Green Scale: Weighing in on the Green Movement
November 5 – December 30
Examine the successes, shortcomings and impact of the green movement. Curated by the Northern Illinois University Museum Studies Program.

Reception for Exhibit
Monday, November 12
10 am  Rotunda
Join Elgin Mayor Dave Kaptain to hear about the Cool City Award presented by the Sierra Club and the City’s sustainability efforts. Refreshments will be served.

Art by Sive Outside and Local Artists Second Floor
Some whimsical, some thought provoking, the creative pieces made of “found objects” make this an energy-filled exhibit.

Recycling Event Bring Your Discarded Electronics
Saturday, November 17  9 am – Noon
Elgin Recyling will be accepting discarded electronics such as cell phones, computers, laptops, VCRs and TV's in the north parking area of the library. For a complete list of eligible electronics, visit http://www.elginrecycling.com/electronics/

Bus Tour of Elgin’s Green Buildings
Sunday, November 18     Bus leaves library at 1 pm
Visit four sites in Elgin that have specific energy-efficient design elements. Discover the unique features that make the Harm A. Weber Academic Center at Judson University, the FRWRD Building, Sherman Hospital and the Rakow Branch “Green Buildings.” Registration required. For more information on Green Scale events, go to www.gailborden.info.

Art for All Annual Winter Show with Strings of Silk
Meet the Art and Artists Reception
Saturday, December 8   2 – 4 pm  Lobby
Meet local artists and enjoy music performed by violinist Jennifer Silk with stringed trio Rock’n Bach from 2 to 3 pm. The exhibit will be on display in the lobby throughout December. For more information, contact info@artforall-elgin.com.

Children’s Art Project with Art for All
Saturday, December 15   1 – 3 pm

Wimpy Kid Party and Book Release
Grades 3 & up  Tuesday, November 13  6 – 8 pm
Celebrate the release of Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Third Wheel by visiting different stations to do Wimpy activities. The new book will be for sale at a reduced price. Bring your camera!

ELGIN: HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS
Kickoff
Saturday, November 3   1 – 5 pm
Main Library
Welcome the holidays in Elgin with a craft fair, entertainment, drawings and the Ecker Festival of Trees. Visit with Santa Claus and make an ornament for the City of Elgin’s holiday tree. Enter a drawing to win a specially decorated tree. The event is sponsored by the Elgin Area Chamber, Elgin Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, Elgin Downtown Neighborhood Association and Gail Borden Public Library.

Discover the Personal Stories of World War II Veterans
Jeff Meek, a 1968 Larkin High School graduate, will discuss his new publication, They Answered the Call, a compilation of 75 stories of World War II veterans taken from more than 200 interviews. See page 9 for more information.
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Ready, Set, Read
Main Library, Story Room South
Tuesday, November 6  10 – 11:30 am
   2 – 3:30 pm
Wednesday, November 7  10 – 11:30 am
Rakow Branch
Wednesday, November 7  2:30 – 4 pm
Thursday, November 8  10 – 11:30 am
Parents, with a child, can drop in and learn how to help their child get ready to read at playful learning centers. Do some simple and fun activities together that reinforce pre-reading skills. In English and Spanish. No registration.

Creating Creative Children
With James Dague, songwriter, illustrator and creator of ScribbleMonster. For parents, preschool and primary teachers and interested adults.
Wednesday, November 7  7 pm
Community Rooms
Believing “all kids are creative equal,” James will explain how stimulating creative expression can showcase each child’s unique abilities. He will share examples of open-ended activities that encourage and empower creativity in art, thought, music and play. Participants will learn how James’ experiences working with children in the classroom and as a parent of children with and without special needs have affected his work. CEU/CPDU credit is available for educators attending this workshop.

Read to Rover
Kindergarten and up
Saturday, November 10, December 8
10, 10:30, 11 or 11:30 am
Story Room
Registration required.
School-age kids practice their reading skills by cuddling up with a good book and reading aloud to a fully trained and certified therapy dog.

One Direction Fan Party
Grades 3 and up
Saturday, November 10  2 – 3 pm
Community Rooms A&B
Fans of the band One Direction are invited to sing along to their favorite songs, answer trivia questions, enter to win prizes and more.

No School Day Special
Hands On: How did Native Americans Live?
Grades 2 – 5
Monday, November 12
2 pm
Registration required.
Discover how Native American Plains and Woodland peoples lived and find out what they ate, wore and made! Sara Russell of the Elgin Public Museum will bring some of the museum's fascinating hands-on materials to touch and explore.

