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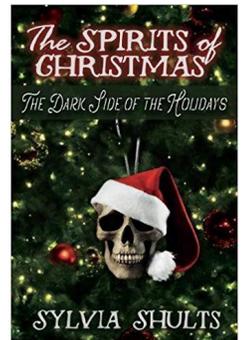
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FANTASTIC EVENTS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM

In anticipation of the release of *Fantastic Beasts: Crimes of Grindelwald*, the library has some magical programs happening this month! On Saturday, November 10, there will be a *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* themed escape room for teens at the library. Teens have 30 minutes to find clues, solve puzzles, and help MACUSA find an important key stolen by a niffler! Also on November 10, witches and wizards of all ages can come to the site of the future Galesburg Public Library to see a Quidditch demonstration and try out the wizarding world's favorite sport. And Thursday, November 15, the night before the premier of *Fantastic Beasts: Crimes of Grindelwald*, the library will show the first movie, *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* (PG-13). There will be snacks and easy crafts to do during the movie. All events are free, but please register at the Reference Desk!

LOCAL AUTHOR PRESENTS PARANORMAL BOOK

Get in the Christmas spirit by coming to hear tales of Yuletide spirits and holiday horrors that give a new meaning to the phrase "dead of winter." Local author Sylvia Shults will be at the library on November 29 at 6:30 PM to give a presentation about her newest book, *The Spirit of Christmas*, and sign copies. Books will be available for purchase. Call 309-343-6118 or stop by the Reference Desk to register!



LIBRARY FOUNDATION CALENDARS

The Galesburg Public Library Foundation is pleased to announce they have printed a new calendar, "Made in Galesburg" in cooperation with the Galesburg Historical Society. The calendar features products invented or manufactured in Galesburg since the city was founded in 1837. A limited number of copies of the calendar will be available at local businesses and at the Check Out Desk. The price for the calendars is \$15. They will be available shortly after November 1.

If you are thinking of holiday giving ideas, consider two books the Library Foundation is selling to help you finish up your shopping! *The Best of Galesburg*, a beautiful coffee table book by Andrea Vitale, is available at the Library for \$45. *Galesburg Illinois in Vintage Postcards* by Carley R. Robison is available for \$22. Both books have beautiful photos of Galesburg and wonderful descriptions of the photos. Please support the Library Foundation with your purchase of these books! Questions about the calendar or the books? Contact foundation@galesburglibrary.org.



Recommended by: Luke (Reference)

- ***Don't Call Us Dead***
by Danez Smith
- ***Lake Michigan***
by Daniel Borzutsky ***Favorite***
- ***Pansy***
by Andrea Gibson ***Poetry***
- ***Prelude to Bruise***
by Saeed Jones ***Collections***
- ***Whereas***
by Layli Long Soldier

HUMAN SEARCH

ENGINE

By: Faith Burdick

Question: What happened to the surviving girls in the Amish school shooting?

Answer: This tragic shooting occurred on Oct. 2, 2006. It remains of interest, partly because it was one of the earlier shootings, and partly because the victims were Amish, members of a community that does its best to separate itself from the secular world.

Before the shooting, the boys and grown women were asked to leave. Ten girls were left. Five died, and five were critically injured. The book *Amish Grace* (364.1523/Kra) tells the story of the shooting, its aftermath and its effect on the entire community. Published the year after the shooting, there is only the briefest of information about the victims: "By Christmas 2006, 4 of the 5 injured girls had returned to school and were functioning well. Some...continued rehabilitation and faced additional...surgeries. The most seriously injured remained semicomatose in the care of her parents."

For further information, I went online. Even there the information is limited, as the Amish are a very private people. All of the girls remain within the Amish community. Two have married, one girl no longer has full vision in her left eye; another has had many shoulder surgeries. One girl works on her family's farm, but the most seriously injured is still confined to a wheelchair, unable to talk and fed through a tube. She can smile and seems to recognize family members.

Little has been written about the boys, but some suffer from PTSD - the oldest of them was so disturbed over his failure to protect the girls that he developed anorexia and had to be hospitalized. And, as all the Amish will tell you, forgiving is not over and done with. It is a daily, ongoing practice.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Library Book Clubs

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

Tuesday/Thursday Book Discussions
Thur. Nov. 8, 6:30 PM at Jimmy John's
Tue. Nov. 13, 1:00 PM at the library
In *Reading with Patrick*, author Michelle Kuo, the child of immigrants and a Teach for America volunteer, shares the story of her complicated but rewarding mentorship of one student, Patrick Browning, and his remarkable literary and personal awakening.

