



The Elgin Public Library  
will be closed  
Saturday, February 16th  
for President's Day.



Dear Friends-  
Lately I've been seeing a bunch  
"Best of 2018" lists- best movies,  
best restaurants, and best books. I  
have my own "Best Read of 2018"-  
it was "The Library Book" by Susan  
Orlean. It is non fiction but also  
part mystery and part history. The  
book starts with the horrific 1986  
fire at the Los Angeles Public Li-  
brary- which burnt over 400,000  
books and damaged many more.  
The mystery is who and how the  
fire began. But the book expands  
into much larger themes- the estab-  
lishment of public libraries in the  
U.S., how books are made, how  
librarians are educated, how librari-  
es are constructed – a nerdy love  
letter to all things library. The au-  
thor weaves this information  
through her story of the evolution  
of the L.A. library, along with in-  
teresting tales of its oddball head  
librarians. What touched me the  
most about the book, however, was  
its representation of public libraries  
as democratic, inclusive and won-  
derfully American institutions-  
where no matter our race, our lan-  
guage, our birthplace, our social  
status, our economic status, or our  
education- we all are welcome.

Happy Reading,

**Laura Stough**

## ELGIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

# LIBRARY NEWS

FEBRUARY 2019

### CHILDREN & YOUTH PROGRAMMING

#### LAPSIT & STORYTIME PROGRAM @ 10:30

Every Tuesday for 3-5 year olds @ 10:30 am.  
Lapsit Program for 0-2 year olds @ 10:45 am.

#### ARTS & CRAFTS

Every Wednesday @ 4:30 pm.

- February 6th - Valentines
- February 13th - Valentines
- February 20th - Penguin
- February 27th - Unicorn



#### TAG (Teen Advisory Group) February 12 5:00—6:00

Open to middle and high school students.

Gain leadership skills by helping us plan events for the library.

#### FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday, February 21st @ 6:00 pm.

**MOVIE: SMALL FOOT**

Crafts and Dinner @ 5:30



#### HOMESCHOOL GATHERINGS Fridays 10:30—12:00

- February 1st - **Anime Club** 6th grade + and Game day: Board games, puzzles & chess
- February 8th - "STEAM-y" Valentine activities Explore math and physics with heart!
- February 15th - Book Club The Spiderwick Chronicles Book 1
- February 22nd - Books & Bots, Legos & Duplos

#### 2019 TEXAS BLUEBONNET LIST

The Elgin Public Library has the 2019 Texas Bluebonnet Reading List books available and on display in the Juvenile reading area. Twenty titles are provided to encourage students in grades 3 - 6 to diversify their reading selections and qualify to vote for the favorite book statewide. Come in & check out these great books!



## CAREGIVER SELF CARE CLASSES

Caring for an older adult comes with certain demands and stresses which can leave the caregiver exhausted and burned out. The library will be hosting **Powerful Tools for Caregivers**, a program of AGE of Central Texas and St. David's Foundation and the Bastrop YMCA. The classes are provide a wealth of self-care strategies to better handle the unique challenges faced by family caregivers. The classes will be held Wednesdays from Feb 6 - March 13 from 2:00 - 3:30. Register in advance by calling the YMCA of Bastrop 512-321-9622

## HAPPY KITCHEN IS HERE

Beginning February 6 the library will host 6 cooking and nutrition classes presented by the Sustainable Food Center. The classes meet weekly from 6 -7:30 and include a nutrition class and cooking demo. Each participant will receive a free bag of groceries with the ingredients of the demonstration. Classes in Spanish will be held on Tuesday evenings.

To register call Nurse Debi Laurents at 512-581-8858 or email [dlaurents@mhm.org](mailto:dlaurents@mhm.org)

There will also be a version in Spanish that will meet on Tuesdays. Call 512-220-1096 to register in Spanish.

## LIBRARY HOURS

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Tuesday                  | 10 to 7 |
| Wednesday                | 10 to 6 |
| Thursday                 | 10 to 7 |
| Friday                   | 10 to 6 |
| Saturday                 | 10 to 4 |
| Closed Sunday and Monday |         |

## FRIENDS of the ELGIN LIBRARY

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## ADULT PROGRAMMING

### ADULT CRAFT AFTERNOON

Friday, February 1st @ 1:30  
Craft: Valentine boxes



### CR-AFTERWORK

Thursday, February 7th 5:00 - 8:00

Bring the project of your choice and use our tables to work on!

### TRAVEL CLUB

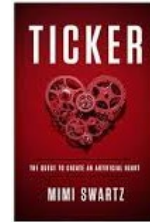
Friday, February 8th 2:00 to 3:30

Topic: Hobby related travel

### AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, February 12th @ 2:00

*Ticker* by Mimi



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A PORTRAIT OF MY FATHER

by George W. Bush

### FRIDAY NIGHT BOOK CLUB

Friday, February 15th @ 6:00

*41 A Portrait of My Father* by George W. Bush

### TGIF MOVIE with Popcorn!

Friday, February 15th @ 1:00

*Oklahoma!* By Rogers & Hammerstein

Starring Shirley Jones & Gordon McRae.



### COCINA ALEGRE

Martes 5:30 - 9:00

### HAPPY KITCHEN

Wednesdays 5:30 - 9:00

### CITIZENSHIP CLASS

Tuesdays 4:00 to 6:00 pm

### CLASES de INGLES (ESL CLASSES)

Every Tuesday & Thursday

Advanced 10:00 - 12:00

High Beginning 4:00 - 5:30

Basic 5:30 - 6:30

Intermediate 6:30 - 8:00

## TEXAS WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS

### JOB HUNTERS

Join us for workshops on February 6 & 20 to learn how to update your resume and cover letter. Call 512-303-3916 to reserve a spot.



'Pick up' a  
great Romance  
this month!

RB Digital offers eBooks &  
eAudio books.

Call or bring your device to  
register through  
the Library website.

512-281-5678

