

EVERGREEN PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY



9400 South Troy

422-8522

www.evergreenparklibrary.org

Nov/Dec 2012



Holiday Portraits

Sunday, Nov 25

9:00 am-4:00 pm

\$20 sitting fee, payable at registration

Bring a 1GB (minimum) flash drive with you. Family holiday portraits make great gifts for family and friends. Schedule a sitting for your family in front of the fireplace in the library's beautiful festively-decorated reading room, and receive a professional digital image for your holiday cards! Sittings will be scheduled in 20 minute time increments on a first-come basis by calling the library at 422-8522. Pets will be allowed between 9:00 am-noon, only.

Cross one thing off your holiday to-do list early! Proceeds benefit the Evergreen Park Public Library Foundation. Credit cards accepted.



PAPER OVERDUE NOTICES STOP JAN 1

EP Library will no longer send overdue notices by mail as of January 1, 2013. Date due cards will continue to be placed in materials upon check out, and you can choose to receive overdue alerts by email. Give your email address to any library personnel, and your account will be updated. Or go to www.evergreenparklibrary.org > Research > Library Catalog > My Library Account. On the left side you will see a link to modify your e-mail address.



Goodbye Mrs. Smith!

Sunday, Dec 9, 1:00-3:00 pm

Dolores Smith has led story times at the Evergreen Park Public Library since 1999, nurturing a love of reading in hundreds and hundreds of children throughout the years. Visit with Mrs.

Smith at her retirement open house and say goodbye, good luck, and thank you for the many stories she has shared with young people and their families. Maybe she'll reward you with a butter cookie on your finger!

BOOKS BY MAIL SERVICE

Homebound Delivery



EP Library's Books by Mail Service provides books and other library materials (Evergreen Park items only) to homebound people of all ages who live in the village. The service is only for individuals who are unable to leave home because of a temporary or permanent disability. Call 422-8522 to register for the Books by Mail service. Participants can

request specific materials by telephone, or online through the SWAN catalog.

How does it work?

A maximum of six items per bag are mailed in a reusable shipping bag.

The check-out period for each item is three weeks. The items can be renewed by phone if no one is waiting.

Items are returned in the same bag. Reverse the address card and deposit the bag in a mail box or give it to your postal carrier. Postage is pre-paid by the library.

The Books by Mail Homebound Delivery Service is funded through the **Evergreen Park Public Library Foundation**.

EVERGREEN PARK HIGH SCHOOL ART EXHIBITION

Opening Reception Thursday, Nov 1, 6:30 pm

You are invited to a reception for a new exhibit featuring artwork from Evergreen Park High School students enrolled in the Studio Photography, Beginning Art, Introduction to Art, and Ceramics/Sculpture/Jewelry Design. The students' artwork will be showcased at the library for two months.



Holiday Tree Trim

Monday, Dec 17, 6:30 pm

Join us for our annual Tree Trim! The Evergreen Park Community High School Choir will entertain us with holiday sounds and we'll provide cookies and cider. Don't be surprised if a special visitor makes his appearance!

PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Register for programs with this ☎ symbol. Call 422-8522 or register online at www.evergreenparklibrary.org.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 4 Sunday Lego Club
- 7 Monarch Club begins
- 6 Preschool Storytime begins
- 8 Tiny Tots Storytime begins
- 18 Pokemon Club
- 19 Pajamarama
- 20 Turkey Time!
- 23 Brave [PG]
- 24 Peanuts Party!

DECEMBER

- 1 Polar Express Party
- 2 Sunday Lego Club
- 4 Duct Tape Flowers
- 10 Pajamarama
- 15 Cupcake Day!
- 16 Pokemon Club
- 17 Holiday Tree Trim
- 18 Reindeer Rally
- 27 Arthur Christmas [PG]
- 30 New Years Eve Party

JANUARY

- 3 Uno Tournament

☎ Pokemon Club

Sundays, Nov 18; Dec 16, 2:00 pm
Grades 1-5

Bring your Nintendo DS, games, and trading cards to our Pokemon Club where you can meet other players, battle, and trade cards.

☎ Turkey Time!

Tuesday, Nov 20, 3:30 pm
Grades 3-5

Gobble up a turkey-shaped treat and make a pinecone turkey.

☎ Movie Matinee

Nov 23, Dec 27, 1:30 pm
Grades 5 and under

Enjoy your time off school by watching a movie on our big screen. Bring your own snack.

