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- Nov 28 Thanksgiving - Library Closed

HOLIDAY GIFT CRAFT EVENT

Join us at the library for an all-ages holiday craft event! Drop into the library anytime between 4:00-7:00 PM on Tuesday, November 19 to make some awesome handmade crafts. There will be a variety of options for all ages, and all crafts would make perfect holiday gifts for kids, grandkids, parents, grandparents, or friends! There will be galaxy necklaces, photo coasters, and marbled paper cards, among others. The event is free, and there is no need to sign up!



VOLUNTEER AT THE LIBRARY!

Do you have a little free time that you'd like to share with your community? Consider our Adopt-a-Shelf program! Volunteers check shelves to see that books are in order and in good condition. They dust and tidy shelves and pull any books that are damaged or falling apart. You decide the amount of time you can afford to spend and set your own schedule.

If you'd like a more social volunteer opportunity, join the monthly newsletter folding. Volunteers usually spend 1-2 hours and chat while they fold. If you want to help with recycling, consider getting down and dirty with discarded or unusable books. Covers on hardback books must be removed in order to be recycled, so a box cutter and some strength are involved in this very useful service. Again, you set the hours and amount of time you can afford to offer. If none of these seems right for you, there is always the Friends of the Library! They sort donated books weekly and put on the book sales, which provide money for all sorts of special events and useful items at the library.

We appreciate all of our volunteers immensely! We know the work is often tedious and yet still demands attention, but we hope our volunteers know that they are truly useful to the great public benefit that is our library.

NANOWRIMO

Did you know that November is National Novel Writing Month, also known as NaNoWriMo? NaNoWriMo is also the name of a nonprofit that provides tools, structure, community, and encouragement to help aspiring writers find their voices and build new worlds, on and off the page. It is a vast community that helps writers track progress, connect with other writers, and participate in events designed to make sure they finish their novels. If you have any interest in writing, November is a great time to get started! And if you would like a smaller community of writers closer to home, join our Writer Support Group! Meet with other writers at the library to spark your creativity and give and receive constructive feedback. The group will be meeting Monday, November 4 at 6:30 PM, so stop by and share your work!



Recommended by: John (Teen Librarian)

- **On the Come Up**
by Angie Thomas
- **The Shadow Hero**
by Gene Luen Yang *Favorites*
- **Space Case**
by Stuart Gibbs *I've Read*
- **The Crossover**
by Kwame Alexander *This Year*
- **Unstoppable Moses**
by Tyler James Smith

THANK YOU FRIENDS OF THE GALESBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY!

During the week of October 20th, the library celebrated National Friends of the Library Week. The appreciation came at a fitting time, coinciding with the annual Fall Book Sale run by the Friends. With the efforts of over thirty volunteers, the book sale raised over \$2000 to supplement library programs, supplies, and collections. The Friends gathered seven new members by Monday afternoon, bringing the total membership to eighty-seven.

Established in 1984, the Friends support the library's work through fundraising and volunteering. Their efforts have contributed to enhanced wi-fi, Summer Reading Program prizes, books for book clubs, furniture for children, teen, and adult areas, and other essential and popular additions to the library building and our programs. Without our Friends, the library would not be able to meet our patrons' needs as deeply or as broadly as we do.

To join the Friends of the Library, stop in or visit the website, www.galesburglibrary.org. Brochures are available at the checkout desk and online. Annual memberships are \$15 with discounts for seniors, teens, and families. You can also gather more information at their next meeting, Wednesday, November 13 at 5:30 PM at the library. Thank you, Friends, for your dedication to the library and advocacy on our behalf.

NATIONAL FRIENDS OF LIBRARIES WEEK

Oct. 20-26, 2019



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www.ala.org/united/friendsweek

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

Tue. Nov. 12, 1:00 PM at the library

Thur. Nov. 14, 6:30 PM at Jimmy's Pizza

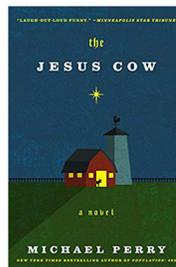
Book discussion at the library of *Endurance* by Scott Kelly, a memoir from the astronaut who spent a record-breaking year aboard the International Space Station.

Food for Thought Book Club

Thur. Nov. 21, 11:30 AM at Craft

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Discussion of *The Jesus Cow* by Michael Perry, a funny but sincere exploration of faith and the foibles of modern life. You will pay for your own food.



Buzzwords Book Club

Thur. Nov. 21, 6:00 PM at Knox County Brewing Co.

Buzzwords is a new book club designed for people over 21 and under 40, but it is open to anyone. The group will discuss *My Sister, the Serial Killer* by Oyinkan Braithwaite, a darkly funny novel about a Nigerian woman whose younger sister has an inconvenient habit of killing her boyfriends. You will pay for your own food and drink.

Tome Raiders Sci-Fi/Fantasy Book Club

Fri. Nov. 22, 6:00 PM at Hardee's

Discussion of *The Forgotten Beasts of Eld* by Patricia A. McKillip, which won the World Fantasy Award in 1975. Sybel, the heiress of powerful wizards, is attended by magical beasts. When a soldier bearing an infant arrives, Sybel discovers that the world of man and magic is full of both love and deceit. You will pay for your own food.

Movie Club

Free Movie

Friday, Nov. 15, 1:30 PM

Free showing of *The Peanut Butter Falcon*. A young man with Down syndrome teams up with a scruffy outlaw to travel across the Southeast, encountering colorful characters along the way. (97 min., rated PG-13, ©Lions Gate)

Tue. Nov. 19, 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 Culver's Restaurant afterwards for discussion.