Thanksgiving Break Week
Holiday Craft-O-Rama
Grades 1 – 5
Monday, November 19
2 – 3:30 pm
Community Rooms
Make holiday crafts to take home. All materials will be provided.

Bubble Wonders: A Show by Bubbleologist
Geoff Akins
Tuesday, November 20
1 or 2:30 pm (choose one)
Community Rooms
Have you ever seen a bubble caterpillar or a bubble volcano? You’ll be spellbound as you watch bubbleologist Geoff Akins do bubble tricks while sharing the positive message that “anything is possible.” Tickets for Gail Borden Public Library card holders will be available beginning November 1 at the Main Library’s registration desk, while tickets for those residing outside the Gail Borden Library district will be available November 13.

Mom-Can-Shop Movie: Brave
(PG, 93 minutes)
Friday, November 23
10 am and 2 pm
Community Rooms
No registration.
Dad and the kids can watch the movie together while mom gets some holiday shopping done. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

GET DRAWN INTO A GOOD BOOK THIS WINTER!
READING PROGRAM
December 10, 2012 – February 28, 2013
Birth – 8th grade
This winter you can not only read but become part of a good book at the library. Visit different stations in the Youth Center to become a character from your favorite book such as Harry Potter, Fancy Nancy, Wimpy Kid and more! Bring your camera. Register starting December 10. Complete your reading log and be entered for a chance to win prizes!
Kickoff Monday, December 10  6 pm
Come as your favorite book character and take home a winter treat!

THE GAMING EVENT
Grades 3 and up
Monday, November 12, December 3
6 – 8 pm
Community Rooms
Play card-based role-playing games like Pokemon and Yu-Gi-Oh! at this drop-in event. Beginners are welcome—we’ll teach you to play! Bring your cards to play or trade!
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Winter Film Festival

Community Rooms
No registration.
Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
Movies subject to change based on availability.

Wednesday, December 26
10 am  The Pirates! Band of Misfits (2012, PG)
2 pm  Secret of the Wings (2012, not rated)

Thursday, December 27
10 am  Big Top Scooby-Doo! (2012, not rated)
2 pm  Madagascar 3: Europe’s Most Wanted (2012, PG)

Friday, December 28
10 am  Ice Age: Continental Drift (2012, PG)
2 pm  Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (2012, PG)

Story Programs Boost Language Skills and Reading Readiness
Fall III Session November 12 – December 7
Registration begins October 29

Baby Rhyme Time  Birth – 11 months with an adult caregiver
Thursdays  6:15 pm
Fridays  9:15 am
Registration required.
Singing, clapping and simple stories.

Wonderful Ones  12 – 23 months
Mondays  6:15 pm
Tuesdays  10:45 am
Thursdays  11 am
Fridays  10 am
Registration required.
Short stories, fingerplays, rhymes and a music activity.

Terrific Twos  2 years with an adult
Tuesdays  6:15 pm
Wednesdays  9:15, 10, 10:45 am
Thursdays  10:15, 10:45 am
Registration required.
Stories, interactive fingerplays and other activities.

1,2,3, Go!  1 – 3 years with families
Wednesdays, November 7, 21, December 5  10 am
Community Rooms
No registration.
Families share stories, rhymes and musical activities together.

Story Mix for Three to Six
Preschool and kindergarten
Mondays  9:30 am, 3:30 pm
Tuesdays  10 am, 7 pm
Thursdays  10:15 am
Story Room North
No registration.
Stories, fingerplays and songs. Parents remain in the building but do not attend the class for a first “on my own” library experience for children.

Panera Milk & Cookie Storytime  3 – 6 years with adult
Tuesdays, November 6, 20, December 4  9:30 am
At Panera Bread, 322 Randall Road, South Elgin
Registration required.
Preschoolers will enjoy stories read by library staff followed by a milk and cookie snack compliments of Panera.

Family Storytime
Mondays  7 pm Community Rooms
Parents and children will enjoy stories, songs and crafts together.

Spanish Family Storytime
Wednesdays  7 – 7:30 pm Community Rooms B&C
Families who speak or are learning Spanish can enjoy stories, crafts and songs together at this program conducted entirely in Spanish. This is a great opportunity for children in a dual-language program to practice Spanish outside the classroom.

