

# THE Spark



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## Letter from the Library Director

As we approach the end of 2024, I am proud to share the Library's progress on our current strategic plan goals. Over the past three years, our team has achieved significant improvements across nearly every performance indicator we track. You can find our annual reports detailing our progress at [glenviewpl.org/strategic-plan](http://glenviewpl.org/strategic-plan).

With the close of our current plan, we've developed our next strategic plan to guide us from 2025 through 2027. The insights gathered from community and staff surveys have helped shape the focus areas and goals that will inform our work in the years ahead.

Our mission to foster a more connected, informed, and engaged community by making the power of knowledge, information, and discovery accessible to all remains at the core of everything we do. Beginning in 2025, we will focus on the following goals:

- Identify and reduce barriers for non-users and new residents
- Maximize existing resources to better serve patrons
- Expand opportunities for professional development and growth
- Increase opportunities for people of all abilities, ages, and backgrounds to build community
- Foster a sense of belonging and support for all people
- Enhance interdepartmental collaboration and trust
- Provide tools to help navigate the rapidly changing landscape of technology and information
- Raise awareness of community resources
- Improve communication to keep staff informed and aligned

You can view our full strategic plan at [glenviewpl.org/strategic-plan](http://glenviewpl.org/strategic-plan). I'm excited to see how these goals will transform the Library and deepen our community impact in the years ahead.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

**Lindsey Dorfman**, Library Director

## Art in the Library

### Currents: A Community Art Project

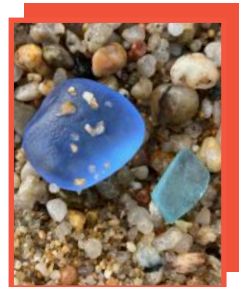
Monday, Oct 28-Friday, Jan 17 • Lobby

This participatory art project encourages dialogue about peace and unity in our increasingly polarized world. We asked the community to share their unique perspectives, and we invite you to explore the thoughts of others. By reflecting on the present, we aim to inspire the community to move toward a more compassionate future.

### Luba Abramov

Tuesday, Jan 21-Tuesday, Mar 18 • Lobby

Luba Abramov loves to collect sea glass. After collecting a few pieces on Lake Michigan, it became an obsession. She has traveled abroad to collect rare colors and shapes of sea glass formed over decades in the water. She combines her love of watercolors with found beach glass to create assemblages inspired by nature. "I want the energy of the ocean and the sea to reach people through my art pieces," says Luba. "I love how they sparkle in the sun, the transparency, and all the different colors."



Join us at the

*Holiday in the Park & Parade*

Saturday, November 30 • 4 PM

# News & Announcements



## Library Space Improvements Coming In 2025

In 2023, the Library evaluated our current space utilization in order to make long-term improvements to meet our community's changing needs. Along with your feedback from our recent community survey, we identified the need to update our Youth Services area, improve our lobby space to include a better café area, and create more study and work spaces. You asked, and we listened! We're excited to announce the first phase of our long-term space improvement project.

### New Play Space for Kids

GPL's Youth Services Department serves thousands of children each year. In 2023, children's books accounted for 66% of all books checked out, and attendance at kids' programs surpassed that of all other audiences. In the 15 years since the design of our children's area, new research has taught us more about the importance of play; it's essential for nurturing social and emotional growth, developing language skills, and sparking creativity and imagination. Our new play space will blend the wonder of books with the power of play, offering endless opportunities for learning and discovery.



### More Study Rooms for One to Two People

GPL sees over 700 study room reservations per month, and during peak times like finals week, it can be hard to find rooms available for those needing a quiet space for Zoom meetings or job interviews. To accommodate, we're adding seven smaller study rooms for one to two people on the second floor, freeing up the existing study rooms for larger groups.

### Improved Vending Café in the Lobby

Patrons spend more time working, studying, and reading at the Library these days, making our lobby a space for gathering. To improve the atmosphere in our lobby, we're partnering with a local coffee house to provide hot and cold coffee drinks, and we're upgrading our vending machines to offer fresh food options. The new café space will be in the east side of the lobby.

### How will these projects be funded?

The projects will be funded by special reserves dedicated to capital building repairs and improvement projects and supplemented by capital campaign fundraising by the Glenview Public Library Foundation (learn more on page 19). The Library is also pursuing an Illinois State Library public library construction grant. Watch for these exciting projects to begin in 2025.

## Meet our New Deputy Director of Library Services – Linda Sawyer

GPL is excited to have Linda Sawyer as our new Deputy Director of Library Services. Linda has been at GPL since January 2023 working as our Youth Community Engagement Manager. With over 30 years of diverse experience in Illinois libraries, Linda has served in roles such as Assistant Head of Youth Services, Bookmobile and Branch Manager, and school librarian. Linda has volunteered on many national library committees and has served as adjunct faculty at Dominican University's Graduate School of Library and Information Science. In her new position as Deputy Director of Library Services, she oversees GPL's Adult Services, Youth Services, and Innovation Services departments. Linda is passionate about lifelong learning, information literacy, literacy initiatives, and ensuring the library is accessible to all. As a Glenview resident, she is eager to continue building partnerships and fostering community connections through meaningful initiatives.

*"I am very excited to take on this new role at the Library, a vital part of our great community. I am passionate about connecting people to the world of information and ideas, and am excited to continue to serve my community."*



## NEW! Family Action Network

We're excited to partner with Family Action Network (FAN) to bring you inspiring speakers on topics ranging from education, psychology, social change and well-being. For 40 years, FAN has been bringing people together, sharing knowledge, and inspiring communities. Learn more at [familyactionnetwork.net](http://familyactionnetwork.net).



DEC 15 – JAN 31

# WINTER READING



Winter is the perfect time to warm up with a great book.

Let us help you find new titles or explore our staff picks for those hidden gems. As you cozy up with your perfect winter reads, make sure to sign up for Winter Reading for a chance to win prizes.

[glenviewpl.org/winter-reading](http://glenviewpl.org/winter-reading)

Thank you to our winter reading sponsors:

- Glenview Park District
- AR Puzzle Toys through Stellar Sales Consulting LLC
- Chicago Wolves

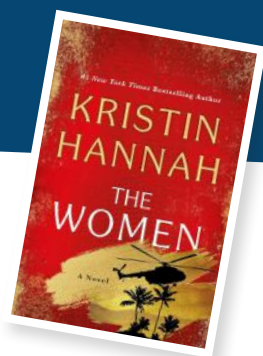
## How does Winter Reading work?

