Gail Borden Public Library Foundation Book Sale
September 20 – 23 Community Rooms
Thursday 6 – 9 pm Friends Night
Friday and Saturday 10 am – 5 pm
Sunday 1 – 4 pm
Thanks to Book Sale sponsor Complete Cleaning Company.
Thousands of books as well as movies, music, audiobooks, games, puzzles and more will be on sale to fund exciting exhibits for the library and community. Browse through adult, teen and children's literature of every kind of genre including mysteries, historical fiction, fantasy, romance, westerns and graphic novels as well as cookbooks, sports, home improvement, gardening and coffee table books. Pay with cash or credit card. For early bird shopping on Thursday, become a Friend of the Foundation. For more information, go to gailborden.info.

Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration
Roots and Wings
Saturday, October 13 2 – 5 pm
This community-organized celebration will have something for everyone including music and dance, live art by Elgin youth, Latino artists, storytelling, Latin American food tastings and more!

Library Hours to Change
Beginning Tuesday, September 4
We heard you and we are responding. Thank you for your feedback. The operating and drive-up hours of the Main Library and Rakow Branch will be changing. The most significant changes include Friday hours for the Rakow Branch and the extended half-hour on Fridays and Saturdays at Main. Please note the new hours below, effective September 4:

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New Library Concierge Team—
There to Help You!
Along with our new, extended hours, the library is excited to offer yet another new component of customer service—the Library Concierge Team. The Library Concierge is dedicated to helping you navigate the library's full range of resources and services in a quick and direct way. You'll recognize members of the Concierge Team by the gold badges they wear. Think of the Team as the express lane, getting you where you want to be without the local traffic!
Harvest Festival
Families
Saturday, September 29
1 – 3 pm
Celebrate the autumn season with gardening, games, crafts, refreshments and music by singer and guitarist Rob Scallon.

Celebrate Fall/Celebrar el Otoño
Kindergarten – 2nd grade
Thursday, October 18
3:30 – 4:15 pm
Registration begins October 4.
Celebrate fall at this dual-language program. Niños de kinder a segundo grado están invitados a celebrar el otoño con esté programa de lenguaje dual. La inscripción comienza el 4 de octubre.

Halloween Happening
Kindergarten – grade 3
Monday, October 29
Preschool – kindergarten 10 am
Preschool – grade 3 3:30 pm
Wear your costume for a parade through the library and stop by our “spooky” stations.

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Predict the Pumpkin Poundage
All ages
October 1 – 20
It’s not the Great Pumpkin, but it’s close! Unlike Linus, you’ll know where this pumpkin is—the Youth Center! Stop by to guess its weight. The person with the closest guess wins the pumpkin. Courtesy of Klein’s Farm and Garden Market.

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Preschool – grade 3 3:30 pm
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Sports Trading Card Club
Ages 6 and up
Thursdays, September 13, October 11
3:30 – 5 pm
South Story Room
Kids bring their sports card collection to show and trade.

Read to Rover
Kindergarten and up
Saturdays, September 8, October 13
10, 10:30, 11 or 11:30 am
South 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.

Ecobot Make and Take
Grades 4 – 8
October 10 4 pm
Youth Center
Registration required.
See page 4 for more information.

Fall Fun

Zombie Fest
Thursday, October 25
6 – 8:15 pm
Community Rooms
Families will get into zombie crafts and activities, learn the Thriller dance from Dixon Dance Academy instructors and participate in a zombie walk through the library. Costumes encouraged!

No School Day Specials

Family Film: Barbie – The Princess and the Popstar (2012)
Friday, October 5 10 am
Community Rooms

Incredible Bats!
Families
Friday, October 5
Two sessions: 1:30 – 2:30 pm or 3 – 4 pm
Community Rooms
Learn about and see live Egyptian fruit bats. Be sure to bring a camera!

Family Film: Beverly Hills Chihuahua 3 (2012)
Monday, October 8 2 pm
Community Rooms
Story Programs Boost Language Skills and Reading Readiness

**Fall II Session October 1 – 26**
Registration begins September 17

### New program!

**Baby Rhyme Time**
- Birth – 11 months with an adult
- Thursdays 6:15 am
- 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, 10:45 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, September 12, 26, October 10, 24, 10 am
- 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
- 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, September 11, 25, October 9, 23 9:30 am
- At Panera Bread, 322 Randall Road, South Elgin
- Registration now open.
- Preschoolers will enjoy stories read by library staff followed by a milk and cookie snack compliments of Panera.

**Family Storytime**
- All ages
- Mondays 7 pm
- 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. 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
- ¡30 minutos de cuentos, música, rimas, y más para el disfrute de toda la familia! No necesita registrarse.

**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!

**New program!**

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Teen Scream Horror Film Fest

- Wednesday October 31 3 – 9 pm
- We have the snacks, you bring the fear.
- Stay all day or as long as you dare for this back-to-back movie marathon. The films featured will be The Uninvited, The Ring and The Cave, all PG-13.

TAB: Teen Advisory Board

- Wednesdays, September 5, October 3 6 – 7 pm
- Share your opinions on teen programs at the library and earn volunteer hours at the same time.

