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Most programs require advance registration. Contact the library or visit www.glpld.org for details.

POCKET EDITION

AALABLE SERVICES

We Accept Passport Applications

For required documentation and fees, please visit our website at glpld.org and click "US Passport". A bilingual Acceptance Agent is available upon request. Contact the Library at 708-758-0090 for more details or to schedule your appointment today!

Home Delivery Service

The Glenwood-Lynwood Library Home Delivery Service is free to those who live in Glenwood or Lynwood and are not physically able to visit the library. If you have a short-term injury or illness, a permanent condition or physical disability that confines you to your home, we will deliver your choice of library materials to you and pick them up every 3 weeks. **Contact Sheila Adams, Circulation Manager at 708-758-0090 for details.**

License Plate Stickers

You can renew your license plate sticker and registration at the library. Credit/Debit card accepted for payment. **There is a \$10 service fee.**

ROKU Steaming Sticks

Our Roku stick enables patrons to stream videos to their TV. We are circulating the stick to local patrons for 14 days, with no renewals. The stick may be reserved. The overdue fine for the stick is \$1.00 per day.

NEW Wifi Hotspots

No internet at home? Stop by the library to checkout one of our **NEW** hotspots that can connect up to 10 devices at home. Perfect for hosting family with electronic devices this holiday season.

Portable CD Players

Audiobook lovers! Do you like to listen to books on CD, but have nothing to play them on? We now have portable CD players with a fanny pack carrying case available for checkout.

Free Food Pop Ups

Free food pop ups on Tuesdays from **9-10am (weather permitting)** sponsored by Illinois Partners of Hope, Southland Voice and the Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library. Visit our Facebook page or contact the library for details.



BOOK DISCUSSION

Brown Bag 2nd Tuesday of the Month from 1pm - 2:30pm

We don't stay in one lane—we read a variety of genres.

- **Dec. 12** Finding Dorothy by Elizabeth Letts
- Jan. 9 No Two Persons by Erica Bauermeister
- **Feb. 13** The Family Game by Catherine Steadman

Indigo

4th Saturday of the Month from 10:30am - 12pm

Mature readers that primarily read and discuss books written by African American authors from a variety of genres.

- Jan. 27 The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride
- Feb. 24Black AF Historyby Michael Harriot



We're Fine Free!

If overdue fines kept you from using the library, this is your time to return!

- No fines will be assessed on printed materials, audiobooks and DVDs
- All past overdue fines will be waived
- Any checked out items may be automatically renewed (up to 2 times)

Call the library for details!

Why Do We Require Registration? Register Here

Every program appearing in the newsletter requires planning, supplies and/ or paying presenters. Without advance registration, we may have to either cancel the program for lack of participation or have an insufficient quantity of supplies available. Advance registration also tells us that you are not only interested in the program, but that you plan to attend. Please help us by notifying library staff if you are unable to attend programming for which you are previously registered.

Visit www.glpld.org/programs/ to register for events!



Black History Flag Creation Thursday, February 1 6pm - 7pm

Create a flag to display your ethnic pride. *All ages.*



Monday Morning Musicals Mondays in February 10am

Join us for a morning of musical movies that celebrate African Americans in the arts.

Snacks will be provided.

Feb. 5	The Wiz
Feb. 12	Dream Girls

Feb. 26 The Preacher's Wife

In the Belly of the Blues Wednesday, February 7 6pm - 7:30pm

Join Muddy Waters' Grammywinning lyricist, Terry Abrahamson as he shares rare photos, video, music and tales of 50 years in the blues.



