio con cuentos, música, manualidades y una merienda.

**Space Camp Conditioning**
Grades 1 & Up*
Wednesday, June 15  10 – 11 am
Meadows Community Rooms
No registration.
Get your muscles ready for space travel—join us for out-of-this-world active fun!

**Space Night**
Grades 2 & Up
Tuesday, June 14  7 – 8 pm
Meadows Community Rooms
No registration.
Have fun, explore and create in this bilingual program all about space.

**Noche Espacial**
2do grado en adelante
Martes 14 de junio  7 – 8 pm
Salones de la Comunidad Meadows
No hace falta inscribirse.
Diviértete, explora y crea durante este programa bilingüe relacionado al espacio.

**Tiny Tales**
Birth – 23 months with an adult
Mondays  10 am, 6 pm
Meadows Community Rooms B&C
No registration.
You and your little one will enjoy a short storytime, music, bubbles and toys together.

**Starry Time Stories**
2 years – kindergarten with an adult
Mondays  2, 7 pm
Tuesdays  9:30, 11 am
Meadows Community Rooms
No registration.
Join Nedrob for a fun space adventure for 30 minutes of puppets, stories, movies and music.

**Spanish Family Storytime:**
**Historias Estelares**
Wednesdays  6:30 – 7 pm
Meadows Community Rooms
No registration.
Join Nedrob for a fun space adventure this summer! Families who speak or are learning Spanish enjoy stories, crafts, and songs. This program is in Spanish. The Spanish Family Picnic replaces Spanish Family Storytime June 29.

**Historias Estelares**
Los miércoles a las 6:30 – 7 pm
En los Salones Meadows
No hace falta inscribirse.
¡Acompaña a Nedrob para aventuras espaciales este verano! ¡30 minutos de títeres, cuentos, música, rimas, y más para la familia! El picnic familiar en español a las 6 pm reemplaza el programa del 29 de junio.

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*Children younger than 8 must be accompanied by an adult.
* Los niños menores de 8 años deben estar acompañados por un adulto.
**Coding Camp**
*Grades 3 – 8*
*Monday, June 20 – Friday, June 24*
*10 – 11:30 am*
*Computer Training Room*
*Registration required.*

Let’s crack the coding craze! Play your favorite games like never before, building your own codes. Attendance at all five days is expected.

**Creative Writing Camp**
*Grades 3 – 8*
*Monday, June 27 – Friday, July 1*
*10 am – noon*
*Computer Training Room*
*Registration required.*

Meet other young writers and complete a short piece of illustrated writing. Attendance at all five days is expected.

**Aliens Are Coming**
*Grades 3 & Up*
*Tuesday, May 17*
*4 – 5 pm*
*Story Room South*
*Registration required.*

Join us for activities based on Megan McCarthy’s book *Aliens are Coming! The True Account of the 1938 War of the Worlds Radio Broadcast.*

**A Wrinkle in Time**
*Grades 3 & Up*
*Tuesday, June 7*
*10 – 11 am*
*Elgin Room*
*Registration required.*

Enjoy activities based on Madeleine L’Engle’s book *A Wrinkle in Time.*

**The Martian**
*by Andy Weir*
*Saturday, June 11*

**Ender’s Game**
*by Orson Scott Card*
*Saturday, July 9*

**October Sky** (book also known as *Rocket Boys*)
*by Homer H. Hickam, Jr.*
*Saturday, June 25*

**The Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy**
*by Douglas Adams*
*Saturday, July 23*
KidSpace Special Events

Welcome Baby!
Baby’s First Library Visit
Bring baby and baby’s new library card to this class to learn about resources to support your baby’s early literacy development and receive a special gift! For babies up to six months old and their parents. Registration preferred.
Main Library
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  - 11 am & 1 pm
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  - 10:30 & 11:30 am
- Thursday, June 16
  - 6:30 pm
- Saturday, June 18
  - 10:30 & 11:30 am
Rakow Branch
- Saturdays, May 7, June 4
  - 1 – 3 pm

No School Days FUN!
Movie Poster Exhibition
All Ages*
Saturday, June 11
10 am – 4 pm
KidSpace
No registration.
Take a quiz and be entered for a chance to win a prize.

“Mother’s” Day Party
Grades 1 & Up* with a grownup
Friday, May 6
11 am – noon
Meadows Community Rooms
Registration required.
Hear stories and music, make a beautiful spring craft together and have a treat! Come dressed in your best for photos.

