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Eco del Sur, which translates as *Echoes of the South*, performed on a variety of instruments from Latin America on November 23 to the delight of an audience of 137 patrons. The final fall noontime concert will be offered on November 6 in the Main Library auditorium.

EPL will offer Digital TV conversion demonstration on November 15

By February 17, 2009, televisions that currently receive analog signals will need to be converted to receive digital signals. Elizabeth Public Library will take advantage of a partnership between the American Library Association and Radio Shack to run a brief demonstration, as well as a question and answer session for patrons with older televisions that will need conversions on Saturday, November 15 in the Main Library auditorium at 10:30 am, and at 1 pm at the Elmora Branch. Kindly register by telephone, 908-354-6060, x-7223, e-mail rbarbanell@elizpl.org, or stop by the Adult-Reference Desk on the second floor. More information about the transition can also be found at www.dtv2009.gov and from Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) www.pbs.org/digitaltv/.

Special Events

The **Kean University Gospel Choir** will perform in the Main Library Auditorium on Saturday, December 6, at 2:00 pm. Details and more program information can be found on P 2.

Samantha Schutz, author of the poetic memoir *I Don't Want to Be Crazy*, will appear at Elizabeth Public Library on Wednesday November 12. Details and more teen events are P 2.

American Studies professor will take the “trash” out

Michael Aaron Rockland, Ph.D., and professor of American Studies at Rutgers University, will offer a lecture entitled, *Popular Culture: Or Why Study “Trash?”* in the Elizabeth Public Library Main Library auditorium on Saturday, November 8, at 2 pm. Dr. Rockland will offer a look at how popular culture illuminates the American character, examined through the books people really read and films really seen. A visit to Elizabeth Public Library may tune participants in to discovering the Mozarts and Shakespeares of American culture. This program is offered through the Horizons Speakers Bureau of the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, a state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Homework Help NJ will be providing EPL with Tutor.com, and on-line homework help service from 3-8 pm daily, with help in Spanish as well. Visit your local branch to use the service, or log in from the library home page, www.elizpl.org, with a library card.

New Jersey Council for the Humanities will present 2008 Book Awards

The New Jersey Council for the Humanities will present a set of entries for the 2008 Book Awards to Elizabeth Public Library on Tuesday, December 2, at 5:30 pm in the Main Library auditorium. Five libraries are chosen to house the books that are nominated by publishers for consideration by the NJCH Book Award committee.

The Library will be closed:

Election Day, Tues., Nov. 4
Veterans Day, Tues., Nov. 11
Thanksgiving, Thurs., Nov. 27
Christmas Day, Thurs., Dec. 25
New Years Day, Thurs., Jan 1
The library will close at 4 pm on
New Years Eve, December 31.

Main Library Hours

M-F 9 am - 9 pm
Sat 9 am - 5 pm
Please note Branch hours on Page 3

Adult Services 908-354-6060, x-7203



A smooth finish for the Fall Noontime Concert Series



The Fall Concert Series will close on November 6 with Rutgers University Mason Gross School of the Arts jazz duo Matt Janiszewski on saxophone and Andy Michalec on the piano.



Funding for this program has been made possible in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, through a grant administered by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs.

Wednesday Morning Movies 10 am in the Main Library Auditorium

- Nov. 5 *Bye Bye Birdie* with J. Leigh and D. VanDyke
- Nov. 12 *Leatherheads* with G. Clooney and R. Zellweger
- Nov. 19 *Somewhere in Time* with C. Reeve and J. Seymour
- Nov. 26 *The Other Boleyn Girl* starring N. Portman & E. Bana
- Dec. 3 *Man of a Thousand Faces* with J. Cagney & D. Malone
- Dec. 10 *Made of Honor* starring Patrick Dempsey
- Dec. 17 *The Sum of All Fears* with B. Affleck and M. Freeman
- Dec. 24 *A Christmas Carol* starring Alastair Sim
- Dec. 31 *The Forbidden Kingdom* starring J. Chan and Jet Li

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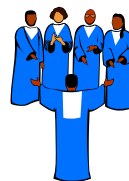
Popular Culture: Or Why Study "Trash"

Saturday, November 8

2 pm

Main Library Auditorium

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Kean University Gospel Choir

December 6, 2 pm

Main Library Auditorium

Light refreshments will be provided.

Saturday Movie Matinees

2pm, Main Library Auditorium

- November 22 *Speed Racer* with E. Hirsch and C. Ricci
- December 20: *The Polar Express* with T. Hanks and Eddie Deezen

Reference Department 908-354-6060, x-7203



In the Spotlight: Chase's Calendar of Events R 396.26 2008

Have you been told about Buy Nothing Day and want to learn more about it? Chase's Calendar of Events is a day-to-day source to find out everything from famous birthdays to holidays, along with events going on in cities across the United States.

An on-line version can be found at <http://www.chases.com>.

Visit the new Reference Department on the second floor of the library, or call with us your questions.

September/October Question:

Name the Revolutionary War battle and the date on which extreme New Jersey heat caused the deaths of nearly half of the 112 British and American soldiers on the casualty list for the day.