Make Your Own Black History T-Shirt

Thursday, February 8 6pm - 7pm

Make your own black history themed t shirt. **Ages 8 +. Limit 12.**



Hymns of the Black Church Saturday, February 10 1pm - 3pm

Dress in your Sunday best and join us for an afternoon filled with the musical traditions that have shaped, and been shaped by, the Black church. We'll watch and discuss a portion of the movie *The Black Church: This is Our Story, This is Our Song*, and sing some of our favorite hymns. Light refreshments *will be served.*



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Black to the West Thursday, February 15 6pm - 7:30pm

Join renowned wild west author and historian Art T. Burton as he shares all that you didn't know about Marshall Bass Reeves, Buffalo Soldiers and the integral role that Black cowboys played in "How the West Was Won". **All ages.**



Black Music Karaoke Tuesday, February 20 6pm - 7pm

From Rock & Roll to Reggae to R&B, come belt out your favorite tunes in musical genres pioneered by Black singers. *Light refreshments provided. All Ages.*



Spoken Word Night @ the Library Friday, February 23 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Celebrate the artistic beauty of the Black Experience in spoken word! **Performers: please email** *reference@glpld.org* to register. To reserve your seat in our audience, please RSVP @ *glpld.org*. Light refreshments will be served. 21 and over please.

2023-2024 Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra Tickets

Celebrate the 46th Anniversary Season of The Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra with free Checkout IPO passes. **Two (2) passes are available for each performance.** For more details about the Check Out IPO passes please contact the Reference Desk at 708-758-0090.



Share the Warmth: Winter Accessory Drive

December 1 - 31

In this season of giving, donate winter accessories that we'll share with those in need. We are looking for NEW hats, gloves, socks and scarves for people of all ages.

You can donate (even when the library is closed) by placing items in a bag before dropping them in the green book return box in front of the library.

Thank you for sharing the warmth!



FROSTY FEST 23 HOLIDAY PARTY

Thursday, December 7, 6 - 7:30pm

Start your December celebration season at our Frosty Fest '23 Holiday Party!

We'll have the Grinch, craft stations and more! Take holiday pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus and enjoy tasty treats co-sponsored by the *Friends of the Library*.



LIBRARY CLOSING

The Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library District will be **CLOSED** for New Carpeting in the Main section of the library from

Monday, December 11th through Saturday, December 16th.

We'll reopen on **Monday**, **December 18th @ 9AM.**



Thank you for your patience while we continue to update the library!

GLPLD 50TH ANNVERSARY CELEBRATION



The Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library District is celebrating 50 years of providing library programs, resources and services to the communities we serve. We'll be celebrating from January to September 2024, which is the month the library was started in 1974, with a lot of special events, programs, activities, recommended reads, and

much more that highlight the Library's history along with Glenwood & Lynwood through the decades to serve the needs of our residents. We look forward to continuing to serve everyone for many years to come. **Thank you for being a library user.**

Sincerely, Brian Vagt Library Director

Anniversary Events

Lyrically Correct Music Trivia Night Friday, January 19 6pm - 8pm

Bring your team of 5 (or create one while you're here) to answer music trivia questions from the 60s, 70s and 80s. We'll also have a DJ and light refreshments. **Participants can be any age that may know the music from those decades.**

Blues, Brews and BBQ Saturday, February 17 3pm - 5pm

Join us for an evening of live blues, beer (and wine) and tasty BBQ.



Memory Book

We're collecting memories and pictures of the library from current & former Staff and community residents. If you would like to submit a memory and/ or pictures, **please email programs@glpld.org or mail to: Glenwood-**Lynwood Public Library District, 50th Anniversary Memory Book, 19901 Stoney Island Ave., Lynwood, IL 60411



Adult Cricut Crafters Wednesdays: Dec 6, Jan 3, Feb 7 12pm - 2pm

Cricut owners! Come to the library to share and learn all the tips, tricks and basics of Cricut Design Space. *Limit 12*.

Adult Jingle Ornament Wednesday, December 6 6pm - 7pm

Ring in the holidays with this cheerful jingle ornament, perfect as a gift or for your tree. *Limit 15.*



Managing Difficult Emotions Through Life Skills and Anger Management Tuesday, January 9 6pm - 7:30pm

Join New Life-Living to Live Again founders Catherine and Gregory Dixon as they teach how to recognize, manage and de-escalate anger to create positive change.

