

Off the Shelf

Galesburg Public Library Newsletter

CLOSED

The library will be closed for Labor Day on Monday, September 5.

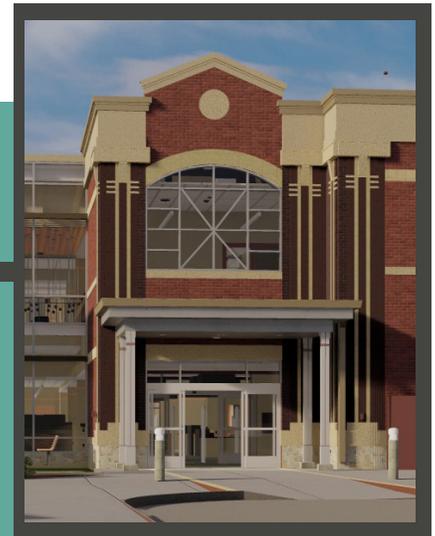
Banned Books Week

Join us in reading banned books at the Galesburg Public Library. September 18-24, 2022 is Banned Books Week, and we'll spend that time highlighting some of the books that have been removed from libraries and classrooms. Stop by the display cabinet near the Check-Out Desk to learn more about censorship and how it affects us, and grab a list of books to read while you're here!



New Adult Collection

A new collection of fiction is now available for adults. The Rapid Reads collection is made up of short, engaging reads featuring compelling plots and characters. The collection can be found to the right of the Recently Returned books near the end of the adult Fiction shelves.



Galesburg Community Foundation Challenge

There is one month left to participate in the Galesburg Community Foundation Challenge. To date, \$618,933.54 of the needed \$700,000 has been raised. For every \$2.00 donated through September 30, 2022, the Community Foundation will match an additional \$1 up to \$350,000, giving the Library Foundation an opportunity to raise a total of \$1,050,000. These funds will provide the much-needed Community Room in the new library. The Community Room will be the community's gathering place, an important multi-purpose room for welcoming everyone to the library. Stop by the library for a donation form, or donate online at thegplf.org.

Construction on the new site is moving along. In July the masonry contractor began constructing the north and south stair towers and the elevator housing. The foundation wall has been completed, and iron workers began assembling the steel framework for the building, which should be completed by late September or early October.

Children's Events

LEGO Mania

Thur, Sept. 8, 4:00 PM

Build with LEGO blocks on a monthly theme. For kids of all ages with an adult.

Toddler Storytime

Wednesdays at 10:00 AM starting Sept. 14

Stories, songs, and movement for kids 18-36 months old.

Kids' Book Club ✓

Thur, Sept. 15, 4:00 PM

Read and talk about novels with your friends. Free books while supplies last. For grades 4-6.

Family Storytime

Mon, Sept. 19, 6:00 PM

Stories, crafts, and activities for kids of all ages and their accompanying adults.

Passport Club ✓

Tue, Sept. 27, 6:00 PM

Explore a new culture each month and get your passport stamped. For kids in grades K-6 with an adult.

Out of This World Family STEAM Night ✓

Wed, Sept. 28, 6:00 PM

Enjoy an evening of star-themed activities and crafts. For kids in grades K-6 with an adult.

Teen Events

All events open to teens ages 12-18 or in grades 7-12, unless otherwise specified. Want to know whenever there's a teen event going on? Text @teen61401 to 81010 to join our GPL Teen Event Reminders List.

Teen Advisory Board

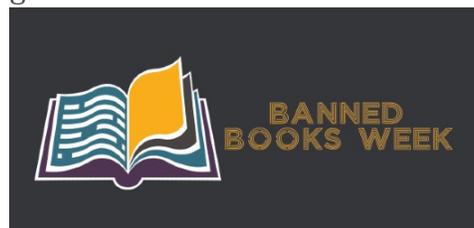
Thur, September 8, 6:00-6:45 PM

Talk about teen services at the library with other teens and get free pizza!

Banned Books Trivia

Thur, September 8, 6:45-7:30 PM

Celebrate Banned Books Week a little early with a trivia game about banned and censored books!



Creative Write Away for Teens

Thur, September 15, 6:00-7:00 PM

Stretch your creative brain and practice your writing with some fun prompts and group writing games!

Dungeons & Dragons Club ✓

Mon, September 26, 4:00-6:00 PM

Create your own hero and join the all-new adventure! New players always welcome.

Friends of the Library News & Updates

The Friends of the Library will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 5:30 PM in the library's upstairs meeting room. Members and the public are welcome to attend.

Donations may be dropped off at the library on Saturdays between the hours of 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM. The library is not able to accept book donations on other days of the week. The last day to donate books for the book sale is Saturday, October 8, 2022.



Adult Events

All events are subject to change. Copies of book club titles are available for checkout at the library.

Tuesday/Thursday Book Discussions

Tue, Sept 13, 1:00 PM upstairs

Thur, Sept 15, 6:30 PM at Jimmy's Pizza

In *The Last Chance Library* by Freya Sampson, librarian June Jones would rather spend her time buried in books than venture out into the world. But when her library is threatened with closure, June emerges from behind the shelves to save the heart of her community.

