



Library Link



The Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is back, and we are once again partnering with BEDS Plus to collect items needed for individuals experiencing homelessness. Items will be accepted at the Library from December 2–January 5.

Requested donations include:

- Coats
- Gloves
- Leggings
- Low-denomination Gift Cards
- New Hats
- Sweatpants

Hats, gloves, and other clothing items can be donated at the Patron Services Desk. You will then be given an ornament to place on our Giving Tree on the Ground Floor of the Library. To donate gift cards, please make arrangements with Adult Services Librarian Janet Gatz at 708-598-8446 ext. 133 or jgatz@greenhillslibrary.org. All items must be new. We are unable to accept any used donations.



November/December 2024

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Registration

See each page for registration dates. Non-residents may register for programs one week after registration opens to GHPLD cardholders.

Registration link:
greenhillspld.librarycalendar.com

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Accessibility

For staff to be best prepared to assist with your needs, we ask individuals with disabilities who require an accommodation for Library programs to contact the Library Director by phone at 708-598-8446 or by email at ghpl@greenhillslibrary.org at least five working days in advance.

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YouTube
youtube.com/greenhillslibrary

LIBRARY NEWS



Annual Report

Check out *Our Story: Year in Review* from Library Director Jane Jenkins, along with some highlights from the past fiscal year. See page 4 for the full report.

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Calling all future kindergarteners, parents, and caregivers! Read 1,000 books to your little ones before they start kindergarten to boost literacy. You can sign up and conveniently log books on the Beanstack mobile app or at greenhillslibrary.beanstack.org/reader365 to earn prizes for every 100 books you read! Check out page 6 for full details.



Meet Lenny the Leaf!

Say hello to Lenny the Leaf! Lenny is the Library's new mascot. You can read more about Lenny on page 6. Kids of all ages, can you spot all of the Lenny pop-ups in this newsletter? Find all of the Lennys and share how many you have found at the Youth Services Desk and get some fun Lenny prizes through November 30!

Checked Out Podcast

We are excited to share our brand new podcast project, *Checked Out!* The podcast covers a variety of cool and interesting topics for everyone. You can find more information about *Checked Out* and where you can listen to it on page 3.

New Program Registration Site

Registration is now handled on a brand-new site called LibraryCalendar. This new site is user-friendly and offers a streamlined experience for browsing the program calendar, signing up for programs, keeping track of registrations, and booking study and meeting rooms. Your 14-digit Library card number and PIN will be required at the time of registration. Non-residents may register for programs one week after registration opens to GHPLD cardholders. Registration link: greenhillspld.librarycalendar.com.

Community Calendar

Community Blood Drive

Tuesday, November 19 • 2-6pm
Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room
Help save a life by donating blood to The Community Blood Center. Please bring a photo ID and eat a meal before coming to donate to prevent any discomfort. Walk-ins are welcome; no registration is required.

Election Day

Tuesday, November 5 • Polls are open 6am-7pm
Find your polling place at cookcountyclerk.il.gov.

Writer's Critique Group

Join the Writer's Critique Group on the second Saturday of each month from 10am-12pm in the Library's Screened Porch Room. Whether you are a published or aspiring writer, please join us for a discussion, feedback, and suggestions for improvement in member's works.

New to the Library!

Scholastic Teachables

This new resource offers teacher-approved printable activities for math, science, reading comprehension, STEM, writing, and beyond. Activities and resources are geared towards students in Pre-K through 8th grade. Gain access online 24/7 at bit.ly/scholastic-teachables-ghpld or you can get copies, free of charge, at the Youth Services Desk. For more information, visit the Youth Services Desk or call 708-598-8446 ext. 117.

Checked Out Podcast

Did you know the Library has a podcast? We are excited to share our brand new podcast project, *Checked Out!* This podcast is hosted by our cool and talented staff Klaudia, Sara, and Tessa, with other guest staff appearances. *Checked Out* has a little bit of everything. We chat about books, TV, movies, video games, local happenings, and more! Give it a listen and share it with friends and family. Visit greenhillslibrary.org/checked-out-podcast for more information. You can find it on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, Amazon Music, and YouTube.

GHPLD Essential Film Collection

Browse our collection of films for essential viewing for the cinephile or casual movie lover. Go beyond new releases and explore cult classics, family favorites, timeless comedy, quintessential horror, and more. Enjoy these cinematic staples today!