Dungeons and Dragons and Drinks for Adults 2nd and 4th Wednesdays: Jan 10 & 24 and Feb 14 & 28 12pm - 2pm

Drop in and play Dungeons and Dragons for veterans and newbies alike. **Ages 21+**

Rustic Snowman Craft Wednesday, January 10 6pm - 7:15pm

Warm up to making this adorable rustic snowman that you can use year after year! We have everything you need to make your very own! *Limit 12.*



Home Buying Grants/Down Payment Assistance Saturday, February 17 10am - 12pm

You will learn actionable strategies to navigate the process and get you ready to purchase your first home! Learn how to: navigate the home buying process, obtain down payment assistance and grants and how to get into the home at the best possible price. **Presented by Anthnita Ball, Realtor, O W Auction Group LLC and Kimberly Gehrke, Mortgage Loan Officer, Huntington Bank.**

Adult Card Night 4th Wednesdays: Jan 24 and Feb 28 6pm - 7:30pm

Bring your friends (or meet new ones) while we play the card games you know and love and listen to "Grown Folks Music". **Snacks will be provided. Ages 21+**



Gingerbread House Kits Friday, December 8 ALL DAY, WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

Stop in and pick up a gingerbread house kit for your family to make, while supplies last.

Limit 1 kit per person.



African Fabric Mosaic Tuesday, January 30 6pm - 7pm

Help us to create a mosaic of African fabric that we can display during Black History Month. **All ages welcome!**



Puzzle Piece Picture Frame Magnet Kit Pick up: February 1 - 10 While Supplies Last

Stop in and pick up a puzzle piece picture frame kit that you can create for that special someone who will always have a piece of your heart.



Save your spot!

Don't forget to register for our programs to reserve your spot! All programming requires registration in-advance! Go to glpld.org to register!

Free Internet & Tablets Available For Eligible Households

We're partnering with Via Wireless (through the FCC affordable Connectivity Program) to offer **a free tablet and 3 years of free internet access** to eligible households. For information on how to apply, stop by the library or email us at **reference@glpld.org.**



Zumba Gold Thursdays: December 7 - 28 12pm - 1pm

Join licensed instructor Yvette Roberts for a low impact, low intensity exercise/dance class designed for the active older adult. No experience is necessary to improve your muscular strength, endurance, and range of motion during this fun filled program. *Limit 20.*



Crochet Corner Saturdays: Dec 9, Jan 13 & 27, Feb 10 & 24 10am - 12pm

Join Blanca and like-minded crafters to learn how to knit and crochet and to work on individual projects. *Limit 12.*

Made to Create Wednesdays each month 1pm - 2pm

Join us monthly to connect, make and be crafty! We'll provide the music, snacks and supplies—you provide the creativity!

Dec. 20	Lighted Holiday Present	
	(Limit 6)	
Jan. 17	Flowet Art	
Feb. 21	Mirror Art	



Soul Line Dancing Tuesdays, January 9-30 11am - 12pm

Join Dawn the Dancin' Deeva for a soul-filled hour that combines exercise with R&B music. Bring your water bottle and dress comfortably. *Limit 25 per class.*

Chair Yoga *Thursdays: January 4 - 25* 1pm - 2pm

Chair Yoga helps to reduce inflammation, lower blood pressure, improve balance, increase strength and flexibility and so much more. Allows those with or without mobility/stability issues to enjoy the benefits of yoga. **Limit 15.**



Senior Lunch and Learn Thursdays in January and February 10am - 12pm

Join us for free lunch and a discussion of a different topic each month this winter. *Limit 15.*

January 25 Bloom Township Senior Services

February 29

Finding Your Roots with Ancestry.



Tai Chi *Thursdays: February 1 - 22* 9:30am - 10:30am

Join Brian Thompson of BNEW4LIFE for a fun and gentle movement program that can help you to move and feel better. **Bring a friend and wear comfortable clothing and shoes.**



Hey Seniors!