Tome Raiders Sci-Fi/Fantasy Club
Fri. Nov. 16, 6:00 PM at Hardee's
Meddling Kids by Edgar Cantero is a sendup of Scooby Doo in which four teenagers and a dog solve a mystery in 1977 and are still dealing with the fallout as adults in 1990. You will purchase your own food.



Food for Thought Book Club
Thur. Nov. 29, 11:00 AM at Craft Butcher and Deli
In *Whitewash*, veteran journalist Carey Gillam researches Monsanto's Roundup and uncovers one of the most controversial stories in the history of food and agriculture, exposing new evidence of corporate influence. You will purchase your own food. **New time.**

Movie Club

Tue. Nov. 20, TBA
The library's movie discussion group will meet to watch a new movie at the AMC Showplace. The exact time and title will be announced the week before. We'll head to Perkins Restaurant afterwards for discussion.

Fantastic Free Movie
Thur. Nov. 15, 5:30 PM
Prepare for *Fantastic Beasts: Crimes of*

Grindelwald with crafts, snacks, and a showing of the first movie. Register at the Reference Desk. Free! Rated PG-13, ©Warner Brothers, 132 min.

Free Movie

Tue. Nov. 27, 1:30 PM
In Spike Lee's *BlackKkKlansman*, a black detective infiltrates a chapter of the Ku Klux Klan with the help of a Jewish colleague in the 1970s. Based on a true story. Rated R, ©Focus Features, 135 min.

Other Adult Programs

Writer Support Group

Mon. Nov. 5, 6:30 PM
Meet with other writers to hone your skills and receive constructive feedback. All kinds of writers are welcome. **New meeting time.**

Doll Program

Tues. Nov. 13, 6:00 PM
Sue Sharp and Pam Willits will discuss appropriate clothing for antique and vintage dolls. Light refreshments will be served. Bring your own dolls if you have questions about their clothing. Free.

Keep Calm and Color On

Mon. Nov. 26, 2:00-3:30 PM
Join us for adult coloring for relaxation. We'll provide music, drinks, coloring pages, and colored pencils (donated by Blick Art Materials). Free!

Paranormal Program

Thur. Nov. 29, 6:30-7:30 PM
Local author Sylvia Shults will talk about her book *The Spirit of Christmas*, which contains over 120 tales of Yuletide Spirits, Holiday Horrors, and Christmas Catastrophes that give new meaning to the term "dead of winter." Free.

Pinterest!

Fri. Nov. 30, 10:00 AM
Pinterest is an online bulletin board of visual ideas. If you craft or sew or love certain TV shows, you may find it a fun and helpful tool. Come to a Pinterest demo, followed by a Q&A, and learn whether Pinterest is right for you.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Storytimes:

Toddler - Wed. at 10:00 AM

Interactive stories, songs, and movement storytime for children ages 18-36 months and their caregivers.

Preschool - Wed. at 10:45 AM & Thursdays at 6:00 PM

Books, crafts, songs, and movement for children ages 3-7.

Other November Events:

Tots and Tunes

Thurs. Nov. 1, 8, 15, 29, 10:00 AM

Singing and dancing for children ages 0-5 accompanied by an adult.

Sensory Storytime

Sat. Nov. 3, 11:00 AM

Open to all children ages 2-7, but designed for children with sensory integration challenges.

T-Rex Tea Party

Sat. Nov 3, 3:00 PM

Join us for a tea party with a T-Rex! You'll enjoy stories, activities, and teatime treats in the company of a friendly dinosaur. Feel free to bring a toy dino as your "plus one." Fancy attire encouraged. Register in the Children's Room.

Family Story Night: Election Night

Tues. Nov. 6, 6:00 PM

Bring the whole family to the library for our monthly Family Story Night. This interactive program combines stories, crafts, and activities, all focused on a different theme each month. Come prepared to read and play together. Fun for all ages, from babies to grownups!

Lego Night

Tues. Nov. 13, 4:30-5:30 PM

Come build with Legos!



