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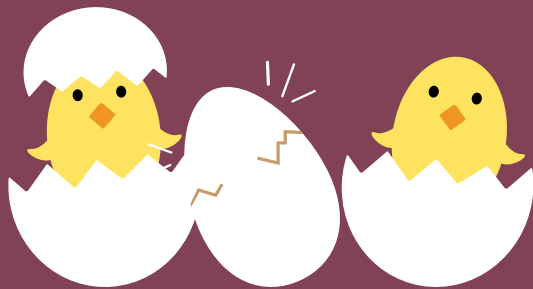
Annual Budget Vote & Trustee Election

Tuesday, April 2nd
10:00 AM-9:00 PM

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NAME THE CHICKS

While the chicks are incubating, stop by the library and enter your favorite names for the chicks. We will pick the best names and let you know what we have chosen!

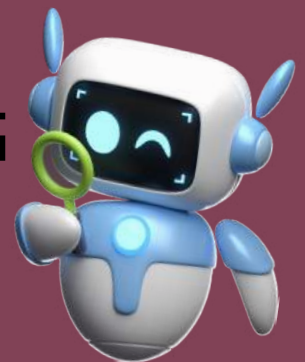
STEM FAIRE

SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD

11:00 AM-3:00 PM

Fun for Children of All Ages!

- BANANA PIANO
- CODING ROBOTS
- SPHERO BALLS
- AND MORE!



Sponsored by the Girls Who Code Club

**SOLAR ECLIPSE KITS
AVAILABLE! SUPPLIES ARE
LIMITED.**



CHILDREN



REGISTRATION BEGINS FRIDAY, March 1, 2024

INFANTS AND TODDLERS

Sensory Play

Tuesday, March 12
11:00-11:45am

Interactive fun for toddlers! Hands on stations include sand, shredded paper, paints, and shaving cream!
(12-35 months) **ELJ105**



Tiny Tot University

Tuesdays, March 19, 26
April 9, 16

11:00-11:45am
Join us for our 4 week class featuring an activity of the day (painting dress for a mess!, music, dancing, etc), Also, story time, and, bubble play!
(18-35 months) **ELJ605**



Babies Boogie

Friday, March 22
Tuesday, April 2
10:15-11:00am

Clap your hands, stomp your feet, and sing along with Nicole Sparling, in this wonderful movement class.
(6-23 months) **ELJ103**



Time to Rhyme

Monday, March 25
11:00-11:45am

Bounce along to the beat of nursery rhymes, fingerplays, and songs!
(6-35 months) **ELJ539**



Mother Goose and More

Thursday, April 18
11:00-11:45am

Hip Hip, Hooray! Come sing, rhyme, and play!
(6-35 months) **ELJ101**



Parachute Play

Tuesday, April 23
11:00-11:45am

Singing, dancing, and parachute games, oh my!
(18-35 months) **ELJ104**



My First Book Club

Monday, April 29
11:00-11:45am

Let's read, move, and play! Everyone is invited to explore a copy of the book as we enjoy a story together.
(18-35 months) **ELJ560**



PRESCHOOL

Looking for Leprechauns

Thursday, March 7
11:00-11:45am

Want to catch a leprechaun this St. Patrick's Day? Craft a special pair of binoculars to help you find these magical tricksters! (2-5 years old) **ELJ608**



In Like a Lion Out Like a Lamb

Friday, March 15
11:00-11:45am

In anticipation of Spring, we will read the book *In Like a Lion, Out Like a Lamb* by Marion Dane Bauer and make adorable lion and sheep cupcakes.
(2-5 years old) **ELJ 612**



Toddler Tango

Friday, March 22
Tuesday, April 2
11:15-12:00pm

Clap your hands, stomp your feet, and sing along with Nicole Sparling, in this delightful toddler movement class featuring instruments and music from around the world.
(2-5 years old) **ELJ112**



Chicks Are Here

Friday, April 5
11:00-11:45am

With the chicks here, we will read some stories about chicks and make a craft to take home. Following the program you will have a chance to pet a chick.
(2-5 years old) **ELJ363**



Unicorn Day

Thursday, April 11
11:00-11:45am

Let's celebrate National Unicorn Day! We'll read the book *If I Had a Unicorn* by Gabby Dawney and then create our very own unicorns!
(2-5 years old) **ELJ614**



April Showers

Monday, April 15

11:00-11:45am

Find the joy in rainy days as we make our own puffy storm clouds! Dress for a mess.