YA and Adult Book Boxes

Our Adult and Youth Services Departments have Book Boxes! What is a Book Box? A Book Box is an item available for checkout that is similar to a subscription box. Each box is filled with a book that corresponds with a specific genre, along with goodies that you get to keep! Our Adult Book Box genres are realistic, romance, mystery/thriller, sci-fi/fantasy, nonfiction, historical, and special. Our YA boxes include a variety of genres of Young Adult literature including sci-fi/fantasy, thriller, romance, school, graphic novel, and special. The special box will be a new theme that changes monthly. Check out a Book Box today!



Beyond Books Collection

BEYOND BOOKS COLLECTION

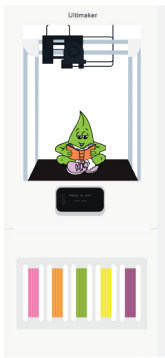


Who said the Library only has books? We maintain a Beyond Books collection, which includes non-traditional Library materials in support of lifelong learning and exploration. Examples of items available for checkout include adaptive devices, digitizing equipment, hobby supplies, home maintenance tools, STEM kits, toys for children, and so much more. Scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/ghpld-beyondbooks to browse the collection today!



3D Printer

Our 3D printer is usable by patrons of all ages; anyone with a GHPLD card can submit a 3D print request. More information and request forms are available at both the Youth and Adult Services Desks, or online at greenhillslibrary.org/3d-printer. Printing charges are based on the time it takes for the item to be printed, at \$0.25 per half hour. Whether it's a toy, pencil holder, or a wrench, we are excited for you to try out some new tech and unleash your creativity!



smartShelf

Our Patron Services Department is excited to share our new smartShelf! To return items within the Library, simply place returns on the shelf, watch items display on the monitor, press done, and the technology does the rest! This new technology allows for items to become available for others quicker, and frees up staff time to better help our patrons.

New Little Free Blockbusters

After a successful launch at Strange Brew Cafe in 2023, this year we added Little Free Blockbusters in Vito & Nick's II in Hickory Hills and at the Library. As a sustainable effort, we share our discarded DVDs, Blu-rays, and video games with our community in these Little Free Blockbusters.



Board Game Collection

We are thrilled to offer our new Board Game Collection! We have a fantastic selection of board games for all ages and interests. You can browse the entire collection online at bit.ly/ghpld-board-games.



Our Story

Year in Review

2023-2024

There is a lot to report as this past year has been filled with new and exciting additions to the Library.

If you've been in the Library over the past year, you may have noticed some changes in the building. We installed a "Welcome" sign behind the Patron Services Desk in 27 different languages. Just across the Patron Services Desk, we now have a smartShelf where patrons can return Library materials and have them removed from their account in real-time. We also acquired a 3D printer for patrons to print all sorts of items from fun to functional; you can see what's printing now near the Patron Services Desk. Our collection of materials has expanded as well, with new items added to meet the ever-changing needs of our community. This includes a Beyond Books collection which consists of various tools, technology, and games; an Essential Films collection comprised of staff-selected classics; Adult Book Boxes, which have a new theme with every release; and new databases/resources including LinkedIn Learning, Scholastic Teachables, and more.



On the programming front, we offered hundreds of programs for patrons of all ages and saw thousands in attendance. Some of our most popular and well-attended events included Mini Golf in the Library, Petting Zoo, Caramel Apple Decorating, and the Summer Reading Kickoff, to name a few. If you missed any of these, don't worry - we have plenty of exciting programs to look forward to in the future, so check out our event calendar and keep an eye out for our bimonthly newsletter.



Outside of the Library building, we've made additional strides in our efforts to be more present in the community. You may have seen the Library at the Hills Farmer's Market, where staff provided information about our services, and most recently, started offering Library card registration. To support our endeavors with local business partnerships, you'll find pop-up movie libraries at Strange Brew Cafe in Palos Hills and Vito & Nicks II in Hickory Hills, in what we call a "Little Free Blockbuster." Included are film favorites, both new and old, that have been withdrawn from the Library collection so there's no Library card needed.

I can't forget to mention some other noteworthy occasions throughout the year. We held our very first School Supply Drive in partnership with the Hills Chamber of Commerce, resulting in 50 backpacks complete with classroom supplies being handed out to students. Fast forward to the spring in April 2024, we celebrated National Library Week. Our creative staff came up with some neat ideas to engage with visitors this week, resulting in patrons sharing why they love the Library and what they are currently reading. And as we neared the end of our fiscal year in June, we dubbed June 18 as Patron Appreciation Day to celebrate the support our wonderful community has given us year in and year out. We celebrated with treats all day long to show our appreciation.



