



# Manhattan-Elwood PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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WINTER & SPRING 2016

## SPECIAL EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY

WELCOME MARY KUBICA —  
AUTHOR OF *PRETTY BABY* AND *THE GOOD GIRL*  
March 22 • 7 p.m.

Mary Kubica, *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author, will be here signing and discussing her new book, *Pretty Baby*. This is sure to be crowd pleaser! Bring a friend or your book club to meet this author. Registration is encouraged.



CARD MAKING WITH TRACIE GAMBINO February 4 • 6:30 p.m.

Tracie is back to make cards for Valentine's Day, Easter, and birthdays. Supplies will be provided, so registration is required.

DIRTY DANCING MOVIE NIGHT February 18 • 5:45 p.m.

Whether you grew up in the 60's or enjoyed this movie in the 80's, join us for an ice cream social and a showing of *Dirty Dancing*. Wear your letterman sweater or jacket for a photo op.

TUMBLEWEED'S SPRING DÉCOR WORKSHOP March 8 • 6:30 p.m.

Join the talented ladies from Tumbleweed Gifts as they show you how to reinvent your spring décor.

SPRING FLORAL WORKSHOP March 24 • 6 p.m.

Welcome spring by creating a beautiful, fresh floral arrangement. Advanced registration is required since these classes fill fast. There will be a small fee to cover the supplies needed.

ESTATE PLANNING — GETTING READY April 26 • 11 a.m.

In this program, participants will learn to initiate the discussion about estate planning, take stock of possessions, and determine objectives for an estate plan. We welcome Sasha Grabenstetter from the University of Illinois Extension office to present this program.

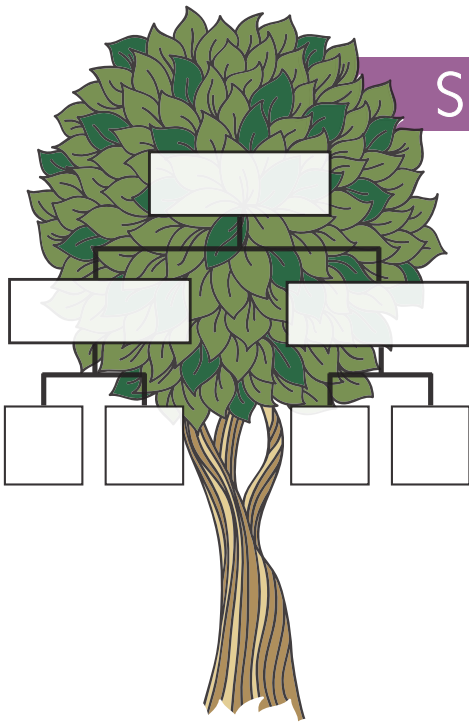
Seating is limited. Please pre-register for these programs by calling (815) 478-3987, emailing [amrubin@mpld.org](mailto:amrubin@mpld.org), or visiting [www.mpld.org](http://www.mpld.org).

### Library Card Sign-Up

Getting a library card is easy — and it's FREE! Just stop by the circulation desk.

Residents can bring in a valid, government issued, photo ID **AND** one printed form of ID that verifies your address (like a utility bill) and get your **FREE** library card. Children in Kindergarten or older can apply for their own card.

# SPECIAL EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY



## GENEALOGY 102

January 6 • 6:30 p.m.

If you have always wanted to discover more about your ancestry, Roger Young husband from the Will Grundy Counties Genealogical Society will teach you how to find out about your family's history.



You can start your genealogy search today by using Heritage Quest Online at [www.mpld.org](http://www.mpld.org). Now powered by Ancestry.com, HeritageQuest Online contains new content, search pages and tools. Go to [www.mpld.org/eLibrary](http://www.mpld.org/eLibrary) for a complete list of all of the resources the library has available to you.

## DOWNTON ABBEY TEA II

January 19 • 11 a.m.

Join us for tea and cookies as we celebrate the last season of Downton Abbey. Registration is encouraged for this event.



