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HARRY POTTER

In anticipation of the movie release of *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* on November 18, we are discussing all seven books in the *Harry Potter* series. Discussions started in August and will end in November. All ages of Harry Potter fans are welcome! You do not have to attend all the discussions, and don't worry if you missed the ones in August. Come join us anyway:

Wednesday, September 14, 6:30 PM
Goblet of Fire

Thursday, October 6, 6:30 PM
Order of the Phoenix

Tuesday, October 25, 6:30 PM
Half-Blood Prince

Monday, November 14, 6:30 PM
Deathly Hallows

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Galesburg Public Library is seeking friendly, dedicated volunteers to join our paid staff in helping to provide quality library services. Volunteer projects include:

Adopt-a-Shelf: Join our team of detail-oriented book lovers who keep the library tidy and accessible by maintaining orderly shelves and ensuring that all library items are in good condition for loan. Adopt-a-Shelf volunteers commit to working at least two shifts per month at their convenience.

Damaged Material Recycling: Sometimes library materials or donations are destroyed or damaged beyond our ability to use or resell. The library is seeking volunteers who have an hour or two per week to help us prepare these materials to be responsibly recycled.

Book Reviewing: Volunteers are needed on an ongoing basis to read ARCs (Advanced Reader Copies) of soon-to-be-released books and review them on the library's book review blog.

Special projects: Join a list of "on-call" volunteers who pitch in on special projects as they arise, such as gardening and landscaping, children's or adult programming, our annual Big Read initiative, and much more.

Volunteering at the library is a great way to meet new people and give back to the community. Want to join our team? Stop by the Reference Desk for a volunteer application, or contact Melinda Jones-Rhoades at melindaj@galesburglibrary.org.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE & OFFICER ELECTIONS

The next Friends of the Library book sale will take place October 21, 22, and 24. Donations of items for the book sales are accepted at any time except the hectic few weeks before the sale. The last date for donations for the spring sale is October 5. Acceptance of donations resumes November 1. Bringing items in early gives the Friends time to sort and organize them for the sale. A big thank you to everyone who donates items and to everyone who shops at the sales.

The Friends also met on July 26 and determined that a special meeting needs to be held prior to the October booksale in order to elect officers. The Friends will elect a President, Vice President in charge of the book sale, Secretary and Treasurer. The election will be held at the library on Tuesday, September 27, 2016. Please check the Friends bulletin board next to the library elevator for information on the offices. It will also be posted to the Friends Facebook page. Anyone interested in holding an office may contact Mark Stegall at 368-9740.

HUMAN SEARCH ENGINE



Question: On the legislative map hanging by the Reference Desk, whatever happened to Districts 1-30? They're not there.

Answer: True. That's because all of those Senate districts are clustered tightly in such a tiny area that it would be impossible to make sense of it, if it appeared on a map of this size. If you look again at the map, you will notice a large dark blue section in the Chicago area. A note by this says, "See Northeastern Illinois map." This is the area where districts 1-30 hang out. These maps are two of many, many legislative maps issued by the Illinois government. You can pull them up online or order one from the State Board of Elections for your very own!

The number of state legislative districts that Illinois has is decided by population and, obviously, there's a LOT of population in Cook County! Each of these Senate districts (from which is elected a state senator) is divided into two representative districts (from which are elected the state representatives). As you can see, the Chicago area has a lot more representation in state government than does the rest of Illinois, a perfectly reasonable fact that nevertheless is highly frustrating to those of us who live "downstate."

Galesburg is divided between TWO Senate districts (this happened in the redistricting after the 2010 census). They are district 47 (divided into representative districts 93 and 94), and district 37 (divided into representative districts 73 and 74). Depending on where you live in the Burg, your state senator may be either John Sullivan (47) or Chuck Weaver (37). Your representative is either Norine Hammond (93), Randy Frese (94), David R. Leitch (73), or Don Moffit (74).

ADULT PROGRAMS

Community Ice Cream Social Saturday, September 10, 2:00-3:30 PM

Area residents are invited to a free ice cream social at the library. Ice cream and sherbet will be served outside at the corner of Simmons and Cherry if the weather permits; otherwise the social will be inside. The fun for all ages will include free animal balloons.

Copies of all discussion books are available at the library about one month in advance. Newcomers are welcome.

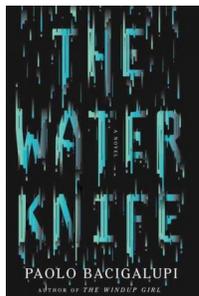
Tuesday/Thursday Book Discussions - Thursday, Sept. 8, 6:30 PM - Tuesday, Sept. 13, 1:00 PM

In Ari Berman's groundbreaking narrative history *Give Us the Ballot*, he charts both the transformation of American democracy under the Voting Rights Act and the counterrevolution that has sought to limit it from the moment the act was signed into law.