Answer: The Battle of Monmouth, June 28, 1778

November/December Question: President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated and died on Saturday, April 15, 1865. The train that would take him to his final resting place in Springfield, Illinois began its two and a half week journey out of Washington, DC, on Friday, April 21, 1865. What was the name of this funeral train, and on what date and time did this train pass through the city of Elizabeth?

The first five patrons with the correct answer will receive a prize!

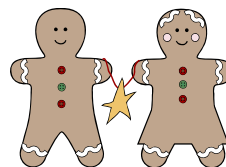
Teen Department 908-354-6060, x-7235

Special Author Event

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I Don't Want to Be Crazy



Wednesday, November 12
5-6:30 pm
Main Library Auditorium



Holiday Crafts and Snacks for Teens

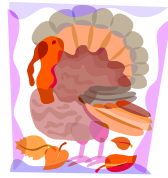
Main Library Auditorium
Saturday, December 13
2-4 pm

Anime Club 5-7pm
Thursdays, November 6 and December 4

Teen Book Discussion Group 5-6pm
Thursdays, November 20 and December 18

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

Lets Talk Turkey



Thanksgiving stories and fun for children ages 3 to 8

Elmora Branch November 10, 7 pm
 Elizabethport Branch November 12, 6:30 pm
 LaCorte Branch November 13, 6:30 pm
 Main Library November 15, 2:30 pm



Saturday Matinee for Kids

Main Library Children's Room
 2 pm

November 29 Wall-e
 December 20 Chronicles of Narnia:
 Prince Caspian



First in Flight



The Wright brothers were credited with the first powered flight on December 17, 1903. Come and help us remember the date with stories, crafts and fun for children.

Main Library December 13, 2:30 pm
 Elmora Branch December 15, 7:00 pm
 Elizabethport Branch December 17, 6:30 pm
 LaCorte Branch December 18, 6:30 pm

Lapsit: Rhymes, songs, finger plays and verse for babies, newborns - 2 years old

Main Library, 11:00 am
 Mondays, November 10 and 24
 Tuesdays, December 9 and 16

Drop in any time to any of the branches for a different craft each month.



Visit the Children's Room, Teen Desk or Adult Services Desk to ask about the World Book Encyclopedia On-line Challenge!

Branch Programs 908-353-4820



The Elmora Branch Library's Brown Bag Lunch Movies



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

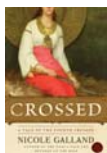
November 4 Closed Election Day
 November 11 Closed Veteran's Day
 November 18 *The Fountainhead* starring Gary Cooper
 November 25 *Mother* starring Albert Brooks & Debbie Reynolds
 December 2 *In America* starring Paddy Considine & Samantha Morton
 December 9 *A Tale of Two Cities* starring Ronald Coleman
 December 16 *The Majestic* starring Jim Carrey
 December 23 *It's a Wonderful Life* starring James Stewart & Donna Reed
 December 30 *Second Hand Lions* starring Michael Caine & Robert Duvall

The Deadline is February 17, 2009

The Elmora Branch will host a brief demonstration of the conversion of an analog television to equip it to receive digital signals on **Saturday, November 15** in the Main Library auditorium at 1 pm at the Elmora Branch. Kindly register in person, by telephone, 908-353-4820, or by e-mail, sdavan@elizpl.org. More details can be found on P 1 of this newsletter.

Elmora Branch Book Club

9:30 am



Crossed
 By Nicole Galland
 November 13

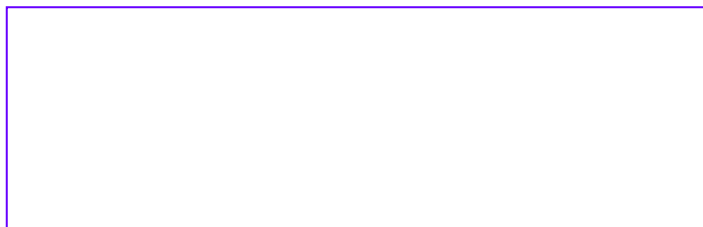


Sugar
 by Denise McFadden
 December 11

Elmora Branch Hours	LaCorte Branch Hours	E'port Branch Hours
740 W. Grand Elizabeth, NJ 908-353-4820 M W 9 am-9pm TThF Sat 9 am-5pm	418-34 Palmer St Elizabeth, NJ 908-820-4298 M W F Sat: 9am-5pm TTh: 12 pm-8 pm	102-110 Third St Elizabeth, NJ 908-289-9032 M W: 12pm - 8pm TThF Sat: 9am-5pm

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Save the Dates:

New Jersey author John Nagy will speak about his book, *Rebellion in the Ranks: Mutinies of the American Revolution*. Elizabeth residents were very much involved. Main Library auditorium, January 10, 2009, 2 pm.

African American History Month programs are scheduled for February with the Union County Urban League Guild. Programs TBA

Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday will be February 12, 2009. The library will host a celebration TBA.

Women's History Month programs in March will include the New Jersey Council for the Humanities program, *Inside the American Mosaic: The Women's Experience* on Saturday, March 28th at 2pm.

The Teen Art Show is scheduled for May 11, 2009.

Check It Out, the bimonthly newsletter of Elizabeth Public Library, will be available by e-mail. Contact Monica Eppinger at meppinger@elizpl.org if you would like to begin receiving your newsletter electronically. You will be added to a Google list for receipt of EPL news, and you'll be helping EPL to go green.