## BEGINNER'S CROCHET

March 17 • 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Learn the basic chain and single crochet stitch from the library's expert, Cheryl DePaula. Once you have the basic stitches down, create your own double thick potholder. You'll be "hooked" in no time!



## NEW WAYS TO CUT YOUR ELECTRICITY BILL

April 28 • 6 p.m.

The average household spends more than \$2,200 on energy bills each year. With a few no cost or low cost changes and the help of new technology, you can lower your electricity bill. This program, from the U of I extension office, highlights energy saving tips that can help your family's budget.

## WILL COUNTY ASSESSMENT OFFICE – SENIOR TAX EXEMPTION SIGN-UP

April 29 • 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Representatives from Will County Supervisor of Assessments will be available to answer questions and assist with filling out Senior Freeze, Disability Exemption, and Veteran Exemption forms.

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## EREADER 101

January 26 • 1 p.m.

Learn how to access and download eBooks, eMagazines, and eAudiobooks using your iPad, Nook or Kindle. Bring your device and your library card.

# MOVIES FOR ADULTS AT THE LIBRARY



All movies are free and start at 1 p.m. Bring a lunch if you choose. Popcorn provided.

**January 22**  
*The Sapphires* PG-13  
Starring: Chris O'Dowd

**February 26**  
*Mr. Holmes* PG  
Starring: Ian McKellen & Laura Linney

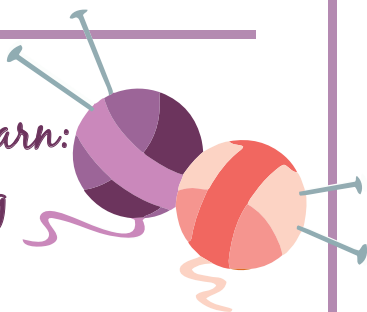
**March 18**  
*Ricki & The Flash* PG-13  
Starring: Meryl Streep

**April 22**  
*Mission Impossible – Rogue Nation*  
PG-13  
Starring: Tom Cruise

## It's All About the Yarn: Knitting & Crocheting

Every Wednesday afternoon in  
January from 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Learn a new skill or bring that project you never finished! This is a great opportunity to socialize, share new projects and create something special.



## Manhattan-Elwood Quilt Group

January 5, 9, 28

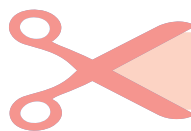
March 1, 12, 24

February 2, 13, 25

April 5, 9, 28

New members are welcome anytime! Join us to learn and share quilting skills. We work on our own quilts as well as community service projects. We meet at the United Methodist Church in Manhattan and the Elwood Community Service Center.

See [www.mpld.org](http://www.mpld.org) for exact locations and times.



## Casual Crafter

Join us from 1:30-3 p.m. on the second Friday of the month for some fun and simple craft projects at the library. Please register in advance as the materials are provided.

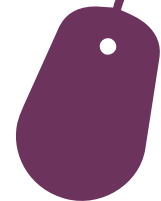
<b>January 8</b>	Painted Snow Scene
<b>February 12</b>	Diorama in a Jar
<b>March 11</b>	St. Patrick's Day Art
<b>April 8</b>	Hello Sunshine Wreath

## Computer Classes FOR ADULTS

### ALL THINGS GOOGLE

**February 25 • 6:30 p.m.**

Learn about Google Chrome, Docs, Drive & Chrome extensions. Bring your device (laptop, iPad or tablet) for a hands-on experience.



### FACEBOOK 101

**March 15 • 1 p.m.**

Learn the basics of navigating Facebook and learn how to connect with your family and friends.

### INTRO TO PINTEREST

**April 12 • 1 p.m.**

Learn the basics of this fun program and see why all of your friends keep saying, "I saw this great idea on Pinterest!"

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# BOOK DISCUSSIONS

## Mystery BOOK DISCUSSION 11:30 a.m.



January 11	<i>Winter Prey</i> by John Sandford
February 8	<i>Pretty Girls</i> by Karin Slaughter
March 22	<i>Pretty Baby</i> by Mary Kubica**
April 11	<i>Deal Breaker</i> by Harlan Coben

\*\* Author Event - See page 1 for more details.