- Read books
- Log your daily progress on Beanstack or in person at the Reader Services or Youth Services Desks
- Earn entries to win a prize

## How to Register?

- Online at [glenviewpl.beanstack.org](http://glenviewpl.beanstack.org)
- Mobile through the Beanstack app
- In-person at the Reader Services or Youth Services Desk

# Favorite Books of 2024



## ADULT FICTION

***The Women***  
by Kristin Hannah

If you liked this favorite, we recommend:

***Absolution***  
by Alice McDermott

***The Mountains Sing***  
by Phan Que Mai Nguyen

***The Fourteenth of September***  
by Rita Dragonette



## ADULT NONFICTION

***The Demon of Unrest***  
by Erik Larson

If you liked this favorite, we recommend:

***Our Ancient Faith: Lincoln, Democracy, and the American Experiment***  
by Allen C. Guelzo

***Challenger: A True Story of Heroism and Disaster on the Edge of Space***  
by Adam Higginbotham

***The Wide Wide Sea: Imperial Ambition, First Contact, and the Fateful Final Voyage of Captain James Cook***  
by Hampton Sides



## TEEN FICTION

***The Inheritance Games***  
by Jennifer Lynn Barnes

If you liked this favorite, we recommend:

***The Agathas***  
by Kathleen Glasgow

***Truly, Devious***  
by Maureen Johnson

***The Rosewood Hunt***  
by Mackenzie Reed



## YOUTH FICTION

***The Wild Robot***  
by Peter Brown

If you liked this favorite, we recommend:

***Rover's Story***  
by Jasmine Warga

***Odder***  
by Katherine Applegate

***Always, Clementine***  
by Carlie Sorosiak



## YOUTH GRAPHIC NOVEL

***Dog Man: The Scarlet Shedder***  
by Dav Pilkey

If you liked this favorite, we recommend:

***InvestiGators***  
by John Patrick Green

***Agent Moose***  
by Mo O'Hara

***Mayor Good Boy***  
by Dave Scheidt



## YOUTH PICTURE BOOK

***Barky Boats***  
by Penguin Young Readers Licenses

If you liked this favorite, we recommend:

***Penelope Rex and the Problem with Pets***  
by Ryan Higgins

***The Best Bad Day Ever***  
by Marianna Coppo

***Walkies***  
by Estrela Lourenço

# Kids & Families

Inspire lifelong learning, foster social skills, and promote language development.

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[glenviewpl.org/register](http://glenviewpl.org/register) or 847.729.7500  
Visit Any Library Service Desk.

**T** = Ticketed

Arrive 20 minutes early for your program ticket. Preference given to GPL cardholders.

## STORYTIME SCHEDULE



1/13-2/21

Storytime registration begins 12/30 at 9 AM

\*Tiny 2's and Book Babies choose only one day

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<p><b>Tiny 2's</b> (age 2 w/adult) <b>R</b> 9:30-10 AM Youth Program Room</p> <p><b>Monday Movers</b> (all ages w/adult) 10:30-11 AM Community Room Drop in.</p>	<p><b>Baby &amp; Me Playtime</b> (birth-18 months w/adult) 9:30-10:15 AM Community Room West Drop in.</p> <p><b>Tiny 2's</b> (age 2 w/adult) <b>R</b> 10:30-11 AM Youth Program Room</p>	<p><b>Book Babies</b> (birth-23 months w/adult) <b>R</b> 9:30-10 AM Youth Program Room</p> <p><b>Story Squad</b> (ages 3-5) <b>R</b> 1:30-2:15 PM Youth Program Room</p>	<p><b>Book Babies</b> (birth-23 months w/adult) <b>R</b> 9:30-10 AM Youth Program Room</p> <p><b>Preschool Play &amp; Learn</b> (ages 3-5 w/adult) 10-10:45 AM Community Room West Drop in.</p>



### Monday Movers: Taylor's Version (all ages w/adult)

Monday, Dec 9, 10:30-11 AM • Community Room

Join us for a special Taylor Swift themed Monday Movers! Drop in.

### StoryWalk (all ages w/adult)

Dec-Feb • Little Bear Garden at Gallery Park

*Words to Make a Friend* by Donna Jo Napoli and Naoko Stoop

A love of playing in the snow teaches two girls that they don't need to speak the same language to have fun and be friends. This story is told in Japanese and English. Drop in.



## DUAL LANGUAGE STORYTIMES

### Cuentos en Pijama | Spanish Pajama Storytime (all ages w/adult)

Fridays, Dec 20, 10:30-11 AM & Jan 10, 6:30-7 PM

Youth Program Room

Drop in.

### Korean Storytime (birth-6 w/adult) **R**

Fridays, Jan 17 & Feb 21, 10-10:30 AM

Youth Program Room



### Preschool and Childcare Fair

Saturday, Dec 7, 10 AM-Noon • Community Room

Meet and talk with representatives from local preschool and childcare organizations. Drop in.

## INFANTS & PRESCHOOL



Registration begins two weeks before the date of the program with the exception of Book Clubs.

### Storytime at Wagner Farm (all ages w/adult)

Wednesday, Dec 11, 10:30-11 AM • Wagner Farm

Join Youth Services Librarians at Wagner Farm for stories, songs, and more farm fun! Meet in the Heritage Center Museum. Drop in.

### Stay and Play (birth-5 w/adult)

Wednesdays, 10-11 AM • Youth Program Room

**Dec 18:** Parachute Play

**Jan 8:** Art & Science

Make new friends with other kids and caregivers through interactive free play. Drop in.

### Pajama Storytime (all ages w/adult)

Thursdays, Dec 19, Jan 16 & Feb 20, 6:30-7 PM

Youth Program Room

Come in your coziest pajamas and enjoy stories, songs, and fun. Drop in.

### STEAM Stories at Kohl Children's Museum

(ages 2+ w/adult)

Sundays, Jan 5 & Feb 2, 10:30-11 AM & 11:15-11:45 AM

Kohl Children's Museum

Enjoy STEAM storytime with your GPL Librarians! Meet at Spotlight Studio; museum admission not required for storytime. Drop in.

## Lunar New Year Celebration

(all ages w/adult)

Saturday, Jan 25, 10-11 AM • Youth Program Room

Celebrate Lunar New Year through activities and crafts as we explore the ways different cultures welcome in the new year! Drop in.

### Move with Me: Tumbling with Viking Gymnastics & Dance

(6 months-2 w/adult) **R**

Friday, Jan 31, 9:30-10:15 AM • Community Room

Bring your little one to this fun class full of movement, tumbling, music, and more! Led by instructors from Viking Gymnastics & Dance.

### Big Feelings Storytime (ages 3-5 w/adult) **R**

Tuesdays, Feb 4, 11, 18 & 25, 1:30-2:15 PM • Youth Program Room

Explore stories about big feelings, and learn ways to help your preschooler manage them.

### Happy Hearts Storytime (all ages w/adult)

Friday, Feb 14, 10-10:45 AM • Community Room

Join us for a morning of stories, songs, and rhymes all about L-O-V-E! Stay to make a craft to keep or give to a loved one. Drop in.

### Yoga Storytime (ages 3-6 w/adult) **R**

Friday, Feb 28, 10-10:30 AM • Community Room West

Unwind with stories and songs paired with gentle yoga movement. Bring your own mat, blanket, or towel.

Save the Date!

### Early Literacy Fair

Saturday, Mar 8

10 AM-Noon

Read, sing, play, talk, and write with your child through interactive stations and activities.



## SUPER SATURDAY

Sponsored by the Friends of Glenview Public Library



### Giant Bubble Show with TwistiCity (all ages) **T**

Saturday, Jan 18, 10:30-11:15 AM • Community Room

Join us for kids in bubbles and bubbles bigger than cars! TwistiCity brings the bubbles like no other!



### Kerfuffle Presents: The Conductors (all ages) **T**

Saturday, Feb 8, 10:30-11:15 AM • Community Room

All aboard! The conductors search for treasure in this silly and interactive play. This show is recommended for children ages 2-6 and their families, although all are welcome.