The Gaming Event
Grades 3 & Up
Mondays, May 2, June 6
6 – 8 pm
Meadows Community Rooms
No registration.
Play various card-based role-playing games such as Pokemon and Yu-Gi-Oh. Beginners are welcome—we’ll teach you to play! Bring your cards to play or trade.

ChessMaster
Junior Chess Club
Grades 2 – 12
Thursdays 4 – 5 pm
Youth Center (Except June 16 & 23 in the Community Rooms)
No registration.
Kids and teens are invited to hone their chess skills. Beginners are welcome. We will teach you to play!

Sew Much Fun!
Grades 3 & Up
Monday, May 16
4 - 5 pm
Story Room South
No registration.
New to sewing? We will help you get started by working on simple beginner projects. Already know how to sew? Come polish your skills. All materials provided.

STEAMology
Grades 1 – 5
Monday, May 9
4 – 5 pm
Meadows Community Rooms
Registration required.
How do you burp in space? Join us as we explore, experiment and even eat like Astronauts.

Build It Up! with LEGOS®
Grades 1 & Up*
Wednesday, May 18
4 – 5 pm
Storyroom South
No registration.
LEGO® building blocks will be provided for this fun-filled, creative building program.

Games & Gadgets
Grades 1 & Up*
Saturday, May 21
2 – 3:30 pm
Story Room South
No registration.
Drop in for some family free play. An assortment of board games including chess, LEGOS®, Wii video games or iPads will be available.

Read to Rover
Elementary age students
Saturdays, May 14, June 11
10, 10:30, 11 or 11:30 am
Story Room
Registration required.
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KidSpace Programs

Stories at Lords Park Zoo
All ages
Thursdays, June 16, 30 1 pm
Lords Park Zoo
325 Hiawatha Drive, Elgin
No registration.
Visit the zoo and hear stories about cows, pigs, bison and other animals. Bring something to sit on and check out books with your GBPLD library card.

Panera
Milk & Cookie Storytime
Preschoolers
Tuesdays,
June 7, 21 9:30 – 10 am
Panera Bread
322 Randall Road, South Elgin
Registration required.
Enjoy stories read by a library staff member, followed by a milk and cookie snack, compliments of Panera.

Leadership Training for Teens
All ages
Fridays 10 am
Meadows Community Rooms
No registration required.
Children younger than 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Friday Family Films
All ages
Fridays 10 am
Meadows Community Rooms
No registration required.
Children younger than 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

June 10 The Peanuts Movie (2015) (G)
June 17 The Good Dinosaur (2015) (PG)
July 1 Hotel Transylvania 2 (2015) (PG)

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June 7, 21 9:30 – 10 am
Panera Bread
322 Randall Road, South Elgin
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Duct Tape + Paper Toys + You
All ages
Thursdays, June 9 – July 28 2 – 3 pm
Meadows Community Rooms B&C
(Middle School Zone June 9 and June 30)
Learn how to make duct tape wallets and roses, assemble paper toy models of your favorite characters, or try more cool crafts. All ability levels are welcome.

Middle School
FOR TEENS
IN GRADES 6 – 8!

INTERSTELLAR CUPCAKE BATTLE
Tuesday, June 7 2 – 3:30 pm
Meadows Community Rooms
Registration begins May 1.
Show off your stellar culinary skills by creating the best-decorated cupcake in the room! We provide the cupcakes and other supplies—you bring the creativity.

MINECRAFT FOR GRADERS 5 – 8
Thursdays, June 9 – July 28 3 – 4 pm
Computer Training Room
Students of all experience levels are welcome to play Minecraft. Bring a friend!

Three Ways to Register:
• Online at gailborden.info/register
• Call 847-429-4597
• In person at Registration Desk

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Wednesdays in June beginning June 8
6 – 7 pm
Develop your leadership skills and earn volunteer hours. You'll work with other students entering grades 6 to 8 to plan and present an event at the library. Attendance at all four sessions is expected.

Minecraft for Grades 5 – 8
Thursdays, June 9 – July 28
3 – 4 pm
Computer Training Room
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Volunteer opportunities with KidSpace are available for 7th and 8th graders. Sign-up forms are available at the Youth Center Help Desk.

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Manga and Anime Club

Grades 6 – 12
Saturdays, May 28, June 18
2 – 3:30 pm
South Elgin Room
Have you seen every episode of Attack on Titan? Do you wish more of your friends liked My Neighbor Totoro? Here’s your chance to watch anime, share fan art and enjoy Japanese snacks while socializing with other fans.

Teen Writing and Art Showcase

Grades 6 – 12
Share your best writing and art with the Gail Borden community. All submissions that meet the entry requirements will be published online with selected entries published in the fall print booklet. Pick up an entry form at the Youth Help Desk, the Rakow Branch or at www.gailborden.info/teenwriting.