## Anything BUT Mysteries BOOK DISCUSSION

7 p.m.

January 14	<i>All the Light We Cannot See</i> by Anthony Doerr
February 11	<i>Best Boy</i> by Eli Gottlieb
March 22	<i>Pretty Baby</i> by Mary Kubica**
April 14	<i>A Spool of Blue Thread</i> by Anne Tyler

\*\* Author Event - See page 1 for more details.

## Book to Movie Discussion

Join us to watch the latest film adaptations of popular books.

February 1	<i>The Monuments Men</i> by Robert M. Edsel and Bret Witter Starring: George Clooney & Bill Murray
March 7	<i>The Great Gatsby</i> by F. Scott Fitzgerald Starring: Leonardo Dicaprio
April 4	<i>The Martian</i> by Andy Weir Starring: Matt Damon



## NONFICTION BOOK CLUB

Thursday, January 21 • 7 p.m.

We will be reading *In the Heart of the Sea* by Nathaniel Philbrick. This fascinating account of the true story that inspired *Moby Dick* is now a major motion picture.

## TRIVIA NIGHT

Fabulous Prizes. GoodTimes. No Shushing.

January 20	Roadhouse 52	???
February 24	Silver Dollar	
March 23	Gallagher's	
April 20	Fritz's	

Impress your friends with your useless trivia. Play alone or bring a team. Free to play and prizes awarded. First question is at 7 p.m.

You have **devices**.  
We have **eBooks!**



## DID YOU KNOW?

You can now pay fines online  
with your credit card.

It's easy, just follow the steps below!

- Go to [www.mpld.org](http://www.mpld.org)
- Click on 'My Account' at the top right of the screen.
- Enter your library card number and pin number. (*The pin number is usually the last four digits of your library card number unless you changed it.*)
- Click on 'Fines/Fees' on the left side of the screen.
- Follow the directions to pay with your credit card.

# LIBRARY MINI GOLF

Saturday, March 5  
11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.



Come play mini-golf inside the library during Irish Fest! The Friends of the Library are sponsoring this fun, family-friendly event.

Donations to the Friends of the Library are appreciated!

## Join the FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY



We are a volunteer group dedicated to helping create interest in the library, raising money for the library, and helping maintain a quality library that meets the needs of our communities.

We would love for you to join us!

Memberships are available for:

Individual: \$5

Family: \$10

Business: \$35

Applications are available at the library and online at [www.mpld.org](http://www.mpld.org).

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## USE YOUR LIBRARY AT HOME 24/7!

The library has some exciting, FREE resources you can access from home.

*Do you want to...*

- download new magazines to your tablet?



- download a new eBook to read?



- help your teen study for the ACT?



- learn a new language?



- repair your car?



- create a will?



- have your kids learn while they play?



- help your student with a research paper?



*What do you want to do today?*

# KIDS EVENTS

## BABY TIME

Tuesdays • 10:30 a.m.  
Newborn–18 months

## TOT TIME

Wednesdays • 10 & 10:30 a.m.  
18 months–3 years

## STORY TIME

Thursdays • 10:30 a.m.  
Fridays • 10:30 a.m. & 12 p.m.  
3–5 years

### FAMILY GEOCACHE EGG-STRAVAGANZA

Find 10 hidden Easter eggs around town. Pick up a coordinate card at the library on Friday 3/26 and complete it throughout the week. Make sure to turn it in before we close on Saturday 4/2. All entries will go into a raffle for great prizes! See website or call for more details.



### SPRING BREAK! • 12 p.m.

March 28

March 29

March 30

March 31

April 1

Bubble Busters

Table Top Champs

Super Sleuths Mystery Challenge

Book Club - Discuss favorite RL Stine w/ movie

Haunted Trails Party\*

\*registration required

### CRAFTY KIDS • 4:30 p.m.

Let your creativity flow with make-it/take-it crafts.

February 3

Cupcake Liner Flowers

March 2

Ice Painting

April 6

Cherry Blossom Collages



## SPECIAL KIDS EVENTS

### NOT YOUR MOTHER'S ROOT BEER

January 16 • 12 p.m.