# WINTER BREAK

## Take and Make New Year's Craft

Dec 26-31

Drop by the Youth Services Desk between Dec 26-31 to get a take-home craft to help you ring in the new year.

## Holiday Family Trivia Night (all ages w/adult) <sup>R</sup>

Thursday, Dec 26, 6:30-8 PM • Zoom

Think you're smart, huh? Test your knowledge over four rounds of holiday-themed online trivia and see if you can beat the competition. Prizes awarded to the highest scoring team.

## Mario Kart Tournament (grades 5-8) <sup>R</sup>

Saturday, Dec 28, 2:30-4 PM • Community Room

It's time to race to be the best! Compete for prizes and bragging rights.



## Monday Matinee: *The Wizard of Oz* (101min/G/1939) (all ages w/adult)

Monday, Dec 30, 3:30-5 PM

Youth Program Room

Meet us over the rainbow and enjoy an interactive watching experience of the classic film, *The Wizard of Oz*. Bring your own cozy blanket and snacks. Costumes encouraged! Drop in.

## Puzzle & Board Game Swap (all ages)

Friday, Jan 3, 5-7 PM • Community Room West

Drop off puzzles and board games to Youth Services between Friday, Dec 27 and Thursday, Jan 2. Come back on Friday, Jan 3 to pick out brand-new-to-you puzzles and games to enjoy. Items for all ages will be accepted.

## FAMILY FUN

### Holiday Caroling with Attea Middle School Choir (all ages w/adult)

Friday, Dec 13, 10-10:45 AM • Community Room

Join us for some seasonal tunes led by the choir and orchestra from Attea Middle School, and sing along with your favorites. Drop in.

### Toot! Toot! North Shore & Western Model Railroad Club

(all ages w/adult)

Saturday, Dec 14, 9 AM-4:45 PM & Sunday, Dec 15, 1-4:45 PM • Community Room

Enjoy the enchantment of the Community Room filled to the brim with model railroads. Drop in.

### Homemade Holidays (all ages w/adult)

Saturday, Dec 14, 10 AM-Noon • Youth Program Room

Make a winter holiday decoration to give to friends and family. Drop in.

### Winter Solstice Celebration (grades K-5) <sup>R</sup>

Friday, Dec 20, 4-5 PM • Youth Program Room

Celebrate the first day of winter with stories and a craft to brighten the shortest day of the year.

### Sensory Play (For neurodivergent children of all ages w/adult) <sup>R</sup>

Saturday, Jan 4, 10:30-11 AM • Youth Program Room

Share a favorite children's book and play with sensory stations related to the story!

### MLK Day: Day of Service (all ages w/adult)

Monday, Jan 20, 1-3 PM • Community Room

Serve your neighbors through hands-on projects led by local community organizations. Consider bringing a non-perishable item to donate to the Northfield Township Food Pantry. Current pantry needs: ramen, spaghetti, and pancake mix. Drop in.

### Build It: LEGO (all ages w/adult)

Saturday, Feb 15, 10-11 AM • Youth Program Room

Join us to build, create, and explore with LEGOs. All LEGOs provided, just bring your creativity. Drop in.



### Frozen Sing-A-Long with Elsa (102min/PG/2013) (all ages w/adult) <sup>T</sup>

Monday, Feb 17, 1:30-4 PM • Community Room

Join Queen Elsa for an interactive viewing of *Frozen*! Sing along with Elsa to your favorite songs in the movie, then stay after for a quick photo op. Sing-a-long led by Parties With Character.

Sponsored by the Friends of Glenview Public Library.

### Family Game Night (all ages w/adult)

Friday, Feb 21, 6:30-8 PM • Youth Program Room

Bring the whole family out to play! Whether you are a fan of cards, dice, Pokémon, Rubix cubing, or classic board games, there's something here for you. Drop in.



## SCHOOL AGE

### **Cursive Cards (grades 3-5) R**

Tuesday, Dec 3, 4:30-5:30 PM • Youth Program Room

Practice your cursive to make elegant, personalized holiday cards for friends and family.

### **Taste Travelers (grades 4-8) R**

Wednesdays, Dec 4, Jan 8 & Feb 5, 4:30-5:30 PM • Youth Program Room

Taste and rate unique snacks from around the world while learning a bit about the people, culture, and geography. A new country or continent will be featured each month.

### **After-School Adventures (grades K-3) R**

Mondays, Dec 9, Jan 13 & Feb 10, 4:30-5:30 PM • Youth Program Room

Learn, connect, and make new friends while doing fun activities together. We will explore something new each time!

### **Full STEAM Ahead with Kohl Children's Museum (grades K-2) R**

Mondays, Dec 16, Jan 20 & Feb 17, 4:30-5:15 PM • Youth Program Room

Explore your inner maker through hands-on STEAM activities led by staff from the Kohl Children's Museum.

### **Chess 101 (grades 2-8) R**

Wednesday, Dec 18, 7-8 PM • Youth Program Room

Learn how to play chess, from your first move to checkmate, with the chess champs of Glenview Chess. Recommended for those with little to no prior chess knowledge.

### **Homeschool Meet-Up (grades K-8) R**

Monday, Jan 6, 1:30-2:30 PM • Community Room West

It's homeschool family game day! Connect with other homeschool families and enjoy snacks, games, and a fun time at the Library!

### **Author Event: Matthew Cordell**

#### **(grades K-8) R**

Sunday, Jan 19, 2-3 PM

Community Room

Join 2018 Caldecott Medal Winner Matthew Cordell for an afternoon of family fun in celebration of his new book *To See an Owl*.

This event is presented in partnership with The Book Stall in Winnetka.



### **Learn and Play Chess (grades 2-8) R**

Wednesdays, Jan 15 & Feb 19, 7-8 PM • Youth Program Room

Learn some chess tips and tricks from volunteer chess instructor Yuri Fridman. Then challenge friends to a game. Some prior chess knowledge recommended.

### **K-9 Reading Buddies (grades K-5) R**

Mondays, Jan 27 & Feb 24, 4:30-5:30 PM • Youth Program Room

Read fun stories to a trained therapy dog from the K-9 Reading Buddies of the North Shore.

# Battle of the Books

(grades 4-5)

Form teams, read books, and compete in a quiz-style competition.

Visit [glenviewpl.org/bob](http://glenviewpl.org/bob) for more details.

## In-Person Orientation:

Wednesday, Nov 20, 6:30-7:30 PM

Attendance is recommended for all participants.

## Registration:

Wednesday, Nov 20-Friday, Dec 2

Teams of 2-6 register, adult coach required.

## Coach Orientation:

Thursday, Jan 9, 6:30-7:30 PM • Zoom

Log on or watch the recording.

## Qualification Battle (Online):

Thursday, Feb 6, 6:30-8:15 PM

## Final Battle (In-Person):

Saturday, Feb 22, 1-2:30 PM

## Team Award Ceremony & Celebration:

Thursday, Feb 27, 6:30-8 PM  
Attea Middle School

### **Story Quest (grades 2-5) R**

Thursday, Jan 30, 4:30-5:30 PM • Youth Program Room

Fantasy fans, artists, and writers will create a magical world and all the creatures within.

### **Dog Man Party! (grades 1-4) R**

Wednesday, Feb 26, 4:30-5:30 PM • Community Room West

Calling all Supa Buddies! Join us as we celebrate all things Dog Man.