Cuentos para la Familia
Todos los miércoles a las 7 pm
En los Cuartos de la Comunidad B y C
No necesita registrarse.
¡30 minutos de cuentos, música, rimas, y más para el disfrute de toda la familia!

LOL @ GBPL  6 years – 2nd grade
Mondays 4 – 4:45 pm South Story Room
Have LOL fun while learning cool stuff, making things and playing games with weekly themes.

Sensory Storytime  New Program!
Sundays, October 28, November 4  1:30 – 2 pm
Community Room C
In-person registration required.
Families are invited for stories and music chosen for children ages 4 to 8 with developmental delays and sensory needs. Please register in person at the Main Library or Rakow Branch to fill out a required adaptive questionnaire.

Three ways to register:
- Online at gailborden.info/register
- Call 847-429-4597
- In person at the Registration Desk

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MIDDLE SCHOOL ZONE
Grades 6 – 8

TRIVIA NIGHT
Thursday, November 1  6 – 7 pm
Community Rooms A&B
Work alone or with a team of friends to answer questions, defeat the Trivia Master and win a delicious prize.

OPEN TECH LAB
Monday, November 12, Saturday, December 1  1 – 2 pm
Computer Training Room
Drop in for some free computer time! Available projects include 3D animation and basic game creation.

Studio 270 Hours
Grades 9 – 12
Monday – Thursday  3 – 9 pm
Friday  3 – 6 pm
Saturday  Noon – 6 pm
Sunday  Noon – 5 pm

Trivia Night
Tuesday, November 6  6 – 7 pm
Take the trivia challenge!

TAB: Teen Advisory Board
Wednesdays, November 7, December 5  6 – 7 pm
Share your opinions on teen programs at the library and earn volunteer hours at the same time.

DIY Mouse Trap Magnet Clips
Monday, November 12
Drop in anytime from 3 to 7 pm for Do-It-Yourself projects and crafts.

XBox Tournament: NBA
Tuesday, November 13  3 – 7 pm
Do you have what it takes to compete in Studio 270’s xBox Tournament? Sign up for a spot and claim bragging rights.

Seasons Greetings
November 19 – 21  3 – 7 pm
Drop in and create your own one-of-a-kind holiday cards and ornaments to give to friends and family. All supplies will be provided.

ZONE LEADERSHIP TEAM
Wednesday, November 14, Thursday, December 6  6 – 7:30 pm
Earn volunteer hours and help shape the future of the Middle School Zone. Apply at the Main Library Youth Desk.

Magnet Mania
Tuesday, December 4  6 – 7 pm
Community Rooms A&B
Create designer magnets to showcase your style and interests.

Be a Volunteen!
Teens in grades 7 to 10 can volunteer for an hour a week preparing craft materials, helping with displays and other projects. Sign up forms are available in the Youth Center and must be signed by a parent or guardian. For information about available timeslots, call the Youth Desk at 847-429-4685.

Open Mic Night
Tuesdays, November 20, December 18  7 – 8 pm
Musicians, poets, comedians and story tellers are welcome.

Pizza and Books
Thursdays, November 29, December 13  6 – 7 pm
Stop by for a slice of pizza and join in on the conversation about books we’re reading.

Holiday Flicks
Warm up with some hot cocoa, cookies and flicks.

How the Grinch Stole Christmas (2000, PG)
Wednesday, December 26
11 am & 3 pm

Elf (2003, PG)
Friday, December 28
11 am & 3 pm

College Application and FAFSA Assistance
High School seniors should be hard at work on college applications, but sometimes those essays can be a real challenge! Come to Studio 270 for help in editing and proofreading. Parents should be aware that the FAFSA application is right around the corner. You can receive help with the FAFSA process by contacting Librarian Melissa Lane at mlane@gailborden.info or at 847-289-5837.
Nature Weaving
Saturday, November 10   9 – 10:30 am
Join Naturalist April Anderson and hear
an ancient weaving legend, take a walk
in the natural area surrounding Rakow
and use the materials you find to create a
simple weaving. Registration required.

DIY – Recycled Ornaments
Saturday, December 1   2 – 3 pm
Create holiday ornaments out of
recycled materials at this family program.
Registration required.

eBooks Made Easy for Mobile Users
Saturday, December 1   10 – 10:45 am
Bring your
Smartphone, iPad, Nook Color, Nook
Tablet or Android
device and learn how
to download eBooks
from the library. Bring
your Gail Borden
Library card. Please register.

eBooks Made Easy for
Kindle Users
Saturday, December 1   11 – 11:45 am
Bring your Kindle or Kindle Fire and
learn how to download eBooks
from the library. Bring your Gail Borden
Library card. Please register.

