Website Refresh
Watch for Gail Borden Library’s new website coming soon. It will be refreshed to make it easier than ever to get the information you need from your phone or tablet at www.gailborden.info.

The Robot Zoo Exhibit
October 7 - December 11
Watch the Animal Robots Come Alive at the Robot Zoo Grand Opening Event  Friday, October 7  4 pm
Visit the giant robot animals to explore how real animals work. The Robot Zoo, one of the most popular exhibits ever to tour science and natural history museums—having previously been at such venues as the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry and the Children’s Museum of Indianapolis—brings its giant computerized animals to Gail Borden Public Library. This free exhibit for families features seven giant robot animals and hands-on activities. For more information, see page 3.

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**Special Events**

**After School Adventures**  
*Grades 1 – 8*  
**Mondays 4 – 5 pm**  
Join us in the Creation Station for a special game, craft or activity. No program on September 12 and October 10.

**Welcome Baby! Baby's First Library Visit**  
**Fridays, September 9, October 14**  
1, 3 pm  
**Saturdays, September 10, October 15**  
9:30, 10:30 am  
Bring baby and baby's new library card to learn about programs and resources to support your baby’s early literacy development and receive a special gift! For babies up to six months old and their parents.

**Prediction of the Pumpkin Poundage**  
**October 1 – 22**  
Children are invited to stop by the Youth Room and guess the weight of our pumpkin courtesy of Klein’s Farm and Garden Market. The child whose guess comes closest wins the pumpkin!

**Playful Learning Centers/ Centros de Aprendizaje**  
**Monday, October 3**  
9:30 – 11 am, 3 – 4:30 pm  
**Tuesday, October 4**  
9:30 – 11 am, 6:30 – 8 pm  
**Wednesday, October 5**  
9:30 – 11 am, 6:30 – 8 pm  
**Thursday, October 6**  
9:30 – 11 am  
Children ages 3 years to kindergarten with a participating adult experience fun and interactive activities to encourage reading readiness and explore STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Mathematics) discoveries. In English and Spanish. Story Room.  
Los niños de 3 años de edad hasta Kinder inclusive pueden presentarse con un adulto y participar en entretenidas actividades interactivas destinadas a formentar la aptitud para la lectura y explorar descubrimientos de la ciencia, la tecnología, la ingeniería, el arte y las matemáticas (STEAM, por sus siglas en inglés).

**Movie Poster Exhibition**  
**All ages**  
**Saturday, October 8**  
9 am – 5 pm  
Movie posters from popular children’s films will be on display. Take a short quiz to be entered for a chance to win a prize. Youth Gateway.

**No School Days**  
**Cardboard Challenge**  
**All ages**  
**Monday, October 10**  
1:30 – 3 pm  
What could you build if you had a mountain of cardboard? Come stretch your imagination and exercise your creativity! Meadows Community Rooms.

**Magic Treehouse Haunted Castle**  
**On Hallows Eve**  
**Grades 1 & up**  
**Friday, October 28**  
10 – 11:30 am  
In their magic treehouse, Jack and Annie are again transported to King Arthur’s realm, where invisible beings, giant ravens and mistaken magic spells have a duke’s castle in an uproar on Halloween night. Join us for games and activities. Meadows Community Rooms.

**Halloween Happening**  
**Preschool – grade 2**  
**Wednesday, October 26**  
10 am, 3:30 pm  
Join us for Halloween fun! Wear your costume for a parade through the library.

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*Children younger than 8 must be accompanied by an adult.*
KidSpace Programs

Homework Heroes
Grades K – 8*
Starts September 8
Thursdays 5 – 8 pm
Sundays 2 – 4 pm
Students who need help with homework assignments can meet one on one with a helpful volunteer on a first-come, first-served basis.

ChessMaster Junior Chess Club
Grades 2 – 12
Wednesdays 4 – 5 pm
Kids and teens are invited to hone their chess skills during our free-play sessions. Beginners are welcome—we will teach you how to play! Meadows Community Rooms B&C.

The Gaming Event
Grades 3 & up
Monday, October 3 6 – 8 pm
Play card-based role-playing games such as Pokémon and Yu-Gi-Oh. Beginners are welcome—we’ll teach you to play! Bring your cards to play or trade. Meadows Community Rooms A&B.

STEAMologists
Grades 1 - 5
Monday, September 12 4 – 5 pm
Computer Training Room
Monday, October 10 4 – 5 pm
Meadows Community Rooms
Science Technology Engineering Arts and Math! We will be exploring, experimenting and creating.

Minecraft for Grades 3 – 8
Thursdays, September 15, October 13 4 – 5 pm
All experience levels are welcome! Beginners can learn how to play; experts can show off their amazing skills. Computer Training Room.

Games & Gadgets
Grades 1 & up*
Saturday, September 17, October 15 2 – 3:30 pm
Drop in for some family free play! An assortment of board games, chess, Legos, Wii video games or iPads will be available. Story Room South.

Build It Up! with LEGOS®
Grades 1 & up*
Wednesdays September 21, October 19 4 – 5 pm
LEGO® building blocks will be provided for this fun-filled, creative building program. Story Room South.

Read to Rover
Elementary age students
Saturday, September 10, October 8 10, 10:30, 11 or 11:30 am
Practice reading out loud to a fully trained and certified therapy dog during a 20-minute session. Story Room.

Sew Much Fun!
Grades 3 & up
Mondays, September 26, October 24 4 – 5 pm
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. Story Room South.

The Robot Zoo
October 7 – December 11
The robots in this zoo reveal the biomechanics of giant robot animals to illustrate how real animals work. This free exhibit for families features seven giant robot animals and hands-on activities. Find out how a giant squid propels itself, how a bat uses its sonar system to hunt prey at night and how a fly walks on the ceiling!

The larger-than-life-size animated robots include a rhinoceros, giant squid with 18-foot tentacles and a platypus. Also featured are a house fly with a 10-foot wingspread, a grasshopper, a bat and a giraffe whose head and neck alone stretch 9 feet tall.

Hands-on activities include testing your reaction time when you Swat the Fly and manipulating mechanical devices at the Robot Body Shop. Previously on display at museums around the world, this 5,000-square-foot exhibit is for children ages 4 to 12 and their families to learn about animal biology and robots with fun, hands-on activities.
Baby Rhyme Time
Birth - 11 months with an adult
Thursdays 6:15 pm
Fridays 9:15 am
Join us for 15 minutes of singing, clapping and simple stories followed by a 15-minute playtime. Story Room South.

Wonderful Ones
12 – 23 months with an adult
Mondays 6, 6:45 pm
Tuesdays 9:15 am
Thursdays 9:30 am
Fridays 10 am
15 minutes of short stories, fingerplays, rhymes, and a music and movement activity with a parent or caregiver followed by a 15-minute play period. Mondays and Tuesdays: Meadows Community Room C. Thursdays and Fridays: Story Room South. (No program September 13, 19. September 12 location: Story Room South. Some Tuesday sessions held in Story Room South.)