## BOOK CLUBS

Registration for all book clubs opens four weeks before the program. Copies of each book club's title are reserved for registered patrons. Pick up your copy in Youth Services after registering.

### Novels & Nibbles Book Club (grades 5-8) **R**

Tuesday, Dec 10, 6:30-8 PM • Youth Program Room

Join us for a fun and lively book discussion while nibbling on tasty snacks! This winter, we are diving into the world of Raina Telgemeier. Pick one (or more!) of her many books to read. We'll share our thoughts for the first half hour, then tune in for a Raina Telgemeier virtual author event at 7 PM.



## AUTHOR EVENT

### The Magic of Raina Telgemeier **R**

Tuesday, Dec 10, 7-8 PM • Zoom

Explore the world of acclaimed author and illustrator Raina Telgemeier of bestselling graphic novels like *Smile*, *Drama*, and *Guts*. Discover her adaptations of the *Baby-Sitters Club* series and her numerous accolades, including six Eisner Awards. Join us for a celebration of storytelling that resonates with readers of all ages! This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present.



### Chapter Crew Book Club (grades 3-4) **R**

Tuesday, Jan 14, 4:30-5:30 PM  
Youth Program Room

Enjoy a fabulous book, then meet up to share your thoughts, do a craft, and have a snack with the rest of the Chapter Crew! Winter selection: *Bob* by Wendy Mass and Rebecca Stead.



### Book Bunch Book Club (grades 1-2) **R**

Wednesday, Jan 22, 4:30-5:15 PM  
Youth Program Room

Join a book club for beginning readers! We will talk about our book, have a snack, and do a fun activity. Winter selection: *Layla and the Bots: Happy Paws* by Vicky Fang.

## Get Creative @



### **R** = Register

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Visit Any Library Service Desk.

Innovation Center programs are for GPL cardholders only.  
Registration opens two weeks before program.

### Candle Making (grades 6-12) **R**

Friday, Dec 20, 4-5 PM

Learn the art of candle making while decorating your own jar.

### 3D Printing Parent & Child (grades 3-5 w/adult) **R**

Monday, Dec 30, 2-3:30 PM

Dive into the world of 3D printing with your child! Together you will learn about the tools and programs used to successfully design, discover, and print your very own 3D creations. Please only register your child.

### Intro to Machine Sewing (grades 3-12) **R**

Saturday, Jan 4, 10-11:30 AM

Join us for intro level instruction on learning to sew with a sewing machine.

### Sublimation Bookmarks (grades 3-8) **R**

Monday, Jan 6, 4:30-6 PM

Use the power of sublimation printing to create your own design to heat press onto a metal bookmark.

### Valentine's Day Gnomes (grades 4-8) **R**

Monday, Feb 3, 6-7:30 PM

Build and decorate your own laser cut Valentine's gnome.

### Heart Suncatcher Craft (grades 1-5) **R**

Tuesday, Feb 4, 4:30-6 PM

Create and decorate your own heart suncatcher!

### Parent & Me Travel Game Sewing

(grades 3-6 w/adult) **R**

Saturday, Feb 8, 10-11:30 AM

Create a travel tic-tac-toe game using a variety of sewing skills. Parent participation required. This program is designed for one parent and one child to work together.

### Advanced Sewing: Draw String Bags

(grades 3-8) **R**

Thursday, Feb 20, 6-7:30 PM

Learn more advanced techniques for sewing! Make your very own draw string bag to take home.

Check out  
Tabletop Gaming  
programs for  
all ages!  
See page 12.

# Teens

Connect to the power of ideas, inspiration, and each other.

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[glenviewpl.org/register](http://glenviewpl.org/register) or 847.729.7500  
Visit Any Library Service Desk.

*Registration begins two weeks before the date of the program.*



## STUDY FOR FINALS @ YOUR LIBRARY

Rooms open for studying:

- Monday, Dec 16, 3-9 PM
- Tuesday, Dec 17, 3-9 PM
- Wednesday, Dec 18, 3-9 PM
- Thursday, Dec 19, 3-9 PM
- Friday, Jan 10, 3-9 PM
- Saturday, Jan 11, 9 AM-5 PM
- Sunday, Jan 12, 1-5 PM
- Monday, Jan 13, 3-9 PM
- Tuesday, Jan 14, 3-9 PM
- Wednesday, Jan 15, 3-9 PM

✧ **We're here for you!** ✧

**Check in at the Library for destressing activities like:**

- ★ **Therapy dogs**
- ★ **Hot chocolate and other treats**
- ★ **Yoga**
- ★ **And more!**

**Parents and Caregivers**

### **FAFSA Completion Workshop** **R**

Thursday, Jan 9, 5:30-8 PM • Tech Lab

Do you have questions about how to complete the college Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? Sign up for a 30-minute in-person session to meet with an expert from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission office.

## LET'S VOLUNTEER

### **Youth Volunteer Applications**

If you're friendly, patient, and enthusiastic about working with children, sign up to become a volunteer at the Glenview Public Library! Youth Volunteers must be in grades 6-12 and a Glenview Village resident or attend a school served by the Glenview Public Library to apply.

Visit [glenviewpl.org/volunteer](http://glenviewpl.org/volunteer) for more info.

### **Snowflake Embroidery (grades 6-10)** **R**

Wednesday, Dec 11, 4:30-5:30 PM • Youth Program Room  
Learn how to make a simple snowflake embroidery project to keep or give as a gift.

### **Glenview's Got STEAM (grades 5-8)** **R**

Thursdays, 4:30-6 PM

**Dec 12:** Hour of Code @ Glenbrook South

**Feb 13:** Mental Health & Biomedicine @ GPL

Presented by Glenview's Got STEAM of Glenbrook South. No prior knowledge required.

### **Chocolate-Dipped Delights (grades 6-10)** **R**

Sunday, Dec 15, 1:30-3 PM • Youth Program Room

Indulge your sweet tooth and create beautiful and delicious chocolate treats. Presented by staff from Glenbrook South's Culinary Arts program. All ingredients and supplies will be provided.

### **Crocheting 101: Emotional Support Pickles (grades 7-12)** **R**

Tuesday, Jan 28, 6:30-8 PM • Youth Program Room

Learn to crochet by making your very own emotional support pickle because you are a big DILL! All levels of crocheters welcome. All supplies will be provided.

### **Hack That Painting (grades 8-12)**

Friday, Jan 31, 7-8 PM • Youth Program Room

Repurpose a painting into an almost original creation by adding your own touch to the canvas. No painting talent needed, just some creativity and willingness to have fun! Drop in.

### **Sweet Reads (grades 6-10)** **R**

Monday, Feb 3, 4:30-5:30 PM • Youth Program Room

Come and chat about your favorite romance novels while enjoying some sweet treats.

### **Dead Presidents Society (grades 5-8)** **R**

Wednesday, Feb 12, 4:30-5:30 PM • Community Room West

Join local history teacher Scott Buzard to hear the fascinating stories behind presidential curiosities! Nine presidents have failed to complete their full terms due to death, assassination, and resignation. Learn about presidents who took office without being elected and those who survived assassination attempts.