Gifts for Feathered Friends
Saturday, December 15   9 – 10:30 am
Join Naturalist April Anderson for a
fun morning of birding adventure!
Make peanut butter and pine cone bird
feeders, then go on a birding walk.
Dress for the weather.
Registration
required.

Winter Break – Kids’ Yoga!
Friday, December 28   1 – 1:45 pm
Certified yoga instructor Danae Molitor
will lead children in an imaginative and
fun yoga class designed to decrease
stress and improve concentration.
Registration required.

Rakow Readers Book Club
Mondays   1:30 – 2:30 pm
Shales Living Room
No registration.
November 26   Cleopatra: A Life
by Stacy Schiff
December 17   The Language of Flowers
by Vanessa Diffenbaugh

Nick Sarillo of Nick’s Pizza: How to get a slice of your pie!
Thursday, November 8   6 pm   Rakow Branch
Meet the entrepreneur and author of
A Slice of the Pie: How to Build a Big Little Business.
Sarillo is the founder and CEO of Nick’s Pizza &
Pub, one of the top ten busiest pizza restaurants in
the country. His new book explores how he built his extraordinary
culture. Book sales and signing will follow the program. Plus, taste
some of Nick’s Pizza! Please register.

Thank you to the following local businesses for making Library
Card Sign-Up Month, September, 2012 a success!

2 Doors Down Antiques
A Glass Act
Al’s Café
Alexanders
Andersen’s Engraving
Anderson Animal Shelter
The Annex
Artistic Framing & Supplies
Bear Family McDonald’s
Big Apple Bagels
Boston Market
Colonial Café
Dairy Queen Orange Julius
Douglas Street Sports Bar
Dulce Vida Bakery
Elgin Antiques & Uniques
Elgin Books
Elgin Historical Museum
Elgin House of Pancakes
Elgin Knit Works
Elgin Public House
Elgin Public Museum
Herb’s Bakery
In the Neighborhood Deli & Café
Jang’s Taekwondo
Modern Age Comics
Mr. Wok Chinese Restaurant
The Mustache Cup
Old Town Pizza
Original Country Donuts
Randall’s Pancake House
Roll N Donut
Rookies 2
Salon Couture
Soulful Sparrow
SpaceTaste Gallery
Spirels Yogurt Delites
State Street Market Shops
T & L Salon
Taylor Family Branch YMCA
Toom Toom Thai
The Village Squire
Walnut Speakeasy
Wienville

Gail Borden Thanks:
Dave Arenson, Sales Manager of Biggers
Chevrolet, for volunteering to provide a
truck and hitch and drive the library’s float
in the International Fest Parade.
Thank you to Silvia Schrage of Ambl
Language Services for generously
providing interpreting and translation
services pro bono for the Voter Education
Forum on September 26.
Millikin University Percussion Ensemble
November 18
The Millikin Percussion Ensembles under the direction of Brian Justison have been widely acclaimed for their performances and recordings. Since 1998, they have toured internationally and released three critically acclaimed CDs.

Screening of In the Footsteps of Marco Polo
Discussion by Emmy-Nominated Director Francis O’Donnell
Thursday, November 1
6 – 8:30 pm
Community Rooms A&B
Denis Belliveau and Francis O’Donnell retrace Marco Polo’s entire 25,000-mile land-and-sea route from Venice to China and back. O’Donnell, the Emmy-nominated director, producer and subject of this PBS documentary, will be here to discuss his film and book. Book and DVD sales and signing will follow the program. Please register.

Brown Bag Lunch Classic Films
Mondays in the Community Rooms. Coffee will be served.
No registration.

November 12  Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream House (1948)
11 am – 1:30 pm
December 10 Scrooge (A Christmas Carol) (1951)
11 am – 1 pm

The Interrupters Documentary
Community Screening and Discussion
at Spartan Auditorium at Elgin Community College
Thursday, November 8
6 – 9:30 pm
Community Rooms A&B
The Interrupters tells the moving story of three “violence interrupters” in Chicago who try to protect their communities from the violence they once employed. Join one urban hero, Cobe Williams of Cease Fire, as he facilitates this essential community discussion. For more information, contact Kimberly Tarver at ktarver@elgin.edu or 847-214-7541. In partnership with ECC and ECN. No cost or registration.