Buzzwords Book Club

Thur, Sept 22, 6:00 PM at Reserve Artisan Ales

Discussion of *One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot* by Marianne Cronin. Seventeen-year-old Lenni lives on the Terminal Ward at the hospital. Joining the hospital's arts and crafts class, she meets Margot, a rebellious 83-year-old. Their bond is instant when they realize that together they have lived an astonishing 100 years. Though their days are dwindling, both are determined to leave their mark on the world, so they devise a plan to create one hundred paintings showcasing the stories of the century they have lived.

Tome Raiders Sci-Fi/Fantasy Book Club

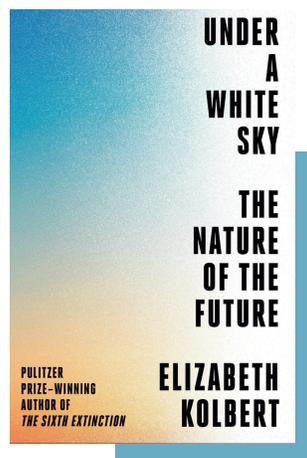
Fri, Sept 23, 6:00 PM at Hardee's

Priya Sharma's *Ormeshadow* is a dark coming-of-age fantasy saga set in the pastoral, pre-modern English countryside.

Food for Thought

Thur, Sept 29, 11:30 AM
at Cornucopia

Discussion of *Under a White Sky: The Nature of the Future* by Elizabeth Kolbert, which explores how the very sorts of interventions that have imperiled our planet are increasingly seen as the only hope for its salvation.



Movie Club

Tue, Sept 20, time TBA

Meet to watch a new movie at the AMC. Exact time and title will be announced the week before. We'll head to Culver's afterward for discussion.

Free Movie: Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris

Wed, Sept 21, 2:00 PM

Free showing of the movie *Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris*, about a widowed housekeeper who's intent on owning a Christian Dior dress and will stop at nothing to make it happen. Based on the book by Paul Gallico. (116 min., rated PG, ©Universal)



Writer Support Group

Mon, September 12, 6:00 PM

Meet with other writers to hone your skills and give and receive constructive feedback. The group will meet upstairs at the library.

Adult Coloring

Mon, Sept 19, 1:30-3:30 PM

Join us in adults-only coloring for relaxation.

Meditation Event

Tue, September 20, 2:00 PM

Swami Yatidharmananda, a Yogi based in Uttarakhand, India, will share some stories about his life in a Himalayan ashram and his time with his teacher, and some information on meditation.

All-Ages Discussion

The Bad Batch Discussion

Wednesday, September 28, 7:00 PM

Stream the first episode of *The Bad Batch's* second season at home on Disney+ and then join a discussion in the Facebook GPL Online Discussion group. You will need to join the group to participate. Questions will be posted starting at 7:00 PM. Refresh your screen regularly to see new questions.

Calendar

Sep 1-30	Library Card Sign-Up Month
Sep 1-30	Halloween Costume Drive
Sep 6	Culver's Share Night
Sep 8	LEGO Mania
Sep 8	Teen Advisory Board
Sep 8	Banned Books Trivia for Teens
Sep 12	Writer Support Group
Sep 13	Tuesday Book Club
Sep 15	Kids' Books Club
Sep 15	Thursday Book Club
Sep 15	Creative Write Away for Teens
Sep 18-24	Banned Books Week
Sep 19	Adult Coloring
Sep 19	Family Storytime
Sep 20	Meditation Event
Sep 20	Movie Club
Sep 21	Free Movie
Sep 22	Buzzwords Book Club
Sep 23	Tome Raiders Book Club
Sep 26	Dungeons & Dragons Club
Sep 27	Passport Club
Sep 28	Digital Discourse: <i>The Bad Batch</i>
Sep 29	Food for Thought Book Club



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Halloween Costume Drive

The Galesburg Public Library is partnering with the Downtown Community Partnership of Galesburg to host a Halloween Costume Drive. Donors may bring new or gently used youth costumes and costume accessories to the library throughout the month of September. Costumes will be distributed to children and families at the library on Saturday, October 15, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Call or stop in the library for more information.

Culver's Share Night

Give local and support the library by eating dinner at Culver's on Tuesday, September 6 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. A portion of the proceeds collected during this time will be donated to the Galesburg Public Library Foundation.

Money collected will be used to help purchase equipment for the Teen Zone in the new library.



Library Card Sign-Up Month

Find your voice at the library! September is Library Card Sign-Up Month, and we are celebrating all month long. Sign up for a library card or show your card at the Check-Out Desk for a chance to win a prize. Every new card will help us fill the front window with music notes. Stop by to find out what song we're singing or to take a picture in our photo booth. You can also find us at Burke Cleaners on September 17, from 9:00 AM-noon, and at Community Treasures on September 22, from 10:00 AM-1:00 PM.