At the time of this publication, we are finalizing our next Strategic Plan, set to begin in 2025. We have spent much of the year listening to the needs and interests of the community, staff, and Board of Trustees to inform and guide the process. We are now identifying our goals and priorities for the coming years, so stay tuned for further updates.



Jane Jenkins

Jane Jenkins, Library Director

Finally, I thank our community, staff, and Board of Trustees for their ongoing support.

We hope to see you soon!

Green Hills Public Library District By the Numbers 2023-2024



231,665

Total Collection

65,006

Total Physical Collection

99,237

Patron Visits

12,000

Program Participation

15,140

Library Cardholders

6,610

Reference Transactions

252,216

Computer & Internet Sessions

15,365

Database Usage



What Our Community is Saying About GHPLD:

"Disability friendly & inclusive"

"THIS PLACE IS A BOREDOM BUSTER!"

"Staff are very polite! ❤️"

"...everyone is so kind and welcoming"

"IT'S A WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT FILLED WITH RESOURCES AND ACTIVITIES!!"

"Green Hills is the best library! Great Staff and collection :)"

"THEY ARE SO KIND!! ❤️"

"It's super cool 😊"



Visit the Youth Services Desk on the 2nd floor of the Library. Our staff members are more than happy to assist you. You can reach the Youth Services Department via phone, 708-598-8446 ext. 117, or via email at youthservices@greenhillslibrary.org.

We offer a wide variety of services:

- 3D Printer
- General Information Requests
- Homeschooling Resources
- Programs and Events for Children of All Ages
- Interlibrary Loan
- Library Tours
- Online Databases Including Homework Help
- Parent/Teacher Resources
- Readers Advisory
- Research Assistance
- School Visits
- Storytimes
- Summer and Winter Reading Programs
- Volunteer Opportunities

Did You Know?

Tutor.com

Get help with homework, studying, tests, and much more for grades K-12. Subjects include math, science, social studies, and English. Tutors are available everyday from 12pm-12am. When tutors are unavailable, users can still access lessons, worksheets, study guides, and more. Visit bit.ly/ghpld-tutor and enter your Library card number to get started today.



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Check Out a Yoto Player and Card Pack!



Yoto Player is a carefully connected screen-free audio player that is controlled with physical playing cards that when inserted into the audio player will play stories, music, activities, podcasts, and radio. Yoto gives children the freedom to decide what they want to play or listen to in a safe environment. The Library has multiple Yoto Players and card packs available for checkout in our Beyond Books Collection. For more information, call the Youth Services Department at 708-598-8446 ext. 117.

Beyond Books Items for Everyone: Items for Babies, Kids, Tweens, Teens, Adults, and Families!

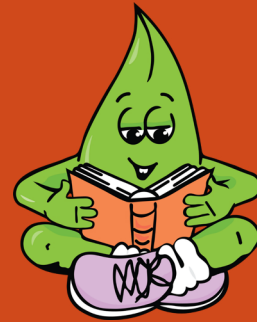
Our Beyond Books Collection is filled with a variety of items for all ages. For kids we have toys, for families we have games, and for tweens/teens we have cool tech. Don't buy it, try it; compliments of the Library! Check out the collection here bit.ly/ghpld-beyondbooks.

Meet Lenny the Leaf!

Say hello to Lenny the Leaf! Lenny is the Library's new mascot. You'll spot Lenny all around, spreading joy and bookish cheer. What's Lenny into? He loves reading books about animals, drawing comics, visiting the fish tank, riding his bike, watching funny movies, dressing up for Halloween, and eating chocolate ice cream. Keep your eyes peeled and get ready for some library fun with Lenny!

Look for Lenny!

Kids of all ages, can you spot all of the Lenny pop-ups in this newsletter? Find all of the Lennys and share how many you have found at the Youth Services Desk and get some fun Lenny prizes through November 30!



1,000 Books



Before



Kindergarten



Calling all future kindergarteners, parents, and caregivers! Read 1,000 books to your little ones before they start kindergarten to boost literacy. Log books to earn prizes for every 100 books you read! Each participant that reads 1,000 books will earn a completed challenge prize. Check in at the Youth Services Desk with proof of earning your badge to receive a prize. Limited to ages 0-6. For more information, please contact the Youth Services Department in-person, via phone at 708-598-8446 ext. 117, or via email at youthservices@greenhillslibrary.org. Visit greenhillslibrary.beanstack.org/reader365 or scan the QR code to sign up today!