FILMS

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

Kristine Stout, Handbells
December 2
Handbell soloist Kristine Stout sparkles with humor and energy. Her handbell solos and digital keyboard orchestrations are her own creations, designed for and delivered with joy!

Reel Women for Real Women
Co-sponsored by the AAUW Elgin Area Branch.
A film and discussion at 6 pm focused on women’s issues. No registration.
The Invisible War (2012)
Tuesday, November 27 and Thursday, November 29
Community Rooms
An investigative documentary about the epidemic of rape of soldiers within the U.S. military. Discussion led by Johanna Buwalda, Director of Mental Health at VVAV Military and Veterans Counseling. There will be a second screening of the film on November 29.
**Touch Typing Peer Group**

*Wednesdays, November 7 – December 19*
11:30 am – 12:30 pm
*Computer Training Room*
Learn touch typing at your own pace. Stop by this open lab to advance through Mavis Beacon Teaches Typing Software. No registration.

**The Secret to Endless Creativity**

*Wednesday, November 7  7 – 8:30 pm*
*Meeting Room 2*
Certified Master Coach and professional artist Patricia LaCroix uses the principles of *The Artist's Way* to show you how to restore and release your creativity on a regular basis. *Please register.*

**HeroClix Tournaments**

*Saturdays 1 – 5 pm*
November 10
*Community Room C*
December 8
*Meeting Room 2*
Players will compete for the most powerful weapon in the Marvel Universe. Prizes, demos and cool giveaways. No registration.

**The Basics of Selling on eBay and Amazon**

*Monday, November 12  7 – 8:30 pm*
*Meeting Room 1*
Learn how to make money selling your stuff online. As a successful Internet entrepreneur Jack Waddick will share his step-by-step plan for getting started. *Please register.*

**Fiction Writing Group**

Writing instructor Randall Dunn will facilitate this group in which writers share stories and receive group feedback. The group meets from 6:30 to 8 pm. *Please register.*

*Wednesday, November 14  Romance, young adult and children’s stories*
*Conference Room*

*Thursday, December 13  Any genre*
*Meeting Room 1*

**Kilimanjaro and Me: One Man’s Journey to the Rooftop of Africa**

*Monday, December 10  7 – 8:30 pm*
*Meeting Room 1*
Doug Dvorak delivers an entertaining and educational talk on the challenges he experienced while climbing to the rooftop of Africa at Mt. Kilimanjaro — 19,340 feet. Doug also provides you with breathtaking pictures of the flora, fauna, wildlife and native Massai people who inhabit this beautiful, yet misunderstood continent. *Please register.*

**Craft Supply Swap**

*Saturday, November 17  9 am – 1 pm*
*Conference Rooms*
Select free, recycled items from donated supplies for your next craft project. If you want to donate craft supplies, drop them off at the Customer Service Desk of the Main Library on October 27, November 3 or November 10.

**What is Fair Trade?**

*Thursday, November 29  7 pm*
*Meeting Room 2*
As we stop to wonder who grows our food, or makes our holiday gifts, fair trade can provide a powerful, positive answer. Julia Jones explains fair trade and identifies its global connections and how farmers or craftspeople who participate in fair trade earn living wages and work in dignified conditions. Learn how fair trade helps others help themselves. *Please register.*

**Sponsored in collaboration with the Elgin Community Network and ECCO.**

**Condos, Townhouses & HOA’s**

*November 20*
*Community Rooms A&B*
A free seminar for condominium, townhome and homeowner association residents and boards of directors focusing on building a strong community association. A roundtable format covers different topics including building your board, duties of a board, assessment collection, budgets and reserves, property taxes, recruiting volunteers and selecting service providers. *Please register.*

**Earth-Friendly Holiday Traditions from Around the World**

*December 18*
*Community Rooms*
Discover holiday traditions from other countries and make Swedish hearts, share treats and see a Swedish Yule Bok, the Norwegian Nise, Indian statuaries of gods/goddesses (Diwali), Egyptian Ramadan Lanterns and the Menorah (Chanukah). Sponsored by Elgin Public Museum, ECCO, ECN and Gail Borden Public Library. Visit www.ecco-foxvalley.net for more information. No registration.