November 23: *Brave* [PG]

December 27: *Arthur Christmas* [PG]



☎ Peanuts Party!

Saturday, Nov 24, 3:00 pm
Grades 5 and under



Celebrate the birthday of Peanuts creator, Charles Schulz. We'll watch a short Charlie Brown movie, make a Snoopy craft, and eat puppy chow.

☎ Polar Express Party

Saturday, Dec 1, 10:30 am
Grades 5 and under

Listen to the story of the Polar Express, then all aboard for fun! You can wear your pajamas, like the kids in the book.

☎ Duct Tape Flowers

Tuesday, Dec 4, 3:30 pm
Grades 3-5

Learn to make flowers out of duct tape to keep for yourself or give as a gift.

☎ Cupcake Day!

Saturday, Dec 15, 10:30 am
Grades 5 and under

We'll have cupcakes and find out what happens if You Give a Cat a Cupcake.

☎ Reindeer Rally

Tuesday, Dec 18, 3:30 pm
Grades 3-5

Make a reindeer treat to eat, then create an adorable reindeer yarn bug.

☎ New Years Eve Party

Sunday, Dec 30, 2:00 pm
Grades 5 and under

We're gonna party like it's the day before New Year's Eve! We'll have stories, snacks, noise makers, dancing and a countdown. Feel free to wear your party clothes!

☎ Uno Tournament

Thursday, Jan 3, 11:00 am
Grades 1-5

Test your UNO skills against other players! Winner will receive a trophy. Please arrive on time.



Sunday Lego Club

Sundays, Nov 4, Dec 2, 2:00 pm
Grade 5 and under

Create with the Library's Legos. We'll pick the theme and you create!

☎ Monarch Club

Thursdays, Nov 7, 14, 28; Dec 5, 12, 19, 3:30 pm
Kindergarten-Grade 3



The Monarch Award is the children's choice book award for children in grades K-3. Listen to stories that have been nominated for the award this year, and have fun making crafts and playing games.

STORY TIME

☎ Preschool Story Time

Nov 6 through Dec 19;
No class Nov 20 and 21
Ages 3-5

Preschool Story Time combines stories, songs, and crafts. Choose one of the following sessions:

- Tuesdays or Wednesdays, 10:00 am
- Tuesdays, 6:30 pm

☎ Tiny Tots Story Time

Nov 8-Dec 22; No class Nov 22 and 23
Birth-2 years, with adult

Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, and fun for you and your child! Choose one of the following sessions:

- Thursdays, 9:30 am or 11:30 am
- Thursdays, 6:00 pm
- Fridays, 9:30 am or 11:30 am

☎ Pajamarama

Mondays, Nov 19; Dec 10, 6:30 pm
Grades 5 and under

Bed bugs of all ages are invited to wear their pajamas to the library for a special family story time.

PROGRAMS FOR TEENS (Grades 6-12, unless otherwise noted)

Register for programs with this ☎ symbol. Call 422-8522 or register online at www.evergreenparklibrary.org.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

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- 6 Crochet Club
- 7 Growing Crystals
Test Prep: Math Skills begins
- 14 Folding Paper
- 16 Hide and Seek After Hours
- 29 Holiday Gifts w/ Chef Kate

DECEMBER

- 5 Stockings
- 12 Homemade Gift
- 18 Homemade Spa Gift
- 19 Wrapping Paper
- 26 New Year's Games

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- 2 Catapult Construction

☎ Test Prep: Math Skills

Wednesdays, Nov 7, 14, 6:30-8:30 pm

Is the High School Entrance Exam or ACT in your near future? Take the time now to refresh your math skills. Session 1 will focus on Pre-algebra skills and Session 2 will focus on Geometry skills.

☎ Folding Paper

Wednesday, Nov 14, 3:30-4:30 pm



Come learn the skill of folding paper! From aerodynamic paper airplanes to the luck bringing crane, we will learn about the crisp folds, the thickness of paper, and more. All materials will be provided.

☎ Hide and Seek After Hours

Friday, Nov 16, 6:00-7:00 pm

**Permission slip must be turned in no later than Wednesday, November 14th to participate.*

Tell all your friends! Come to the library to play hide and seek after hours! This program will not take place if there is insufficient interest, so register early! You must register in person and turn in your permission slip at the time of registration.

☎ Holiday Gifts for Teens with Chef Kate

Thursday, Nov 29, 6:30-7:30 pm

Stumped on what to give loved ones for the holidays? Why not learn to make something they will really enjoy! Join Chef Kate as she goes over some delicious recipes that are sure to please. Sign up early, registration is limited!

