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Elizabeth Public Library, Elizabeth, NJ 07202
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Mayor Chris Bollwage addressed 150 guests at Kean University's student center on February 3 to encourage participation in The Big Read, a National Endowment for the Arts sponsored project that invites everyone to read and discuss the same book. Also present were Dr. Dawood Farahi, President of Kean University, Library Director Dorothy Key and Dr. Mia Zamora, Project Director, on the Mayor's left. The Big Read selection for Kean University and the City of Elizabeth is *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien, and is available at all library branches. The author will be speaking at the final Big Read event in Kean University's Wilkins Theater on Wednesday, April 14, at 12:30 pm.

Summer Reading for all ages

The 2010 Summer Reading Club Program, "Make a Splash @ Your Library!" is open to young people, preschool through young adult, with programs, prizes, story hours and more. Registration for the Children's Room Summer Library Program begins on June 21. The Teen Department reading program preview begins in June, with the theme, "We like big BOOKS, and we cannot lie." Also planned for the summer of 2010 is a summer reading program for adults with new trivia, games and patron book reviews.

Teen Art Show is the ninth annual

Students in grades 6-12 are eligible to submit a piece of artwork for the ninth annual Teen Art Show, which will take place Thursday, May 13, 6:00-8:00 pm in the Main Library Auditorium. Artwork is due by May 7th. Call Kimberly Paone at x-7235 for more information.

National Library Week at EPL

A visit to EPL during National Library Week, April 11-18, will be an opportunity to see why "Communities Thrive @ Your Library." Computer class offerings with training that will apply to many aspects of life including job search abilities from the Media Department, tours of the Local History Room with a chance to find out more about the City of Elizabeth, and special story hours in the Children's Room and at all branches are just a few of the highlights of National Library Week at EPL. A visit from Danica Novgorodoff, author of the graphic novel *Refresh, Refresh* will also take place during the week. Details, dates and times are listed by department in this newsletter.

Homework Help NJ will provide Tutor.com to EPL in 2010

Homework Help NJ, a New Jersey State Library program sponsored by PSE&G and Praxair, Inc., has again made Tutor.com available to Elizabeth Public Library patrons free of charge in 2010. Tutor.com offers on-line help for students in Kindergarten through introductory level college students and adult learners. Career development assistance and citizenship test practice are also available. Qualified tutors are on-line every day from 2pm to 10pm. Tutor.com provides a Writing Center, homework help in Math, Science, English, and Social Studies, and offers assistance in Spanish. Click the "Homework Help NJ" link on the EPL home page at <http://www.elizpl.org> and enter your library card number to connect with a tutor.

Library Hours:

Main Library and Branch hours are listed on Page 4

The Library will be closed on the following holidays:

Good Friday, Friday, April 2

Memorial Day, Sat., May 29 and Monday, May 31

Reference and Adult Services 908-354-6060, x-7203

**Hands-On Learning Express Library**

Preparing for the citizenship test? Practicing for the SAT? Brushing up on geometry? Looking for ways to ace the job interview and create a resume and cover letter? Learn and

explore Learning Express Library, a database resource, in a one-hour, hands on, interactive session. Contact Robert Barbanell at 908-354-6060, x-7223, to register for one of the sessions:

Saturday, May 1, 10:30 am, Monday, May 10, 6:30 pm,
Monday, June 7, 6:30 pm or Saturday, June 26, 2:30

Saturday Movie Matinees

2 pm, Main Library Auditorium

- April 17 *Dirty Dancing* with P. Swayze and J Grey
- May 15 (1:45 pm) *Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen* starring Shia LeBoeuf
- June 12 *Michael Jackson's This is It*

Wednesday Morning Movies
10 am in the Main Library Auditorium

- April 7 **The Big Read Film Series:** *Platoon* with Charlie Sheen
- April 14 *While You Were Sleeping* with Sandra Bullock
- April 21 *Murder on the Orient Express* with Albert Finney
- April 28 *Angels & Demons* with Tom Hanks
- May 5 *Houseboat* with Cary Grant and Sophia Loren
- May 12 *The Music Man* with Robert Preston
- May 19 *Up in the Air* with George Clooney
- May 26 *Three Days of the Condor* with R. Redford and F. Dunaway
- June 2 *Foul Play* with Goldie Hawn and Chevie Chase
- June 9 *27 Dresses* with Katherine Heigl and James Marsden
- June 16 *An Education* with Carry Mulligan
- June 23 *Chariots of Fire* with Ben Cross
- June 30 *Couples Retreat* with Vince Vaughn

**National Library Week is April 11-17**

Test your knowledge of the City of Elizabeth and tour the Local History Room. Registration is not necessary.

- Mon., April 12, 6:30 pm
- Tues., April 13, 10:30 am
- Wed., April 14, 6:30 pm
- Thurs., April 15, 2:30 pm
- Fri., April 16, 10:30 am
- Sat., April 17, 2:30 pm

The Reference Department will offer behind-the-scenes tours on the following dates. Please call x-7223 to register.

- Sat., April 10, 2:30 pm
- Mon., April 26, 6:30 pm
- Wed., May 5, 6:30 pm
- Sat., June 12, 10:30 am

Winter Trivia Question: Who was thought to be the Jersey Devil's mother? **Answer:** The New Jersey Devil was thought to be the thirteenth child of "Mother Leeds," in 1735.

Media Department, x-7152

Monthly Computer Classes at EPL

Introduction to Computers Tuesdays, 6 pm
Internet searching and e-mail for beginners

Introduction to Computers, Instruction in Spanish
Wednesdays, 2:30 pm: Internet searching and e-mail

Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007
Thursdays 2:30 pm: Working with "the ribbon," text and templates for resumes.