**Our Lady of the Angels School Fire: A Chicago Tragedy**

*Thursday, December 6  7 – 8:30 pm*
*Meeting Room 1*
Historian and Marengo resident Jim Gibbons will present the story of this tragedy based on newspaper articles, eyewitness accounts and a personal connection. This program is for ages 18 and older because of somewhat graphic images. *Please register.*

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Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer’s Disease: The Basics
Hosted by Alzheimer’s Association, Greater Illinois Chapter
Tuesday, December 11    7 – 8:30 pm
Community Rooms A&B
Learn the difference between normal, age-related memory changes and more serious memory problems that should be evaluated by a medical professional. Please register.

Will the World End in 2012?
Wednesday, December 12   7 – 8 pm
Community Rooms A&B
Some say the next doomsday is right around the corner: December 21, 2012. But why this date? Michelle Nichols from the Adler Planetarium will explain the science—and pseudo-science—behind the headlines, including the history of other recent “doomsdays,” an odd object some call “Nibiru” and the Mayan calendar. Please register.

Mixed Media: Create Your Own Holiday Keepsake Album
Sunday, December 16    2 – 4 pm
Community Rooms
Create an album from easy-to-find items for the holiday as a keepsake or gift. Led by freelance designer, author and craft instructor Madeline Arendt. Please register in advance at the library as there is a $10 fee per person.

Stitch 'N B----
2nd Thursdays 6 – 8:30 pm
Meeting Room 2
Bring your crafts, crocheting, cross stitching, knitting, needle pointing or quilting. No registration.

Business
Elgin Entrepreneurs Networking Group
Tuesdays, November 6, December 4    7 – 8 pm
Meeting Room 2
Network and chat with other local self-employed professionals. See also facebook.com/ElginEntrepreneurs.

IDES Reemployment Services Workshop
Wednesday, November 7, 21, December 5, 19
1:30 – 3 pm
Meeting Room 1
Learn about networking, resume writing, job search and interviewing techniques. For information, contact the Illinois Department of Employment Security in Elgin at 847-931-2180.

The Social Media Buzz that Brands Your Biz
Tuesday, November 13 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Meeting Room 1
Find out how to integrate social media as part of your marketing efforts. Discover the difference among social media sites and how to use them effectively. Presented by Sheryl Theisen, owner of hYperstrand Marketing Inc. in partnership with Fox Valley SCORE. Please register.

Listen Learn and Lead Toastmasters Club
Second and fourth Thursday noon – 1 pm
Meeting Room 2
Become the speaker and leader you want to be. No registration.

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eLearning
Gail Borden Now has Kindles!
Check out a Kindle Touch at the Main Library or Rakow Branch. Titles include The Book Thief, The Night Circus and more. The Kindles were provided by the Eliminate the Digital Divide grant, awarded by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

Download eBooks at the Library
Thinking about asking for an eReader or Tablet this holiday season? After the holidays, come to the library for a demonstration of how to download eBooks. Sign up for a class or make an appointment for a one-on-one session. For details call the Information Desk at 847-429-4680.

Which eReader Is Right For Me?
Sunday, November 18 2 – 3:30 pm
Meeting Room 1
See and learn about features of several eReader options including Nook, Kindle, iPad and tablets. Please register.

*The December 4 program will be streamed live at www.gailborden.info. The service is being made available through a partnership with the City of Elgin. Please register.
Great Books Discussion Group
Meetings are on Mondays at 6:55 pm in Meeting Room 2. Co-sponsored by the American Association of University Women Elgin Branch. For more information, call Rachel Bloomberg at 630-391-2966.

**November 12** Tartuffe by Moliere
(Translated by Richard Wilbur.)

**December 10** Selected Poems by Lisel Mueller

Women Authors
The group meets at 7 pm in Meeting Room 2 and discusses classic literature authored by women, focusing on English and American women from the beginning of the novel through 1950. No registration.

**Monday, November 19**
North and South by Elizabeth Gaskell

Walking Book Club
The club meets every Wednesday night at 7 pm for 45 minutes of walking followed by 45 minutes of book discussion. Call Nancy at 847-289-5840 for more details.

**November Book** The Submission by Amy Waldman

Contemporary Fiction Book Group
The group meets one Wednesday a month at 7 pm in Meeting Room 2. For more information, contact Tish at 847-289-5838.

**November 14** The Language of Flowers by Vanessa Diffenbaugh

**December 19** The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

20’s and 30’s Book Club
The group meets at 7 pm in Meeting Room 1. Co-sponsored by the American Association of University Women Elgin Branch. No registration.