The Tuesday discussion will be followed by a showing of the political documentary *American Blackout* (©GNN, 84 minutes), which was awarded the Special Jury Prize (Documentary Jury) at the 2006 Sundance Film Festival.

Tome Raiders Sci-fi/Fantasy Book Club Friday, Sept. 23, 6:00 PM at Hardee's

In Paolo Bacigalupi's novel *The Water Knife*, it is Angel's job to ensure that his boss's luxurious Las Vegas developments for the rich bloom in the desert while the poor get nothing but dust. When rumors of a game-changing water source surface in drought-ravaged Phoenix, Angel is sent to investigate. There, he encounters Lucy, a hardened journalist with no love for Vegas, and Maria, a Texas refugee who survives by her wits in a city that despises everything that she represents. For Angel, Lucy, and Maria, time is running out - their only hope for survival rests in each other's hands. But when water is more valuable than gold, alliances shift like sand, and the only thing for certain is that someone will have to bleed if anyone hopes to drink.



Food for Thought Book Discussion Thurs, Sept. 29, 11:30 AM at En Season

What's really in your food? We've all read the ingredients label on the back of an item from the grocery store. But what do all those mysterious-sounding chemicals and additives actually do?

Focusing on 75 of the most common food additives and 25 ordinary food products that contain them, photographer Dwight Eschliman and science writer Steve Ettlinger demystify the contents of processed food in *Ingredients: A Visual Exploration of 75 Additives & 25 Food Products*. Together they reveal what each additive looks like, where it comes from, and how and why it is used. You will order and pay for your own lunch.

Movie Club Tuesday, September 20, TBA

The library's movie discussion group will meet to watch a new movie at the AMC Showplace or a new DVD at the library. The exact time and title will be announced the week before. We'll head to Perkins Restaurant afterwards for discussion.

Both the movie and restaurant are pay-your-own-way. Never been to Movie Club? Whether you only see one or two movies a year or you go to the movies every week, you are welcome to join us. Send an email to reference@galesburglibrary.org to be added to the Movie Club's email distribution list.

Keep Calm and Color On - Monday, Sept. 26, 2:00-3:30 PM - Monday, Sept. 26, 6:00-7:30 PM

Join us in the hot trend of adult coloring for relaxation. We'll provide music, drinks, coloring pages, and colored pencils (donated by Dick Blick Art Materials). Free!

Star Trek Marathon Saturday, Sept. 17, 9:30 AM-4:30 PM

Join us for a Star Trek celebration in honor of the 50th anniversary of Star Trek. There will be raffle prizes, snacks, coloring, crafts, and a marathon of episodes from the original and spin-off TV series. There will also be a costume contest, so grab your communicator and join us. No registration required, and you do not have to stay all day. For all ages.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

American Girls Club: Rebecca

Tuesday, September 6, 6:00-7:00 PM

Rebecca is a Jewish Russian immigrant who wants to carry on her family's traditions in America (the year is 1914). Children who come will learn how to make a Hanukkah table ornament and make their own set of nesting dolls, as well as try Jewish apple cake. Registration is required in the Children's Room.

Lego Night

Tuesday, September 13, 4:30-5:30 PM

We provide the Legos and you provide the creativity!

Pirate Night

Monday, September 19 from 6:00-7:00 PM

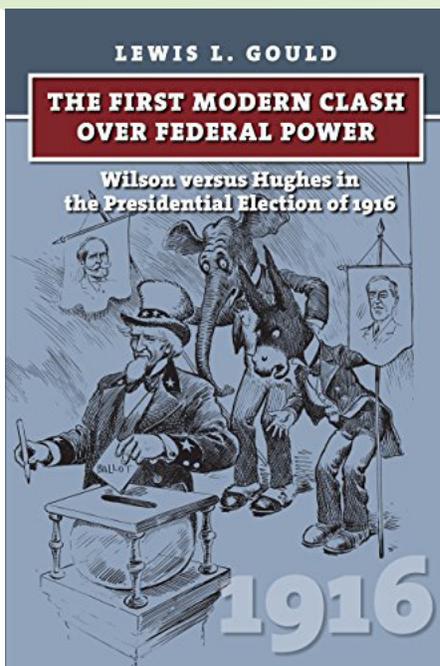
Children will be exploring all things pirate. We will be making gold slime, exploring treasure maps, and much more.