(2-5 years old) **ELJ609**



SCHOOL-AGED

St. Patrick's Day Canvas

Monday, March 11

5:00-5:45pm

Use canvas and art materials to create a beautiful decoration for St. Patrick's Day.

(Grades: K-5) **ELJ610**



Once Upon a STEM Challenge



Wednesday, March 13

6:30-7:15pm

Join us for classic fairy tales with a STEM twist! Help Jack bring the golden egg down the beanstalk by building a delivery system out of recyclables and other materials.

(Grades: K-5) **ELJ611**

Galaxy Jar

Wednesday, April 3

6:30-7:15pm

Get ready for the upcoming solar eclipse by creating a cosmic decoration that's out of this world!

(Grades: K-5) **ELJ568**



Cheep Cheep

Monday, April 8

5:30-6:15pm

The chicks have arrived!!! Listen to stories and create a chick craft to take home. At the end of the program you will have the opportunity to pet a chick.

(Grades: K-4) **ELJ328**



Clouds

Tuesday, April 30

5:00-5:45pm

Calling all scientists! We'll read the book *When Cloud Became a Cloud* by Rob Hodgson to learn all about clouds and then conduct a cool cloud experiment!

(Grades: K-5) **ELJ613**



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Kids Vote

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

10:00am-9:00pm



Kids vote too! Bring your kids so they can vote for their favorite book character!

SCAVENGER HUNTS

Pick up your scavenger hunt sheet at the Information Desk. Once completed, bring it back to the Information Desk for your prize!

There will be a new theme every month!



SCREEN FREE TAKE AND MAKE CRAFTS

For Kids of All Ages

Pick up a craft to do at home!

Please note: Supplies are limited!

March 9

Pot of Gold

Make your own lucky treasure at the end of the rainbow!

April 13

Handprint Cherry Blossom Tree

Make a beautiful and unique handprint Cherry Blossom tree, just in time for Spring!

March 23

Hatching Chicks

In anticipation of the chicks hatching, create your own hatching chick

April 27

Rain Rain Go Away

Make a cute cloud and rain drops for April showers.



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TEEN NOOK



GRADES 6 - 12 | REGISTRATION BEGINS MARCH 1, 2024

PROGRAMS

Girls Who Code

Every Monday, 6:30 - 8:30pm

Girls Who Code is a fun, engaging, virtual, and in-person program for girls to learn how to code with fun online tutorials and activities. No experience necessary. Join us!

Registration required. ELYA628

International Cooking

Thursday, March 7, 7:00 - 8:00pm

Thursday, April 11, 7:00 - 8:00pm

Join Project Excel as we explore recipes and learn about cultures from all around the world! In March, you'll learn about India's Holi celebrations with mango lassi. In April, you'll celebrate the end of Ramadan with Lebanese Fattoush Salad.

Registration required. ELYA644



DIY Crafts



Thursday, April 25, 7:00 - 8:00pm

Join us in our efforts to reduce, reuse, and recycle for our Sustainable Libraries Initiative! Get into the Spring season and learn to craft paper floral art.

Registration required. ELYA714

TRI-CYA FOOD DRIVE

We're collecting food for Huntington's Tri-CYA food pantry this month! Pick any ten items from this list to donate for one hour of community service! The last date for collection is April 22nd. Limit 1 hour per Teen.



Rice
Pasta
Sauce
Soups
Beans



Parmalat milk
Instant oatmeal
Breakfast cereals
Canned vegetables
Peanut butter or jelly



VOLUNTEER

When you sign up to volunteer you are agreeing to stay the entire time. Partial credit will not be given.

Adventures in Art: Henri Matisse



Tuesday, March 12, 7:00 - 8:00pm

Learn about famous modern artist Henri Matisse and the barriers he overcame. Then, create your own paper collage inspired by his nature Cut-Outs. Donate your artwork to the library to earn community service credit.