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Digital Media Lab

4 – 6 pm
Teens can learn how to create and edit an audio recording, direct and edit a video, learn MIDI and become a Photoshop pro.

Audio Lab
Mondays, May 9, June 6
Wednesday, June 15

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Tuesday, May 3
Monday, June 13

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Finals Feeding Frenzy

May 16 – 24
3 – 9 pm
Stop in to get your study on and grab some snacks to help you cram for your finals.

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Altered Books: Art Journaling  
**Tuesday, June 14  2 – 4 pm**  
Turn an old book into a new work of art.

Altered Books: Black Out Poetry  
**Tuesday, June 28  2 – 4 pm**  
Experiment with making your own poems using existing books, newspapers and magazines.

**THURSDAY CRAFTS**  
**Thursday, June 16, June 30  3 – 4 pm**  
Feeling crafty? DIY enthusiasts are welcome.

**SEW WHAT?**

**Wallets: Tuesday, June 7**  
**Emoji Pillows: Tuesday, June 21  2 – 4 pm**  
Learn how to operate a sewing machine, sew by hand and much more.

**MISSION: READ MOVIES**

**Thursday, June 9**
- **Star Trek 2 pm**  
- **Star Trek Into Darkness 4 pm**  
- **Star Wars: The Force Awakens 6 pm**

**Thursday, June 16, June 30  3 – 4 pm**  
Stop by to watch some space flicks. Refreshments will be provided for those in attendance.

**Thursday, June 23  4 – 6 pm**
You’ve read the book, now come watch the movie! Which one do you think is better?

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**Ice Cream & Books**

**Wednesday, June 22  3 – 4 pm**  
Stop by for some delicious ice cream and talk about what you are currently reading.

**ADULTS AND TEENS: BE A SUMMER READING VOLUNTEER!**

Help children have fun this summer at the Main Library and Rakow Branch. Volunteers can be adults or teens entering at least grade nine. Applications will be available June 1 at the Main Library and Rakow Branch, by emailing bmoffett@gailborden.info or via the library’s website at gailborden.info. Contact Billie Moffett at 847-289-5833 for details.
Painted Lady Butterflies

Watch butterflies grow in an indoor butterfly habitat and outside in the butterfly garden. Painted Lady butterfly larvae will make their appearance June 14 and Monarchs in July.

Family Picnic!
YMCA STEPS Academy
Tuesday, June 21
6 – 7:30 pm
Bring a picnic dinner and lawn chair or blanket. Dessert will be provided by the library. Performance begins at 6:30 pm. Dancing to follow.

Moon Gazing
Families
Monday, May 16 & Thursday, June 16 6:30 – 7:30 pm
No registration.
Look at the moon through our telescopes, weather permitting.

Small Things in the Solar System
Adults
Wednesday, May 25 6:30 pm
Registration required.
Astronomer Michelle Nichols from the Adler Planetarium will highlight small but intriguing things in our Solar System like comets, asteroids and the dwarf planet Pluto.

BLAST OFF!
Grades 1 – 6
Wednesday, June 22
1:23 pm
Registration required.
Explore forces and motion with these paper rockets that launch using air power and fly way up high!

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No School Day Special
Alice through the Looking Glass
Save the Mad Hatter Party
Grades 1 & Up
Friday, May 6 1 – 2 pm
Registration required.
Wear your favorite silly hats and listen to whimsical stories, play croquet outside and search for the Mad Hatter.

Summer STEAMologists
Grades 1 – 5
Registration required.
Wednesday, May 16 4 – 5 pm
How Do You BURP in Space? Join us as we explore, experiment and even eat like Astronauts.
Wednesday, June 15 2 – 3 pm
Find out what’s in our Elgin water and how you can help keep it safe.

Leave No Trace Awareness Workshop
Grades 1 – 5
Saturday, May 21 1 – 2 pm
Registration required.
Learn the seven principles of Leave No Trace, the most widely accepted outdoor ethics program for public lands, and explore the outdoors. Participants will earn a certificate of completion.

Rakow Branch
KIDS PROGRAMS

Rakow Books Chess Club
Grades 3 – 8
Tuesdays in May; Wednesdays in June 4:30 – 5:30 pm
Registration required.
Chess sets will be available or bring your own.

Rakow Read to Rover
Elementary age kids
Saturdays, May 28, June 25
10, 10:30, 11 or 11:30 am
Registration required.
Kids practice their reading skills by reading aloud to a fully trained and certified therapy dog.