☎ Stockings

Wednesday, Dec 5, 3:30-4:30 pm

Sewing required Just in time for St. Nick's Day! Make a stocking for yourself or to give to a friend. All materials will be provided.

☎ Homemade Gift

Wednesday, Dec 12, 3:30-4:30 pm

Sewing required Stumped on what to get for Dad? Why not make him something great that he will love! All materials will be provided.

☎ Homemade Spa Gifts

Tuesday, Dec 18, 6:30-8:00 pm

Looking for a great gift for Mom? why not make her a gift she will love to use! All materials will be provided.

☎ Wrapping Paper

Wednesday, Dec 19, 3:30-4:30 pm

Do you have great presents for your nearest and dearest, but nothing to wrap them with? Come to this class and make your own wrapping paper! Bring your creativity, all other materials will be provided.

☎ New Year's Games

Wednesday, Dec 26, 3:00-4:00 pm

Come to the library to play some great games to welcome the new year! See how other cultures ring in the new year and learn about the origins of some popular traditions.

☎ Catapult Construction

Wednesday, Jan 2, 2:00-3:30 pm

Registration begins Dec. 17th and ends Dec. 28th.

Build a catapult and see how far your creation can throw objects! The first part of the class will be spent constructing the catapult, the second part will be for testing, and the third part for laying siege to a "fortress." All materials will be provided.

☎ Computer Club

Mondays, Nov 5, 12, 19, 26

3:30-5:00 pm

Grades 4-8

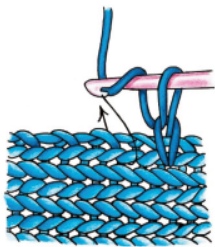
Have you ever wanted to learn how to do fun activities on the computer? Here is your chance! Join Mrs. Keaty as she teaches all sorts of great things you can do on the computer.

☎ Crochet Club

Tuesdays, Nov 6, 13, 20, 27; Dec 4, 11

6:30-8:00 pm

Teens and adults of all skill levels.



Classes will be held in the Reading Room at the Evergreen Park Public Library. Do you want to learn how to crochet or are you already an expert? Either way, grab your hooks and

yarn and join us weekly for an evening of stitches and camaraderie. For beginners, please bring an H/8 hook, yarn will be provided. For all others, bring your current project.

☎ Growing Crystals

Wednesday, Nov 7, 3:30-4:30 pm

Have you ever wanted to make your own crystals? Come to this program to learn how! Take your solution home and watch the crystals grow.



TEACHER IN THE LIBRARY

Drop-in Homework Help Monday-Thursday, 3:30-5:30 pm

Bilingual (English/Spanish) teachers Ms Essig and Ms Lopez from District 124 alternate in the Youth Services department Mondays- Thursdays from 3:30-5:30 when school is in session. *This is not tutoring, but an opportunity for students of all ages to receive assistance with day-to-day homework.* The Teacher in the Library is funded by a grant from the Archer Daniels Midland ADM Cares program.

NEVER STOP LEARNING! PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Register for programs with this ☎ symbol. Call 422-8522 or register online at www.evergreenparklibrary.org.

Save a trip! Pay program fees with a credit card over the phone or through the Event Calendar online at www.evergreenparklibrary.org. We accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 1 Garden Club: Orchid grower
- 3 Microsoft Excel begins
- 6 Get Things Done!
QuickBooks begins
Stampin' Up Cards
Crochet Club
- 8 All Day Cookin with Chef Kate
- 11 *Becoming a Mother...*
- 15 *The Artist* [PG13]
- 17 Weekend Quilters
- 25 Holiday Portraits
- 28 *Unbroken* discussion

DECEMBER

- 2 Make a Fresh Holiday Wreath
- 4 Stampin' Up Cards
- 6 Garden Club: Potluck
- 9 Goodbye Mrs. Smith!
- 13 I'm Dreaming w/Chef Kate
- 15 Weekend Quilters
Coffee and Career Paths
- 17 Holiday Tree Trim
- 19 *Sense of an Ending* discussion
- 20 *Safety Not Guaranteed* [R]

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- 12 Google Docs
- 19 Google Analytics

☎ Get Things Done!

Tuesday, Nov 6, 10:00 am

Co-sponsored by the Evergreen Park Chamber of Commerce. Professional organizer Colleen Klimczak shares strategies for effective time management, including goal setting, and overcoming common challenges to managing your time.