Registration required. ELYA711



Financial Literacy



Tuesday, March 19, 7:00 - 8:00pm

Learn essential skills of personal finance such as budgeting, understanding consumer value, and the difference between checking and savings accounts. Show off your newly learned skills with a service project demonstrating good personal finance tips.

Registration required. ELYA712

STEM Faire

Saturday, March 23, 10:30am - 1:00pm or 1:00 - 3:30pm

Help us run this fun STEM Faire for children of all ages!

Registration required. ELYA678

Teen Advisory Board

Thursday, March 28 & April 18, 7:00 - 8:00pm

Help make decorations and work on future projects for the library. Community service hours are provided and new members are always welcome!

Registration required. ELYA630



Candy Rose Cards

Tuesday, April 2, 7:00 - 8:00pm

Use your art skills to make Hershey Kiss rose cards to be donated to the local community.

Registration required. ELYA713

WINTER READING CHALLENGE

Winter Reading is almost over! Make sure you turn in your Bingo card by March 22nd to claim your prize. If you finish the whole card, you'll get a mini Squishmallow!



2024-2025 Annual Budget Vote - Tuesday, April 2, 2024

The Library Annual Budget Vote will be held **Tuesday, April 2, 2024**, at the Elwood Public Library. Voting hours will be from 10am to 9pm. Information about the proposed 2024-2025 budget and election will be available at a Public Information Meeting to be held at the Library on **Thursday, March 21, 2024**, at 7:30pm. Voter registration will be available in the library from 2pm-8pm on **Wednesday, March 27, 2024**.

Applications and information for casting early mail and absentee ballots will be available beginning **February 29, 2024**. All completed absentee ballots must be returned to the Library by 5pm on **April 2, 2024**. Applications are due no later than **April 1, 2024**.

Petition forms and information for the office of Library Trustee are available. Petitions are due at the Library by 5pm on **March 4, 2024**.

If you have any questions regarding the Library's budget and election, please contact the Library's Director, Susan Goldberg, at (631) 499-3722.

The proposed 2024-2025 tax levy includes a 2% tax increase which is within the New York State tax cap requirement.

	Budget 2023-2024	Proposed Budget 2024-2025
Revenues:		
Tax Revenues	\$ 1,702,317.04	\$ 1,736,363.38
PILOT Payments	15,500.00	17,500.00
Interest Income	5000.00	40,000.00
NYS Aid/Grants and Donations	3,500.00	4,000.00
Fines, Fees, and Rebates	8,500.00	8,650.00
Total Revenues:	\$ 1,734,817.04	\$1,806,513.38
Expenditures/Expenses for Library		
Services; Salaries & Benefits	993,234.04	1,053,371.00
Library Materials	145,218.00	153,134.00
Programming & Museum Passes	34,500.00	35,000.00
Office Operations	105,150.00	112,578.38
Building Operations	448,215.00	473,930.00
Capital Outlay	8,500.00	8,500.00
Capital Contingency	-	-
Post Retirement Benefits	-	-
Transfer from Reserves		(30,000.00)
Total Expenditures:	\$1,734,817.04	\$1,806,513.38

Property assessed at:	Annual Library Tax 2023-2024	Property assessed at	Annual Library Tax 2024-2025	Change from previous year
\$3,000.00	\$305.40	\$3,000	\$307.60	\$2.20
\$4,000.00	\$407.20	\$4,000	\$410.15	\$2.95
\$5,000.00	\$509.00	\$5,000	\$512.70	\$3.70

ADULT

REGISTRATION BEGINS MARCH 1, 2024



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Donna Diamond Literary Gallery

Monday, March 11, 11:00am

The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon

Monday, April 8, 11:00am

Better Living Through Birding by Christian Cooper

Morning Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, March 13, 10:30am

The Velvet Hours by Alyson Richman

Wednesday, April 10, 10:30am

Better Living Through Birding by Christian Cooper

Evening Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, March 20, 7:00pm

The Latecomer by Jean Hanff Korelitz

Wednesday, April 17, 7:00pm

Better Living Through Birding by Christian Cooper

LIVE, LAUGH, LEARN

Transportation BINGO



Monday, March 11, 7:00pm

Join us for some fun and a chance to win a local restaurant gift card. Discover green ways to get around town. **ELA999**