Creativity Lab
Grades 1 & Up
June 8, 15, 22, 29 10:30 – 11:30 am
Drop In
Art, tinkering activities and games will be available for creative play.

PROGRAMES FOR ADULTS

Coffee, Conversation and More!
Adults
Thursdays,
May 12, 19, 26
9:30 – 11 am
Shales Living Room
Informal discussions on topics for people old enough to have a past.
Thursday, May 12 Celebrate Circus Day!
Hear stories of someone who traveled with the Ringling Brothers Circus Train.
Thursday, May 26 Herstory: Stories of Elgin Women
Registration required.
Linda Rock portrays Elgin women such as Laura Gifford and Emeline Borden. This program is possible through funding received from the Illinois State Library – Illinois History Digital Imaging Grant.

Device Advice
Adults
Thursdays, May 5, 19, June 2, 16
9:30 – 11:30 am
No registration.
Bring your own devices for hands-on learning.

Novels at Night
6:30 – 7:30 pm
Shales Living Room
No registration.

Thursday, May 19
The Bees by Laline Paull
Thursday, June 16
Euphoria by Lily King

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Rakow Branch
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Programs for Adults

Elgin Garden Club
Art Dedication

Thursday, May 19   9:30 am

To celebrate its 100th anniversary, the Elgin Garden Club is donating a sculpture by Larry Danyluk entitled “Autumn” to the Rakow Branch.

Rakow Readers

1:30 – 2:30 pm
Shales Living Room
No registration.

Monday, May 23
The Bees by Laline Paull
Monday, June 27
Euphoria by Lily King

Fox Valley Garden Walk

Saturday, June 25   9 am – 3 pm

Gardens at the Rakow Branch and six other locations will be featured in the Elgin Area American Association of University Women’s Fox Valley Garden Walk. Tickets are available at Elgin local Ace Hardware, Elgin Jewel Osco and Heinz Brothers Garden Center in St. Charles.

BIKE WALK MOVE WEEK
in Elgin June 19 - 25

Working Bike

Monday – Saturday

The Rakow Branch will host a Bike Machine from Working Bikes, Chicago. Working bikes are used to harness electricity to power water pumps, lights and more. Stop by to power-pedal one yourself. Visit stations to learn about bikes, moving and healthy eating.

Walk with Mayor Kaptain

Tuesday, June 21
6:30 pm

Join Members of Activate Elgin for a Walk with the Mayor. Mayor Kaptain will be in the Waterford Subdivision. Please meet at Shamrock Park.

Tai Chi for Adults

Friday, June 24
10 – 11 am
Registration required.

Join Sifu Joe from Budokan Martial Arts in South Elgin for a demonstration class.

Tai Chi for Kids

Friday, June 24
11:15 am – noon
Registration required.

Join Sifu Joe for a fun activity to help develop children’s concentration and coordination.

Yoga for Cyclists

Thursday, June 23
6:30 – 7:15 pm
Registration required.

This class will take you through appropriate postures, warm-up and recovery stretches.

Bike Drive:
Give your old bike a new home!

Saturday, June 25
9 am – noon

Donate your old bike to Working Bikes, which gives old bicycles new life by redistributing them.

In Memory of

John Ross
1951 – 2016

John Ross III, 65, a security guard at Gail Borden Library, passed away April 1, 2016. A part of the Gail Borden Library family since 2003, John was well known throughout the community for his big heart—his kindness and caring for his fellow human beings made the world a better place. He will be missed.
Classes are open to district residents and require proficiency with a keyboard and mouse unless otherwise noted. Classes are held in the Computer Training Room unless another location is listed. Registration is required and opens three weeks prior to the scheduled class date. For those in a series, use the registration date for the first class in the series. Register online at gailborden.info/register, by phone 847-429-4597, or in person at the Registration Desk.

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Sunday Afternoon Concert Series
The one-hour performance will begin at 2 pm in the Meadows Community Rooms. Meet the artists and enjoy refreshments after the concert. Free tickets are available at the Main Library and Rakow Branch.

ESO Family Concert: String Quartet
**Sunday, May 15**
This program features members of the Elgin Symphony Orchestra playing works from folk music traditions of Central America, Africa, Asia and more. Through performance and interactive demonstrations, the audience will explore the rhythmic, harmonic and melodic properties that make each musical tradition unique.

**Summer Reading Challenge Blast-off! Noon – 2 pm** See page 2.

Asian-Pacific American Heritage Celebration
**Saturday, May 7  1 – 4 pm**
Journey through Asian-Pacific culture to experience authors and storytellers, music, dance, fashion, henna, crafts and food. Featuring the NIU Gamelan interactive finale performance.