☎ Coffee and Career Paths

Thursday, Nov 15, 6:30 pm

Are you an adult thinking about your future? Join us for a cup of coffee at an informational session to learn more about preparing for high demand jobs, exploring a new career, or earning a college degree.



Make it a Monthly Habit

☎ Stampin' Up Cards

Tuesdays, Nov 6 & Dec 4, 6:30 pm
\$5 materials fee per class

Register for each class separately; pay instructor directly. Esther Thoele of Stampin' Up Cards will teach you how to use decorative rubber stamps and accessories to make a different themed greeting card each month.

Garden Club of Evergreen Park

Thursdays, Nov 1 & Dec 6, 6:30 pm
Information: www.epgardenclub.org

Learn about gardening topics through presentations by local speakers, field trips, and civic beautification projects. Annual fee \$20; attend up to two meetings for a \$5/mtg donation.

Nov 1: Don Weiss, professional orchid grower

Dec 6: Pot Luck Dinner

☎ Weekend Quilters

Saturdays, Nov 17 & Dec 15
1:00-3:00 pm

Demonstration; no sewing machine required. Join in the camaraderie of the Weekend Quilters, led by Penny Nichols, as they learn how to make Main Street houses, month by month. You will receive the patterns to construct a calendar of quilts that can be used alone as wall hangings or assembled into a quilt top.

☎ Movie Matinees

Thursdays, Nov 15 & Dec 20, 10:30 am
Bring your own snack, coffee is provided

Nov 15: *The Artist* [PG13]

Dec 20: *Safety Not Guaranteed* [R]

☎ Kindred Spirits Book

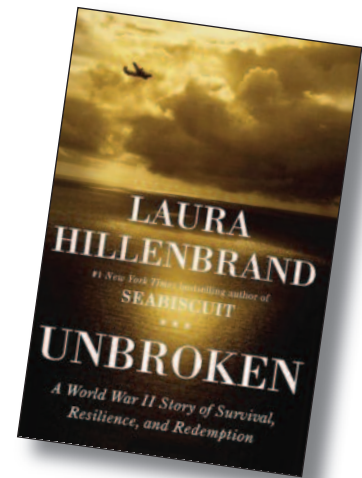
Discussion

Wednesdays, Nov 28 & Dec 19, 7:00 pm

The Kindred Spirits Book Club meets to share a love of reading and casual literary discussion. Selections are available at the Circulation desk.

Nov 28: *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand

Dec 19: *Sense of an Ending* by Julian Barnes



☎ All Day Cookin' without

Lookin' with Chef Kate

Thursday, Nov 8, 6:30 pm

\$3 tasting fee, payable at registration
Limit 60 participants.

Is there a better dinner option than take out for your busy lifestyle? Yes! Use your crock pot to prepare delicious and nutritious meals, most which cook 8-10 hours unattended. Chef Kate Bradley demonstrates all new recipes, and provides samples to taste and copies of her recipes.



Pair a yummy treat with Kate's cookbook *Novel Recipes* for a really unique gift for your favorite foodie! Copies are \$12 and proceeds benefit the Evergreen Park Public Library Foundation.

LEARN, DISCUSS, CREATE! PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

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☎ **Becoming a Mother While Losing My Own** Sunday, Nov 11, 1:00 pm

Evergreen Park author Claudia Parker tells a story of resiliency amidst life's extreme adversities. In *Becoming a Mother While Losing My Own*, she takes readers through her life with riveting accounts of tragedies, rejection and family scandals. A victim of physical and emotional abuse, and being a product of a broken home produced a determination in her to have an unwavering faith. Readers will witness how God's mercy gave a woman a chance to create a family life vastly different than the one in which she grew up.

Copies of *Becoming a Mother* will be available for purchase (\$12) and autographing after the presentation.

☎ **Make a Fresh Holiday Wreath** Sunday, Dec 2, 1:00 pm \$15 materials fee upon registration Limit 20; Bring gardening or work gloves.

Back by popular demand! Master Gardener and Naturalist Sue Palka teaches you how to create a beautiful and fragrant holiday wreath from a variety of fresh greens and adorned with seasonal ribbons and ornaments. Wreath form and all materials included in fee, an incredible value!



☎ **I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas...with Chef Kate** Thursday, Dec 13, 6:30 pm Limit 60 participants.