Fall Storytimes

Storytimes will resume the week of September 26. 3-7 year old storytimes will be held on Tuesdays at 10 AM, Wednesdays at 10:45 AM, and Thursdays at 6:00 PM; toddler storytimes will be Wednesdays at 10:00 AM.

Author Presentation

Lewis Gould of Monmouth College will be at the library on Saturday, September 24, at 2:00 PM to discuss his new book *The First Modern Clash over Federal Power: Wilson Versus Hughes in the Presidential Election of 1916*. Free program.



LOCAL HISTORY

BY PATTY MOSHER

Twenty thousand people were expected to attend Galesburg's Labor Day celebration on September 4, 1916 from not only Galesburg, but from Monmouth, Kewanee, Farmington and other nearby towns. If they arrived before 11AM they could see quite a parade. The marchers in the parade began with Chief of Police R. Hinman, with union members close behind. They were made up of the unions we know of today, various factory unions, electricians, plumbers, carpenters, railroad employees, etc. But back then there were many unions that this writer has never heard of, including the broom and whisk makers union, cigar makers, barbers, tailors, retail clerks, telegraph operators, stagehands, baggage drivers, stable hands, plasterers, paper-hangers and electric railway employees (streetcar drivers and conductors). Behind the marchers were many "beautiful floats" including two floats from Swift & Company advertising their various meat products, a Kelly Feed Company float, the Bull Tractor, and a coal company float. Also in the parade were Civil War members being driven in automobiles with a drum corps behind them.

The parade itself was quite long, beginning on the corner of Seminary Street and marching west towards the Public Square. The marchers then walked around the Square and then "counter-marched" back up Main Street heading east up to Chambers Street, turning south to Mulberry St., then over to Seminary Street where Calico Cat is now located, turning west on Simmons and then up to Broad Street where they dispersed. A break was taken for lunch, which they called "dinner" and the celebration continued at the District Fairgrounds.

In years past the emphasis was on entertainment, but this year more importance was placed on the speakers, including Governor E.F. Dunne and Frank P Walsh, former chairman of the U.S. Industrial Commission, who spoke at length about the benefits of an 8-hour workday (which did not take effect until 1937). After the speeches there were band concerts from the 6th Regiment Band and the Stronghurst band. The Knights of Columbus glee club sang, and various races took place on the racetrack.

The Circulation Desk will no longer be accepting or distributing free plastic bags. Friends of the Library plastic bags are always for sale for 50 cents. If you are looking for somewhere to recycle your plastic bags, Wal-Mart and both Hy-Vees in Galesburg will accept drop-offs.

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HOURS

Monday - Thursday:

9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday & Saturday:

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: Closed

CLOSINGS

Labor Day - September 5

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To serve the community as a general center of information, and to provide opportunity and encouragement for people to use its services and materials to meet their educational, personal, professional, recreational and cultural needs.



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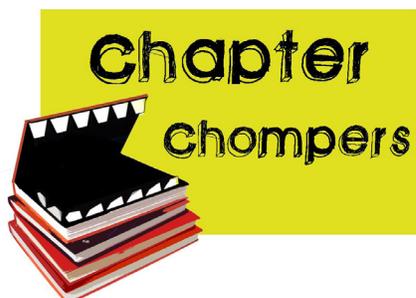
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TEEN NEWS

High School Action Committee

Thursday, September 15, 6:00-6:45 PM

Want to deepen your involvement in the library and the community? Join the GPL High School Action Committee (HAC), a service and leadership opportunity just for high school students. HAC members will plan and implement special library projects such as volunteer efforts, library promotions and outreach, and more. Pick up a membership application at the Reference Desk, or simply join us at our next meeting. Snacks provided.



Teen Advisory Board

Thursday, September 15, 7:00-7:45 PM

Calling all teens! Join the Galesburg Public Library Teen Advisory Board (TAB). TAB is an open forum for teens to voice opinions about the library, brainstorm program ideas, help select books, and more. Join us for food and fun. Open to teens aged 12-18 (or 6th-12th grade). New members always welcome!

Chapter Chompers Teen Lit Book Club

Tuesday, September 20, 4:00-5:00 PM

Do YOU love reading YA books? So do we! Come join us to feed your face and your brain at Chapter Chompers, a teen lit book club @ Galesburg Public Library. Each month we'll enjoy a lively discussion of a YA book and pig out on snacks. At our September meeting, we'll work together to come up with our book club reading list for the year, look through the library's Advanced Reading Copies of upcoming YA novels, and more. Open to readers of YA books, aged 12 and up. Register at the Reference Desk or call 343-6118 to sign up.