Terrific Twos
2 years with an adult
Tuesdays 6:15 pm
20 minutes of stories, interactive fingerplays and large-muscle activities.
Tuesdays: Story Room South. Thursdays: Meadows Community Room C. No program September 15.

1, 2, 3, Go!
1 – 3 years with an adult
Wednesdays 10 am
Families are invited to share stories, rhymes and musical activities together. No program September 14 and October 26. Meadows Community Rooms.

Story Mix for Three to Six
3 – 6 years
Mondays 9:30 am, 3:30 pm
Tuesdays 10 am, 7 pm
Thursdays 10:15 am
30 minutes of stories, fingerplays and songs. As parents must remain in the building but do not need to attend the class, this is the first “on my own” library experience for children. Story Room North. (No program October 24 at 3:30 pm, October 20 and 27, and October 31 at 3:30 pm.)

Family Jam
All ages with an adult caregiver
Mondays 6:30 pm
Take a break as a family after your busy day with 30 minutes of active movement, stories and fun! The September 12 program will be held in the Youth Center. Story Room.

Spanish Family Storytime
All Ages
Wednesdays 6:30 – 7 pm
Families who speak or are learning Spanish can enjoy stories, crafts, and songs together at our Spanish-language storytime. This is also a great opportunity for children in the Dual Language Program to practice using Spanish outside of the classroom. This program is conducted entirely in Spanish. Story Room.

Cuentos para la Familia
Todos los miércoles a las 6:30 – 7 pm
30 minutos de cuentos, música, rimas, y más para el disfrute de toda la familia! Sala de cuentos.

Pediatric Therapeutic Playgroup
Newborn to 5 years with an adult
Tuesdays 11 – 11:45 am
An inclusive playgroup for children who currently receive therapy services or may benefit from therapeutic play. Children can focus on "developmental" play while families meet and find support. Siblings are welcome. Please contact the library if your child requires any special accommodations. Presenter: Emily Zegar, Licensed Speech and Language Pathologist, Elgin Pediatric Therapy. Story Room South.

Panera Milk & Cookie Storytime Preschoolers
Tuesdays, September 6, 20, October 4, 18
9:30 – 10 am
Enjoy stories read by a library staff member, followed by a milk and cookie snack, compliments of Panera. Panera Bread, 322 Randall Road, South Elgin. Registration begins August 16.

Sensory Storytime
Thursdays, October 6, 13, 20
6:30 pm
Families are invited to 30 minutes of stories, music, and social time especially for children ages 4 to 8 with developmental delays and sensory needs. Siblings are welcome. Meadows Community Room C.

Story Programs Boost Language Skills and Reading Readiness!
Fall I Programs August 22 – September 30 Fall II Programs October 17 – November 25 Registration begins October 3

Digital Media Lab
Teens in grades 9–12 can learn how to create and edit a professional audio recording, direct and edit a professional video, learn MIDI, and become a Photoshop pro.

Audio Lab
5 – 6 pm
Tuesdays, September 6, 20
Wednesday, October 19

Video Lab
5 – 6 pm
Wednesday, September 14
Thursday, October 13
Tuesday, October 25

Photoshop 101
5 – 6 pm
Monday, September 12
Monday, October 17
**Teen Writing and Art Showcase**

T eens in grades 6 to 12 are invited to share their best writing and art with the Gail Borden community. All submissions that meet our guidelines will be published online, with selected entries published in a print booklet. Submit your work now for publication in our winter edition! For details, pick up an entry form at the Youth Help Desk, the Rakow Branch, or online at www.gailborden.info/teenwriting.

**Manga and Anime Club**

Saturdays, September 24, October 29
2 – 3:30 pm
Calling all fans of Attack on Titan, Soul Eater, My Neighbor Totoro and more! Here’s your chance to watch anime, share fan art, and enjoy Japanese snacks while socializing with other otaku. Bring a friend! South Elgin Room.

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**Inklings**

Thursdays, September 15, October 13
4 – 6 pm
Learn how to develop ideas into finished stories, poetry, lyrics or any other kind of writing that interests you. Feel free to bring your own writing with you.

**Open Mic Night**

Tuesdays, September 20, October 18
7 – 8 pm
Share your talent at Studio 270’s Open Mic Night. We are looking for musicians, poets, comedians, story tellers and more to perform.

**Saturday Silkscreening**

Saturday, September 24
3 – 5 pm
Learn how to create a design and silk screen it onto paper.

**Karaoke Night**

Wednesdays, September 28, October 26
7 – 8 pm
Due to popular demand, we are bringing back Studio 270 Karaoke night. Come hang out and sing your favorite songs—the stage is yours!

**NBA 2k Tournament**

Thursday, September 29
5 – 7 pm
Think you’re the best? Come prove it in our NBA 2k17 tournament.

**Pizza & Books**

Tuesday, September 13, October 11
5 – 6 pm
We will be talking about books that we are currently reading.

**Sew What, Halloween Edition: Mask Making**

Friday, October 28
3 – 5 pm
Learn how to operate a sewing machine, sew by hand and more.

**Teen Scream Horror Film Fest**

Monday, October 31
3 – 5 pm
Horror movies, popcorn, candy melting, screaming contest and more.
Technology Classes and Programs

Classes are open to district residents and are held in the Computer Training Room unless otherwise noted. Registration is required and opens three weeks prior to the scheduled class date. For classes in a series, refer to the registration date for the first class.

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**New! Google Tools**

*Thank you to Comcast for its generous sponsorship of the fall tech classes. Sponsored classes are denoted with an asterisk and are open to both district and non-district residents. For more information on the Comcast Internet Essentials program, please visit www.internetessentials.com.

**New! Google Tools**

*¡Nos gustaría ofrecer nuestro agradecimiento a Comcast por su generoso patrocinio de nuestras clases de tecnología de otoño! Clases patrocinadas estarán indicadas con un asterisco y estarán abiertas para todos los residentes dentro y fuera del distrito. Para obtener más información sobre el programa de Comcast Internet Essentials, favor de visitar es.internetessentials.com.

**New! Build Your Own PC**

**Code Camp Meetup**

*Saturdays, September 3 – October 29*

1 – 2:30 pm

Code Camp is a free-learning community for those interested in picking up and developing fundamental coding skills. Join local web developer Megan Johnson to explore the world of code using a free open-source platform. Beginner levels are welcome. Bring your own laptop. Ages 14 and up. Conference Room.

**Device Advice**

Need help figuring out how to use your tablet, smartphone, or eReader? Bring your questions and your device for some 1:1 help!

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Clases de Tecnología están abiertas a todos los residentes del distrito de la biblioteca y se tomaran a cabo en el Cuarto de Computadoras, a menos que se indique algún cambio. Es necesario registrarse para estas clases. Registración se abrirá tres semanas antes de la fecha de la clase. Registrese en línea en gailborden.info/register, por teléfono al 847-429-4597 o en persona. Por favor traiga su aparatos inteligentes.