Trivia Night

- Tuesday, September 11 6 – 7 pm
- Are you one smart cookie? Then come to our trivia night to challenge the best!

DIY

- Drop in anytime from 3 to 7 pm for Do-It-Yourself projects and crafts.
- Duct Tape Monday, September 17
- T-Shirt Design Monday, October 8

Open Mic Night

- Tuesdays, September 25, October 23 7 – 8 pm
- Musicians, poets, comedians and story tellers are welcome.

Pizza & Books

- Thursdays, September 20, October 11 6 – 7 pm
- Stop by for a slice of pizza and join in on the conversation about books we're reading.

Teen Read Week: It Came From the Library

- October 14 – 20
- Stop by all week to make crafts, catch a flick, complete a scavenger hunt and more!

Teen Programs

Studio 270 Hours

Sixty-Second Challenges

- Tuesday, September 4 6 – 7 pm
- Compete in a series of physical and mental challenges—each lasting only one minute!

Hunger Games Movie and Book Discussion

- Saturday, September 8 1 – 4 pm
- Community Rooms
- Watch the The Hunger Games movie (PG-13) and discuss the book with other fans.

Ecobot Make and Take

- Grades 4 – 8
- October 10 4 pm
- Youth Center
- Registration required.
- Kids will make their very own brush bot with instruction from University of Illinois Extension 4-H volunteers in honor of National Youth Science Day. Thank you to Motorola Corp. for their generous donation that made this possible.

Zone Leadership Team

- Wednesdays, September 12, October 10 6 – 7:30 pm
- Middle School Zone and Computer Training Room
- Earn volunteer hours and help shape future displays and events in the Middle School Zone. Apply at the Main Library’s Youth Desk.

Open Tech Lab

- Thursdays, September 20, October 18 4 – 5 pm
- Computer Training Room
- Learn how to create a 3D computer model with Google Sketch-Up, create your own animated movie with a program called Alice, design a simple video game using Scratch or just play games on an iPad.

Make Your Own Thai String Doll

- Tuesday, October 2 6 – 7 pm
- Community Rooms A&B
- Learn the skills you’ll need to create an army of miniature zombies, monsters or cute animals.

Artist Trading Card Workshop

- Saturday, October 20 2 – 3 pm
- Community Room C
- Create and share your own trading-card-sized works of art.

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Dissect Owl Pellets
Grades 3 – 8
Saturday, September 15  2 – 3 pm
Registration required.
What do owls eat? Find out in this hands-on program, and take home your own owl pellet.

Rakow Readers Book Club
Mondays
1:30 – 2:30 pm
Shales Living Room
No registration.
September 24  Salvage the Bones by Jesmyn Ward
October 22  The Submission by Amy Waldman
For further information, contact Susan at sfarnham@gailborden.info or 847-931-2094.

Read to Rover
Kindergarten and up
Saturdays, September 22, October 27
10, 10:30, 11 or 11:30 am
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.

Rakow Teddy Bear Sleepover
Thursday, October 25  3:30 – 4:30 pm
Registration required.
Bring your teddy bear to a fall sleepover with stories and fun. After you leave, the teddy bears will get to trick or treat, harvest a pumpkin and go on a hayride. Library staff will take pictures so that you can see how much fun your teddy bear had. Pick up your teddy bear on October 26 or 27.

The Reading Is So Delicious 2012 Summer Reading Program kept kids reading throughout the summer with more than 8,500 registered. Thank you to the following contributors for making summer reading a success:

- EFS Foundation
- Seigle Family Foundation
- School Dist. U-46
- The City of Elgin
- Anthony Pedote
- Windy City Carnivals
- Elgin Boys & Girls Club
- Gail Borden Public Library Foundation
- Tom Roeser of Otto Engineering
- Sigi Psimenos
- Harvest Market

- Applebee’s
- Bear Family McDonald’s
- Brunswick Zone XL
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Carol Stream Park District
- City of Elgin
- Classic Cinemas
- Cold Stone Creamery
- Colonial Ice Cream
- Dairy Queen
- DuPage Children’s Museum
- Epic Air Park
- Famous Dave’s
- Funway
- GameWorks
- Illinois Railway Museum
- In the Neighborhood Deli
- Jan Brown at Allegra
- Jang’s Taekwondo
- JumpZone
- Keith’s Komix
- Kim’s Black Belt Academy
- Kuipers Family Farm
- Lazer Maxx Legoland
- Discovery Center
- Meatheads Burgers and Fries
- Medieval Times
- Modern Age Comics
- Nick’s Pizza
- Noodles & Company
- Paint Ball Explosion
- Schaumburg Boomers
- South Elgin Parks and Recreation
- Spring Hill Gymnastics
- Taco Bell
- Under the Big Top
- Van’s Frozen Yogurt
- Wendy’s

Summer Reading Challenge Trophies to be Awarded at International Festival
Saturday, September 1  4:45 pm
Join Dr. Jose Torres, Superintendent of Dist. U-46 Schools, and Carole Medal, Executive Director of Gail Borden Public Library, at Elgin’s International Festival on the main stage in Festival Park when they congratulate all students for reading during the summer. They will also make the trophy presentation to the schools that won the Dr. Torres Summer Reading Challenge of 2012. Don’t forget to stop by the library booth!
Sunday Afternoon Concert Series
The one-hour performances begin at 2 pm in the Community Rooms. Meet the artists and enjoy refreshments after each concert. Free tickets are available at the Main Library and Rakow Branch three weeks prior to each concert.

