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## **You asked, we listened!**

We are starting a children's crochet class on the last Saturday of each month. There will be some adults to help with each child and teach the basics. Come anytime between the hours of 9am-noon. You aren't required to be there the entire three hours. Bring some yarn and either a J or K crochet hook to get started. This class is offered to you for FREE!

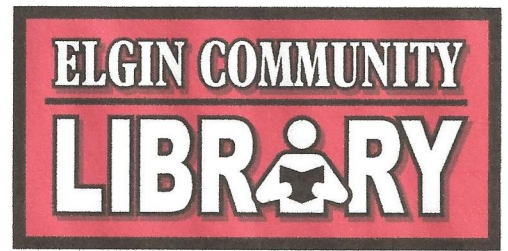
Drop Spinning classes are scheduled for Feb. 7, 14, and 21 from 9am-noon. Cost for this class is \$20. You will receive a drop spindle and a package of fiber to create your own yarn.

Let's Learn About Presidents during the month of February! Elementary age children are encouraged to stop by the library during the month, pick up a "All About President\_\_\_\_" poster, find fun and historical facts about the president of your choice, and return before February 28. Information may be obtained from books or online. The first 24 to return your poster will receive a prize.

**President's Day is Feb. 16**



# The Great Stuffed Animal Sleepover



Have you ever wondered what happens after the lights go out at the library? Bring a stuffed animal to spend the night at the library and find out.

Drop off stuffed animal:

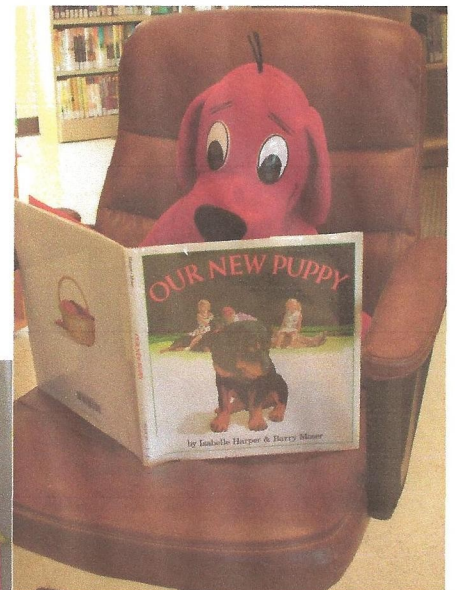
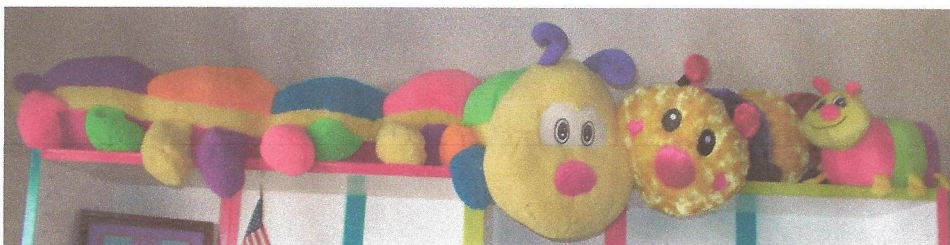
Friday February 13

9am-12pm

Pick up stuffed animal:

Saturday February 14

9am-12pm



each participant will receive pictures of their stuffed animal in action after hours