Kane County Treatment Alternative Court
**Tuesday, May 9  7 – 8:30 pm  Elgin Room**
Registration required.
Judge Clint Hull and Lindsey Liddicoatt, LPC/CADC, from the Kane County Treatment Alternative Court Program, will explain the program and the benefits. TAC serves defendants who have serious and persistent mental illness, co-occurring disorders, or developmental disabilities that become involved in the criminal justice system. Additional presenters include a recent graduate of the program, representatives from the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) and a representative of the Ecker Center.

Backyard Gardening
**Wednesday, May 11  7 – 8:30 pm  South Elgin Room**
Registration required.
Lower your grocery bills by growing small crops at home. Join a Director from the Elgin Community Garden Network to talk about the ins and outs of backyard small space gardening.

F-ED Talks (Food Education Talks)
**Thursday, May 12  7 – 8 pm  Meadows Community Rooms**
Three powerful 15-minute talks by local folks will change your outlook on food, local food systems, and sustainability and health of our food supply. Join us as we foster our mission to educate the community about food. Healthy snacks provided.

Social Media 101 for Business
**Thursday, May 5  6:30 – 8:30 pm  South Elgin Room**
Learn the value that social media can bring to your business. Discover the differences between Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, Google+ and Pinterest and how to integrate them effectively into your marketing strategy. Presented by Norbert Barszczewski of JP NetQuest in partnership with Fox Valley SCORE.
Adaptive Reuse in Historic Preservation

Thursday, May 19          7 – 8:30 pm
Elgin Room
Registration required.
Architectural Historian Rebecca Hunter will discuss how buildings can be adapted and show examples of successfully repurposed historical structures. Hear the latest updates on the future of the Elgin Tower Building.

Listen Learn and Lead
Toastmasters Club
Second and Fourth Thursdays
Noon – 1 pm
South Elgin Room
No registration.
Become the speaker and leader you want to be.

May is Preservation Month

Smart Parties
Tuesday, May 17       6:30 – 8 pm
Elgin Room
Registration required.
Find out how your party can be fun and safe. Outdoor decorating tips, tasty food ideas and lawn game how-to’s will be served up, along with information on social hosting presented by the Elgin Police Department. Co-sponsored by the Coalition For A Safe And Healthy Elgin.

Memorial Day Program at Bluff City Cemetery
Monday, May 30          11 am
945 Bluff City Blvd., Elgin
The program will pay tribute to the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor with a keynote address by Lieutenant Adrienne Benton, staff chaplain from Great Lakes Naval Training Station. Local WWII veterans will be recognized. For information, visit www.elginmemorialday.org. Sponsored by the Elgin Patriotic Memorial Association in cooperation with the City of Elgin.

The City in a Garden: A History of Chicago’s Parks
Friday, June 24          9:30 – 11 am
Meadows Community Rooms
Registration required.
“The City in a Garden,” developed in association with the Chicago Park District, is the first official history of Chicago’s parks, and it reveals why they are second-to-none in America and abroad. Julia Bachrach is currently the Planning Supervisor for the Department of Planning and Development of the Chicago Park System. In partnership with Elgin Garden Club.

Elgin Alive
Remarkable Women of Elgin’s Past
Tuesday, May 17        7 – 8:45 pm
Meadows Community Rooms A&B
Jerry Turnquist of the Elgin History Museum will take a look at some notable women who have passed through the city, contributions of women during World War II and some of the women who have set local records. Sponsors: ECN, Elgin History Museum, League of Women Voters, City of Elgin, GBPL.

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Downtown Commercial Historic District Walking Tour
Monday, May 9          6:30 – 8 pm
Kicks off from city parking lot at S. Grove and Prairie St. Tour this National Register Historic District during a 90-minute walk. Sponsored by the Downtown Neighborhood Association, this tour will be led by local historian Jerry Turnquist.

What’s a Green Building?
Thursday, May 12       7 – 8:30 pm
Elgin Room
Registration required.

Tales & Travel Memories Kits
Introducing ‘Tales & Travel’ Memories Kits for our community’s dementia population, a collection of highly illustrated nonfiction books and supplemental materials associated with particular countries. Come check these kits out at either of our locations. For more information, please contact Tracey Degnan, Life Enrichment Liaison, at tdegnan@gailborden.info.

This project has been funded in whole or in part with Federal funds from the Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health, National Library of Medicine, under Contract No. HHSN-276-2011-00005C with the University of Illinois at Chicago.