September 9
Kyle and Ryan Jannak-Huang
The talented 14-year-old twin brothers will perform solo and four-hand piano pieces.

October 14
Moises Bonella Cunha and Toma Iliev
Moises Bonella Cunha, a Brazilian violinist, and Toma Iliev, a Bulgarian violinist/pianist, will play Brazilian songs and Argentinian tango.

Elgin Symphony Orchestra’s Listeners Club
Wednesdays 1 – 3 pm Meeting Room 2
September 5 A Change in the Air
October 3 Night of Enchantment
October 31 Pictures at an Exhibition

Enhance your enjoyment of the Symphony’s Classics Series concerts when their music is presented by Jim Kendros, often called “the North Shore’s favorite music historian.” To register, contact Wendy Evans at 847-888-0404 or w.evans@elginsymphony.org.

ESO Master Class
Saturdays 10 – 11:30 am
Community Rooms
Joyce Yang, Piano September 8
Elena Urioste, Violin October 6
Witness the learning process as a world-class and renowned Elgin Symphony guest artist works with area students on technique and musicianship. No registration.

Brown Bag Lunch Classic Films
Mondays in the Community Rooms.
Coffee will be served.
No registration.
September 10 Hello, Dolly! (1969)
11 am – 1:30 pm
October 8 The Day the Earth Stood Still (1951)
11 am – 1 pm

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.
Tuesday, September 25
Meeting Room 1
Presented in partnership with the Renz Center’s Mujer a Mujer program.
What Ever Happened to Baby Jane? (1962)
Tuesday, October 23
Community Rooms A&B
Discussion on women’s roles in horror films facilitated by Elizabeth Haney of Elgin’s Acme Design, Inc.

The Things They Carried
Performed by Billy Lyons and Directed by Wynn Handman.
Thursday, September 27
7 – 8:30 pm
Community Rooms
This event features an excerpt of The American Place Theatre’s powerful stage presentation of Tim O’Brien’s acclaimed book and an interactive discussion facilitated by a Master Teaching Artist on the book’s themes. Presented by Elgin Community College Arts Center. No registration.
Elgin Entrepreneurs Networking Group  
**Tuesdays, September 4, October 2**  
7 – 8 pm  
**Meeting Room 2**  
Meet and share ideas with other local entrepreneurs. More information at Facebook.com/Elgin Entrepreneurs. *No registration.*

IDES Reemployment Services Workshop  
**Wednesdays, September 5, 19, October 3, 17**  
1:30 – 3 pm  
**Meeting Room 1**  
Learn about networking, résumé writing, job search and interviewing techniques. For additional information contact the Illinois Department of Employment Security in Elgin at 847-888-7900 x240. *No registration.*

HeroClix Tournaments  
**Saturdays, September 8, October 6**  
1 – 5 pm  
**Meeting Room 2**  
Players will compete for the most powerful weapon in the Marvel Universe. Prizes, demos and cool giveaways. *No registration.*

Basics of Apple Computer  
**Tuesday, September 11**  
7 – 8 pm  
**Meeting Room 1**  
Brian Blaha of B.R.U.C. Computers will introduce you to the different pieces that make up the Mac interface. You’ll learn how to use the Finder and Finder windows, the desktop, the menu bar, the Dock, the Trash, files and folders, and more. *Please register.*

Fiction Writing Group  
Writing instructor Randall Dunn will facilitate this group in which writers share samples of their stories and receive constructive group feedback. *Please register.*  
**Thursday, September 13**  
6:30 – 8 pm  
**Community Room C**  
Action-adventure, mystery and suspense.

Credit Conscious  
**Thursday, September 13**  
6 – 8 pm  
**Meeting Room 1**  
Learn how to manage and rebuild your credit. Find out how improving your credit rating can help you achieve your financial goals. *Please register.*

Credit Conscious  
**Wednesday, October 10**  
6:30 – 8 pm  
**Community Room A**  
Science fiction, fantasy and horror.

Savvy Social Security Planning for Boomers  
**Monday, October 1**  
7 – 8:30 pm  
**Meeting Room 1**  
Tom Howard, CFP®, will help you understand how to maximize your Social Security benefits and discover avenues to retirement security. *Please register.*

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.*

It’s Budget Time – What is on Your Neighborhood Wish List?  
**September 18  Meeting Room 2**  
The City will begin preparing next year’s budget and update the five-year financial plan. What fixes does your neighborhood need to make it a better place in which to live and raise a family? What programs and projects do you think the City Council should budget for?

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.*

Make Your Home Sweet Home a Fire Safe Home!  
**October 16 Community Rooms**  
Did you know that you are at the greatest risk of fire in your own home? The Elgin Fire Department is dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires through prevention. Join our first responders to learn the personal steps you can take to increase your safety.

