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# FREEDOM

## National Library Legislative Day

With all that's happened in Washington in the past year—[threats to eliminate](#) the federal agency that administers funding to libraries, legislation to [stifle open access](#) and the [government shutdown](#)—now is the time, more than ever, to stand up for libraries. If you appreciate the critical roles that libraries play in creating an informed and engaged citizenry, [register now](#) for this year's National Library Legislative Day (NLLD), a two-day advocacy event where hundreds of library supporters, leaders and patrons will meet with their legislators to advocate for library funding.

National Library Legislative Day, which is hosted by the American Library Association (ALA), will be held May 5-6, 2014, in Washington, D.C. Now in its 40th year, National Library Legislative Day focuses on the need to fund the Library Services and Technology Act, support legislation that gives people who use libraries access to federally-funded scholarly journal articles and continue funding that provides school libraries with vital materials.

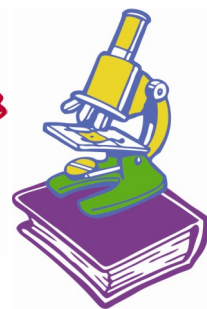
Advocates who cannot travel to Washington for National Library Legislative Day can still make a difference and speak up for libraries. As an alternative, the American Library Association sponsors Virtual Library Legislative Day, which takes place on May 6, 2014. To participate in Virtual Library Legislative Day, [register now](#) for American Library Association policy action alerts.



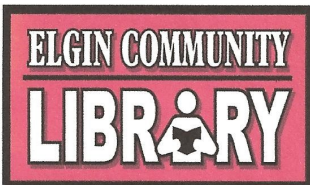
Congratulations to Jeanne Cook for being selected as the Friends volunteer who went above and beyond in her efforts for the library. She was presented a reading journal by Beverly Kirkpatrick, Friends president, at the volunteer appreciation dinner at Las Margaritas on April 15.

### May 3: Free Comic Book Day

We have lots of free comic books to give away. Stop by and get as many as you like. Most of them are geared toward teens and adults.



JUNE 9-JULY 24



The summer reading program's theme is about all things science--weather, science and arts, nature, chemistry and more. We care about your children and have planned programs to keep them reading and learning all summer.

Birth-PreK: Wednesdays 10:30am  
stories and activities related to science  
in a fun, informative way



Kindergarten-5th grade: Tuesday 1:30pm stories and activities, plus some outside performers

\*Both groups will receive incentives, weekly drawings, and a final party with certificates and rewards.

\*\*We will once again meet in the upper elementary cafeteria. Pick up your reading logs by June 7.



6th-12th grade: Come in often, receive incentives and register for drawings. Teens will meet in the library on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of June & July at 5pm. There will be a prize awarded to the 2 teens who read the most.

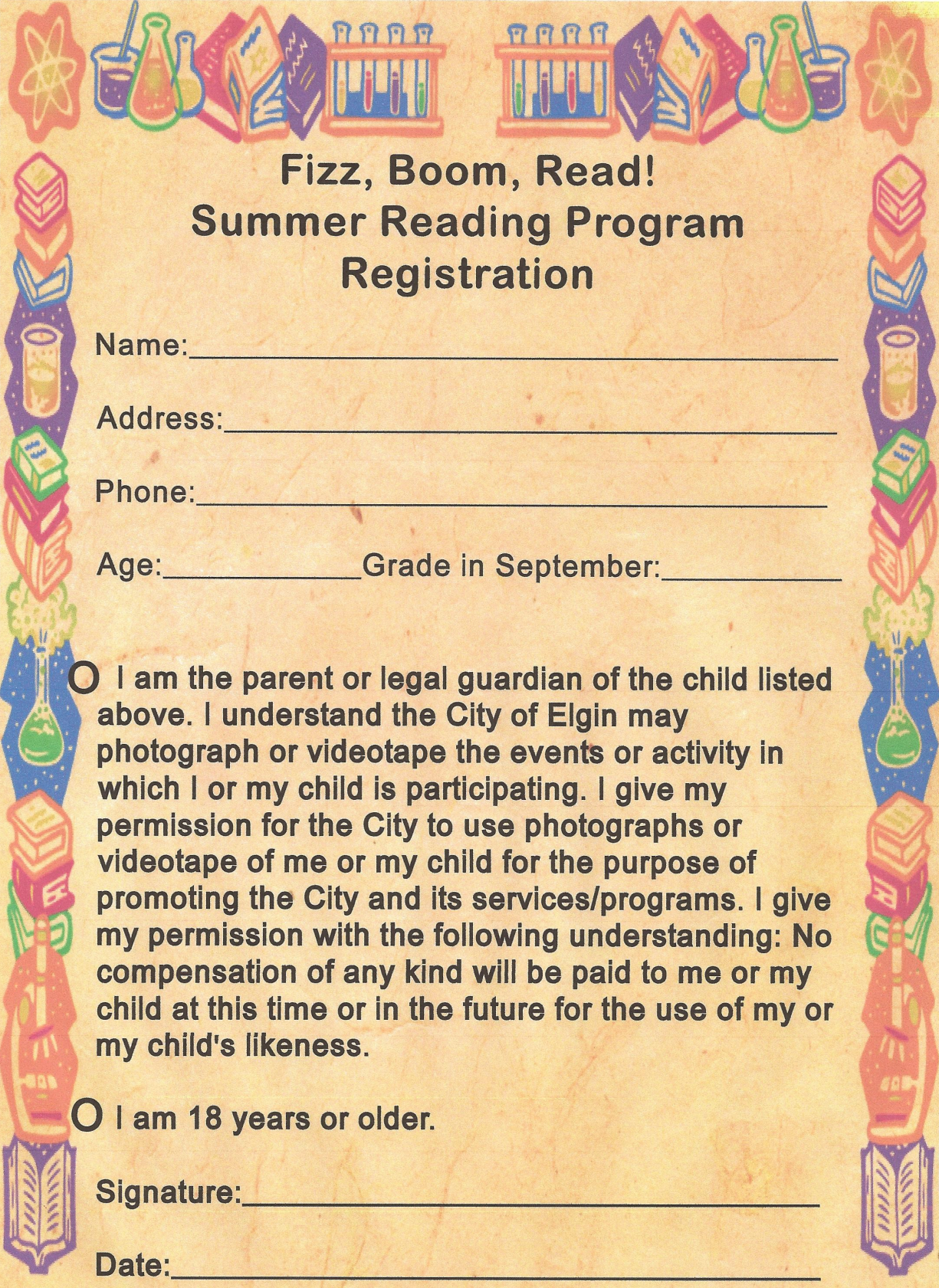
Adults: Register each visit for a weekly drawing of a browsing bag filled with goodies. There will be 4 puzzle/word contests available throughout the program. The adult who completes and returns theirs first will receive a prize. There will also be a prize awarded to the 2 adults who read the most.