¡Nuevo! ¡Dos sesiones disponibles!

Jueves, 15 de septiembre – 20 de octubre  6:30 – 8:30 pm o
Viernes, 16 de septiembre – 21 de octubre  10 am – mediodía

Aparatos Inteligentes

Lo Básico*
9/15  6:30 pm o 9/16  10 am
Aprenda las características y funciones básicas de su teléfono inteligente; cubriremos ajustando la configuración, conectando a Wi-Fi, descargando aplicaciones y mucho más.

La seguridad y las aplicaciones*
9/22  6:30 pm o 9/23  10 am
Aprenda como mantener información segura en su aparato inteligente, así como buscar, instalar, usar y eliminar aplicaciones.

Haciendo Compras*
9/29  6:30 pm o 9/30  10 am
Aprenda como hacer compras en línea con su aparato inteligente a través de algunas de las páginas web y aplicaciones más populares.

El Internet

Consejos y trucos*
10/6  6:30 pm o 10/7  10 am
Aprenda como crear marcadores y usar extensiones y otros consejos y trucos para hacer búsquedas efectivas en el internet.

Las Aplicaciones de Google

Drive & Fotos*
10/13  6:30 pm o 10/14  10 am
Aprenda a guardar archivos importantes y organizar sus documentos y fotos utilizando aplicaciones gratuitas de Google.

Documentos & Maps*
10/20  6:30 pm o 10/21  10 am
Aprenda cómo crear y editar documentos de texto y como utilizar la herramienta de GPS utilizando aplicaciones gratuitas de Google.
A Celebration of Music from the Golden Age of Cinema and Radio

Presented by Chamber Music on the Fox, Elgin Symphony Orchestra and Gail Borden Public Library. For more events go to www.gailborden.info/bernardherrmann.

Chamber Music on the Fox Presents a Screening of The Trouble with Harry (1955) Monday, September 26 6:30 – 8:30 pm
The collaboration between Alfred Hitchcock and Bernard Herrmann was the most famous and celebrated partnership of a director and composer in film history. Herrmann’s score for The Trouble with Harry was a personal favorite of Hitchcock’s. Meadows Community Rooms A&B.

Chamber Music on the Fox Special Guest Lecture with Steven C. Smith on Bernard Herrmann Sunday, October 2 2 – 3:30 pm
Bernard Herrmann biographer Steven C. Smith discusses the Oscar-winning composer’s career, and his innovative music for the radio series Crime Classics, which foreshadowed his acclaimed film scores for Alfred Hitchcock. Meadows Community Rooms.

ESO Special Guest Lecture with Steven C. Smith on Charlie Chaplin’s City Lights Wednesday, October 5 1 – 3 pm
Film music historian Steven C. Smith discusses Chaplin’s unique composing methods on City Lights, which paired the filmmaker—who had no musical training—with professional composer/arrangers to create a film score masterpiece. Meadows Community Rooms.

Elgin Symphony Orchestra Listeners Club Wednesdays September 14, November 2 1 – 3 pm
This free, interactive lecture/discussion series led by Jim Kendros meets before the ESO’s Classics Masterworks performances to broaden your understanding of the music to be performed that week. Please register at www.elginsymphony.org, or call 847-888-0404 ext. 238 to reserve your seat. September 14: Elgin Room. November 2: Meadows Community Rooms.

Piano Masterclass with Silvan Negruțiu Saturday, October 29 2 – 4 pm
Gail Borden Public Library presents a masterclass with Romanian pianist Silvan Negruțiu. Advanced and intermediate piano students may apply for the opportunity to perform in the masterclass by using the application form on our website: www.gailborden.info/masterclass or by picking up a form at the library. Please send submissions to Stacy Rausch at srausch@gailborden.info by October 14. This free event is open to the public. Meadows Community Rooms.

Internationally acclaimed pianist Silvan Negruțiu has performed concerts around the world, from the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. to Ireland’s National Concert Hall, the Romanian Athenaeum in Bucharest and the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts. He appeared as soloist with prestigious orchestras including the George Enescu Philharmonic Orchestra and Dublin Symphony Orchestra. Dr. Negruțiu is Assistant Professor of Piano and Coordinator of Keyboard Studies at Millikin University School of Music in Decatur, IL.

Piano Music of the Baroque, Classical and Romantic Periods Sunday, October 23 2 – 3:30 pm
Pianist David J. Nelson will take us on a musical journey from the 1600s through the 1800s, with pieces by Handel, Bach, Mozart and Beethoven. Meadows Community Rooms.

Silvan Negruțiu

Silvan Negruțiu
**Sunday Afternoon Concert Series**

The one-hour performances begin at 2 pm in the Meadows Community Rooms. Meet the artists and enjoy refreshments after each concert. Free tickets are available at the Main Library, Rakow Branch and South Elgin Branch three weeks prior to each concert.

**Liang-He Piano Duo**  
**Sunday, September 25**  
Recent grand prize winner of the 18th Tokyo International Duo Piano Competition, the Liang-He Duo has been acclaimed for its combined artistry and synchronicity. The members of the duo, Xiaomin Liang and Jue He, began playing together when they were students at Northwestern University. They later developed into a professional ensemble while living in Chicago. They have been named Chicagoland’s first “Young Steinway Artists.” Both Xiaomin Liang and Jue He received their Doctorate degrees in piano performance from Northwestern University.

**Silvan Negruţiu and Amy Catron,**  
**Piano and Cello**  
**Sunday, October 30**  
Acclaimed artists Amy Catron and Silvan Negruţiu present a Halloween concert featuring solo and duet repertoire for cello and piano. The varied program includes works by renowned classical composers that evoke the spirit of Halloween. Currently on the music faculty at Millikin University, Catron and Negruţiu have performed solo and chamber concerts around the world and are in high demand as studio teachers and adjudicators.

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**Library Card Sign-Up Month is September!**

Show your Gail Borden Public Library card to participating businesses during September to receive discounts on your purchases. It’s a way to support local businesses and literacy at the same time. Don’t have a library card yet? Sign up at any of the Gail Borden Public Library locations! Some of the participating local businesses:

- **Al’s Café**  
  43 DuPage Ct.  
  10% off of check

- **Elgin Public House**  
  219 E. Chicago St.  
  $3 off 2 or more entrees, 1 per table, dine in only, not combinable with other coupons / gift certificates, not valid for Monday 1/2 price burger or Tuesday create your own mac + cheese.