**Monday, November 26** Major Pettigrew’s Last Stand by Helen Simonson

Classics Book Discussion:
Discover the Personal Stories of World War II Veterans

**Veterans Day, Sunday, November 11**
2 – 3 pm Community Rooms
They Answered the Call was featured in this year’s National Book Festival, Books that Shaped America, on the National Mall. Book sales and author signing will take place. A portion of book sales in Elgin will be donated to the Phase II project of the Elgin Veterans Memorial Park. No registration.

Armchair Generals:
A Civil War and Lincoln Brown Bag

**Lunch Interest Group**
11:45 am – 1:15 pm

**Tuesday, November 13**
Kloke Construction, 1325 Spaulding Road, Elgin to visit the Lincoln Funeral Car replica construction.

**Tuesday, December 11**
Meeting Room 2

Join forces to commemorate events, share insights and talk about books or experiences during the 150th anniversary of the Civil War. Bring your own hardtack. No registration.

Antique Interest Group

**Tuesday, November 27** 7 – 8 pm
Meeting Room 2

Learn how to identify your treasures, determine their age, research markets and value, care for and repair them at this monthly meeting. Please bring a small object you’d like to talk about. Facilitated by collector Patricia Harkin and Ray Maxwell, owner of Elgin Antiques and Uniques. No registration.

Please remember during this giving season that you can make a lasting contribution to your community by including the Library Foundation in your charitable plans. Please visit www.gailborden.info/foundation to make an online donation or for more information.

Sincerely,
Jean Bednar and Karen Schock
Book Sale Co-Chairs

Book Sale Extravaganza!

It couldn’t have happened without YOU!

Our Gail Borden Public Library Foundation Book Sale was a tremendous success, grossing over $28,000, which will be used for future library projects and activities. The book sale could not have happened without the hard work and support of our community. We received an overwhelming number of donations of books and media from library customers. Thank you donators.

Over 25 volunteers worked for nine months, undaunted by the size of the job, classifying and labeling as well as packing books in boxes. We planned for 650 boxes of books—and ended up with over 1,000! Thank you sorters.

Members of the St. Ed’s football team joined over 30 other volunteers to move those boxes to tables and display the books. Then the “days of sale” volunteers worked diligently to keep the tables neat and orderly, constantly restocking them. Other volunteers made sure the check-out procedure was efficient and friendly. Thank you set-up, re-stockers and sales people.

Costs were defrayed by monetary or in-kind contributions from Complete Cleaning Company, Elgin Corrugated Box and Elgin Fresh Market. Thank you for making our sale so profitable.

Over the ten months of planning, the Gail Borden staff was incredibly generous with their time, effort, support and expertise. Thanks to the staff for helping us so much!

And it was the community that came to the sale and supported it in such a grand way that made the Foundation’s Book Sale so successful! Thank you to the exceptional Gail Borden Library supporters and patrons!

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Tools for the New Economy
The library is offering a wide variety of opportunities for developing technology and workplace skills thanks to funds from the Eliminate the Digital Divide grant. All programs require registration and are for district residents only. Register at gailborden.info/register, by calling 847-429-4597 or in person at the Registration Desk in the lobby starting October 25.

Key:
M Mouse skills required.
K Keyboard skills recommended.
E Assistance in Spanish is offered in this class, which is presented in English.

Mouse Program
Saturday, November 3 10 am – noon
Thursday, December 6 10 am – noon
For those who need practice using a mouse.

Internet 1 – Basics
Saturday, November 10 10 am – noon
Thursday, December 13 10 am – noon
Learn how to use the web and the basics of Internet terminology, then visit some websites. M

Internet 2 – Searching
Saturday, November 17 10 am – noon
Thursday, December 20 10 am – noon
Learn how to use some Internet search engines and a directory. Basic mouse skills are required. M

Internet 3 – Email
Saturday, November 24 10 am – noon
Thursday, December 27 10 am – noon
The basics of reading and sending email will be covered. M, K

Word 2010 – Intro Part 1
Tuesday, November 6 6:30 – 8:30 pm
A basic introduction to working with Microsoft Word 2010. M, K, E

Word 2010 – Intro Part 2
Tuesday, November 13 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Create, edit and print a simple document using Microsoft Word 2010. M, K, E

Word 2010 – Formatting Documents
Tuesday, November 20 6:30 – 8:30 pm
How to use bullets, numbers, fonts and other tools to improve the visual appeal of your documents. M, K, E