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Poetry Writers Workshop
Mondays, May 2, June 6  6:30 – 8:30 pm
Conference Room
No registration.
Local poets to share what they have written.
Gareth Mann Sitz, poet and songwriter, will facilitate.

Brown Bag Lunch Classic Films
Second Mondays  11 am – 1 pm
Coffee will be served. No registration.
May 9  The Desperate Hours (1955, NR)
Meadows Community Rooms A&B
June 13  Shadows of the Thin Man (1941, NR)
South Elgin Room

Great Books Discussion Group
Meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at 6:55 pm in the Conference Room. For more information, call Jeanne Hebeisen at 847-741-6264. Co-sponsored by the American Association of University Women Elgin Branch.

May 9 – That Evening Sun (short story) by William Faulkner
June 13 – Horse Dealer’s Daughter (short story) by D.H. Lawrence

REEL WOMEN FOR REAL WOMEN
Fourth Tuesdays  6 pm
Meadows Community Rooms A&B
Co-sponsored by the AAUW Elgin Area Branch. A film and discussion focused on women’s issues.
No registration.

Not in Our Town Film Series
Sunday, June 5  2 – 3:30 pm
Not In Our Town Northern California: When Hate Happens Here takes a look at three Northern California communities dealing with hate violence and how Californians are finding innovative ways to respond. Sponsored by the Elgin Police Department, Elgin Community College MAGIC, Gail Borden Public Library, Coalition for Safe & Healthy Elgin, Elgin City of Peace, Coalition of Elgin’s Religious Leaders, Elgin Human Relations Commission.

Illinois DHS Division of Rehabilitation Services Information Session
3rd Monday, May 16, June 20  1 – 3 pm
South Elgin Room
Learn how the Illinois Department of Human Services Division of Rehabilitation Services serves individuals with disabilities such as assisting people with disabilities in preparing for, finding and maintaining quality employment. Referrals for services will be accepted at the end of the information session.

French Conversation Groups
Mondays, May 16, June 20
6:30 – 8:30 pm
South Elgin Room
The group is led by John Schwartz, who has lived and traveled in Germany and taught German. John will present articles and videos to be discussed auf Deutsch. No registration.

German Conversation Groups
Thursdays, May 26, June 23
7 – 8:30 pm
South Elgin Room
The group is led by John Schwartz, who has lived and traveled in Germany and taught German. John will present articles and videos to be discussed auf Deutsch. No registration.

Armchair Generals: A Civil War and Lincoln Brown Bag Lunch Interest Group
Join forces to commemorate events, share insights, and talk about books or experiences during the 150th anniversary. Bring your own hardtack.
No registration.

Tuesdays  11:45 am – 1:15 pm
South Elgin Room

May 10  Group Discussion: John Wilkes Booth and the Lincoln Assassination
June 14  The 11th Corps at Gettysburg by Fred Rezkowicz

Contemporary Fiction Book Group
Meet at 7 pm in the South Elgin Room. For more information, contact Tish at 847-289-5838.

May 18 – The Bees by Laline Paull
June 15 – Euphoria by Lily King
Three Ways to Register:
• Online at gailborden.info/register
• Call 847-429-4597
• In person at Registration Desk

Veterans Information Networking Sessions
Coffee and tea will be served.
No registration.
The Importance of Belonging to a Veteran Service Organization
Thursday, May 19 7 – 8:30 pm
South Elgin Room
Development and Creation of the POW/MIA flag
Thursday, June 16 7 – 8:30 pm
South Elgin Room

Writers on the Fox
Mondays, May 23, June 27 7 – 8:30 pm
Conference Room
No registration.
This writer’s peer group will inspire and motivate you with thought-provoking writing prompts and constructive critique.

We Need Your Books!
Book, movie and CD donations for Gail’s Sales can be dropped off in the donation bin located at the north side of the Main Library. Remind your friends and neighbors to do the same!

Walking Book Club
Wednesdays 7 pm
Join us for a 45-minute walk through downtown Elgin and then back to the library for a 45-minute book discussion. For more details, contact Nancy at 847-289-5840.

May – To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
June – Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil by John Berendt

Gail’s Sales
1/2 Price Sales
Children’s Books
May 15 - July 30

StarLab Planetarium
Tuesdays, 4, 4:30, 7 & 7:30 pm
Second Floor
Take a tour of the constellations and hear stories from different cultures. Thank you Sue Domeier, Immanuel Lutheran School and Kane County Regional Office of Education for the training and the loan of Starlab during the exhibit.