- **Herb’s Bakery**  
  1020 Larkin Ave.  
  5% off any order (not valid with any other offer)

- **McDonald’s Bear Family Restaurants:**  
  - 401 Summit St.  
  - 1480 Larkin Ave.  
  - 1165 N. McLean Blvd.  
  - 255 S. Randall Rd.  
  - 816 St. Charles Rd.  
  - 100 N. McLean Blvd. (South Elgin)  
  - Free small smoothie or frappe with any purchase

- **Rediscover Records**  
  9 S. Spring St.  
  10% off any pre-loved vinyl and Rediscover Records logo shirt

- **Spirels Yogurt Delites**  
  309 Randall Rd.  
  10% off cup of frozen yogurt with minimum purchase of $3 (Limit 4 per visit)

- **State Street Market Shops**  
  701 N. State St.  
  10% off regular-priced merchandise

For a full list of participating businesses, please visit [www.gailborden.info](http://www.gailborden.info).

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**Films**

**Brown Bag Lunch Classic Films**  
**Mondays 11 am - 1 pm**  
Coffee and tea will be served.

- **September 12**  
  Singin’ in the Rain  
  (1952, NR) Meadows Community Rooms A&B

- **October 10**  
  The Fighting Kentuckian  
  (1949, NR) Meadows Community Rooms A&B

**Reel Women for Real Women**  
**4th Tuesdays 6 pm**  
Meadows Community Rooms A&B

- **September 27**  
  Joy (2015, PG-13) Elgin Room

- **October 25**  
  The Witch (2015, R)  
  Meadows Community Rooms A&B
Poetry Writers Workshop
**Tuesday, September 6, Monday, October 3 6:30 – 8:30 pm**
Come share your love of poetry! This is a group for local poets to share what they have written. Gareth Mann Sitz, poet and songwriter, will facilitate. South Elgin Room.

Great Books Discussion Group
**Mondays 6:55 pm**
For more information, call Jeanne Hebeisen at 847-741-6264. Co-sponsored by the American Association of University Women Elgin Branch. Conference Room. **September 12** 
*Winesburg Ohio* by Sherwood Anderson
**October 10** 
*The Darling* by Anton Chekhov

Armchair Generals:
**A Civil War and Lincoln Brown Bag Lunch Interest Group**
**Tuesdays 11:45 am – 1:15 pm**
Join forces to commemorate events, share insights and talk about books or experiences. Bring your own hardtack. South Elgin Room. **September 13**
"Andersonville Prison" presented by Frank Crawford
**October 11**
"The Sultana Disaster" presented by Gene Eric Salecker

Contemporary Fiction Book Club
**Wednesdays 7 pm**
Join us for a lively discussion each month! For more information, contact Tish at 847-289-5829. South Elgin Room. **September 21**
*A Spool of Blue Thread* by Anne Tyler
**October 19**
*Fates & Furies* by Lauren Groff

Veterans Information Networking Session
**Thursdays 7 – 8:30 pm**
Coffee and tea will be served. **September 15**
"40 Years at 40,000 Feet: My Experiences as a Naval Aviator from the Dilbert Dunker to the Boeing 747" by Dale D. Dopkins. South Elgin Room.
**October 20**
*Medicare 101* Elgin Room.

Writers on the Fox
**Mondays, September 26, October 24 7 – 8:30 pm**
This writer’s peer group will inspire and motivate you with thought-provoking writing prompts and constructive critique. Writers of all genres are welcome. Conference Room.

Walking Book Club
**Wednesdays 7 pm**
Join us in the lobby for a 45-minute walk through downtown Elgin and then back at the library for a 45-minute book discussion. In case of inclement weather, we walk and talk at The Centre of Elgin. For book titles and more details, please contact Christine Padilla at 847-289-5829.

Listen Learn and Lead Toastmasters Club
**Second & Fourth Thursdays Noon – 1 pm**
Become the speaker and leader you want to be. South Elgin Room.

Novel Ideas with Pat Camalliere
**Saturday, October 22 1 – 3 pm**
November is National Novel Writing Month, a.k.a. NaNoWriMo. Chicagoland author Pat Camalliere guides you through the process of writing fiction, preparing you to write your own novel. Meadows Community Rooms.

Author Event with Mary Kubica
**Thursday, September 29 7 – 8:30 pm**
Mary Kubica will read from and sign her latest thriller Don’t You Cry. Books will be available for purchase with cash or check. Held at the Fox River Valley Public Library, 555 Barrington Ave., East Dundee.

First Indie Author Day Special
**Meet the Soon to be Famous Illinois Author Winners**
**Saturday, October 8 11:30 am**
Geralyn Magrady and Michael Peck will talk about their books and inspirations as well as how they became award-winning self-published authors. Also scheduled: exciting announcements regarding the 2017 Soon to be Famous Illinois Author contest and a 1 pm streamed panel of industry leaders offering guidance to local writers. Soon to be Famous is a partner on Indie Author Day. For more information, go to indieauthorday.com. Elgin Room.

Russian Conversation Group
**Mondays, September 12, October 10 7 – 8:30 pm**
Говорите по-русски? If you find Russia fascinating and the Russian Language beautiful, join fellow Russian language enthusiasts to discuss contemporary events, history and culture. Some knowledge of Russian is expected. Course facilitator is John Schwartz, a retired USG Russian language and culture translator and instructor. South Elgin Room.

French Conversation Group
**Mondays, September 19, October 17 6:30 – 8:30 pm**
**Испытайте Franцузский язык! If you find French intriguing and the French Language beautiful, join fellow French language enthusiasts to discuss contemporary events, history and culture. Some knowledge of French is expected. Course facilitator is John Schwartz, a retired USG French language instructor. South Elgin Room.

German Conversation Group
**Wednesdays, September 28, October 26 7 – 8:30 pm**
The group is led by John Schwartz, who has lived and traveled in Germany and taught German. He will present articles and videos about to be discussed auf Deutsch in a friendly atmosphere. South Elgin Room.

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Adult Programs

Illinois DHS Division of Rehabilitation Services Information Session
Mondays, September 19, October 17 1 – 3 pm
The Illinois Department of Human Services Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS) serves individuals with disabilities. Learn about these and other programs and services. Referrals for services will be accepted at the end of the information session. South Elgin Room.

Candidate Forums
Tuesday, October 4 6:30 – 8 pm
Thursday, October 6 6:30 – 8 pm
The League of Women Voters of the Elgin Area presents two candidate forums for the 2016 general election. Become a better-educated voter and bring your questions. For additional information follow us on Facebook at LWV of the Elgin Area or at www.lwvelginarea.org. Co-Sponsored with Gail Borden Public Library. Meadows Community Rooms.

Business & Financial

Choosing the Right Legal Structure for Your Business
Tuesday, September 20
6:30 – 7 pm Networking
7 – 8:30 pm Program
Fran Zollers will explain the five most common forms of business organizations and compare each based on legal structure and financial considerations, emphasizing taxes. Presented in partnership with Fox Valley SCORE. Meadows Community Room C.