No Irish Need Apply



A History of the Irish in Boston

Wednesday, March 13, 2:00pm

Learn about immigration in Boston, from the indentured Scot-Irish, in 1718, through the post famine years, and onward. Via Zoom. **ELA755Z**

Pretty Paper Flowers - Daffodils



Thursday, March 14, 7:00pm

Celebrate the Library's 20th anniversary. Casey Cunningham will teach us a different paper flower every month. This month - daffodils. **In-person registration. Material Fee: \$5.00 Exact Change Cash Only. ELA796**

Painting with Coffee - Still Life



Wednesday, March 20, 6:30pm

Bonnie Schwartz teaches how to shade and contour a still life of a coffee cup and books, using different strengths of coffee. **In-person registration. Material Fee: \$5.00 Exact Change Cash Only. ELA754**

Fiber Artists Group



Thursdays, March 28, April 25, 11:00am-1:00pm

Crochet, knit, macramé, cross stitch, etc. Bring your work. Chat with others who share your interests. **ELA774**

Going from Worrier to Warrior

How to Reframe Your State of Mind



Thursday, April 4, 7:00pm

Tap into your inner strength and creativity, reframe your state of mind, and begin to make positive changes from within, using these techniques. **ELA973**

The Salad Garden



Tuesday, April 9, 2:00pm

Paul Levine talks about planting salad veggies. Some lucky winners will leave with a plant. **ELA787**

Student Loan Repayment Options



Tuesday, April 9, 6:30pm



Nassau Suffolk Law Services discusses opportunities and information within the federal student loan system. Learn to manage your loans. Learn about repayment options, and the new 'SAVE' plan, and time-limited relief, which may give you credit toward forgiveness programs. **ELA979Z**

Feather Pour Painting

Wednesday, April 10, 6:30pm

Local artist Jennifer Mariotti will teach this new paint pour method. Dress for mess. **Bring a straw and a box to carry your 8x10 wet painting home. In-person Registration. \$5.00 Exact Change Cash Only Material Fee. ELA960**

Pretty Paper Flowers - Tulips



Thursday, April 11, 7:00pm

This month Casey will teach us to make three tulips. **In-person registration. Material Fee: \$5.00 Exact Change Cash Only. ELA797**

Signs and Omens



Thursday, April 18, 7:00pm

Rev. Maria D'Andrea talks about interpreting signs and omens and how to use them in your life. **For Entertainment purposes only. ELA805**

JOIN THE ELWOOD SEED LIBRARY



What: Packets of herb and vegetable seeds for home gardening

When: Beginning March 1st

Where: Elwood Public Library

How: Register at the seed library display. 5 packets of seeds per family/per month.

Benefits: Herb and vegetable varieties, save money, increase self-reliance, learn about edible gardens, inspire others.

Elwood Residents Only

COOK'S CORNER

Spring is So Delish with Chef Rob

Monday, March 18, 12:00pm

Chef Rob demonstrates Spring Bolognese Over Pasta and Baked Feta served with warm bread.

In-person registration required. \$5.00 Material Fee.

Exact Change Cash Only. ELA759



Explore the Art of Pizza

Monday, April 15, 6:30pm

Learn about the history of pizza as you enjoy a tasting and demo of one of Long Island's favorite foods with Pizza by Tano. **ELA702**



TECH TUESDAY

Smart Driver TEK with AARP

Tuesday, March 12, 2:00pm

This 90-minute workshop by AARP offers an interactive way to stay up to date with the latest safety technology in your car. Learn about new technologies. **ELA784**



Tech Talk - Open Forum

Tuesday, April 16, 2:00-3:00pm

Get your tech questions answered at this open Q&A session. No registration required.

One-On-One Tech Help

Elwood Residents Only

Tuesdays, 2pm-8pm

Call (631-499-3722) to schedule a one-on-one 30 minute appointment with Librarian Lauren for help setting up new accounts, borrowing e-books, and other tech questions!



PRESERVE YOUR MEMORIES

ELWOOD PATRONS ONLY

Convert your old VHS tapes to digital videos, at the library. Bring 1-2 of your recorded standard VHS tapes along with an external USB drive to the Information desk. Please allow up to two weeks for completion.