Word 2010 – Adding Pizazz to Documents
Tuesday, November 27 6:30 – 8:30 pm
How to use Clip Art, WordArt, Building Blocks and other tools to improve the visual appeal of your documents. M, K, E

Excel 2010 – Introduction
Thursday, November 1 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Learn what a spreadsheet is and how to create one. M, K

Excel 2010 – Presenting Numbers
Thursday, November 15 6:30 – 8:30 pm
How to use borders, charts and other options to increase the visual appeal of your spreadsheets. M, K

Excel 2010 – Formulas for Success
Thursday, November 29 6:30 – 8:30 pm
How to calculate totals, percentages and averages. M, K

PowerPoint 2010 – Intro Part 1
Wednesday, December 12 6:30 – 8:30 pm
A basic introduction to working with Microsoft PowerPoint. M, K

PowerPoint 2010 – Intro Part 2
Thursday, December 13 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Create and edit an on-screen presentation. M, K

Google Docs – Intro Part 1
Tuesday, December 4 6:30 – 8:30 pm
A basic introduction to working “in the cloud” with Google Docs. M, K, E

Google Docs – Intro Part 2
Tuesday, December 11 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Create, edit and print a basic document. M, K, E

Google Docs – Sharing, Privacy, Printing and Publishing
Tuesday, December 18 6:30 – 8:30 pm
How to manage, share and protect your documents. M, K, E

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En Español
Herramientas para la Nueva Economía

Clave:
M Se necesita conocimiento del ratón.
K Se recomienda que tenga conocimiento del teclado.
E Se ofrece ayuda en español para esta clase que se presenta en inglés.

Manejar el Ratón
domingo, 4 de noviembre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda las funciones del ratón y el manejo de Windows.

Manejar el Teclado – Parte 1
domingo, 11 de noviembre 2 – 4:30 pm
Se familiarizará con el teclado de la computadora y aprenderá a usar las diferentes teclas con sus diferentes funciones. Se requiere inscripción. M

Manejar el Teclado – Parte 2
lunes, 12 de noviembre 6:30 – 8:30 pm
En esta sesión tendrá la oportunidad de continuar el curso interactivo de la Parte 1 o de hacer ejercicios para continuar practicando las habilidades del teclado con la supervisión de una instructora. M

Explorar el Internet – Parte 1
domingo, 18 de noviembre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda cómo se navega el Internet. Se requiere inscripción. M, K

Explorar el Internet – Parte 2
domingo, 2 de diciembre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda más de cómo se navega el Internet. Se requiere inscripción. M, K

Introducción al Correo Electrónico
domingo, 9 de diciembre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda cómo leer y mandar correo electrónico. M, K

Introducción a Microsoft Word 2010 – Parte 1
domingo, 16 de diciembre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda a usar este programa para crear documentos. M, K

Introducción a Microsoft Word 2010 – Parte 2
domingo, 23 de diciembre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda a usar este programa para crear documentos. M, K
Bilingual Parenting Programs by Two Rivers Head Start
Parents of children from birth to five years learn how to help children and families remain healthy in body and mind. No registration.

Disabilities
Tuesday, November 6
9:30 – 10:30 am
Meeting Room 2

Dental Care
Tuesday, November 13
9:30 – 10:30 am
Meeting Room 1

Preventative Medical Health/Birth Control
Tuesday, December 4
9:30 – 10:30 am
Meeting Room 1

Programas para Padres por Two Rivers Head Start
Estos programas están abiertos a todos los padres y se recomiendan en específico para los que tienen niños entre recién nacidos y los 5 años. Se enfocan en ayudar a los niños y a las familias a estar saludables en cuerpo y mente. No hace falta inscribirse.

Niños con Discapacidades
martes, 6 de noviembre
9:30 – 10:30 am    Salón de Reuniones 2

Cuidado Dental
martes, 13 de noviembre
9:30 – 10:30 am    Salón de Reuniones 1

Salud Médica Preventiva/Control de Natalidad
martes, 4 de diciembre 9:30 – 10:30 am
Salón de Reuniones 1

Lo básico: La pérdida de memoria, la demencia, y la enfermedad de Alzheimer
Presentado por la Alzheimer’s Association, Capítulo de Illinois
martes, 11 de diciembre
7 – 8:30 pm
Salón de Conferencias 2do Piso

Temas del taller incluyen: causas comunes de la pérdida de memoria, factores de riesgo, y la importancia de la detección temprana. Favor de inscribirse.