The weatherman is predicting another 2" overnight but you're heating things up in the kitchen with a blizzard of snow inspired recipes—so let it snow, let it snow, let it snow! Chef Kate Bradley demonstrates recipes, and provides samples to taste and copies of her recipes.

BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE

Evergreen Park Public Library received a grant funding through the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to provide technology, job skills, and business development instruction to the community. Hundreds of people have increased their computer competency and improved their employability at EP Library. It's your turn!



☎ **Computer Tutor** One to One Computer Help By Appointment Only: 708.422.8522.

La asistencia en computación está disponible para los que hablan español. Our bilingual (English/Spanish) Computer Tutor, Jessica Ramos, will offer private, one-hour sessions on the topic of your choice, on your laptop or one of ours. Notify the Circulation desk, and the Computer Tutor will contact you to schedule an appointment.

☎ **Microsoft Excel** Saturdays, Nov 3, 10 & 17 9:30 am-12:30 pm \$20 refundable deposit upon registration

Learn how to get started using Excel, edit and format data, manage worksheets, and additional topics as determined by participant demand and time allows. The entire \$20 deposit will be returned at the last class, contingent upon attendance.

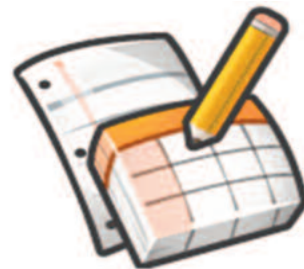
☎ **QuickBooks Concepts & Functionality** Tuesdays, Nov 6, 13, 20, 27; Dec 4, 11 6:15-8:30 pm Limit 45. Requires basic computer knowledge.

QuickBooks is a financial software program currently being used by 92% of small to midsized businesses, and by individuals for tracking their personal finances. This **lecture only** class will give you an overall basic foundation of the program. Topics will include which QB's program is right for you, how to set up a new company file, backing up and restoring a file, setting up your

preferences, creating and using a chart of accounts and learning the features and functionality for everyday use. The functionality taught will include entering and paying bills, setting up items, generating estimates and invoicing, receiving customer payments, making bank deposits, entering credit card charges, reconciling bank/credit card statements, job costing as well as creating and customizing financial reports.

Payroll will be offered in a separate class in early 2013.

☎ **Google Docs** Saturday, Jan 12, 9:30-12:30 pm Limit 20. Requires basic computer knowledge and a gmail account.



Google Docs

A Certified Google Apps Professional introduces Google Apps fundamentals, including login basics, editing, and "types" of Docs, sharing, manipulating and printing, security concerns, practical usage examples, and Google Drive.

☎ **Google Analytics** Saturday, Jan 19, 9:30-12:30 pm Limit 20. Requires basic computer knowledge and a gmail account.

A Certified Google Apps Professional introduces you to Google Analytics, how to set up an account, the functions and power of Analytics, how to integrate it with your personal/business website, basics of search engine optimization, analyzing visitor metrics, practical usage of Analytics, and Google Local.

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NEWSLETTER LAYOUT

Alphabet Soup

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday..... 12:00 noon - 4:00 pm

Holiday Closings:

Nov 21, 5:00 pm; Nov 22; Dec 24, 25, & 31; Jan 1

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Oktoberfest Fundraiser a Success!

***Event raises \$1,400 for the NEW Homebound
Delivery Program***

Over 120 community members tasted eight different craft beers and six German wines, sampled German food catered by the Bier Stube of Frankfort, polkaed to live music from the Bratwurst Brothers, and joined in a stein hosting contest, raffles, and chances. The EP Foundation gratefully acknowledges the Oktoberfest sponsors, MillerCoors and Tenth and Blake Beer Company for supplying product and expertise, the Village of Evergreen Park for allowing use of the Activity Center, the Garden Club of Evergreen Park and other area businesses for their generous donations.

Special thanks to Public Events Coordinator Mary Deering and our many volunteers for contributing time, energy, and creativity to ensure the evening's success.



Library Board President Kim Shine (at left) with family and friends. They had a great time at Oktoberfest.



Helen Cuprisin drew the Grand Prize winning ticket. Jim Deering won a week's lodging at his choice of any of 3,000 resort destinations!



Katie Shannon, a lovely lass in her Bavarian costume, conducted the Stein Hoisting contest. It was not that easy to hoist the stein without spilling the beer.



Kate Bradley hosted samplings of German wines.

(Photos courtesy of Virginia Chandler)