**Ebooks Made Easy**  
**Thursday, September 27**  
7 – 8:30 pm  
**Meeting Room 1**  
Bring your Kindle, Nook, iPad, or eReader and learn how to download eBooks from the library. Don’t forget to bring your Gail Borden Library card. Users with Tablets and Smartphones may watch this class from home via streaming. Log on at www.gailborden.info. This service is being made available through a partnership with the City of Elgin.
Health and Wellness

I’m Reducing Obesity in Children: An (IROC) Nutrition Program
5 – 10 years with a parent
Wednesdays, October 3 – December 5
4:30 – 5:30 pm
Community Room 2
In partnership with Provena Saint Joseph Hospital and the American Cancer Society.
Parents receive information about healthy eating habits while children have fun participating in food- and fitness-related activities. Please register.

A Layperson’s Guide to Mental Illness
Thursday, October 11
6:30 – 8 pm
Meeting Room 1
Co-sponsored by The League of Women Voters, Elgin and NAMI Kane County North.
National Mental Illness Awareness Week is October 6 to 13. The Kane County Mental Health Council Awareness Committee will give a presentation and discussion. No registration.

Pink Party
Monday, October 15
7 – 8:30 pm
Meeting Room 2
Join Rush Copley Medical Center and the American Cancer Society to learn about tools and methods for breast cancer prevention and early detection. Drawings for prizes and light refreshments. No registration.

Medicare Made Clear
Thursday, October 25
7 – 8 pm
Meeting Room 1
Understand your Medicare options, learn about the prescription drug program and much more. No registration.

Understanding Today’s Real Estate Market: Short Sales and Foreclosures
Tuesday, October 2
6:30 – 8 pm
Meeting Room 1
Discover the pitfalls and opportunities in today’s real estate market. Speakers will include an attorney, realtor, home inspector, mortgage originator and title company representative. Please register.

October is National Domestic Abuse Awareness Month
Programs provided by the Community Crisis Center.

Screening of Telling Amy’s Story
Thursday, October 11
10 am, 2 and 7 pm
Community Rooms A&B
This documentary details the actions leading up to a domestic violence victim’s homicide that occurred in 2001. Amy’s Story will educate you about the progression of violence, the warning signs displayed and the resources available to help end the violence. No registration.

Domestic Violence 101
Tuesday, October 16
10 am, 2 and 7 pm
Meeting Room 1
Learn about the different forms and cycles of domestic violence and its causes and warning signs. Also learn what action you can take if you or a loved one is a victim of domestic violence. No registration.

Protecting Your Assets Through Estate Planning
Monday, October 15
7 – 8:30 pm
Meeting Room 1
Make sure your estate plan is updated to comply with the new laws effective January 1. Attorney John Pankau will address these issues and discuss the recent changes to the power of attorney act. Please register.

Craft Supply Swap
Recycle your unused craft materials. Bring materials you no longer want to the Circulation Desk of the Main Library on Saturday, October 27, November 3 or 10. Then on Saturday, November 17, visit the Community Rooms from 9 am to 1 pm to select from the donated supplies to begin a new craft. For more information, call Norma Copes at 847-289-5829.
**Adult Programs**

**Great Books Discussion Group**
Co-sponsored by the American Association of University Women Elgin Branch. Meetings are at 6:55 pm in Meeting Room 2. For more information, call Rachel Bloomberg at 630-391-2966.

- **September 10**  *The Unknown Masterpiece*
  by Honoré de Balzac
  *Death in the Woods*
  by Sherwood Anderson

- **October 8**

**Classics Book Discussion: Women Authors**
The group meets at 7 pm and discusses classic literature authored by women, focusing on English and American women from the beginning of the novel through 1950. Men are welcome to join the group. No registration.

- **September 17**  *Persuasion*
  by Jane Austen
  Conference Room

- **October 15**  *Frankenstein*
  by Mary Shelley
  Community Room A

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

- **September 19**  *The Submission*
  by Amy Waldman

- **October 17**  *Cleopatra: A Life*
  by Stacy Schiff

- **November 10**  *The Dew Breaker*
  by Edwidge Danticat

**20’s and 30’s Book Club**
Co-sponsored by the American Association of University Women Elgin Branch. The group meets at 7 pm. For information, call Rachel Bloomberg at 630-391-2966.

- **September 24**  *The Glass Castle*
  by Jeanette Walls
  Meeting Room 1

- **October 22**  *Interred With Their Bones*
  by Jennifer Lee Carrell
  Community Room A

**Walking Book Club**
Join us every Wednesday at 7 pm for 45 minutes of walking outside followed by 45 minutes of book discussion inside the library. Call Nancy Haggard at 847-289-5840 for more details.

- **September**  *The Buddha in the Attic*
  by Julie Otsuka

- **October**  *Salvage the Bones*
  by Jesmyn Ward

**Antique Interest Group**
Tuesdays, September 25, October 23
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.

**Armchair Generals: A Civil War and Lincoln Brown Bag Lunch Interest Group**
Tuesdays,
September 25, October 23
11:45 am – 1:15 pm
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.