Q&A on Seniors and Real Estate
Thursday, September 29 7 – 8:30 pm
Bring your questions about buying, selling and investing. The panel includes: Marie DeMaria, Your Choice Real Estate Services; Attorney Hal Stinespring; Steve Levin, 1st Advantage Mortgage; Andrew Cosentino, ADH Insurance; and Terry Meryniw, Meryniw Financial Investments. South Elgin Room.

Job Search & Resume Help
Tuesdays 1 – 4 pm
Thursdays 9:30 am – 1 pm
Drop in for one-on-one assistance with your job search. Receive help with your résumé, cover letter, completing online applications and more.

Job Training Information Session
Wednesdays 9:30 – 11 am
Training grants are available to help you get a job! Learn about WIOA services and the application process.

Schedules occasionally change. Please check www.gailborden.info/events for specific locations and times. These programs are in partnership with the Kane County Office of Community Reinvestment. For more information, call 630-844-8768.

Online Advertising versus Search Engine Optimization
Thursday, October 20
6:30 – 7 pm Networking
7 – 8:30 pm Program
Norbert Barszczewski of JP NetQuest will compare online advertising versus Search Engine Optimization and discuss best practices for both. Learn which online marketing tool may work best for your business. Presented in partnership with Fox Valley SCORE. Meadows Community Rooms A&B.

Elgin Alive

Sponsored in collaboration with the Elgin Community Network and ECCO.

A Short History of Elgin Mental Health Center
Presented by Bill Briska
Tuesday, September 20 7 – 8:30 pm
For 144 years, Elgin Mental Health Center has been part of our community. While still a psychiatric hospital, its mission has changed several times. Learn the story of the facility’s history, along with the larger societal forces and changes in treatment. Elgin Room.

Lost Souls and Unmarked Graves
Tuesday, October 18 7 – 8:30 pm
Buried alive. Or dead and dragged back to the realm of the living by the ruthless hands of body snatchers. Or left in a grave lost to the ages. Or confined as a spirit to wander the cemetery, weighted down to this earth by a gravestone that simply says “Unknown.” Michael Murschel and Judi Brownfield usher you along to discover how to prevent being buried alive. Grisly content recommended for mature audiences. Meadows Community Rooms A&B.

Voterpalooza
Tuesday, September 27
5 – 8:30 pm
If the last time you understood the election process was watching Schoolhouse Rock, this fun, interactive voter’s information fair is for you! Learn about the issues, candidates and party platforms while being “infotained” by music collective Watch City and juggler Jason Kollum, a.k.a. “Uncle Sam on Stilts.” Please bring two forms of ID to register to vote. Meadows Community Rooms.

Black History Family Festival
Nominations for outstanding African American educators from the Elgin Community College District 509 are being sought to be honored at the annual Black History Family Festival at Gail Borden Library February 4, 2017. For more information, visit bhffelgin.org.

www.gailborden.info
Being Mortal
Film and Discussion
Wednesday, September 7 6- 8:30 pm
Adapted from Dr. Gawande’s 2014 nationally best-selling book, this film delves into the hopes of patients and families facing terminal illness and the practice of caring for the dying. It explores the importance of talking with family members about end-of-life decisions. Presented by JourneyCare, the combined organization of Horizon Hospice & Palliative Care. Elgin Room.

CAN Do! How to Can Produce, Save Money and Save the Planet
Thursday, September 8 7 – 8:30 pm
Canning is what our mothers and grandmothers did and is now making a comeback with the local food movement. Margie Dill-Lentz gardens and preserves jams, sauces, herbs and a variety of pickled and canned fruits and vegetables. Learn how easy and fun it is and why canning is also very beneficial for the planet. Elgin Room.

Health/Wellness

Forever Young: 2nd Annual Senior Health Fair
Thursday, October 6 10 am – 1 pm
Join us for mini sessions of manicures, hand massages, health screenings, presentations on Senior Topics, vendors, music and free refreshments. Meadows Community Rooms.

Medicare 101
Thursday, October 20 7 – 8:30 pm

Holiday Harmony: Strategies to Guide Families of Special-Needs Children Through the Holidays
Tuesday, October 25 6:30 – 8 pm
Families will receive tools to prioritize holiday events and identify common hurdles that can pop up as well as strategies to prevent difficult situations. Elgin Room.

Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew
Tuesday, September 20 3:30 pm
England’s Kew Gardens Director Richard Deverell will discuss Kew’s mission of using the power of science and the rich diversity of gardens to provide knowledge, inspiration and understanding of why plants matter. Kew is one of the greatest gardens in the world, receiving 1.5 million visitors a year. It is 326 acres of trees, flowers and plants, Victorian greenhouses, botanical research facilities and iconic structures. In sponsorship with Elgin Garden Club, Ball Seeds, Platt Hill Nursery, Wasco Nursery & Garden Center, Town & Country Gardens, and Gail Borden Public Library. Meadows Community Rooms.

A Discussion on Public Education
Thursday, October 13 6:30 – 8 pm
Join Illinois Humanities and Gail Borden Public Library for a free, facilitated community dialogue about school funding. This event is part of a statewide series called Continuing Ed., which looks at the future of public education in Illinois. Come hear your neighbors’ thoughts and share your own on how we should support our schools. Light refreshments will be provided. South Elgin Room.

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Gail Borden Library Thanks

The sponsors and volunteers of the Discover Space: A Cosmic Journey Exhibit and the Journey to Space Exhibit:
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- Jennifer Ford: Hilda Schmidgall
- Karen and Dan Fox: Susan Slaski
- Mike Gilman: David York

Biggers Chevrolet, Alice Davis and Paul Bouwmeester for their help with the library’s participation in the 4th of July parade.

Our Gold Star Partners for helping build reading and language skills with babies, toddlers and school children of all ages in their care this summer. Mission: READ has been a great success as school age children achieved their reading goals and reinforced their reading skills for the coming school year.
- Bethlehem Lutheran Child Development Center
- Boys and Girls Club
- Bright Stars Academy
- Children Love to Learn
- Children of America
- City of Elgin – Prairie View
- City of Elgin – The Centre
- Eastside Rec Center
- Elgin Community College
- Extended School Year
- Girl Scouts of America
- Ivy Academy
- Kinder Care – Bowes Road
- Kinder Care – Main Lane
- Kinder Care – South Street (Target)
- Lao Summer Camp
- Learning Tree – East
- Learning Tree – West
- One Hope United
- Renz Center
- River Landing Park
- Senior Residence
- South Elgin Parks and Preschool
- Two Rivers Head Start West
- U-46 SAFE – Fox Meadow
- U-46 SAFE – Nature Ridge
- YMCA Taylor
- YWCA

The following for helping make the South Elgin Branch Grand Opening a success:
- Sam’s Club
- South Elgin Brownie Troop #1448
- 501st Midwest Garrison

The Literacy Connection and its volunteers for continuously providing conversation groups that greatly impact our community.

The Renz Center and Ballet Quetzaly for their partnership and support in June.

Gracias a...

Literacy Connection y sus voluntarios por proveer grupos de conversación que impactan a nuestra comunidad.