Kids' Book Club

Thurs. Nov. 15, 4:00 PM

Fun monthly book club for independent readers in grades 3-5. Ask in the Children's Room for this month's book.

STEM Club

Tues. Nov. 27, 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM

Kids ages 5-12 (or grades K-5) will explore topics in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math through hands-on, station-based activities. Signup is required, and children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

LOCAL HISTORY

BY PATTY MOSHER

Galesburg Pottery Company

For six short years, one Galesburg company produced pots, crocks and water jugs that have gone from inexpensive utilitarian household items to highly prized collector pieces.

The Galesburg Pottery Company began in 1891 on South Pine Street, between Lombard and Day Streets. It consisted of a large two-story brick building, two large cone-shaped kilns and wooden buildings that housed an engine room, a drying room and an office. Reports of the number of men employed there varies anywhere from 40 to about 100, while a few women also worked in the office. The clay they used had to be shipped in from Colchester because the kilns at the Galesburg Pottery were too hot for local clay. Besides everyday items, the company also made fancy ware such as pitchers, teapots and sculpted brown dog doorstops with little puppies around the edges. Occasionally, one of these doorstops will appear on e-bay, but the puppies have long since disappeared as they were easily broken off by a door or a careless shoe.

Carl Sandburg started working at the plant as an apprentice and was given the job of "ball pounder." The clay had to be pounded repeatedly to remove any air bubbles. But six months after he started working there, on Sunday, Dec. 2, 1897 at about 6:30 PM, a fire started in one of the wooden buildings. An employee who lived nearby went over to see why the sky was glowing. He broke into the pottery office and called the Fire Department on Cherry and Simmons Street. Within minutes, all of the firemen were headed down the street in their horse-drawn fire wagons with the big bells ringing. Hauling pumps and hoses, they hooked them up to a hydrant about two blocks away and started fighting the fire, but the roof and wooden walls of the workshop were already gone.

Onlookers from all over the east side of town came to watch the massive fire which could be seen for miles. Boys and men were climbing onto freight cars nearby to get a better look. "Wheelmen" on their big wheeled bicycles rode down the street to watch too. In the Galesburg Republican Register the next day, a reporter wrote that the "firemen worked like Trojans...it was a hard fight but the boys won out." After the fire was extinguished, a few firemen spent the night watching for hot spots that might flare up again. The damage was estimated at \$50,000 (about \$15 million today) but the insurance coverage was only \$15,000 (\$450,000 today). The owners spoke of rebuilding, but it never came to pass. The library owns a photo of the once proud, but now long gone pottery plant.

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HOURS

Monday - Thursday:

9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday & Saturday:

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: Closed

Closed: Thurs. November 22

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TEEN NEWS

Most teen events require advance registration. All events open to teens aged 12-18 or in grades 6-12. Call 343-6118 or stop by the Reference Desk to sign up for all programs.

Teen Advisory Board

Thurs. Nov. 1, 6:00-6:45 PM

Magic Wand Maker

Thurs. Nov. 1, 6:45-7:30 PM

Never got your Hogwarts acceptance letter? We can't help with that, but we can help you make your own magic wand in the style of *Harry Potter* or *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them!* Your wand can also become a prop in the *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* escape room!

Escape Room: *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*

Sat., Nov. 10, 12:00-2:30 PM

MACUSA needs your help! Newt Scamander's niffler has stolen the key to the evidence room, trapping you inside! You have 30 minutes to find clues, solve puzzles, and open Newt's locked chest to get the key. Teams of two or more teens will compete to see who can make it out the fastest.

D&D 101: Character Creation

Tues. Nov. 20, 6:00-7:30 PM

Learn how to create a character in Dungeons & Dragons from the ground up. Sit down with an experienced player to make your first one! Presented in partnership with Galesburg Parks & Recreation and For the Win Games.

Dungeons & Dragons Club

Mon. Nov. 26, 4:00-6:00 PM

Join the ongoing epic quest to discover the Lost Mine of Phandelver! New players are welcome, even if you've never played before. Advance registration is required.

D&D 101: Playing the Game

Tues. Nov. 27, 6:00-7:30 PM

If you're new to Dungeons & Dragons, this is the place for you! Come learn how a game session of D&D actually works, then try it out for yourself! Presented in partnership with Galesburg Parks & Recreation and For the Win Games.

Anime Club

Wed. Nov. 28, 4:00-5:30 PM