Program registration starts Monday, October 21 at 10am. Programs marked with an asterisk (*) require registration.

Register online or call 708-598-8446 ext. 117. Non-residents may register for programs one week after registration opens to GHPLD cardholders.



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YOUTH PROGRAMS



Hangin' with My Gnomies

Monday, November 4 • 4:30pm

Format: Take & Make

Good things come to gnomes who wait! Head to the Library to pick up materials to make a little gnome friend of your own. Kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Ages 6+.



Science Lab*

Wednesday, November 13 • 6:30pm

Wednesday, December 11 • 6:30pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room

We will start each class with a read-aloud book. Then, we will discuss the actual science before we play a game and complete a hands-on project. Limit 15. Ages 6+.

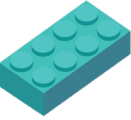
Let's Go Legos*

Thursday, November 14 • 4:30pm

Thursday, December 19 • 4:30pm

Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room

Lego lovers, unite! Get your hard hat on and get to building. We'll let you borrow our Legos, but you'll have to bring your creativity to match the given challenge. Limit 20. Ages 6+



Mini Yogis*

Tuesday, November 5 • 11am

Tuesday, December 3 • 11am

Location: First Floor Meeting Room

Stretch those little bodies and minds with The Do Good Movement's morning of yoga and mindfulness. Yoga mats will be provided. Limit 20. Ages 3-6.



Dinovenember Dig*

Wednesday, November 6 • 6pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room

Get ready to roar about this one! Get your dinosaur hunting gear on and help us dig up fossils, play a few prehistoric games, and make a dino-mite craft. Limit 20. Ages 5+.

Funky Ornament Fun*

Tuesday, December 3 • 4:30pm

Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room

Get ready to rock around your Christmas tree with all the funky ornaments you can make! Sled down to the Library to make all kinds of ornaments out of recycled materials. Limit 20. Ages 6+.

Yoga for Kids*

Thursday, November 7 • 6pm

Thursday, December 5 • 6pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room

The Do Good Movement brings yoga and mindfulness to our Library. Yoga mats will be provided. Limit 20. Ages 6+.

Maker Mondays Drop-In

Mondays: November 11 and 25 • 4:30pm

Mondays: December 9 and 30 • 4:30pm

Location: Youth Services Department

Join us in beating those Monday blues by making a craft of your own. Supplies are first come first serve, but you are welcome to pop in and out. Ages 6+.

Eco Club*

Wednesday, November 20 • 6:30pm

Wednesday, December 18 • 6:30pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room

In each program, we will watch a video, play a game, and create a craft that ties into the environmental theme chosen by participants. Limit 15. Ages 6+.



Early Readers' Roundup*

Wednesday, November 20 • 11am

Wednesday, December 18 • 11am

Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room

Need help getting to 1,000 books before Kindergarten? Good news! We have a book club here to help those just getting started and those wanting to keep up. Parents are encouraged to get involved as we tackle the ABCs of early reading. Books are available one week before the program at the Youth Services Desk. Limit 15. Ages 3-6.



Pokemon Club*

Monday, November 18 • 4:30pm

Monday, December 16 • 4:30pm

Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room

Come gather with fellow Pokemon trainers to make a craft, play games and battle, and join an optional trade with parent permission. Let's catch them all! Limit 20. Ages 6+.



Mister Rogers' Neighborhood*

Tuesday, November 19 • 4:30pm

Tuesday, December 17 • 4:30pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room

Won't you be our neighbor? Join us as we watch episodes of Mister Rogers' Neighborhood and then enjoy a craft centered around the themes of the show. Limit 20. Ages 5+.

STORYTIMES



Pajama Storytime*

Thursday, November 21 • 6:30pm

Thursday, December 19 • 6:30pm

Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room

Pajamas! Stories! It's bedtime at the Library! Bring your favorite stuffy to the Library's pajama-themed storytime!

Register all participants including caregivers. Limit 20. All ages.



Family Storytime

Friday, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 • 11am

Friday, December 6, 20, 27 • 11am

Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room

Come to the Library and have some fun with stories, songs, and more! Registration will begin 10 minutes prior to the start of the program in the Ground Floor Meeting Room. Space is limited to the first 20 children and caregivers. All ages.

Wiggle & Wobble*

Monday, November 25 • 11am

Monday, December 30 • 11am

Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room

Bring your little one to the Library for a fun-filled morning of entertainment and creativity. Fair warning: things could get a little messy. Register all participants including caregivers. Limit 20. Ages birth-36 months.