# The Innovation Center

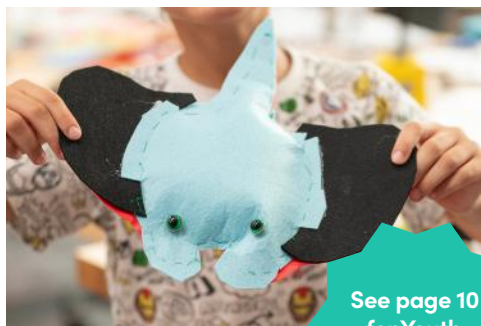
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Patrons are encouraged to book an appointment to use the Innovation Center. Visit [glenviewpl.org/innovation](http://glenviewpl.org/innovation) for details.

**NEW!**

Innovation Center programs are for GPL cardholders only. Registration opens two weeks before the date of the program. Each patron is limited to registering for 1 seat per program. Unless noted, programs are for adults and teens.



See page 10 for Youth programs!

## Basic

All skill levels, no equipment experience, not project-based.

### Intro to Machine Sewing for Adults **R**

Saturday, Jan 4, Noon-1:30 PM

Join us for intro level instruction on learning to sew with a sewing machine.

### Intro to Laser Cutting **R**

Monday, Jan 20, 6-7:30 PM

Learn the software processes to use in conjunction with the Trotec Laser.

### Hemming & Mending Basics **R**

Monday, Jan 27, 6-7:30 PM

Learn the basics behind hemming and mending clothing. Scrap clothes will be used.

### Intro to Sublimation **R**

Monday, Feb 17, 6-7:30 PM

Learn about the power of sublimation printing to create your own design to heat press.

### Intro to Vinyl **R**

Wednesday, Feb 26, 6-7:30 PM

Join us for intro level instruction on using a vinyl cutter. Learn about both sticky/adhesive and heat transfer methods while creating your own vinyl cutting design.

## Get Making

Computer proficiency needed, some equipment experience, project-based.

### Calligraphy Letters **R**

Mondays, Dec 2 & Feb 13, 6-7:30 PM

Join us in learning calligraphy in fun and inspiring ways! No experience necessary.

### Build & Decorate Wood Cut Snowmen **R**

Wednesday, Dec 4, 6-7:30 PM

Build and decorate your own wooden laser cut snowman.

### Sew Your Own Book Pillow **R**

Thursday, Dec 5, 6-7:30 PM

Sew your own cozy book pillow. All materials provided. Must have prior sewing machine experience.

### Sketch & Discuss **R**

Sunday, Dec 8, 1-2:30 PM

Join Glenview Art League member Deb Anderson in a unique gathering and discussion to show off your sketchbooks, become inspired to start one, and try out new techniques. Sketch paper and artistic pencils provided.

### Hobbying: Paint & Create Table-Top Game Characters **R**

Tuesdays, Dec 10, Jan 14 & Feb 11, 4:30-6 PM

Join table-top gaming fans as you paint your miniatures and create your characters. No game playing during program. Drop in.

### New Year's Resolution Tile Coasters **R**

Thursday, Dec 12, 6-7:30 PM

Create your own resolution tile coasters using a variety of art mediums. Each patron will receive three tiles for their project.

### Holiday Gift Tags **R**

Monday, Dec 16, 6-7:30 PM

Create your own holiday gift tags using Inkscape software.

### Playing Table-Top Games

Fridays, Dec 27, Jan 24 & Feb 28  
4:30-6 PM

Join your fellow table-top game enthusiasts in a fun time of playing games, like Dungeons & Dragons and Warhammer. Drop in.

### Laser Cut Boxes **R**

Wednesday, Jan 8, 6-7:30 PM

Learn how to design your own laser cut box. If class time allows, boxes will be cut on wood.

### Bob Ross Painting **R**

Thursday, Jan 16, 6-7:30 PM

Discover the joy of painting! Paint alongside your fellow patrons to a Bob Ross instructional painting video! All supplies will be provided.

### Sublimation Pillow Cases **R**

Thursday, Jan 30, 6-7:30 PM

Create designs for a pillow case using the power of sublimation printing. One pillow case provided per patron.

### DIY Heat Transfer Vinyl Caps **R**

Thursday, Feb 6, 6-7:30 PM

Create designs for baseball caps using a vinyl cutter and heat transfer vinyl. Supplies, including caps, provided. Computer proficiency recommended.



# Adults

Learn new skills, achieve your goals, and connect with your community.

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**H** = Hybrid

Hybrid programs are held simultaneously via Zoom and in-person. Physical space is limited.



## CELEBRATE!

### Starlite Singers Sing in the Season

Thursday, Dec 5, 11 AM–Noon • Community Room

Ring in the joy of the holidays with a matinee performance from the Glenview Senior Center Chorus performing a selection of festive songs to brighten the season. Drop in.

### Holiday Caroling with The Frozen Robins **R**

Tuesday, Dec 10, 7–8 PM • Community Room

The Frozen Robins, a Chicago caroling group, offers unique arrangements, beautiful harmonies, and fantastic costumes, creating an interactive and enjoyable evening of holiday cheer.

### Challah: A History **R**

Thursday, Dec 12, 2–3 PM • Multipurpose Room

Learn the history of challah, a delicious traditional Jewish food. Fresh challah and butter will be served during this program.

### Cheese & Charcuterie Board Workshop **R**

Thursday, Dec 19, 6:30–8:30 PM • Community Room

Join Cheers to Cheese to master creating a holiday cheese and charcuterie tray, including ingredient selection, salami roses, centerpieces, and stylish cheese cutting. Registered participants will receive a grocery list to purchase supplies for the workshop.

### Experience *Little Women: The Musical at Home!* (2022) **R**

Friday, Dec 20–Sunday, Dec 22 • YouTube

Enjoy a virtual screening of the acclaimed 2022 stage recording of Louisa May Alcott's classic story of four sisters growing up in 19th-century Massachusetts, which made its London premiere at the Park Theatre. This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present.

## MARDI GRAS

### A Taste of New Orleans **R**

Wednesday, Feb 26, 7–8 PM • Community Room East

Step into the French Quarter and explore the culinary history of the Big Easy with author and food history enthusiast, Amy Gail Hansen. Learn the compelling origins of the city's most celebrated gastronomic treasures—café au lait and beignets, gumbo and king cake—just in time for Mardi Gras. King cake tasting provided.

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for the GPL  
Foundation Fundraiser:  
Mardi Gras  
Jazz Cafe



# SUNDAY MUSIC SERIES



Fruteland Jackson

Thank you to the Friends of Glenview Public Library for the generous support of our Sunday Music Series Concerts!

## Sunday Music Series: GBS Chamber Singers <sup>®</sup>

Sunday, Dec 22, 2-3 PM • Community Room

Join us for this annual holiday tradition as the talented Glenbrook South High School Chamber Singers present all of your favorite festive songs!

## Sunday Music Series: Alba Quartet Performs Mozart <sup>®</sup>

Sunday, Jan 12, 2-3 PM • Community Room

In honor of Mozart's birthday, the Alba Quartet (flute, violin, viola, and cello) presents a delightful program of his music, paired with fascinating insights into his life and times.

## Sunday Music Series: Fruteland Jackson <sup>®</sup>

Sunday, Feb 9, 2-3:30 PM • Community Room

Blues guitarist and songwriter Fruteland Jackson combines lecture and song to trace the evolution of blues music in American culture, from the Mississippi Delta and Piedmont regions to the Great Migration and the origins of rock and roll.