Internet Applications Fridays, 6:00 pm
Creating a cover letter, job searching online and e-mailing your resume.

All classes are three-session commitments, and are held in the computer lab on the second floor of the Main Library. Pre-registration is taken in-person at the Circulation Desk on the second floor, and opens April 12.

Teen Department 908-354-6060, x-7235

Spring Break in the Teen Department

- Monday, April 5, 5-7 pm Game Night
- Tuesday, April 6, 3-5 pm Afternoon of Anime
- Wed., April 7, 3-5 pm Spades Tournament
- Thurs., April 8, 5-7 pm Poetry Celebration
- Friday, April 9, 5-7 pm Movie Night

**Teen Art Show**

Thursday, May 13, 6-8 pm
Artwork is due by Friday, May 7

Please contact Kimberly Paone, x-7235, for more information.

A visit from Danica Novgorodoff

Author of the graphic novel, *Refresh, Refresh*
Thursday, April 15, 5-6:30 pm, Main Library Auditorium

Monthly Teen Programs**Teen Book Discussion Group**

Thursdays: 5-6pm
May 20
June 10

Anime Club

Thursdays: 5-7pm
April 1
May 6
June 3

Teen Advisory Council

Thursdays: 5-6pm
April 22
May 27
June 17

**Summer Reading for Teens**

This year's Teen Summer Reading Club theme is "We like big BOOKS and we cannot lie." Visit the Teen Services Desk on the third floor of the Main Library anytime during the month of June to sign up for the summer, get a preview of programs, and a FREE book!!!

Children's Programs 908-354-6060, x-7209



Olivia the Pig: Diva of All Divas

Stories, crafts and activities for children, K-2
 Elmora Monday, April 12, 7:00 pm
 LaCorte Tuesday, April 13, 6:30 pm
 Elizabethport Wednesday, April 14, 6:30 pm
 Main Library Saturday, April 17, 2:30 pm



Celebrate Mother's Day with Crafts and Things

Elmora Monday, May 3, 7:00 pm
 Elizabethport Wednesday, May 5, 6:30 pm
 LaCorte Thursday, May 6, 6:30 pm
 Main Library Saturday, May 8, 2:30 pm

Saturday Matinee for Kids

Main Library Children's Room, 2 pm

April 3 *Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs*
 May 1 *Curious George 2: Follow the Monkey*
 June 26 *Princess and the Frog*



"Make a Splash" Summer Reading Club

The Elizabeth Public Library proudly announces the theme of this year's summer reading club, "Make a Splash." The 2010 Summer Reading Club Program is open to young people, preschool through young adult, with programs, prizes, story hours and more. Registration for the Summer Library Program begins on June 21. For more information call the library, x-7208.

Lapsit: Rhymes, songs, finger plays and verse for babies, newborns – 2 year olds.

Tuesdays in the Main Library
 Children's Room, 11 am

April 6 and 13, May 4 and 11
 June 8 and 15



Graphic Novel Collection



Looking for a graphic novel or graphic picture book? Check out their new location in the Children's Room.

Drop-in Crafts

All Branches

Drop in any time for a different monthly craft.

Branch Programs 908-353-4820



"Make a Splash" in the Branches

Registration for the Summer Reading Club starts the week of June 21st. Come to your neighborhood library, sign up, receive your book bag and event information.

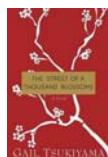


Tai Chi Classes for Older Adults

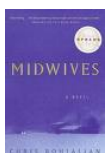
Elmora Branch Library
 Thursdays through April 15
 3:30pm

Elmora Branch Book Club

Thursdays, 9:30 am



Street of a Thousand Blooms
 By Gail Tsukiyama
 April 8



Midwives
 By Chris Bohjalian
 May 13



The Color of Water
 By James McBride
 June 10



The Elmora Branch Library' Brown Bag Lunch Movies



Tuesdays, 12 noon. Feel free to bring lunch with you. Light refreshments will be provided.

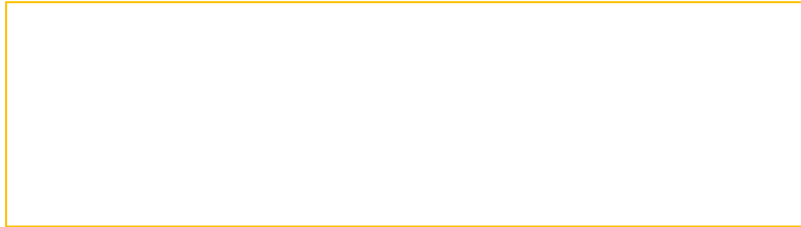
April 6 *Amelia* with Hilary Swank and Richard Gere
 April 13 *The Time Travelers Wife* with R. McAdams and E. Bana

There will be no movies shown from April 20 through June 8th due to elections and the branch reorganization.

June 15 *The Blind Side* starring Sandra Bullock
 June 22 *2012* with John Cusack and Amanda Peet
 June 29 *Sherlock Holmes* starring Robert Downey, Jr.

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Main Library Hours

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Elizabeth, NJ 07202
908-354-6060
M-F 9 am – 9pm
Sat 9 am – 5 pm

Elmora Branch Hours

740 W. Grand
Elizabeth, NJ
908-353-4820
M W 9 am-9pm
TThF Sat 9 am-5pm

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434 Palmer St
Elizabeth, NJ
908-820-4298
M W F Sat: 9am-5pm
TTh: 12 pm-8 pm

Elizabethport Branch Hours

102-110 Third St
Elizabeth, NJ
908-289-9032
M W: 12pm – 8pm
TThF Sat: 9am-5pm



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