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TWEEN PROGRAMS



Legos and Chill*

Friday, November 8 • 6pm

Location: The Hangout

Embrace your Lego-loving side with a shared project and chill with some friends, snacks, and lofi beats to relax to. Limit 15. Ages 10-13.

About the Artist*

Thursday, December 12 • 6pm

Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room

Learn about different artists around the world and then make a project inspired by them! Limit 20. Ages 10-13.

Fake Bakery*

Tuesday, November 19 • 6pm

Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room

Is it cake? No! Come use styrofoam and spackling to make your fake cake sparkle. Limit 20. Ages 10-13.



Middle School Movie Night*

Friday, December 27 • 6pm

Location: The Hangout

It's winter break! Come grab a seat, some pizza and popcorn, and watch *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem* (2023) with your friends. Limit 20. Ages 10-13.



Tastebud Traveling*

Tuesday, November 26 • 6pm

Location: The Hangout

Ever wonder what it would be like to taste the world? Now is your chance to do it all in your favorite place: the Library! Head to the Hangout to take off on a tastebud adventure. Who knows what you'll get to try! Limit 20. Ages 10-13.

TEEN PROGRAMS



Mixtape Masters*

Friday, December 6 • 6pm

Location: The Hangout

Are you a playlist prodigy? Put your skills to the test and join us to listen to albums and make different playlists for reasons of your choosing. You tell us what music we should rock out, chill out, or cry to. Playlist makers will anonymously submit their lists to the group and one winner will be crowned. Limit 20. Ages 13-17.

Throwback Thursdays Drop-In

Thursdays: November 7 and 21 • 4:30pm

Thursdays: December 12 and 26 • 4:30pm

Location: The Hangout

Stop in The Hangout these Thursdays in November and December for a fun and retro craft. Each week, we will travel back in time to create some groovy, or even rad, crafts. Supplies are first come first serve, but you are welcome to pop in and out. Ages 13-17.

Readin' & Screenin'*

Monday, November 4 • 6pm

Monday, December 2 • 6pm

Location: The Hangout

If you've read the book or seen the movie/show, you're invited! Join us to chat about the things we loved most about our favorite stories. Teens looking for volunteer hours are welcome to come blab away with us and earn hours. Limit 15. Ages 13-17.

Fortnite Fort Night*

Friday, November 29 • 6pm

Location: The Hangout

This night is sure to be a Victory Royale! Drop in to the Hangout and help us build forts and play Fortnite. Limit 20. Ages 13-17.

Rainbow Clocks*

Monday, December 30 • 6pm

Location: The Hangout

Tick tock, not Tik Tok! Get your timing right before the new year with a new clock. We have materials to decorate it to your liking, just don't be late! Limit 20. Ages 13-17.

Monday, November 4 • 6pm

Heartstopper

By Alice Oseman

This graphic novel turned Netflix series is totally swoon-worthy!

Fall in love with these two classmates and rugby team members, Charlie and Nick, as their friendship blossoms into something more.



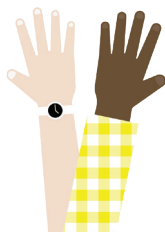
Teen Volunteer Time*

Tuesday, November 5 • 6pm

Tuesday, December 3 • 6pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room

Looking for a fun way to give back? Come help us help others; you never know what you might get to do. This is a great opportunity for getting those service hours in! Limit 30. Ages 13-17.



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Monday, December 2 • 6pm

One Piece

By Eiichiro Oda

Ahoy! This classic manga with a wannabe pirate Luffy was adapted to both an anime and a live action show. In search of treasure, we follow Luffy and his friends through the Seven Seas.



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ALL AGES PROGRAMS



Read to Dogs*

Tuesday, November 12 • 4:30pm
Tuesday, December 10 • 4:30pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Tails will wag! Come to the Library and sharpen your reading skills by reading to the cutest therapy dogs! Limit 20. All ages.



Friendsgiving*

Saturday, November 23 • 1pm, 1:30pm, OR 2pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
This season, we are most grateful for our Library friends! Stop by the Library to tell us why you're thankful and make a tasty caramel apple. Limit 50 per session. All ages.

The Finals Countdown

Monday, December 9 • 6-8pm
Monday, December 16 • 6-8pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
We know how stressful finals are, but the Library is the place to be! Grab your notes and join us for a study session with some lofi beats and light refreshments. All ages.

Green Hills Jingle & Mingle*

Wednesday, December 4 • 5pm, 6pm, OR 7pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Grab the jolliest group you know and join us for an epic festive afternoon! Come to the Library to chat and snap photos with Santa, decorate cookies, and meet a surprise guest! Register all participants. Limit 40 per session. All ages.