**Authors on the Fox**
Book sales and signings follow each program. Please register.

**Dan Van Haften:**
*Abraham Lincoln and the Structure of Reason*
Wednesday, September 5
7 – 8 pm
Meeting Room 1
Learn how Lincoln used persuasive techniques to write speeches such as A House Divided and the Gettysburg Address, as well as letters and legal arguments.

**Randy Richardson:**
*Cheeseland*
Sunday, October 21
1:30 – 2:30 pm
Meeting Room 1
Richardson draws on real-life experiences as inspiration for his adventurous fiction. In his two highly praised novels, *Lost in the Ivy* and *Cheeseland*, he richly evokes the Midwestern experience with an authentic voice and a playful wink.

**Sandy Switzer:**
*Yes, You Can! Reaching Your Potential While Achieving Greatness*
Tuesday, October 23
7 – 8:30 pm
Meeting Room 1
Learn what it takes to succeed using an approach based on the classic children’s book *The Little Engine That Could*. Success Coach Sandra Switzer recommends simple changes anyone can make no matter what age or stage of life.

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The Eliminate the Digital Divide grant was awarded by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

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.

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
**Tuesday, September 4**  2 – 4 pm
**Wednesday, October 3**  10 am – noon
For those who need practice using a mouse.

Internet 1 – Basics
**Tuesday, September 11**  2 – 4 pm
**Wednesday, October 10**  10 am – noon
Learn how to use the web and the basics of Internet terminology, then visit some websites. M

Internet 2 – Searching
**Tuesday, September 18**  2 – 4 pm
**Wednesday, October 17**  10 am – noon
Learn how to use some Internet search engines and a directory. Basic mouse skills are required. M

Internet 3 – Email
**Tuesday, September 25**  2 – 4 pm
**Wednesday, October 24**  10 am – noon
The basics of reading and sending email will be covered. M, K

Google Docs – Intro Part 1
**Tuesday, October 9**  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, October 16**  6:30 – 8:30 pm
Create, edit and print a basic document. M, K, E

Google Docs – Sharing, Privacy, Printing and Publishing
**Tuesday, October 23**  6:30 – 8:30 pm
How to manage, share and protect your documents. M, K, E

Word 2010 – Intro Part 1
**Saturday, September 22**  10 am – noon
A basic introduction to working with Microsoft Word 2010. M, K, E

Word 2010 – Intro Part 2
**Saturday, September 29**  10 am – noon
Create, edit and print a simple document using Microsoft Word 2010. M, K, E

Word 2010 – Formatting Documents
**Saturday, October 6**  10 am – noon
How to use bullets, numbers, fonts and other tools to improve the visual appeal of your documents. M, K, E

Word 2010 – Adding Pizzazz to Documents
**Saturday, October 13**  10 am – noon
How to use Clip Art, WordArt, Building Blocks and other tools to improve the visual appeal of your documents. M, K, E

Word 2010 – Work with Tables
**Thursday, October 18**  6:30 – 8:30 pm
Create, edit and format tables in Microsoft Word 2010.

Word 2010 – Mail Merge
**Thursday, October 25**  6:30 – 8:30 pm
Use a mailing list to create mailing labels and form letters. M, K

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

Excel 2010 – Presenting Numbers
**Thursday, September 13**  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, September 20**  6:30 – 8:30 pm
How to calculate totals, percentages and averages. M, K

PowerPoint 2010 – Intro Part 1
**Thursday, October 4**  6:30 – 8:30 pm
A basic introduction to working with Microsoft PowerPoint. M, K

PowerPoint 2010 – Intro Part 2
**Thursday, October 11**  6:30 – 8:30 pm
Create and edit an on-screen presentation. M, K

Computer Maintenance and Repair
**Thursdays, September 20, 27**
October 4, 11  6 – 9 pm
Computer Systems Institute,
400 Airport Road, Elgin, IL 60123
Register at the Main Library Registration Desk.
This four-part class is an overall introduction to computer hardware and software repair/maintenance. The class is taught by a CompTIA certified Computer Systems Institute instructor and takes place in their state of the industry A+ Laboratory environment. Participants are expected to attend all four sessions.
Computing

Living Mobile
Sunday, September 30 1:30 – 3:30 pm
Meeting Room 1
No registration.
Learn how to enhance your mobile life using online tools, working in the Cloud and building a social network. Attend any or all of the following sessions:
Gadget Showcase 1:30 pm, Online Learning 2:10 pm, Social Networking 2:50 pm and eOrganization 3:30 pm.

Tech Camp 12 Expedition:
Social Networking
Monday, October 1 2 – 2:45 pm
Computer Training Room
In this hands-on workshop, you’ll get started on a social media site such as Facebook and LinkedIn. Please register.

Tech Camp 12 Expedition:
eOrganization
Thursday, October 4 2 – 2:45 pm
Computer Training Room
Learn the basics of organizing your life online and practice with tools such as Evernote and Google Calendar. Please register.

En Español
Herramientas para la Nueva Economía

Explorar el Internet 2
domingo, 30 de septiembre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda cómo se navega en Internet. M, K

Introducción al Correo Electrónico
domingo, 7 de octubre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda cómo leer y mandar correo electrónico. M, K

Introducción a Microsoft Word 2010 – Parte 1
domingo, 14 de octubre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda a usar este programa para crear documentos. M, K

Introducción a Microsoft Word 2010 – Parte 2
domingo, 21 de octubre 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.