# *Library Lovers Month*

## *How to Love Your Library*

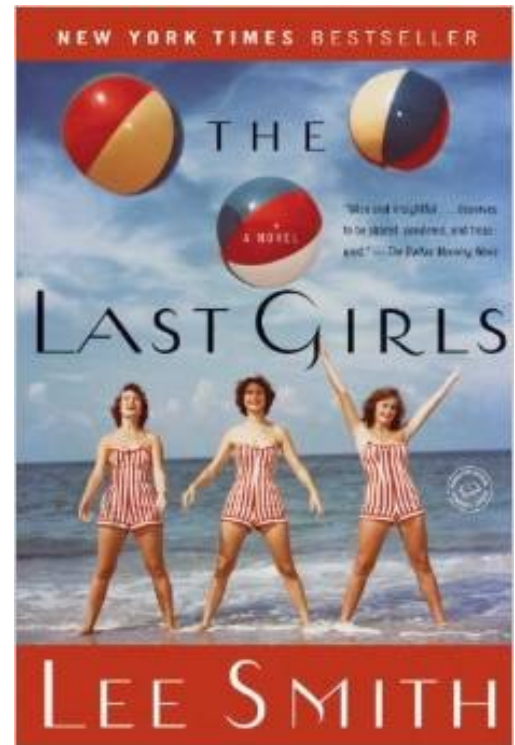
- \*donate your time, money, and expertise to your library**
- \*honor the memory of a friend or loved one with a book-or a whole shelf of books-for the library**
- \*remember your library in your estate planning**
- \*join the Friends of the Library**
- \*help with programs and fundraising events**
- \*donate your used books for the Friends book sale**
- \*present an adult program**
- \*attend local government meetings to urge city and county legislators to invest in libraries as a vital community resource, one that will save substantial tax dollars in helping people of all ages to be more literate and productive**
- \*write to your state and federal legislators and demand that library service be viewed and funded as a necessary public service**
- \*speak up for libraries at community groups that you belong to or ask the librarian to speak**



Our book club meets at the library on the last Tuesday of the month.  
Everyone is welcome even if you have not read the book.

## **February 24 @ 9:30: *The Last Girls* by Lee Smith**

THE STORY OF FOUR WOMEN . . . Years ago, they were girls, not women—the last generation of American females to be called ‘girls’—who traveled down the Mississippi River . . . on a makeshift raft while they were on summer vacation . . . There were twelve of them on that trip; now there are these four, brought together by tragedy. One of their classmates . . . has died in an automobile wreck (was it really an accident?), and her husband has asked the old friends to re-create the river journey and scatter her ashes at the mouth of the Mississippi. . . . It’s a reunion of classmates with all of the in-between revealed in intimate detail, as only a skilled and classy storyteller can do it.”



### **February 27 is Read Me Day**

It was started in 1986 by Frankie DeWees to celebrate the importance of reading. The event is called Read Me Day because everyone was invited to wear a shirt, cap or pin with a message on it so children could “read the reader”.

**\*\*\*Don't forget to save your best Choice labels for the library.**

**\*\*\*When shopping on Amazon go to [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com), click on Friends of ECL as your charity of choice, and continue shopping. No extra money out of your pocket and Amazon will give a percentage of your sale to the Friends group.**

**Would you be interested in a book club that catered to nonfiction readers? Fantasy/Sci-fi? Teen? Youth boy and/or girl? There would have to be enough committed participants to schedule these in. Let me know your thoughts.**

# February 2015

Sun closed	Mon closed	Tue 10-6	Wed 10-6	Thu 10-6	Fri 9-12	Sat 9-12
1 Feb 1-7: Children's Authors & Illustrators Week	2	3 Reading Rangers 3:40	4 Wednesday Wigglers Exercise Day 10:30	5	6 Take Your Child to the Library Day 	7 Drop Spindle 9-12
8	9 Chamber- noon City Coun- cil 6pm 	10 Reading Rangers 3:40	11 Wednesday Wigglers 10:30 Teens 5pm	12	13 Stuffed Animal Sleepover	14 Drop Spindle 9-12 <b>P/U animals</b>
15	16 Volunteer Apprecia- tion Dinner 6pm 	17 Reading Rangers 3:40	18 Wednesday Wigglers 10:30	19	20	21 Drop Spindle 9-12
22	23	24 Reading Rangers Puzzle Day 3:40 Biblioposse	25 Wednesday Wigglers 10:30 Teens 5pm	26	27	28 Childrens Crochet 9-12 <b>Poster deadline</b>