Both the movie and restaurant are pay-your-own-way. Send an email to reference@galesburglibrary.org to be added to the Movie Club's email distribution list.

Writer Support Group

Mon. Nov. 4, 6:30 PM

Meet with other writers to hone your skills and give and receive constructive feedback. All kinds of writers are welcome. Last meeting until February 3.

Intro to Web Design

Tues. Nov. 5, 5:00-7:00 PM

Learn the basics of building a website using HTML and CSS in this class presented by Main Street Codes. Open to adults and teens. Advance registration is required.

Holiday Gift Craft Event

Tuesday, Nov. 19, 4:00-7:00 PM

Drop into the library and create some beautiful handmade crafts that would make perfect holiday gifts! Some crafts involve photographs, so feel free to bring photos cut into 4x4 squares.

Keep Calm and Color On

Mon. Nov. 25, 2:00-3:30 PM

Join us in adult coloring for relaxation. We'll provide music, drinks, coloring pages, and colored pencils. Free!

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Weekly storytimes:

Toddler Storytime (Wednesdays at 10:00 AM)

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

Preschool Storytime (Wednesdays at 10:45 AM)

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

Other November events:

Tots and Tunes

Thurs. Nov. 7, 14, 21, 10:00 AM

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

Sensory Storytime

Sat. Nov. 2, 11:00 AM

Open to all children ages 3-7, but designed for children with sensory integration challenges.

Family Story Night

Tues. Nov. 5, 6:00 PM

Bring the whole family to this interactive program that 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!

Read, Make, Vote: Monarch Readers Club

Thurs. Nov. 7, 6:00 PM

Together as a group, we'll read picture books from the Monarch Award (IL K-3 Reader's Choice Award) list, enjoy crafts and activities, and cast our votes for favorite book of the year. Registration required; call 343-6118 to sign up.

Monday Movies & More: The Lion King

Mon. Nov. 11, 1:30-3:30 PM

Come enjoy a free showing of the 2019 film *The Lion King* (Walt Disney Pictures) and make Lion King-themed crafts. Free and open to all ages.

Lego Night

Tues. Nov. 12, 4:30-5:30 PM

Come build with Legos!



Kids' Book Club

Thurs. Nov. 21, 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. 26, 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 EMILY DUGRANRUT

Looking back on *The Budget*

Recently, I've been organizing some of our older collections. One of these is our collection of the Galesburg High School newspaper, *The Budget*. We have issues dating back to 1904 when the paper began, all the way to 2006. I thought it would be interesting to look back at the paper 100 years ago to see what was on the minds of students back then.

In March 1919, the focus was completely on sports. Basketball and wrestling dominated the front page. Dramatic (or Debate) Club also got a feature about its upcoming debate against Canton.

In April, students were excited about a visit from a U.S. Marine who had fought in France during World War I. Another soldier, still in France, wrote to say he had been mailed some issues of *The Budget* and was glad to have the reminder of home.

In September, talk focused on the creation of the music department at GHS. "Here there are classes in Singing, Harmony and other subjects along the line of music." They also welcomed new teachers and a new principal and complained about class sizes.

The highlight of every issue, however, was the Joke section. Students submitted jokes, which were often about teachers and fellow students. Here are some of my favorites:

Wanted to know: Who put the "dust" in industry?

Teacher: Fools often ask questions which wise men cannot answer.

Student: Guess that's why I flunked my exams.

Father: What is your favorite hymn, Clara, my darling?

Clara: The one you chased over the fence last night.

We always laugh at the faculty's jokes,
No matter how poor they be;
Not because they are funny jokes
But because it is policy.

F is for Freshman, full of frolic and fun
R is for the regular lessons we all bum;
E stands for everything energetic we do,
S is for sapience, though we've not much 'tis true.
H is for the millions of hearts that we break,
M is the terrible marks that we all make;
A for ambitions the Freshman all feel,
N is for nerve to do a great deal.

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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 28

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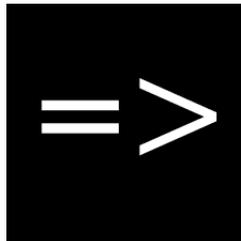
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TEEN NEWS

Intro to Web Design

Tues. Nov. 5, 5:00-7:00 PM

Learn the basics of building a website using HTML and CSS in this class presented by Main Street Codes. Open to adults and teens in grades 6 and up. Advance registration is required; please visit the Reference Desk or call 343-6118 to sign up.



Teen Advisory Board

Thurs. Nov. 14, 6:00-6:45 PM

Join the Library's Teen Advisory Board, where you can make YOUR voice heard about the library! You can suggest and vote on future teen events, talk about ways to improve the Teen Scene, and give the library recommendations for new YA books to purchase. Open to teens aged 12-18 or in grades 6-12. New members always welcome!

Tiny Terrariums

Thurs. Nov. 14, 6:45-7:30 PM

Create a small display featuring miniature plants and figurines, including Pokémon! Open to teens ages 12-18 or in grades 6-12. Advance sign-up is required.

Dungeons & Dragons Club

Mon. Nov. 25, 4:00-6:00 PM

Create your own hero and join the adventure! New players are always welcome. Open to teens ages 12-18 or in grades 6-12. Advance registration is required, so sign up at the Reference Desk or by calling 343-6118.