Renz Center y Ballet Quetzaly por su participación durante programas en el mes de junio.
Welcome Baby!  
Baby’s First Library Visit  
Saturday, September 3, October 1  
1 – 3 pm  
Bring baby and baby’s new library card  
to this class to learn about programs  
and resources to support your baby’s  
early literacy development and receive  
a special gift! For babies up to six  
months old and their parents. 

Story Programs  
Boost Language Skills and Reading Readiness!  

- Fall I Programs  
  August 22 – September 30  
- Fall II Programs  
  October 17 – November 25  
  Registration begins October 3

Baby Rhyme Time  
Birth – 11 months with an adult  
Mondays 9:15 or 10 am  
Join us for 15 minutes of singing,  
clapping, and simple stories followed  
by a 15-minute playtime.

Story Mix for Three to Six  
3 – 6 years  
Wednesdays 10:30 am  
30 minutes of stories, fingerplays and  
songs. As parents must remain in the  
building but do not need to attend the  
class, this is the first “on my own”  
library experience for children.

Creative Kids  

- Creativity Lab  
  Grades 1 & up  
  Mondays 4 – 5 pm (except September 5  
  and October 31)  
  Art, tinkering activities and games will  
  be available for creative play. Drop in.

- STEAMologists  
  Grades 1 – 5  
  Wednesday, September 14, October 12  
  4 – 5 pm  
  Science, Technology, Engineering,  
  Arts and Math! Kids will explore,  
  experiment and create.

- Rakow Rooks Chess Club  
  Grades 3 – 8  
  Tuesdays 4:30 – 5:30 pm  
  Kids are invited to hone their chess  
  skills. Beginners are welcome.  
  Intermediate or advanced players  
  can play opponents or work on chess  
  puzzles. Chess sets available or bring  
your own.

- No School Day Special  
  Baton Twirling Camp  
  Grades 3 – 8  
  Monday, October 10  
  10 am – 2 pm  
  Come learn the basic techniques of  
  baton twirling and marching with Jana  
  Sinn, former Purdue Silver Twin Twirler.  
  Parents should return at 1:30 pm for  
  the Final Show. Beginners are welcome.  
  Bring a sack lunch.

- Let’s Decorate for Fall!  
  16 years & up  
  Saturday, September 17  
  1 – 3 pm  
  Make a seasonal mini-wreath using  
  colored tissue paper flowers. All  
  supplies provided.

- Painting Class  
  Adults  
  Sunday, September 11  
  2 – 4 pm  
  Enjoy a relaxing afternoon painting as  
  artist Alyson Rodriguez gives step-by-  
  step instructions. Weather permitting,  
  we will be outside facing the beautiful  
  prairie landscape.

- Halloween Hoot  
  Preschool – Kindergarten with an adult  
  Monday, October 31  
  10:30 am  
  Wear your costume and parade through  
  the library. Find the pumpkins and receive  
a treat.

- Novels at Night  
  6:30 – 7:30 pm  
  Shales Living Room  
  Thursday, September 15  
  Station Eleven by Emily St. John Mandel  
  Thursday, October 20  
  Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline

- Rakow Readers  
  1:30 – 2:30 pm  
  Shales Living room  
  Monday, September 26  
  Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline  
  Monday, October 24  
  Someone by Alice McDermott

- Device Advice  
  Adults  
  Thursdays, September 1, 15  
  October 6, 20  
  9:30 – 11:30 am  
  Drop by for hands-on learning. You are  
  welcome to bring your own devices.

- Coffee, Conversation & More!  
  Adults  
  Thursdays 9:30 – 11 am  
  Informal discussions on topics for people  
  old enough to have a past. Pictures welcomed.  
  September 8, School Days  
  October 13, Halloween Masks and Memories.

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South Elgin Branch

Welcome to the South Elgin Branch! It’s your place to get the latest books and movies, enjoy a cup of coffee and use a laptop from the branch’s dispenser. The Hoffer Meeting Room is open Monday through Thursday from 3:30 to 5:30 pm for homework and quiet study.

Autumn in the Smoky Mountains
Adults
Thursday, September 29   6:30 pm
Great Smoky Mountains National Park is famous for its beautiful fall foliage. Nancy McCully will share how the amazing autumn leaves set off panoramic mountain views and weathered historic buildings. Shales Living Room. R

End-of-Life Care: Dispelling the Myths
Adults
Tuesday, October 4   6:30 pm
Rachel Troglio, Director of Business Development for Hospice of Kankakee, will share New Rules, information about end of life care and what to expect when your loved one is dying. Shales Living Room. R

Medicare Educational Discussion
Adults
Thursday, October 6   6:30 pm
Robb Finnell will discuss the ABC’s of Medicare including supplements. Get clarification regarding benefits, for example, office visit coverage. Shales Living Room. R

Gift Box & Card Making Workshop
16 years & up
Saturday, October 15   1 – 3 pm
Design and create handcrafted gift box and card for a birthday or holiday. Learn about devices to help in box and card crafting. All supplies provided. R

Welcome Baby!
Baby’s First Library Visit
Saturdays, September 24, October 29
1 – 3 pm
Bring baby and baby’s new library card to this class to learn about programs and resources to support your baby’s early literacy development and receive a special gift! For babies up to six months old and their parents. R

Story Programs
Boost Language Skills and Reading Readiness!
Fall I Programs
August 22 – September 30
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October 17 – November 25
Registration begins October 3

1, 2, 3, Go!
1 – 3 years with an adult
Thursdays 10:15 am
Families are invited to share stories, rhymes and musical activities together. Hoffer Meeting Room.

Story Mix for Three to Six
3 – 6 years
Mondays 6 – 6:30 pm
30 minutes of stories, fingerplays and songs. As parents must remain in the building but do not need to attend the class, this is the first “on my own” library experience for children. Hoffer Meeting Room.

Spanish Storytime
Families
Wednesdays, September 14, October 12
6 pm
Families who speak or are learning Spanish will enjoy stories and songs with Ms. Madeleine. R

Fun for Kids at the South Elgin Branch!
Roald Dahl’s 100th Birthday Party
Tuesday, September 13   all day
Come play games and make a craft at stations based on favorite Roald Dahl’s books! Drop in.