Rockin' Noon Year's Eve*

Tuesday, December 31 • 11am
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Ring in the new year, all before bedtime! Bring your friends and family to the Library for an epic New Year's party with snacks, games, and more. Be on time because the ball drops at noon! Limit 40. All ages.

ADULT SERVICES NEWS



Visit the Adult Services Desk on the 2nd floor of the Library. Our staff members are more than happy to assist you in person, you can call us at 708-598-8446 ext. 120, or email us at adultservices@greenhillslibrary.org.

We offer a wide variety of services including:

- 3D Printer
- Doorside Delivery
- General Information Requests
- Informational and Entertaining Programs
- Interlibrary Loans
- Online Databases
- Readers Advisory
- Research Assistance
- Study Rooms
- Summer and Winter Reading Programs
- Volunteer Opportunities

Resource Spotlight

You can access these resources and much more at greenhillslibrary.org/resources.

Boundless

Boundless (formerly called Axis 360) is the Library's one-stop destination for downloadable books and audiobooks. You'll find great reads for everyone including fiction and nonfiction. You can browse, check out, and access materials using a browser, or download the Boundless app for your iOS, Android, or Amazon device.



Creativebug

Creativebug hosts thousands of award-winning art and craft video classes taught by recognized design experts and artists. Courses include sewing, painting, paper crafts, cooking, digital art, jewelry making, and much more.



LinkedIn Learning

Learn business, creative, and technology skills to achieve personal and professional goals with LinkedIn Learning. GHPLD cardholders (16+) have access to thousands of expert-led video courses covering a variety of topics in management, leadership, marketing, social media, and more.



FinancialFit

This resource offers short, easy-to-understand personal finance lessons, videos, and interactive tools that empower users to make informed financial decisions and achieve their financial goals.



Check Out These Special Collections!

Retro Games

- Atari Flashback 8
- C64 Mini
- NES Classic
- Nintendo Famicom
- Playstation Classic
- SEGA Genesis Mini



Board Games

We have a fantastic selection of board games for all ages and interests. You can browse the entire collection online at bit.ly/ghpld-board-games.

Rokus

Enjoy a variety of shows, movies, live TV, sports, local news, music, and so much more with our Rokus. Check one out today!



World Languages

Did you know we have a World Language Collection? We have titles in the following languages within our physical collection:

- Arabic
- Polish
- Spanish
- Lithuanian
- Russian



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ADULT PROGRAMS



Tech Cafe

Monday, November 4 • 2:00-3:30pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Have a question about your phone, computer, email, Library resources, or other technology? Stop in for one-on-one assistance with a librarian. Be sure to bring your device! Ages 18+.



Movie Music Memories I*

Thursday, November 7 • 6:30-8:00pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room
From Fred Astaire to Michael Jackson, there are so many memorable songs and dance numbers in the movies. Film historian John LeGear will take viewers on a journey of carefully crafted film clips from a century of song and dance performed by the greatest performers on the silver screen. Limit 50. Ages 18+.

Movie Matinee: *It Ends with Us* (2024)*

Friday, November 8 • 2-4pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Watch the movie adaptation of the best-selling Colleen Hoover novel. Complications arise when a woman's high school love interest comes back into her life. Limit 50. Ages 18+.

English Conversation Group

Wednesday, November 6 • 7pm

Wednesday, November 13 • 2pm

Tuesday, December 3 • 7pm

Wednesday, December 11 • 2pm

Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room
This program allows adult English language learners to practice conversational English in a relaxed, fun way. Each session will include various speaking activities with conversations centered around a "topic of the day". All levels are welcome. Limit 12. Ages 18+.

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Qigong and Sound*

Thursday, November 14 • 6pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Qigong involves a series of slow-flowing movements and deep measured breathing performed in a chair or standing. The workshop will end with soothing sounds from crystal singing bowls, chimes, handheld gongs, and more. This is a beginner-friendly workshop. Limit 40. Ages 18+.

Yoga for Self Care*

Saturday, November 16 • 10:15am

Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Yoga is a great form of self-care and gentle exercise. This hour-long class will include yoga poses, breathing exercises, and meditations with instructor Julie Gentile. Bring a yoga mat and a water bottle. Limit 20. Ages 18+.