Your Child’s Literacy Skills
Thursday, September 20 5 – 6 pm
Meeting Room 2

Continuing Education for Parents
Tuesday, October 2 9:30 – 10:30 am
Meeting Room 1

Dealing with Domestic Violence
Thursday, October 18 5 – 6 pm
Meeting Room 2

Las Habilidades de Alfabetismo de sus Hijos
Jueves, 20 de septiembre 5 – 6 pm
Salón de Reuniones 2

Tratar con la Violencia Doméstica
Jueves, 18 de octubre 5 – 6 pm
Salón de Reuniones 2

Tech Camp 12 Expedition:
Gadget Showcase
domingo, 23 de septiembre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda las funciones del ratón y el manejo de Windows.

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 Teclado
domingo, 16 de septiembre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda a usar el teclado. M

Manejar el Ratón
domingo, 9 de septiembre 2 – 4 pm
Aprenda las funciones del ratón y el manejo de Windows.

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Programas para Padres por Two Rivers Head Start
Estos programas están abiertos a todos los padres y se recomiendan 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.

Events
Nightmare on Chicago Street
Saturday, October 27 6 – 11 pm

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Watch for librarian Tish Calhamer as The Grim Reader at the Nightmare on Chicago Street festivities – she’ll share stories so spine-tingling you’ll think someone walked over your grave! For more information, go to www.nightmareonchicagostreet.com
Building Common Ground: From Turfs to Common Ground

September 10 – October 20

Recent City of Elgin crime statistics reveal that violent crime is decreasing. Community organizations, individuals and government institutions are working proactively to continue the trend. Building Common Ground encompasses a series of events to engage the Elgin community in discussions about the topic of gang-related violence with civility and compassion, seeking to enhance our understanding of each other in positive and uplifting ways.

For additional information and resources, explore the Building Common Ground webpage at www.gailborden.info. Building Common Ground: From Turfs to Common Ground has been made possible through a grant from the American Library Association and the Fetzer Institute.

Forgiveness: A Time to Love and a Time to Hate

Screening and Discussion
Part 1 Monday, September 10 6:30 – 8:30 pm Meeting Room 1
Part 2 Thursday, September 13 6:30 – 8:30 pm Community Rooms A&B

A two-part screening of the PBS film in which acclaimed writer, producer and director Helen Whitney provides an intimate look into spontaneous outpourings of forgiveness resulting from compelling events from all over the world. Funding for this film is provided by the Fetzer Institute and the John Templeton Foundation. Please register.

Open Hearts, Open Minds: Exploring Gang Involvement and Its Impact
Sunday, September 30 2 – 4 pm Community Rooms A&B

A panel of experts will share their first-hand encounters with gangs and discuss the causes of gang involvement and its impact on our community. In partnership with the Elgin Drug and Gang Task Force, Renz Center, the Elgin Police Department, District U-46 and the Elgin Boys and Girls Club. No registration.

Xpresión Youth Art
Saturday, October 13 1 – 3 pm

As part of the Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration “Roots and Wings,” youth are invited to join Chicago artist Nino Rodriguez in spray painting a large piece of graffiti art with an Aztec theme. Please register.

Nothing to LOL About Cyberbullying
Wednesday, October 17 7 – 8 pm Meeting Room 1

Parents, educators and caretakers will learn what children may be exposed to online and how to make their experience safer on their computers and mobile phones. In partnership with Elgin School Dist. U-46. Please register.

A Guide to Gangs and Violence
Sunday, September 23 2 – 3:30 pm Meeting Room 1

Parents, educators and concerned members of the community can benefit from becoming familiar with facts about gangs such as common identifiers, behavioral signs and issues to recognize and prevent gang involvement. Elgin Police Sergeant Jim Lullo will share his knowledge and insights. No registration.

Planting a Forgiveness and Compassion Garden
Saturday, October 6 2 – 4 pm

Forgiveness takes time but comes with the expectation that there will be spring. You are invited to plant an intention to forgive the violence, sorrow and suffering surrounding gangs. Plantings will take place in gardens throughout Elgin with pastors and other community leaders participating. Watch for more details on the library’s website. For more information, contact Stacy Michel at smichel@gailborden.info or 847-289-5808.

September 10 – October 20

Three Ways to Register:
• Online at gailborden.info/register
• Call 847-429-4597
• In person at the Registration Desk
Construyendo un Terreno Común: del Territorialismo a la Convivencia

10 de septiembre – 20 de octubre

Estadísticas recientes sobre el crimen en la Ciudad de Elgin revelan que los crímenes violentos están disminuyendo. Organizaciones comunitarias, individuos e instituciones gubernamentales están trabajando proactivamente para continuar esta trayectoria. Construyendo un Terreno Común abarca una serie de eventos para entablar discusiones entre los miembros de nuestra comunidad sobre el tema de la violencia asociada con las pandillas con compasión y civilidad, buscando elevar el entendimiento entre unos y otros de forma positiva y edificante.