No School Day Fun
Grades 3 – 5
Monday, October 10   Noon or 2 pm
Bring a friend to come play Kahoot! on iPads. It’s a fun trivia game about kids’ favorite authors. R

Adult Programs
Homework Help for Parents
Adults
Tuesday September 20   6 pm
Parents and guardians, take the hard work out of homework! Learn how to access free, round-the-clock reliable research tools. Connect your students to high quality, relevant content to help kids make the grade. R

Happy Healthy Lifestyles
Adults
Wednesday, October 5   6 pm
Join Joyce Lande, a WellPro Certified Wellness Coach and Nutrition Advisor, as she shares her passion for staying happy and healthy. She will share healthy snacking tips and meal shortcuts. R

Hours
Monday – Thursday   10 am – 7 pm
Saturday
10 am – 4 pm
Sunday
Noon – 4 pm
Programs in English and Spanish
Programas en inglés y español

¡Celebrate!</p>

**Mes de la Hispanidad**
15 de septiembre – 15 de octubre

**Programas en inglés y español**

**Hispanic Heritage Month**
September 15 – October 15
Celebrate Creativity and Cultura!

**La Máscara, la Vida y la Muerte: Charla y Baile**
Miércoles 7 de septiembre 6:30 – 8 pm
En México la máscara forma parte de la artesanía ceremonial que produce la cultura popular. Escucha una charla con visuales por Fernando Betancourt, actor, director teatral y promotor cultural, quien nos habla sobre las festividades de los pueblos originarios de México y la integración de la máscara en una vida dedicada al teatro. Luego disfruta de danzas por los grupos Ballet Folklórico Huehuecoyotl y Ballet Girasol. Salones de la Comunidad.

**The Mask, Life and Death: Talk and Dance**
Wednesday, September 7 6:30 – 8 pm
In Mexico masks are part of a ceremonial artistry that is the product of popular culture. Listen to a talk by actor, director and cultural promoter Fernando Betancourt on the festivities of the native peoples of Mexico and the integration of masks in a life dedicated to theater. Then enjoy dances by Ballet Folklórico Huehuecoyotl and Ballet Girasol. Meadows Community Rooms.

**¡CelebrateArte!**
Séptima Celebración Anual
Biblioteca Principal
Sábado 10 de septiembre 1 - 4:30 pm
Presentación de teatro de niños: La Flor de Roca a las 2 pm.
Celebra las artes con actividades para la familia y actuaciones en vivo incluyendo Ballet Folklórico Huehuecoyotl y Luz de Ande. Disfruta la presentación de teatro de La Flor de Roca, una obra basada en fábulas latinoamericanas con niños de Elgin y dirigida por Fernando Betancourt de México. Con el apoyo de una subvención de Florence B. and Cornelia A. Palmer Foundation. Habrá traducción al inglés.

**¡CelebrateArte!**
7th Annual Celebration
Main Library
Saturday, September 10 1 – 4:30 pm
La Flor de Roca children’s theater performance at 2 pm.
Celebrate the arts with family activities and live dance and music performances by groups including Ballet Folklórico Huehuecoyotl and Luz de Ande. Enjoy the theatrical presentation of La Flor de Roca, a play based on fables from Latin America with children from our community and directed by Fernando Betancourt. Funded in part by a grant from the Florence B. and Cornelia A. Palmer Foundation. There will be English translation.

**InspirArte: Artistas Trabajando**
Martes 20 y 27 de septiembre 6 - 8 pm
Jueves 22 y 29 de septiembre 6 - 8 pm
Visita la biblioteca y observa artistas y artesanos locales. ¡Acércate e inspirate! Biblioteca Principal.

**InspirArte: Artists at Work**
Tuesdays, September 20, 27 6 – 8 pm
Thursday, September 22, 29 6 – 8 pm
Drop by to watch talented local Latino artists and artisans in the process of creating their work. Get up close and inspired! Main Library Lobby.

**Fantásticas Fábulas: Fiesta en Familia**
Jueves 29 de septiembre 6:30 – 8 pm
Inscripciones comienzan el 25 de agosto
Explora las aventuras de las fábulas latinoamericanas a través de cuentos, actividades, refrigerios y más durante esta fiesta en familia. Familias con al menos 1 niño en los grados 3 a 6 están invitadas. Salones de la Comunidad Meadows.

**Fantastic Fables: Family Fiesta**
Thursday, September 29 6:30 – 8 pm
Registration begins August 25.
Explore the adventures of Latin American fables through stories, crafts and snacks at this bilingual family fiesta. Families with at least one child in grades three to six are invited. Meadows Community Room.
Dance at the Park  
Saturday, October 1    5 pm  
Pabellón de Lords Park  
Celebrate our Latino community leaders and readers then dance to timeless and modern Latin American music. The event will feature children’s activities. An entrance donation will be accepted, and food and beverages will be for sale. In partnership with the Organization of Mexico in Elgin (OME.)

Mini Festival del Día de los Muertos  
Martes primero de noviembre   6 – 8 pm  
¡Celebra el Día de los Muertos con manualidades, pintura de cara, pan tradicional, y más! Las familias son bienvenidas. Salones de la Comunidad Meadows.

Day of the Dead Mini-Fest  
Tuesday, November 1   6 – 8 pm  
Celebrate the Day of the Dead with crafts, stories, face painting, traditional sweet bread and more! Families welcome. Meadows Community Rooms.

Create Innovate Ignite
Workshop 1  
Thursday, September 1   6:30 – 8:30 pm

Workshop 2  
Thursday, September 8   6:30 – 8:30 pm

Construction, Installation, Conversation and Celebration  
Saturday, September 24   2 – 4:30 pm  
Join this special community art project. You don’t have to be an artist, just want to explore and celebrate your culture and that of others! After two learning and planning workshops, we will create an art piece on International Peace Day.

Café Latino: Conversation and Books  
¡Grupo Nuevo!  
Wednesday, September 21   6 – 7:30 pm  
Kay Elmsley Weeden will tell bilingual tales about amazing animals and hilarious happenings! Meadows Community Rooms.

A Bailar: Ritmos latinoamericanos  
Martes 7 – 8 pm  
20 de septiembre y 11 de octubre  
Salones de la Comunidad Meadows A&B  
27 de septiembre  
Salón South Elgin  
Prepara tus zapatos para ritmos latinoamericanos de ayer y hoy. Ritmos incluyen salsa y danzón. No se requiere experiencia previa ni pareja.

Dance Social: Latin American Rhythms  
Tuesdays   7 – 8 pm  
September 20 and October 11  
Meadows Community Rooms A&B  
September 27  
South Elgin Room  
Get your shoes ready for modern and timeless Latin American dance rhythms from salsa to danzón. No previous experience or partner is required.
Idiomas y Ciudadanía

Clases del Lenguaje de Señas Americano
Los martes, 18 de octubre al 22 de noviembre
Inscripciones comienzan el 25 de agosto.
Esta serie de seis clases gratis del Lenguaje de Señas Americano (ASL por sus siglas en inglés), presentadas en español, para familias con niños con discapacidades o dificultades auditivas será presentada por CHOICES for Parents. La primera clase será en el Salón de la Comunidad Meadows C. R

Spanish Café
1ro y 3er lunes  Mediodía – 1 pm
Participantes de nivel intermedio practican respondiendo o empezando conversaciones en español con fluidez y hablando con gente que habla español como primer idioma. Salón de Conferencias.

English Conversation Group
Tuesdays 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Practica conversar en inglés, mejora tu pronunciación y obtiene seguridad con un tutor del Literacy Connection. Salón de Conferencias.