Our Lady of Angels School Fire*

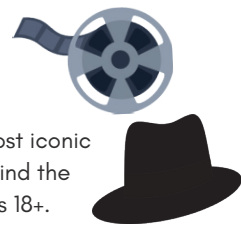
Tuesday, November 12 • 2pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room
December 1st, 1958 would be no ordinary school day for the teachers, and students of Our Lady of The Angels parish and school in Chicago when a fire ravaged the building. Former criminal investigator and historian Ray Johnson will discuss first-hand accounts, logistics, and the fire's aftermath in this historical program. Limit 50. Ages 18+.

Paint It Black: The Shadowy World Of Film Noir*

Monday, November 11 • 2-3pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Journalist and film historian Jeff Cappel takes us on a tour of some of the most iconic film noirs from films like *The Maltese Falcon* to *Gilda*. Viewers will get a behind the scenes look at these notable pieces of American film culture. Limit 50. Ages 18+.



Craft Kits*

Format: Take & Make

Learn cool new DIY techniques with our craft kits! Limit one per person. Register online or call 708-598-8446 ext. 120. Limit 40. Ages 18+.

November: Diya Candle Holder

Kit Available: Monday, November 11 • 10am
Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights, is October 31-November 1. Create and decorate a diya, a traditional oil lamp used during the festival to symbolize prosperity in the new year. Limit 40.

Making Sense of Medicare*

Friday, November 15 • 1pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Staff from Pathlights will guide those approaching age 65, current enrollees, and caregivers through the basics of Medicare including enrollment, Medicare parts A & B, understanding bills, Medicare advantage, part D drug plans, and more. Limit 50. Ages 18+.

Ageless Grace*

Monday, November 18 • 11am

Monday, December 16 • 11am

Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Ageless Grace® is a fun and playful brain health exercise program practiced to upbeat music while seated in a chair. This is a seated program and all levels are welcome. Limit 25. Ages 18+.



Laughter Yoga Club*

Monday, November 18 • 12pm

Monday, December 16 • 12pm

Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Laughter Yoga is a unique concept where we laugh without relying on jokes, humor, or comedy. It combines laughter exercises with deep breathing, to help us feel more energetic. We will not be doing any yoga poses. Limit 25. Ages 18+.

Registration starts Monday, October 21 at 10am. Programs marked with an asterisk (*) require registration.

Register online or call 708-598-8446 ext. 120. Non-residents may register for programs one week after registration opens to GHPLD cardholders.



ADULT PROGRAMS



Accessible Public Transit with RTA*

Monday, November 18 • 2pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Want to learn how older adults and people with disabilities can save money on public transportation, or how to ensure your public transit trip is accessible? Come join the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) as they discuss public transportation options and traveling independently. Limit 50. Ages 18+.



Bingo and Donuts*

Monday, November 25 • 2-3pm
Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room
Join us for a fun-filled hour of the timeless classic game, with donuts and prizes. Ages 18+.

Holiday Movies and Music*

Thursday, December 5 • 1pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Journey back with us over the past century of film history as host John LeGear showcases some of the happiest, most magical, and most memorable holiday moments from classic and popular films. Limit 50. Ages 18+.

Gentle Yoga and Sound*

Thursday, December 12 • 2pm
Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room
Experience beautiful sounds from crystal bowls, chimes, hand-held gongs, Tibetan and Himalayan bowls, and other instruments while doing gentle yoga, stretches, and breathwork in this class. Participants are invited to perform the yoga poses while standing or while using a chair. Limit 40. Ages 18+.

Ugly Sweater Bingo*

Tuesday, December 17 • 2pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Come dressed in your best ugly sweater for this festive game of bingo! All bingo winners and the person with the best ugly sweater will walk away with a prize. Limit 40. Ages 18+.



Community Blood Drive

Tuesday, November 19 • 2-6pm
Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room
Help save a life by donating blood to The Community Blood Center. Please bring a photo ID and eat a meal before coming to donate to prevent any discomfort. Walk-ins are welcome, no registration is required.

World War II Radio Hour*

Thursday, November 21 • 6:30pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Join Nostalgia Entertainment for a fun evening with this reenactment of a 1940's radio hour! Don't miss this unique program with Andrews Sisters-style tunes and choreography, Abbott and Costello comedy sketches, and a touching tribute to Veterans of the United States Armed Forces. Limit 60. Ages 18+.

The History of Popular Christmas Carols and Songs*

Monday, December 2 • 2pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Discover the artists whose recordings transformed Christmas carols and songs into Billboard hits in this festive program. Educator Barbara Barrett will analyze iconic lyrics and melodies for music from "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year". Limit 50. Ages 18+.