Para más información y recursos, explore el sitio web de Construyendo un Terreno Común en www.gailborden.info. Estos programas son posibles gracias a una subvención del American Library Association y el Fetzer Institute.

Proyección y Discusión de “Forgiveness: A Time to Love and a Time to Hate”

Parte 1  lunes, 10 de septiembre
6:30 – 8:30 pm  Salón de Reuniones 1
Parte 2  jueves, 13 de septiembre
6:30 – 8:30 pm  Salones de la Comunidad A&B

Proyección en dos partes del documental por la escritora, productora y directora aclamada Helen Whitney. El mismo da una mirada cercana a muestras espontáneas de perdón que han surgido a través del mundo como respuesta a eventos fuertemente emotivos. Fondos para esta película fueron provistos por el Fetzer Institute y el John Templeton Foundation. Favor de inscribirse. Será presentado en inglés.

Guía Sobre las Pandillas

domingo, 23 de septiembre
3:30 – 4:45 pm  (en español)
Salón de Reuniones 1

Los padres que desean proteger a sus hijos, educadores y demás adultos de la comunidad pueden beneficiarse de conocer datos sobre las pandillas como las señales y símbolos que usan, el comportamiento asociado con afiliación a una pandilla y más, para reconocer y prevenir la participación en ellas. No hace falta inscribirse.

Corazones y Mentes Abiertas: Explorando la Participación en las Pandillas y su Impacto
domingo, 30 de septiembre  2 – 4 pm

Un panel de expertos compartirá sus experiencias con las pandillas y entablará una conversación sobre las causas de la participación en éstas y su impacto en la comunidad. En asociación con el Elgin Drug and Gang Task Force, Renz Center, District U-46, Elgin Police Department y Boys and Girls Club. No hace falta inscribirse. Habrá traducción al español.

Sembrando un Jardín de Compasión y Perdón
sábado, 6 de octubre  2 – 4 pm

El perdón toma tiempo, pero junto a él viene la expectativa de que habrá una primavera. Unase para sembrar una intención para perdonar la violencia, la pena y el sufrimiento que causan las pandillas, junto a pastores y otros líderes de la comunidad en jardines a través de Elgin. Siga detalles en el sitio web de la biblioteca. Para más información, comuníquese con Tina Viglucci en tvigluccia@gailborden.info o 847-429-6713.

Xpresión: Arte Joven

Sábado, 13 de octubre  1 – 3 pm

Como parte de la Celebración del Mes de la Herencia Hispana, “Raíces y Alas.” Todos los jóvenes están invitados a unirse al artista de Chicago Nino Rodríguez para pintar una pieza de arte grafiti con tema azteca. Favor de inscribirse.

Los Jóvenes y el Acoso Cibernético (“Cyberbullying”)
miercoles, 17 de octubre  7 – 8 pm
Salón de Reuniones 1

El mundo virtual puede ser tan peligroso como el real, especialmente para los jóvenes. Padres, educadores y cuidadores aprenderán a qué riesgos se exponen los jóvenes mediante su uso de computadoras y teléfonos celulares, y qué pueden hacer para minimizarlos. En asociación con el distrito escolar U-46. Favor de inscribirse. Habrá traducción al español.
Reel Women for Real Women: Made in L.A.
Tuesday, September 25
6 pm
Meeting Room 1

An Emmy award-winning documentary that follows three Latinas working in sweatshops who are transformed and empowered as they embark on a three-year struggle for labor rights. Co-sponsored by the AAUW Elgin Area Branch and presented in partnership with the Renz Center Mujer a Mujer program. *No registration.*

Searching for Your Hispanic Ancestors
Saturday, September 22 10 – 11:30 am
Meeting Room 2

Interested in piecing together your family history but don’t know how or where to start? Librarians Bill Blohm and Lizette Ayala will show the basic approaches to gathering information and following the trace of your ancestors and their lives. We will also take a look at Hispanic resources in the U.S. on Latin America so you can get started on your research. There will be assistance in Spanish. *Please register.*

Manualidades para la Familia
Lunes 6 – 7 pm
Salón de la Comunidad A

Inscribise para cada programa. Los participantes podrán mostrar sus obras en el edificio de la Biblioteca durante el Mes de la Herencia Hispana si lo desean. 

10 de septiembre ¡Haz un móvil de figuras con alas capaces de volar tan alto como tus sueños! 

October 1 Crea una cuadro colorido de estambre y otros materiales con la artista Marina. 

October 8 Confecciona banderines festivos de papel picado con diferentes patrones.

3rd Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration: Roots and Wings
Saturday, October 13 2 – 5 pm

Be a part of this community-organized celebration with something for everyone including music and dance, live art by Elgin youth, Latino artists, professional and community storytelling, Latin American food tastings and more.

3ra Celebración del Mes de la Herencia Hispana: Raíces y Alas
Sábado, 13 de octubre 2 – 5 pm

Sea parte de esta celebración, que organizan grupos de la comunidad, donde todos podrán disfrutar de actividades con temática latinoamericana: música y baile, arte en vivo por jóvenes de Elgin, pruebas de comida, cuentos, manualidades, juegos para niños, y más.
Programs in English and español

English Conversation Group
Tuesdays   6:30 – 7:30 pm
2nd Floor Conference Room
Practice having everyday conversations in English with a tutor from the Literacy Connection. No registration.