A day out with dad and some tasty treats.

### NATIONAL POPCORN DAY

January 19 • 4 p.m.

Free popcorn and fun activities all evening long.

### UNBIRTHDAY PARTY

January 27 • 6:30 p.m.

Lewis Carroll's zany birthday party.

### ABE LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

February 11 • 4:30 p.m.

Make your own beard and learn fun facts about Abe.



### MINECRAFTS

March 10 • 4 p.m.

Fun Minecraft activities and a take-home craft.

### OPERATION PILLOWCASE

March 18 • 1 p.m.

Learn to survive natural/supernatural disasters.

### GRASS MONSTERS

April 14 • 5 p.m.

Create a grass monster of your own to take home.

### LIBRARY LOCOMOTIVE

April 16 • 11 a.m.

Enjoy Train Trivia and a Caboose Tour.

### MOTHER'S DAY GARDEN TEA PARTY

April 30 • 11 a.m.

Decorate a flower pot with mom in the garden.

### LEGO® CLUB • 6:30 p.m.

Complete LEGO® challenges and build epic creations.

Master builders unite every fourth Monday.

January 25

March 28

February 22

April 25

### SPECTACULAR SCIENCE • 5 p.m.

Embrace your inner scientist with exciting experiments.

February 10

Colors

March 9

Borax Bouncy Balls

April 13

Seed Germination

### WORLD TRAVELERS • 5 p.m.

Explore the world and different cultures.

January 21

China

February 18

Egypt

March 17

Ireland

April 21

Mexico



### BEDTIME STORIES • 7 p.m.

Stories and crafts around our book fireplace.

January 26

Dr. Seuss

February 9

Pizza Day

February 23

Cuddle Up

March 8

Furry Friends

March 22

Windy City

April 12

Robots

April 26

Quack, Quack!

# JUST FOR TEENS GRADES 6-12

## CRAFT ALL THE THINGS • 5 p.m.

Make-it/take-it crafts. Supplies provided. Registration required.

January 11	Texting Gloves
February 8	Crayon Art
March 14	Dream Catchers
April 11	Galaxy Tee Shirts

## THROWBACK THURSDAYS • 5 p.m.

Enjoy all things classic and retro.

January 7	Mixtape Madness
February 4	Life-Size Tetris
March 3	Groovy Coloring
April 7	Cassette Paper Craft



## TEEN VOLUNTEER GROUP • 5 p.m.

Make a difference in your community, earn service hours, and eat snacks.

January 20	March 16
February 17	April 20

## CINEMA SATURDAYS • 12:30 p.m.

Movies you should know to impress your friends.

January 9	<i>Gremlins</i>
February 13	<i>Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory</i>
March 12	<i>Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist</i>
April 9	<i>Say Anything</i>

## POPCORN AND BOOKS • 5 p.m.

Discuss the month's book club read over snacks.

January 28	<i>An Abundance of Katherines</i> by John Green
February 25	<i>Me and Earl and the Dying Girl</i> by Jesse Andrews
March 31	<i>Every Day</i> by David Levithan
April 28	<i>The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian</i> by Sherman Alexie

## TEEN PROGRAMS

### "SPA"-TACULAR

January 14 • 5 p.m.

Get a spa treatment by making your own sleep mask and DIY face scrub.

### SUPERBOWL SATURDAY

February 6 • 12 p.m.

Join the paper tabletop football tournament while watching an inspiring movie about a college football player. Can you guess the movie?

### POST-IT® NOTE ART

February 11 • 4-7 p.m.

Drop by the library to participate in a collaborative art project.

### PHOTO BOOTH


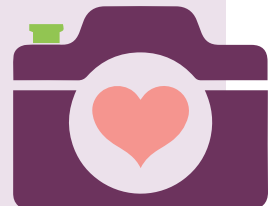
March 7 • 12-7 p.m.

Pose for the perfect picture with props related to your favorite literary characters.


### NATIONAL POETRY MONTH

Month of April

Get creative with weekly poetry challenges to earn a free book.



**Online video-based test-preparation courses available through our library!**




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### *Library Hours*

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