EYES ON THE ROAD

Empire Safety Council Driver Safety

Tuesday, April 16 & Wednesday, April 17, 5:30-8:30pm

\$30 fee at time of In-person registration. **Exact Change Cash or Check payable to Empire Safety Council.**

Bring your driver's license or learner's permit to class.

Must attend both sessions to receive credit.

Advanced in-person registration only. ELA701



BECAUSE WE CARE

Colon Cancer 2024

What Everyone Should Know

Thursday March 7, 11:00am

Northwell Health Colorectal Surgeon Shabiah Martin will discuss prevention and treatment. Via Zoom. **ELA771Z**
Presented by the Huntington Area Libraries.



Help Finding Low-Cost Health Insurance

Fridays, March 8 and April 12, 10:00am-2:00pm

A Nassau/Suffolk Hospital Council representative assists children and adults 65+, who are blind and/or disabled, to enroll in select Medicare/Medicaid programs.

No appointment necessary.

One-On-One Medicare



Tuesdays, March 19 and April 16, 10:00am-1:00pm

A Suffolk County RSVP volunteer from HIICAP answers questions and provides information on Medicare benefits and insurance. Make a 30-minute appointment. **ELA736**

Turning 65 and Ready for Medicare?

What You Need to Know

Tuesday, March 19, 7:00pm

Turning 65 this year? Attend this seminar. Get your Medicare questions answered. Learn what is mandatory for all, available plans, and about lowering drug costs. **ELA767**



Vasomotor Symptoms & Menopause

Management With Dr. Bonura 

Wednesday, March 20, 11:00am

Join us on Zoom for this informative talk. **ELA742Z**

Presented by the Huntington Area Libraries.



FITNESS FUN

YOGA Wednesdays

March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17, 24

Exact Change or Check payable to Elwood Public Library required for all exercise classes.

Non-refundable 7-week program fee: \$35.00 *

Stretch and Strengthen - 11:00am*

Join us for this Yoga class. Bring a mat. **ELA710**



Get Fit Where You Sit Yoga - 12:15pm*

Join us for this low impact Chair Yoga class. **ELA711**



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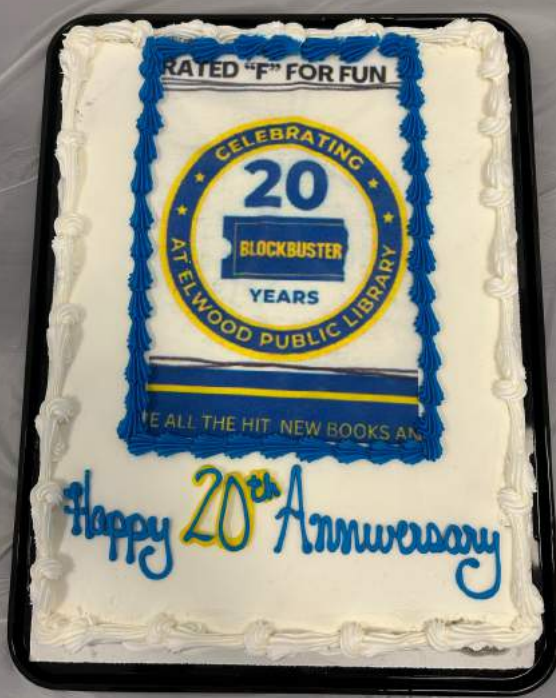
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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:30am - 9:00pm

Friday & Saturday 9:30am - 5:00pm

Sunday 1:00pm - 5:00pm

elwoodlibrary.org open 24/7

elwoodteens.org open 24/7

The Library will be closed:

Sunday, March 31

Attendance at the library programs or public spaces constitutes consent to be photographed or recorded for use in library publicity.

Priority is given to Elwood residents for program registration

Upcoming Board Meeting Schedule

Thursday, March 21, 2024 6:30pm

Thursday, April 18, 2024 6:30pm

The public is invited and encouraged to attend



ELWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trisha Johnston, President

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Nadine Araoz-Beuka, Finance Officer

Randall Koster, Secretary

Marla Band, Trustee

Susan Goldberg, Director

Celebrating 20 Blockbuster Years!