Family History 101*

Tuesday, December 10 • 2pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Join professional genealogist, author, and local historian Ray Johnson, for a fun look at beginning the investigation into your family history. Limit 50. Ages 18+.

Drop-in Gift Wrapping

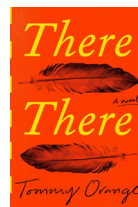
Thursday, December 19 • 6:00-7:30pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Wrap your gifts at a cozy and casual gift-wrapping drop-in event at the Library! Cookies and all gift-wrapping materials will be provided. Ages 18+.

Fact or Fiction Book Club*

Location: Ground Floor Meeting Room
Connect with other people who love to read and join us at the Library for engaging conversation about fiction and nonfiction titles selected by Adult Services Librarians. Copies of the books will be available at the Patron Services Desk one month prior to the discussion. Limit 20. Ages 18+.

Wednesday, November 20 • 7pm
There There

By Tommy Orange
November is Native American Heritage Month! Tommy Orange's wondrous and shattering novel follows twelve characters from Native communities: all traveling to the Big Oakland Powwow, all connected in ways they may not yet realize.



Wednesday, December 18 • 7pm
The Art Thief: A True Story of Love, Crime, and a Dangerous Obsession

By Michael Finkel
Carrying out more than two hundred heists over nearly ten years, master thief Stéphane Breitwieser, along with his girlfriend who worked as his lookout, stole more than three hundred art objects. Until it all fell apart spectacularly.



Winter White Landscapes*

Friday, December 20 • 2:00-3:30pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Artist Terri Murphy is back to teach attendees how to draw a cozy cottage snowscape in white pencil on black paper. Mounted on white cardstock with an attached stand, it will be a perfect seasonal display for home decorating! Limit 25. Ages 18+.

Movie Matinee: *We Live in Time* (2024)*

Monday, December 30 • 2-4pm
Location: First Floor Meeting Room
Almut and Tobias are brought together by a surprise encounter that changes their lives. As they embark on a path challenged by the limits of time, they learn to cherish each moment of their unconventional love story. Limit 50. Ages 18+.



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Hours

Monday-Friday: 9am-9pm

Saturday: 10am-5pm

Sunday: 12-4pm

Special Hours:

Thanksgiving Day • Closed

December 13 • Closed for Staff Training

Christmas Eve • 9am-3pm

Christmas Day • Closed

New Year's Eve • 9am-3pm

New Year's Day • Closed

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Next Board Meeting:

Monday, November 18 • 6pm

Design: Brittany Ramos, Content Coordinator

November and December Upcoming Titles

11/5/2024	<i>An Insignificant Case</i> by Phillip Margolin
11/5/2024	<i>Flint Kill Creek: Stories of Mystery and Suspense</i> by Joyce Carol Oates
11/5/2024	<i>Raised by Wolves</i> by James Patterson
11/12/2024	<i>To Die for</i> by David Baldacci
11/12/2024	<i>Time Will Tell</i> by Rita Mae Brown
11/12/2024	<i>April Storm</i> by Leila Meacham
11/12/2024	<i>A Bloom in Winter</i> by J.R. Ward
11/19/2024	<i>We Three Queens</i> by Rhys Bowen
11/19/2024	<i>The Mirror</i> by Nora Roberts
11/19/2024	<i>Trial by Fire</i> by Danielle Steel
11/25/2024	<i>The House of Cross</i> by James Patterson
11/26/2024	<i>Christmas in Bethel</i> by Richard Paul Evans
12/3/2024	<i>Locked In</i> by Jussi Adler-Olsen
12/3/2024	<i>Stuart Woods' Golden Hour</i> by Brett Battles
12/3/2024	<i>Echo</i> by Tracy Clark
12/3/2024	<i>Bellevue</i> by Robin Cook
12/3/2024	<i>Under Loch and Key</i> by Lana Ferguson
12/3/2024	<i>Against the Grain</i> by Peter Lovesey
12/3/2024	<i>Rental House</i> by Weike Wang
12/6/2024	<i>Wind and Truth</i> by Brandon Sanderson
12/17/2024	<i>Sharpe's Storm</i> by Bernard Cornwell
12/17/2024	<i>Lawbreaker</i> by Diana Palmer
12/31/2024	<i>Where the Creek Bends</i> by Linda Lael Miller

Place a Hold on Upcoming Titles

Visit bit.ly/november-december-2024 or scan the QR code to place a hold on November and December upcoming titles (URL is case-sensitive). Print copies are available at the Adult Services Desk.

