# ELGIN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

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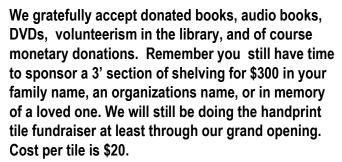
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We hope to start painting the ceilings and walls the first week of August. I've had some people express an interest in helping with this phase. It will be a big job, so if you are handy with a paint-brush and rollers, let me know.

While we don't have an exact moving date, we will be asking for the communities help in boxing up our current books and moving to the new library. Follow us on Facebook to see when everything will be happening. We tentatively plan on moving the last week of August or the first week of September, depending on when the new shelves arrive. We truly appreciate all the support the community has demonstrated with this project. Just goes to show that libraries are valued!



### Friends of ECL Fall Book Sale September 21-22 located at the Connection Church

#### Mark your calendars!

#### A Year (or few) in Review:

Some of our 2017-18 fiscal year stats.

Visitors—11,818

Items checked out-15,765

Hotspots (have 4 that check out for 2 week period)—80

Computer uses—1,222

Storytime attendees—1, 415

Teen program attendees—410

Adult program attendees—585

We started the FY with 10,950 items in our holdings and ended with 12,456 items.

#### For comparisons sake, I am including our 2015-16 FY stats.

Visitors—8,513

Items checked out—11,630

Computer uses—1,085

Storytime attendees—1.353

Did not keep track of teen and adult programs.

#### And for fun, our 1013-14 FY stats

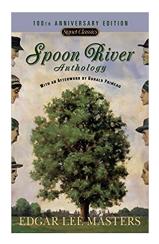
Visitors-7,286

Items checked out-8,628

Computer uses—829

Storytime attendees—1,202

We are small but getting mightier each year. I foresee our new library greatly increasing these numbers.



### August 28

In 1915, Edgar Lee Masters published a book of dramatic monologues written in free verse about a fictional town called Spoon River, based on the Midwestern towns where he grew up. The shocking scandals and secret tragedies of Spoon River were immediately recognized by readers as authentic. Masters raises the dead "sleeping on the hill" in their village cemetery to tell the truth about their lives, and their testimony topples the American myth of the moral superiority of small-town life. Spoon River, as undeniably corrupt and cruel as the big city, is home to murderers, drunkards, crooked bankers, lechers, bitter wives, abusive husbands, failed dreamers, and a few good souls. The freshness of this masterpiece undiminished, Spoon River Anthology remains a landmark of American literature.

#### **Upcoming Selections:**

**September 25-Twain's End by Lvnn Culler** 

October 30-Mermaid Chair by **Sue Monk Kidd** 

Authors similar to John Feinstein:

**Terry Pluto** Mike Lupica John Coy Tim Green Mitch Albom Michael Leahy



**For every Best Choice UPC the** library receives three cents. Best Choice is found at Williams **Grocery and Country** Mart in Lawton.



#### T-shirt fundraiser for the library coming next week.

Below is a mock-up of the shirt designed by one of our library teens. Elgin Graphics will be adding details to their website and Facebook page, as will we. We will have a teal or royal blue to choose from. Once we get an actual shirt, I'll post pics. Congrats to Melody Veloz for winning the design contest.

SRP book reading winners...

Birth-pre-K group-Colin Deabenderfer 154, Bree Hobgood 51 Elementary group-Jason Phares 60, Mara Hobgood 48 and Mazie Grace Englehardt 42

Adults-Becky Deabenderfer 52, Barbara Deabenderfer 42, and Pam Hurst 20

Teens go by pages read-Lauren Salter 8048, Brianna Polette 3083, and Jazmyne Williams 2102.

Congrats to all of you!

Thanks to EPS for once again allowing us to use your facilities for our SRP.



# August 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
closed	closed	9-6	9-6	9-6	9-6	9-1
NO storytimes in August in			1	2	3	4
preparation of moving into the new building. Follow us on Facebook for all the latest updates.			Teens 5			Book n'Hooker
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
			Teens 5 Sterling			Book n'Hooker
			Day of School!			
12	13	14	15		17	18
		Chamber 12	Teens 5 Fletcher			Book n'Hooker
		City Council 6	Day School!			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
			Teens 5			Book n'Hooker
			Happy+1st Day School!			
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Schedule subject to Club 9 change once we finalize move-in dates.			Teens 5			