## FOUNDING FATHERS, PRESIDENTS, AND FIRST LADIES

### Hamilton: The Man vs The Musical <sup>®</sup>

Thursday, Jan 16, 7-8 PM • Community Room West or Zoom

Join Marti Londal of the Alexander Hamilton Awareness Society as she examines myths from the musical and goes beyond the lyrics to learn more about the ten-dollar founding father. Watch the virtual presentation at the Library with fellow Hamilton enthusiasts.

### Mrs. Lincoln's Salon <sup>®</sup>

Wednesday, Feb 5, 7-8 PM • Community Room East

Actress Debra Miller portrays Mary Todd Lincoln in a one-woman play set in 1865 as the Civil War is ending. Drawing from Mrs. Lincoln's letters to friends, family, and political figures of the era, Mrs. Lincoln's Salon paints a picture of Mary Lincoln that is both sympathetic and truthful.

### Abraham Lincoln: A New Birth of Freedom <sup>®</sup>

Wednesday, Feb 12, 7-8 PM  
Community Room

Celebrate President Abraham Lincoln's birthday with a captivating firsthand account detailing the journey from Independence through the Civil War. Experience the tumultuous years from 1854 to 1865, along with Lincoln's own inspiring personal story.



## AUTHOR EVENTS



### The Magic of Raina Telgemeier <sup>®</sup>

Tuesday, Dec 10, 7-8 PM • Zoom

Explore the world of acclaimed author and illustrator Raina Telgemeier of bestselling graphic novels like *Smile*, *Drama*, and *Guts*. Discover her adaptations of the *Baby-Sitters Club* series and her numerous accolades, including six Eisner Awards. Join us for a celebration of storytelling that resonates with readers of all ages! This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present.



### Chicago Pizza – Past, Present and Future with Steve Dolinsky <sup>®</sup>

Thursday, Jan 9, 7-8 PM • Zoom

Steve Dolinsky, acclaimed Food Guy reporter from NBC 5 and James Beard Award winner, discusses his book *The Ultimate Chicago Pizza Guide: A History of Squares & Slices in the Windy City*, exploring the styles, locales, and people that make Chicago a top destination for pizza lovers. This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present.

### Local Author Meet & Greet

Wednesday, Jan 8, 7-8 PM • Lobby

Stop by to meet local authors and explore their work. If you're a local author and are interested in participating, visit [glenviewpl.org/local-authors](http://glenviewpl.org/local-authors) for more information. Drop in.

## JOIN THE CONVERSATION

Unless otherwise noted, all discussions held in-person at the Library, drop in. Print copies of the books, except where noted, are available at the Library one month prior to meetings. Limited digital copies are available through Libby.

### Page Turners Book Discussion (Meets Monthly)

Mondays, 1-2 PM • Multipurpose Room

**Dec 2:** *Pineapple Street* by Jenny Jackson

**Feb 3:** *The Secret Book of Flora Lea* by Patti Callahan Henry

### BookBites (Meets Monthly)

Thursdays, 7-8 PM • Hackney's 1514 E. Lake Ave

**Dec 5:** *Lady Tan's Circle of Women* by Lisa See

**Feb 6:** *The Women* by Kristin Hannah

Visit [facebook.com/nilesglenviewbookbites](https://facebook.com/nilesglenviewbookbites) for details.

Co-sponsored by the Niles-Maine District Library.

### Glenview Writers Group

Mondays, Dec 9, Jan 13 & Feb 10, 7-8:30 PM

Multipurpose Room or Zoom

Hone your writing skills in a friendly, supportive environment while giving and receiving encouragement and feedback on current projects. New and experienced writers of all genres are welcome.

### Great Books Discussion (Meets Monthly)

Wednesdays, 10-11:30 AM • Community Room East

**Dec 11:** *Main Street* by Sinclair Lewis

**Jan 8:** *On the Consolation of Philosophy* by Boethius

**Feb 12:** *A Confederacy of Dunces* by John Kennedy Toole

Participants responsible for obtaining their own materials.



## GlenVIEWINGS

Doors open 30 minutes before screening  
Community Room • Drop in

### Small Films You Might Have Missed

#### ***Thelma* (98min/PG-13/2024)**

Friday, Dec 20, 2 & 6:30 PM

When 93-year-old Thelma Post gets duped by a phone scammer pretending to be her grandson, she sets out on a treacherous quest across the city to reclaim what was taken from her.

#### **International Film Night: *The Taste of Things* (France/135min/PG-13/2023)**

Tuesday, Jan 7, 6:30 PM

In 1889 France, Eugénie, a skilled cook, and Dodin, a passionate gourmand, share a deep, complicated relationship centered around food, prompting them to reflect on love and mentorship in the culinary world.

#### ***Ghostlight* (115min/R/2024)**

Friday, Jan 17, 2 & 6:30 PM

When a construction worker unexpectedly joins a local theater's production of *Romeo and Juliet*, the drama onstage starts to mirror his own life. *Trigger Warning: contains themes of suicide.*

#### ***We Grown Now* (93min/PG/2023)**

Friday, Feb 21, 2 & 6:30 PM

Best friends Malik and Eric, two young boys, discover the joys and hardships of life growing up in the sprawling Cabrini-Green public housing complex in 1992 Chicago.



#### **Love and Laughs with Michelle Buteau**

Thursday, Jan 23, 7-8 PM • Zoom

Join the hilarious Michelle Buteau for a night of side-splitting comedy as she shares personal stories about love, life, and everything in between. Get ready to laugh, relate, and be inspired by her unique perspective and infectious energy. This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present.



#### **An Evening with James McBride**

Tuesday, Feb 4, 7-8 PM • Zoom

Join us for a virtual interview with James McBride, the acclaimed author of *The Good Lord Bird* and *Deacon King Kong*. Explore his literary journey and the themes of race, identity, and resilience that resonate throughout his work. This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present.



#### **Slowing Down with Amy Tan**

Wednesday, Feb 19, 7-8 PM • Zoom

Bestselling author Amy Tan, renowned for her poignant explorations of family and cultural identity, discusses her latest work and shares insights into the inspirations behind her unforgettable characters. This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present.

## GLOBAL GETAWAYS

### Circling Lake Michigan <sup>R</sup> <sup>H</sup>

Thursday, Jan 9, 7-8 PM • Community Room West or Zoom

Join us for a classic road trip around Lake Michigan. See the beautiful beaches of southwestern Michigan, the world's largest freshwater dunes, historic Mackinac Island, the rocky coast of Door County, and the coastal cities of Wisconsin.