We are requesting pre-registration so we can make sure we have enough craft supplies, incentives and volunteer help. Our budget is very limited. We want to make sure we have enough supplies; however, we do not want to purchase unnecessarily. If you register, please make every effort to attend the majority of the sessions.

PLEASE REGISTER BY FRIDAY, MAY 30



The form is framed by a decorative border. At the top, there are icons of a beaker, books, and test tubes. The sides are decorated with vertical stacks of books, beakers, and test tubes. The bottom features a large open book icon.

## Fizz, Boom, Read! Summer Reading Program Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in September: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I am the parent or legal guardian of the child listed above. I understand the City of Elgin may photograph or videotape the events or activity in which I or my child is participating. I give my permission for the City to use photographs or videotape of me or my child for the purpose of promoting the City and its services/programs. I give my permission with the following understanding: No compensation of any kind will be paid to me or my child at this time or in the future for the use of my or my child's likeness.

☐ I am 18 years or older.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

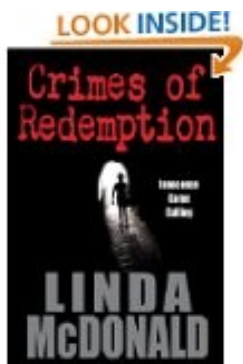
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We have two book clubs that meet at the library on the last Tuesday of the month.  
One starts at 9:30am and the other at 6pm.  
Everyone is welcome even if you have not read the book.

## ***May 27 at 9:30am: Crimes of Redemption by Linda McDonald***

When a burglary goes bad, the end result is not one but two men dead. Gayla Early knows who did the first murder but now she's wanted for the second ... and it turns

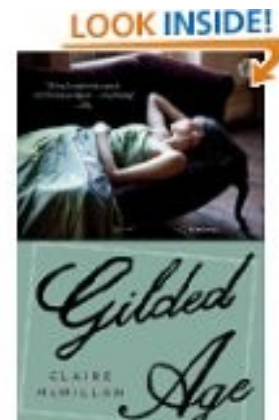


out her supposed victim is the most powerful man in town, the same man she blames for the first murder and for holding her hostage for two years. Albert Raeder may be dead, but he wields power from the grave thanks to the good ol boys he left behind. His buddies want someone to pay for his death. And Gayla looks good for taking the fall. That is until a crotchety recluse and a Viet Nam vet-turned-sheriff team up on her behalf, an unlikely alliance that will change all their lives forever.

## ***May 27 at 6pm: Gilded Age by Claire McMillan***

A modern Edith Wharton heroine returns to the hothouse of Cleveland society, raising eyebrows as she struggles to reconcile her desire for independence and her need for love.

Eleanor Hart had made a brilliant marriage in New York, but it ended in a scandalous divorce and thirty days in Sierra Tucson rehab. Now she finds that, despite feminist lip service, she will still need a husband to be socially complete. Navigating the treacherous social terrain where old money meets new, she finds that her beauty is a powerful tool in this world, but it has its limitations, even liabilities. Through one misstep after another, Ellie mishandles her second act. Her options narrow, and now she faces a desperate choice.



# May 2014

## Get Caught Reading Month

SUN CLOSED	MON CLOSED	TUE 10-6	WED 10-6	THU 10-6	FRI 9-12	SAT 9-12
May 11-17: Reading is Fun Week  May 12-18: Children's Book Week				1	2	3 Free Comic Book Day
4	5 National Library Legislative Day	6 After School Program with Books & Banter 3:30	7 Wednesday Wiggles 10:30	8 Teen Council 5pm	9	10
11	12	13 After School Program 3:30 Chamber of Commerce noon City Council 6pm	14 Wednesday Wiggles 10:30	15	16	17
18	19	20 After School Program 3:30	21 Wednesday Wiggles 10:30	22 Teen Council 5pm Last Day of School	23	24
25	26	27 After School Program 3:30 Biblioposse 9:30 & 6	28 Wednesday Wiggles 10:30	29	30 Summer Reading Program registration deadline	31