Lunar Excursion Module
People may board the lunar excursion module Monday – Thursday from 4 – 5 pm and Friday – Sunday from 3 – 4 pm as Space Rangers (docents) will be there as guides. Thank you volunteers.
For information about volunteering at the StarLab, please contact Nancy Haggard at nhaggard@gailborden.info or at 847-289-5840.

Discover Space: A Cosmic Journey, a traveling exhibition for libraries, is part of the STAR Library Education Network (STAR_Net) led by the National Center for Interactive Learning at the Space Science Institute. Exhibit partners include the American Library Association, the Lunar and Planetary Institute, and Afterschool Alliance. Discover Space is supported through a grant from the National Science Foundation.
Descubre el Espacio: Una Travesía Cósmica

Aprende acerca de la búsqueda de planetas más allá de nuestro sistema solar, los asteroides y los cometas, la exploración de Marte y más. Esta exhibición es gratuita. La exhibición para astronautas futuros ofrece actividades interactivas:

- Estación del Informe del Tiempo del Sistema Solar
- Juego de Preguntas de Descubre el Espacio
- Quiosco de Misión a Marte
- ¡Exposición de Meteoritos, quiosco de piedras espaciales y más!

Descubre el Espacio: Una Travesía Cósmica, una exposición itinerante para bibliotecas, es parte de la STAR Library Education Network (STAR Net) dirigido por el National Center for Interactive Learning at the Space Science Institute. Asociados de la exhibición incluyen la American Library Association, the Lunar and Planetary Institute, y Afterschool Alliance. Descubre el Espacio es proporcionado por una subvención del National Science Foundation.

Travesía Espacial

- Artículos de la NASA en exhibición incluyen una roca real de la luna, una llanta de un trasbordador espacial, un traje de astronauta, réplicas de cohetes y trasbordadores espaciales y más.
- Réplica del Módulo Lunar de Global Effects usado en la película Apollo 18.
- Planetario itinerante de Star Lab.

¡La Lectura de Verano es para Todos!
Mi Bebé y Yo (recién nacido – 23 meses)

Comparte el amor por los cuentos con tus más pequeños. Lean juntos y hagan actividades fáciles de pre-lectura.

Leyendo Juntos (2 años – kinder)
Lean y hagan actividades fáciles antes de leer juntos.

Lectores (grados 1 – 5)
Diviértanse todo el verano leyendo y haciendo actividades relacionadas con STEAM (ciencia, tecnología, ingeniería, artes, y matemáticas).

Zona (grados 6 – 8)
Lee de nuevo cuentos clásicos y descubre nuevas historias.

Space Piñatas

Tuesday, June 7  5 – 8 pm
Meadows Community Rooms
Registration begins April 25.
Come create a space inspired piñata that you can take home with artist Teresa Magaña.

¡Piñatas Espaciales!
Martes 7 de junio  5 – 8 pm
Salones de la Comunidad Meadows
Favor de inscribirse. Inscripciones comienzan el lunes 25 de abril.
Ven a crear piñatas inspiradas por el espacio que te puedes llevar a la casa con la artista Teresa Magaña.

Mission Read Family Fiesta
Saturday, May 14  1 – 3 pm
Meadows Community Rooms
Registration required.
Join us for stories, crafts and snacks and more during this space-themed family fiesta. All families with at least 1 child in grades 3 to 6 are invited to this bilingual program.

Misión: LEER Fiesta Super Espacial en Familia
Sábado 14 de mayo  1 – 3 pm
Salones de la Comunidad Meadows
Favor de inscribirse.
Acompañanos para cuentos, actividades, bocadillos y más durante esta fiesta en familia inspirada por el espacio. Todas las familias con al menos 1 niño en los grados 3 a 6 están invitadas a este programa bilingüe. El espacio es limitado.

Asociados Gold Star
Los Asociados Gold Star ayudan a los niños de todas las edades a terminar el reto de lectura de verano del Distrito de la Biblioteca Pública Gail Borden. Cualquier escuela, guardería, campamento, o programa de cuidado de niños puede ser un asociado del programa Gold Star. Contacte a Julia Langlois al 847-608-5011 o jlanglois@gailborden.info.

Recoge una hoja de anotaciones en la biblioteca principal o sucursal Rakow. Imprime una hoja visitando www.gailborden.info/space.

¡Leer = Premios!
Entrega tu hoja de anotaciones completada a la biblioteca principal o sucursal Rakow entre las fechas del 1º de junio y el 30 de junio para reclamar tu premio.

- Selección de un libro de tapa blanda o un bulto de libros de cómics (mientras duren).
- Pase para nadar gratis una vez en la piscina de Wing Park o Lords Park entre el 1º de agosto y el 14 de agosto.
- Un cupón hacia un negocio local.
- Dos pases gratis o una pulsera de paseo ilimitado a precio reducido redimible en el Carnaval de Elgin el día jueves 8 de septiembre de las 5-9 pm.