Go Bilingual
Every Wednesday starting September 14 6 – 7 pm
Ven y disfruta un ambiente acogedor al aprender el inglés y español con otras personas que lo hablan como primer idioma. La maestra Betty Martinez conduce las clases. Salón Elgin.

Hola
Hello

Languages & Citizenship

American Sign Language in Spanish
Tuesdays, October 18 – November 22
Registration begins August 25.
Free six-part American Sign Language class in Spanish for Spanish speaking families with deaf or hard of hearing children is provided by CHOICES for Parents. Families are welcome. The first class is in Meadows Community Room C. The plasma screen located on the first floor will display the location of each class. R

Spanish Café
1st and 3rd Monday Noon – 1 pm
Intermediate-level speakers practice to become more fluent in responding to spoken Spanish and in initiating conversations with Spanish speakers. Conference room.

English Conversation Group
Todos los martes 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Practice having everyday conversations in English, improve your pronunciation and gain confidence with a tutor from the Literacy Connection. Conference room.

Go Bilingual
Every Wednesday starting September 14 6 – 7 pm
Come and experience the warmth and cultural interaction of learning a new language alongside a native speaker. The class is taught by Betty Martínez. Elgin Room.

Citizenship Conversation Group
September 15, October 6, 20 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Do you need to practice English for your naturalization/citizenship test? Review and practice the spoken English you will need for the interview and the 100 questions from the history/civics test. Presented by The Literacy Connection. Conference Room.

Citizenship Conversation Group
September 15, October 6, 20 6:30 – 7:30 pm
¿Necesitas practicar tu inglés para el examen de la ciudadanía? Practica el inglés que vas a necesitar para la entrevista y las 100 preguntas del examen de historia y cívica. El grupo es liderado por un tutor del Literacy Connection y cualquiera puede asistir. Salón de Conferencias.

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Para Padres y la familia

¡Conéctate!

los martes, October 4 – November 8 6:30 – 8 pm

Conéctate es un programa gratis de 6 semanas en español diseñado para fortalecer la conexión y comunicación entre los padres y sus niños en los grados K–5. Este programa trata temas importantes para reforzar las destrezas de escuchar y hablar en el hogar. Presentado por la coach de salud integrada Daisy de la Cruz.

Two Rivers Parent Meetings

Padres que tienen niños entre recién nacidos y los 5 años pueden aprender a mantener a sus familias saludables en cuerpo y mente.

La Importancia del Alfabetismo

Martes 20 de septiembre 10 – 11 am
Salón de la Comunidad Meadows B

Violencia Doméstica

Jueves 6 de octubre 10 – 11 am
Salón Elgin

Salud Médica

Jueves 20 de octubre 4:30 – 5:30 pm
Salón Elgin

Feria Divertida de Salud Familiar

jueves 22 de septiembre 5 – 7 pm

Jueguen y diviértanse mientras aprenden acerca de la alimentación saludable, la importancia del ejercicio y meriendas saludables. ¡Los niños que completan su “pasaporte al bienestar” recibirán un regalo especial! Presentado por Advocate Sherman Hospital y colaboradores de la comunidad. Salones de la Comunidad Meadows.

Healthy Family Fun Fair

Thursday, September 22 5 – 7 pm

Play fun games while learning about healthy eating and exercise. Children who complete their “passport to fitness” will receive a special gift! Presented by Advocate Sherman Hospital and community partners. Meadows Community Rooms.

¿Cómo Funciona el Distrito Escolar U-46?

Lunes 12 de septiembre 6 – 7 pm

Descubra cómo funciona el distrito escolar U-46 asistiendo a este programa en donde habrá una presentación sobre el distrito, sus estadísticas, con quién comunicarse, y cómo mejor apoyar la educación de sus hijos. Salón Elgin.

For Families

¡Conéctate!

Tuesdays, October 4 – November 8 6:30 – 8 pm

Conéctate is a free 6-week program in Spanish designed to strengthen the connection and relationship between parents and their children in grades K to 5. This program will bring important topics to light that will help strengthen your communication and listening skills in the home. Presented by Integrative Health Coach Daisy de la Cruz.

Two Rivers Parent Meetings

Parents of children from birth to five years learn how to help children and families remain healthy in body and mind.

The Importance of Literacy

Tuesday, September 20 10 – 11 am
Meadows Community Room B

Domestic Violence

Thursday, October 6 10 – 11 am
Elgin Room

Medical Health

Thursday, October 20 4:30 – 5:30 pm
Elgin Room

Healthy Family Fun Fair

Thursday, September 22 5 – 7 pm

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How does School District U-46 Function?

Monday, September 12 6 – 7 pm

Learn how School District U-46 works by learning who to contact and how to support your child’s education. Elgin Room.

Gail Borden Library’s new web site has been refreshed to make it easier than ever to get the information you need from your phone or tablet at www.gailborden.info. Click on the Español button for information in Spanish.

Hemos mejorado el sitio web de la Biblioteca Gail Borden, www.gailborden.info, para que pueda acceder más fácilmente la información que usted necesite a través de su teléfono móvil o tableta. Para acceder información en español haga clic en el botón de español.
The Main Library, Rakow Branch and South Elgin Branch will be closed September 5 for Labor Day.

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¡Programas en Español!
Vea las páginas 16–19.

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Hours
Monday – Thursday
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10 am – 4 pm
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Noon – 4 pm

New! Homework Heroes
Grades K – 8
Starts September 8
Thursdays  5 – 8 pm
Sundays    2 – 4 pm
Students who need help with homework assignments can meet one on one with a helpful volunteer on a first-come, first-served basis. Main Library.

FAFSA Information and Completion Sessions
Sunday, October 16
Sunday, October 30   1 – 3 pm
The FAFSA application is changing this year. If you or your child will be a college or university student in school year 2017 to 2018, you can complete the financial aid application now. Librarian Melissa Lane can answer your financial aid and college questions. Bring a copy of your 2015 federal IRS tax return to begin the online application process. Younger high school students and their parents will find the information helpful for future planning. Computer Training Room.

Back to School at Gail Borden Library
Visit the online Homework Help Gateway at www.gailborden.info/homework-help-gateway for resources like Tutor.com, Science Fair Central, Homeschool Central and online information like Amazing Animals, America the Beautiful, American Heritage Dictionaries and more!

Career Online High School
Gail Borden Library is now offering adults the opportunity to earn an accredited high school diploma. Twelve free scholarships are available to qualified adult learners looking to advance their careers, prepare for workforce entry, or continue their education.

• Applicants who successfully complete an online self-assessment and a two-week prerequisite course, followed by an in-person interview, will be considered.
• Once enrolled, students are paired with an academic coach who provides an individual career path and offers ongoing guidance and resources. Students will be given up to 18 months to complete the program.
• For more information, please contact Melissa Lane at 847-289-5837.

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