Greetings!

Greetings from your friends at Ella Johnson Library!

Summer is here again and with it, summer reading, prizes, games and programs! We have a ton of great opportunities for you and your family this year so drop in and be a part of the fun.

This year's summer reading theme, *Reading by Design* combines science with literacy for a new take on summer learning. Expect to see great programs and learning opportunities for all ages that include making, building, exploring and experimenting this summer. This summer we will be debuting our much-anticipated *Lab in a Bag* STEM kits at the summer reading kick-off party. These kits will become available to check out for patrons in the fall. Each STEM kit will bring the science classroom right into your home, making exploration and discovery a family activity. We will also be launching early childhood mini-STEM kits, which will be available for in-library use.

Don't miss our *STEAM EXPO* kick-off party on **Saturday, June 10, noon-2:00 p.m.** You will have an opportunity to test-drive some of our greatest new gadgets, dabble in experimentation, sign up for summer reading and register for or update your library card. It will be a great time for the whole family!
Thank you for being a part of the library community!

NEW ELECTED TRUSTEE
Welcome Heather Swanson to the Ella Johnson Library Board of Trustees!

Ella Johnson welcomes a new trustee to the library board. At the regular meeting of the Board in May, Heather Swanson was sworn in as our newest elected trustee.

"I am very excited to be a part of the Ella Johnson Library Board of Trustees. With three children in my house, our stack of library materials is never small. As busy as my family keeps me, I don't get much time for my own reading, but I usually have a great audiobook in the car. I've been working in public libraries for almost 20 years and look forward to seeing it from the other side. I believe there are some great things on the horizon for Ella Johnson Library and I can't wait to be a part of it." --Heather Swanson

Four other returning trustees were elected for a new term or to finish a term:
Barbara Brust, term expires April, 2023
Judith Pokorny, term expires April, 2023
Ryan Swanson, term expires April, 2021
Linda Dredel, term expires April, 2019

SUMMER READING KICK-OFF PARTY
Saturday, June 10, noon-2:00 p.m.

Spend the day with your friends at the library creating, building, exploring and designing at the great Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM) Expo on June 10. Not only is this a great time to sign up for summer reading and stock up on your reading materials for the summer, you will also get to try out the library's LittleBits, Snap Circuits, button maker, and more! The party will also feature special activities for children under 5 years old.

SUMMER READING STEAM EXPO
Saturday, June 10; noon-2:00 p.m.

GIFTS FROM OUR COMMUNITY
Thank you to those who donated to Ella Johnson this month
Heartland Bank of Hampshire--$200 for the 2017 Living Room Concert Series

William Roberts-- $2000 to the library Youth Services department

Don't forget the library in your annual giving plan. Your donations and contributions help build literacy, learning, opportunity, and economic growth in the District we serve.

NEW PROGRAMMING FOR ADULTS
Puzzles, Crafts, Cards and More!

Knitwits Knitting Group
Wed, June 7; 11:00 a.m.

Knitwits is a new knitting club at Ella Johnson Library! Whether you're just beginning or an experienced knitter you're invited to come meet other knitters, work on projects, and have fun! We provide supplies, but you're welcome to bring your own as well! Knitwits meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 11:00 A.M. Please contact the library to register for this event.

Community Hangout
Wed, June 21; 10:00 am

We've reserved the community room just for you! Come to the library for a relaxed environment where you can play cards, board games, work on a puzzle, color in an adult coloring book, or just have some coffee and chat with friends! We'll provide games, decks of cards, puzzles, and coloring supplies, but you're welcome to bring your own activity. Community Hangout is held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10:00 A.M

Crafters' Circle
Wed, June 28; 11:00 am

Meet with friends on the last Wednesday of each month at 11:00 A.M. and make a different craft each meeting. All supplies are provided. Supplies are limited, so please contact the library to register.
KIDS AND FAMILY EVENTS

KIDS' CINEMA
See movies on the big screen with popcorn and friends! **A Dog's Purpose-- Tuesday, June 6, 6:00 p.m.**
**Moana--Tuesday, June 13, 2:00 p.m.**
Arrive early, seating is limited! Free popcorn will be served.
Remember to bring a beverage!
All Ages

**IT'S NOT MAGIC, IT'S SCIENCE!**
Friday, June 16 at 2:00 p.m.
Is it magic, or is it science? Join us as we watch amazing demonstrations that look like magic, but are really science! All ages are welcome. No registration necessary.
All Ages

FAIRY HOUSES
Monday, June 26; 2:00 p.m.
Even fairies need roofs over their heads! Join us in making homes for these delicate creatures using twigs, flowers, pebbles, and other building materials. Supplies will be provided by the library. For ages 7-12. Registration is required.

TEEN EVENTS

**MakerSpace-- Make Your Own Bath Bombs!**
TODAY! June 1 at 6:00 p.m.
Grades 7-12
Registration not required.

**Graphic Novel Book Club-- Invincible, (Volume 1) by Robert Kirkman**
Thursday, June 29 at 6:00 p.m.
Grades 8+
Registration not required.

ADULT EVENTS

**Tech Class: Craigslist**
Thursday, June 15; 6:00 p.m.
The classifieds have moved online! Learn how to use Craigslist - the largest online classified ad website - to buy, sell, trade, and more in this class. Please contact the library to register.
Registration Required.

**Monday Night Book Club-- Thank You for Being Late by Thomas Friedman**
Monday, June 19; 6:00 p.m.
Ages 18+
Registration not Required.

More great programs! Go to our [web calendar](#) to see everything!

MARK MORAN, ANTIQUE APPRAISER, RETURNS
Register Now for our July 1st Appraisal Event!
Ella Johnson Memorial Public Library presents an antiques and collectibles appraisal event featuring author and antiques expert Mark F. Moran of Iola, Wisconsin. Formerly senior editor of Antiques and Collectibles Books for Krause Publications in Iola, Wis., he has also been a contributing editor for *Antique Trader* magazine. He has served as editor of *Antique Review East* magazine; as producer of Atlantique City, an antique show held in Atlantic City, N.J.; and as editorial director of F+W Media's Antiques Group. He is the author or co-author of more than 25 books on antiques and collectibles, including three editions of the 800-page annual *Warman's Antiques & Collectibles*. Moran bought and sold antiques for more than 30 years, specializing in vintage folk art, Americana, and fine art. He has been active as an appraiser of antiques and fine art for more than 20 years.

This program will be held on Saturday, July 1st from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. Registration is required. Please contact the library to register for this event.

Excluded items:
all weapons, including swords and knives (though folding knives with advertising are accepted); traps (like leg-hold); Nazi memorabilia; coins and paper money; fine jewelry, including precious gems; Beanie Babies.

More information [HERE](#)

For more information about these and other events happening at your library, please visit our website or call us at 847-683-4490.