### Wild West Africa <sup>R</sup>

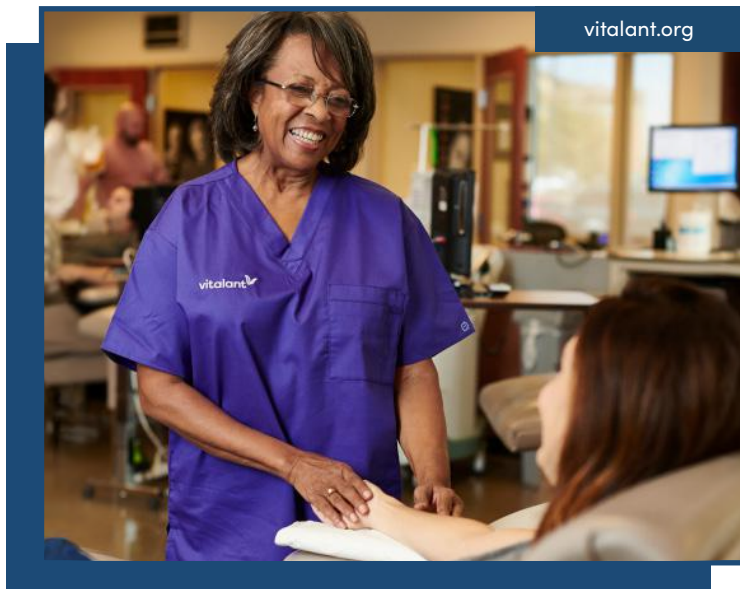
Wednesday, Jan 22, 7-8 PM • Zoom

Join world traveler Brian Michalski as he explores wild West Africa through stunning photos and firsthand experiences in Mauritania, Senegal, The Gambia, and Sierra Leone, highlighting the region's challenges, breathtaking landscapes, and warm hospitality.

### Exploring Croatia <sup>R</sup> <sup>H</sup>

Thursday, Feb 13, 7-8 PM • Community Room East or Zoom

For a small country, Croatia offers an amazing array of geographic, cultural, and historic treats. Explore both the coastal region and Zagreb, the capital. Beyond the food and sites, the welcoming Croatian people make visits here very special.



## GIVE BACK

### Blood Drive <sup>R</sup>

Wednesday, Dec 4, 2-7 PM • Community Room

Give blood and help save lives. The Library is partnering with Vitalant to host a blood drive. Please call 877.258.4825 to schedule an appointment or visit [vitalant.org](http://vitalant.org) and use group code ORDO982A. Donors will receive a coupon for a pint of Culver's frozen custard.

### MLK Day: Day of Service (all ages w/adult)

Monday, Jan 20, 1-3 PM • Community Room

Serve your neighbors through hands-on projects led by local community organizations. Consider bringing a non-perishable item to donate to the Northfield Township Food Pantry. Current pantry needs: ramen, spaghetti, and pancake mix. Drop in.

## LEARN AND DISCOVER

### Adult Literacy Classes <sup>R</sup>

Tuesdays & Fridays, Jan 21-May 23, 6-8:45 PM

A unique opportunity for native and non-native English speakers to improve their reading and writing skills. A small, friendly group led by a teacher and volunteer tutors meets twice weekly. Register at [oakton.edu](http://oakton.edu).

### Game On! Board Game Night for Adults

Tuesdays, Dec 17, Jan 21 & Feb 18, 6:30-8:30 PM

Multipurpose Room

Whether you're a veteran or new to the hobby, we have a game for you. Play one of our games or bring your own to teach. Drop in.

### Square Dance Sampler <sup>R</sup>

Sunday, Jan 5, 2-4 PM • Community Room

Give square dancing a whirl with the Glenview Squares club! No experience needed and no partner required. In partnership with the Glenview Squares.

### Library Navigators:

#### Wood Cut Snowmen & Winter Buttons <sup>R</sup>

Wednesday, Jan 15, 2-3 PM • Innovation Center

Paint and decorate a wood cut snowman and create a winter themed button on our button maker. **Library Navigators is a program series designed for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.** Caregivers are kindly asked to remain with those requiring additional support throughout the event.

### Journeys of Hope:

#### Personal Narratives from Newcomers <sup>R</sup>

Sunday, Jan 26, 2-3 PM • Community Room East

Experience the powerful stories of newcomers from diverse backgrounds as they speak about the challenges and successes of rebuilding their lives in America. Discover their journeys of resilience and hope firsthand. In partnership with Building Peaceful Bridges.

### Post-Election Update with Paul Lisnek <sup>R</sup>

Tuesday, Jan 28, 7-8 PM • Zoom

Don't miss this opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the future with WGN-TV's Paul Lisnek as he discusses life after the election. Paul will share insights on the election results and what we can anticipate in the coming four years.

### Native Gardening for Birds <sup>R</sup>

Monday, Feb 24, 7-8:30 PM • Community Room East

Wondering how to create a habitat in your yard that will appeal to birds? Chicago Bird Alliance president Judy Pollock speaks about attracting birds to your yard with native plants, shrubs, and other bird-friendly features. Co-sponsored by Greener Glenview.



**NEW!**

Find out this month's hottest releases with Booklist Reader, a book and audiobook recommendation guide for all ages. Browse the digital edition at [glenviewpl.org/digital-library](http://glenviewpl.org/digital-library) or stop by the Library to pick up a complimentary print issue.

## TECHNOLOGY

### Essentials

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#### Tech Help Drop-in

Mondays, Dec 2, Dec 16, Jan 6, Jan 20, Feb 3 & Feb 17, 1-3 PM • Lobby  
Get help using your device to access eBooks, social media, email, and more. Help is first come, first served and limited to 15 minutes. Bring your questions and your device. Drop in.

#### Cloud Storage <sup>R</sup> <sup>H</sup>

Tuesday, Dec 10, 2-3:30 PM • Tech Lab or Zoom  
What is "cloud" storage and how does it work? Learn about storing your files and pictures digitally.

#### Downloadable Entertainment <sup>R</sup>

Thursday, Jan 9, 2-3 PM • Tech Lab  
Learn about all of the Library's download services and how to use them, including eBooks and audiobooks (Libby), movies and TV (Kanopy & hoopla), magazines (Flipster), and more.

#### Smartphone Photography 101 <sup>R</sup>

Tuesday, Jan 14, 2-3 PM • Multipurpose Room  
Learn mobile photography tips and tricks, explore options for editing your creations, and begin to transition from taking pictures to making pictures.

#### NEW! Stay Private Online <sup>R</sup> <sup>H</sup>

Thursday, Jan 30, 7-8:30 PM • Community Room West or Zoom  
Worried about the type of information that's being collected by internet companies and advertisers as you surf the net? We'll tell you what you need to know to keep yourself hidden.

#### Transportation Apps <sup>R</sup> <sup>H</sup>

Thursday, Feb 6, 2-3:30 PM • Tech Lab or Zoom  
Learn how to navigate transportation web resources and apps like Uber and Lyft.

### Apple

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#### Apple Storage <sup>R</sup> <sup>H</sup>

Wednesday, Dec 4, 2-3:30 PM • Tech Lab or Zoom  
Learn how to manage your file and photo storage across your Apple devices. Apple account required. Demonstration only.

### Google

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#### Google Drive Basics <sup>R</sup> <sup>H</sup>

Tuesday, Feb 25, 2-3:30 PM • Tech Lab or Zoom  
Learn to organize your files, share documents, collaborate in real-time, and use your cloud storage effectively. Gmail account required.

## FOR OLDER ADULTS

#### Wits Workout <sup>R</sup>

Tuesdays, Dec 17, Jan 21 & Feb 18, 1-2 PM • Multipurpose Room  
Did you know that social connectedness and intellectual engagement are two lifestyle factors that contribute to your brain's health? Each event in the series offers unique and fun exercises to challenge your brain.