Go Bilingual Class
Wednesdays Beginning September 12
6 – 7 pm  Meeting Room 1
English and Spanish lessons and conversation. No registration.

Grupo de Conversación en Inglés
martes  6:30 – 7:30 pm
Salón de Conferencias 2do Piso
Practica conversar en inglés, mejora tu pronunciación y adquiere confianza con un tutor del Literacy Connection.
No hace falta inscribirse.

Clase Futuros Bilingües
miércoles Comenzando el 12 de septiembre  6 – 7 pm
Salón de Reuniones 1
Lecciones y conversación en inglés y español. No hace falta inscribirse.

Voter Education Forum
Wednesday, September 26   6 – 8 pm
Community Rooms
Learn about local and state candidate positions up for election in November, their duties and their impact on issues that affect the community, with a focus on the Hispanic population. Presented by a Coalition of Latino organizations convened by the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC). No registration.

Entendiendo el Mercado de Bienes Raíces de Hoy: Short Sales y Embargos de Propiedad
Martes, 2 de octubre   6:30 – 8 pm
Salón de la Comunidad C
Descubra cuáles son los riesgos y las oportunidades para usted como dueño de casa o potencial comprador/vendedor en el mercado de bienes raíces actual con un panel de expertos. Escuche hablar a un abogado, agente de bienes raíces, inspector, prestamista, y un representante de una compañía de títulos. Favor de inscribirse.

Derechos de Educación Especial – Lo que los Padres Necesitan Saber
miércoles, 5 de septiembre
10 am – 1 pm
Salones de la Comunidad A&B
Este taller ofrecerá una visión general de la Ley de Educación para Personas con Discapacidades (IDEA): Evaluación; Programa de Educación Individualizado (IEP); Ambiente Menos Restrictivo (LRE), y Procedimientos de Resguardo. Presentado por Family Resource Center on Disabilities. Los participantes deben inscribirse en línea en www.frcd.org o llamando al 312-939-3513.

Fiesta Rosada
Lunes, 22 de octubre  7 – 8:30 pm
Salón de Reunión 1
Rush Copley Medical Center y la Sociedad Americana del Cáncer le invitan a pasar una tarde informativa y divertida. Equípese con las herramientas y los métodos para prevenir el cáncer de la mama y detectarlo temprano. Habrá sorteos de premios y refrigerios ligeros. No hace falta inscribirse.

Medicare Aclarado
Jueves, 25 de octubre  7 – 8 pm
Salón de Reunión 2
Entienda sus opciones de Medicare para entonces buscar el plan que más le conviene. Además aprenda sobre el programa de medicamentos y mucho más.

www.gailborden.info
THE MAIN LIBRARY AND RAKOW BRANCH WILL BE CLOSED: September 2 and 3 for the Labor Day Holiday.

**MAIN LIBRARY HOURS**

**STARING SEPTEMBER 4:**

**Monday - Thursday**
- 9 am - 9 pm

**Friday - Saturday**
- 9 am - 6 pm

**Sunday**
- Noon - 5 pm

**RAKOW BRANCH HOURS**

**STARING SEPTEMBER 4:**

**Monday - Thursday**
- 9 am - 8 pm

**Friday - Saturday**
- 9 am - 5 pm

**Sunday**
- Noon - 5 pm

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**Programs in Spanish**

**EOTVAS**

LOCAL POSTAL PATRON

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**Change Your World Volunteer Fair**

**Saturday, October 20  10 am - 1 pm**

Community Rooms

Representatives from area organizations will be at the fair to talk about volunteer opportunities, whether it’s working with tots, teens or seniors or assisting at a museum or library.

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**Customers With Disabilities**

The library accommodates customers with disabilities. Please call 847-742-2411 to discuss arrangements at least seven days prior to a scheduled event.

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**Gail Borden Library Card Sign Up Month!**

Show your Gail Borden Library Card at participating businesses throughout September to receive a discount. Al’s Café, Big Apple Bagels, Elgin Antiques & Uniques, Elgin Public House, Herb’s Bakery and In The Neighborhood Deli are just a few of the businesses offering something special. For a complete list of discounts, go to gailborden.info starting September 1.

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

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**September is National Literacy Month**

Watch for several special events presented by The Literacy Connection to celebrate National Literacy Month. For more information about ways you can support local literacy efforts, go to www.elginliteracy.org.

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**Photo Release** - All program participants agree to be photographed during library activities and programs for use in future library publications.

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**Save the Date**

**Elgin’s Home for the Holidays Kickoff**

**Saturday, November 3  1 – 4 pm**

Gail Borden Library

Celebrate the start of the season with entertainment, a craft fair, refreshments, drawings and more! Elgin nonprofit organizations can sign up to participate at www.homefortheholidays.com.

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**Gen X&Y—You Can Brew It!**

**Thursday, October 18  7 – 8:30 pm**

Meeting Room 1

Award-winning home brewer Scott Pointon will discuss the equipment, ingredients, brewing process and resources available to would-be brew masters. Please register.