Gran Premio: Aventura Familiar en Chicago
Las familias que terminan el programa de lectura de verano pueden solicitar un formulario de inscripción en la Biblioteca Principal o Sucursal Rakow para entrar en un sorteo especial. El premio es una estadía de una noche en el centro de Chicago incluyendo transportación, hotel, admisión gratis al Planetario Adler y cupones de comida para una familia de cinco personas.

Una solicitud por familia.

English Conversation Group
Tuesdays  6:30 – 7:30 pm
Conference Room
No registration.
Practice having everyday conversations in English with a tutor from the Literacy Connection.

Grupo de Conversación en Inglés
Todos los martes  6:30 – 7:30 pm
Salón de Conferencias
No hace falta inscribirse.
Practica conversar en inglés con un tutor del Literacy Connection.

Inscripciones:
- Sito web gailborden.info/register
- Llamando al 847-429-4597
- En persona en el escritorio de inscripción en el vestíbulo
Initiating a Healthy Summer
Wednesday, June 1  6 – 8:30 pm
Meadows Community Rooms
No registration.
Join us for our summer kickoff event with fun activities, music, refreshments, and special presentations from Grupo de Danza Folklórica Quetzaly, and Ferney Ramírez. In partnership with Renz Center.

Iniciando un Verano Saludable
Miércoles 1 de junio
Salones de la Comunidad Meadows
No hace falta inscribirse.
Acompáñenos en nuestro evento de inicio del verano con actividades divertidas, música, bocadillos y una presentación especial de Grupo de Danza Folklórica Quetzaly y Ferney Ramírez. En asociación con Renz Center.

All-Star Soccer Event
Thursday, June 9  6 – 7 pm
Outdoor Stage
Registration begins April 25.
Bring your own soccer ball to the library if you have one and join us for an outdoor soccer program in which children ages 6 to 12 will go through warmup drills and team-building games. In partnership with the Elgin All-Stars. Rain date is June 21.

¡Fútbol en la Biblioteca!
Jueves 9 de junio  6 – 7 pm
Escenario al Aire Libre
Inscripciones comienza el lunes 25 de abril.
Traiga su propio balón de fútbol si tiene uno y acompañenos para un programa de fútbol al aire libre. Niños 6 - 12 participarán en ejercicios y juegos enfatizando trabajo en equipo. En asociación con los Elgin All-Stars. Fecha en caso de mal tiempo: martes 21 de junio.

Dance Social: ¡A Bailar!
Tuesday, May 3 & Thursday, June 23
7 – 8 pm
Meadows Community Rooms A&B
No registration.
Dance salsa, merengue, bachata and cumbia. No previous experience or partner is required.

¡A Bailar Juntos!
Martes 3 de mayo y Jueves 23 de junio
7 – 8 pm
Salones de la Comunidad Meadows AyB
No hace falta inscribirse.
¡Baila salsa, merengue, bachata, cumbia y más! No requiere experiencia previa ni pareja.

Two Rivers Head Start Parenting Program
In English and Spanish.
No registration.
Meadows Community Room C
Immigration
Tuesday, May 3  4:30 – 5:30 pm
Car Seat Safety
Thursday, May 12  10 – 11 am

Citizenship Conversation Group
Thursdays, May 5, 19 & June, 2
6:30 – 7:30 pm
Conference Room
No registration.
Practice English for your naturalization/citizenship test. Practice the spoken English for the interview and the 100 questions from the history/civics test. Presented by The Literacy Connection. This group will not meet July to August and will resume September 15.

Group of Conversation para la Ciudadanía
mayo 5, 19 y junio 2, 16  6:30 – 7:30 pm
Salón de Conferencias
No hace falta inscribirse.
Practica tu inglés para el exámen de la ciudadanía. Practica el inglés que vas a necesitar para la entrevista y las 100 preguntas del exámen de historia y cívica. Presentado por The Literacy Connection. Este grupo no se reunirá entre los meses de julio y agosto. El Grupo de Conversación comenzará a reunirse de nuevo el 15 de septiembre del 2016.
School Dist. U-46 O’Neal Elementary School principal Marcie Marzullo wants the Summer Reading trophy in 2016. She is challenging Highland Elementary School principal Steve Johnson, saying “Even though Highland has won the Summer Reading Challenge for the highest percentage of students who have completed the summer reading program for the last three years, we will win this year.” The competition is on. Mission Read begins May 15.