#### Stay Safe: Fire Safety Tips for Older Adults <sup>R</sup>

Friday, Jan 10, 1-2 PM • Community Room West  
Stay safe with expert fire safety tips from the Glenview Fire Department. Learn simple ways to protect yourself and your home—especially for those 65 and older, who are at greater risk. In partnership with the Village of Glenview Senior Services and North Shore Senior Center.



## SAVE THE DATE

### FREE-AARP Tax Preparation Service <sup>R</sup>

Trained volunteers offer free tax preparation help with Federal and State of Illinois tax returns. Appointment dates will be announced in Feb 2025. Visit [glenviewpl.org](http://glenviewpl.org) or call the Reference Desk at 847.729.7500 x7700 for more information.

## BUSINESS, INVESTING & CAREER

### How to Navigate a Career Change with Confidence <sup>R</sup>

Saturday, Jan 25, 10-11 AM • Community Room West

Planning a career change? This workshop offers a structured approach to help you navigate the transition. You'll discover which skills might transfer to a new role, how to highlight your strengths, and start your career transition plan.

### Property Tax 101 <sup>R</sup> <sup>H</sup>

Wednesday, Jan 29, 6-7 PM

Community Room West or Zoom

Learn about the Cook County property tax system, who does what, and the truth about levies, assessments, exemptions, and appeals.

### Quickbooks 101 <sup>R</sup> <sup>H</sup>

Wednesday, Feb 5, 7-8 PM

Community Room West or Zoom

Rich Kraybill reviews the basics of QuickBooks Online and discusses some of the various applications available that work with QBO to make your bookkeeping and accounting efforts easier and more efficient.

### Job Search Best Practice: Overcoming Job Loss <sup>R</sup>

Wednesday, Feb 19, 6-8 PM • Zoom

Adapt to virtual networking and interviews, use online resources like LinkedIn, and prioritize personal connections over job listings to succeed in today's evolving job market. Participants receive a workbook with tips and essential tools.

## MEET WITH AN EXPERT

### Career Counseling Appointments <sup>R</sup>

Monday, Dec 9, 9:15-11:15 AM and

Fridays, Jan 3 & Feb 7, Noon-2 PM • Study Room 5

Consult with a career expert for resume help, LinkedIn profile review, and job search strategies for any stage of your career.

### SCORE Business Advising Appointments <sup>R</sup>

Tuesdays, Dec 10, Jan 21 & Feb 11, 1-3 PM • Study Room 5

SCORE North Cook and Lake Counties provides mentoring to local small business owners and entrepreneurs. Current and potential entrepreneurs can benefit from the experience of retired volunteer executives to develop business plans and grow businesses.

### Financial Planning Appointments <sup>R</sup>

Tuesdays, Jan 21 & Feb 18, 9-11 AM • Study Room 5

Do you have questions about how to invest, budget, or safeguard your finances? Schedule a free one-hour consultation with a Certified Financial Planner.

## GENEALOGY

### Oral Histories for Genealogists <sup>R</sup>

Wednesday, Dec 11, 2-3:30 PM • Zoom

Learn how to interview relatives to create your own oral histories. Discover how to use these histories in your genealogy research.

### AncestryDNA <sup>R</sup>

Wednesday, Jan 15, 2-3:30 PM • Zoom

Learn the basics of DNA testing with Ancestry.com and discover how to use your results to grow your family tree.

### Using Artificial Intelligence Tools for Genealogy <sup>R</sup> <sup>H</sup>

Saturday, Feb 8, 1-3 PM • Community Room or Zoom

Generative artificial intelligence (AI) is a valuable new tool for genealogists, but AI has limitations. Blaine Bettinger covers the benefits and drawbacks of generative AI, and how you can explore this new field without becoming overwhelmed. Presented in partnership with the North Suburban Genealogical Society.

### Genealogy Research Night <sup>R</sup>

Thursday, Feb 20, 5:30-8:30 PM • Tech Lab & Genealogy & Local History Room

Socialize with other genealogists while using our print collections and online resources. Get individualized help from our genealogy experts, discuss your research with others, and enjoy free printing.

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## SAVE THE DATE

### Mardi Gras Jazz Cafe

Saturday, March 1, 7-9:30 PM

Glenview Public Library Community Room

Featuring music by the Windy City Ramblers



# Glenview Public Library Foundation

### Supporting Our Library in 2025

The Glenview Public Library Foundation is thrilled to continue fostering a love of reading in our community by supporting vital library programs. Thanks to the incredible generosity of our donors, we have proudly approved funding for two key initiatives in 2025: Glenview Reads Together (\$9,000) and the Summer Reading Program (\$3,000).

In addition, we're launching a capital campaign to create a new, interactive play space in the Youth Services department! This dynamic learning area is designed to spark curiosity, inspire creativity, and promote cognitive growth for our community's youngest learners. Learn more about this transformative project on page 3.

To contribute to these initiatives and help shape the future of our Library, visit [glenviewpl.org/gplfoundation](http://glenviewpl.org/gplfoundation).

### Our First Fundraising Event at the Library!

Celebrate Mardi Gras — at the Library! Join us on Saturday, March 1 at 7 PM for an evening featuring live music by the Windy City Ramblers, delicious food, stunning artwork, and festive drinks. All proceeds will benefit programs like Glenview Reads Together and the Summer Reading Program.

Mark your calendar and stay tuned for ticket information in the spring edition of *The Spark*. It's an evening you won't want to miss!

### Volunteer with Us!

We're looking for passionate community members to join the GPL Foundation Board as volunteers to help support our ongoing projects. If you're interested in giving back to the library and making a difference in Glenview, we'd love to hear from you. Email us at [gplfoundation1930@gmail.com](mailto:gplfoundation1930@gmail.com) for more information.

The Glenview Public Library Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization dedicated to enhancing the Glenview Public Library's impact on the community. Learn more at [glenviewpl.org/gplfoundation](http://glenviewpl.org/gplfoundation).

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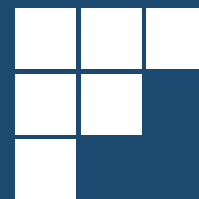
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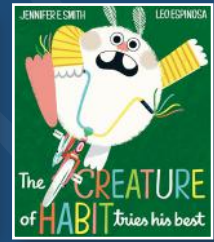
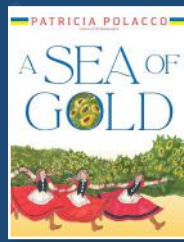
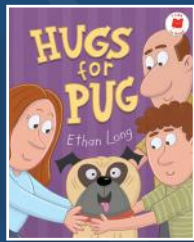
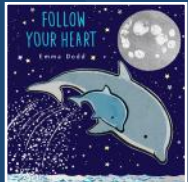
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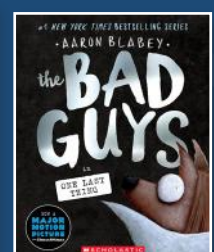
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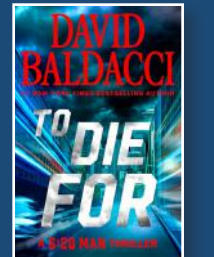
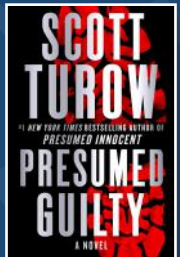
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