Invite your friends (and meet new ones) to daytime programming scheduled with you in mind!

Funds (in whole/part) for this programming were provided through an award from **AgeOptions** through funding from the **American Rescue Plan Act.**

All adults are welcome to attend!

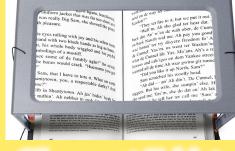


We have the following equipment especially purchased for our Seniors that is available for checkout at our Circulation Desk.

All adults are welcome to check out the equipment listed below.

Lighted Full-Page Magnifiers

Is your desired book unavailable in large print? Check out our lighted, full-page magnifiers to enlarge print **5 times** the regular size!



Silverspot Tablets

SilverSpots are all-in-one tablets for seniors with free Wifi and preloaded apps available for a 2-week checkout period. Make a one-on-one appointment with staff to learn helpful hints and tricks to using the Silverspot Tablet and associated apps after checkout.



Gingerbread Playdough Tuesday, December 5 6pm - 7pm

Children will make gingerbread dough and use various supplies to create and decorate playdough gingerbread men.



Warm your Heart for the Holidays Storytime and Crafts Wednesdays: Dec 6, Jan 10, Feb 7 6:30pm - 7:15pm

Festivities in wintertime bring joy, fun, and love. Join us for crafts, treats, and stories.

Christmas M&M Jar Cookies Tuesday, December 19 4:30pm - 6pm

Create a sweet, easy to bake holiday gift in a jar, featuring Christmas-colored M&Ms. *Limit 20.*



Polar Express and Christmas Cookies Wednesday, December 20 5pm - 7pm

All Aboard for a Polar Express Party! Join us for this festive program where we'll make a Polar Express - themed treat and keepsake ornament, and view the movie. *Limit 20.*



January Snow Creation Competition Picture Drop Off: January 1 - 31 Display Dates: February 1 - 29

Let it snow! When it does, use your creativity to build your own snowman and bring us a photo. We'll print and post it in Kidspace for patrons to view and vote for their favorite. **The "Best in Snow" will win a cool prize!**







Little Mermaid Viewing Shellabration! Thursday, January 4 2:30pm - 4:30pm

Come and shellabrate all things Little Mermaid! Dress up, view the movie, enjoy under the sea themed treats, and make a mermaid inspired craft. Spaces are limited. *Limit 20.*



Valentine Playdough Tuesday, February 6 6pm - 7pm

Create your own love bug!



Fancy Nancy Valentine Party Wednesday, February 14 6pm - 7pm

Celebrate Valentine's Day in a fancy way! Come in your fancy best, make a fancy Valentine, and eat "fancy" snacks. *Limit 15.*



Take & Make Crafts

Stop by on the 15th and 30th of each month for a cool Children's craft you can make at home! Contact the Library's Reference Desk for more details!



Don't forget to register for our programs to reserve your spot! Go to glpld.org to register!

Teen Anime Club Mondays: Dec 4, Jan 8 & Feb 5 5pm - 7pm

Calling all anime fans! Join our Teen Anime Club where we will watch the first 2 episodes of a new anime each month, discuss and do an activity related to the Anime, and meet new friends and share in the fandom!



Donut Try This @ Home Art Club *Mondays each month* 5pm - 7pm

Come enjoy donuts while creating art. Each session will cover a different medium.

- Jan. 29 Hot Glue and Canvas Art
- Feb. 12 Mirror Art

Game On! Video Game club Saturdays: Jan 20 and Feb 17 10am - 12pm

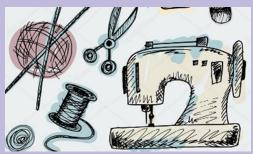
Play the latest video games on the desktop PC, Xbox Series X, PS4 and Switch in the Hangout!

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Sew Cool Teens Mondays: Dec 18, Jan 22, & Feb 26 5pm - 7pm

Beginner or advanced--- come in and learn or expand your knowledge of sewing basics.



Teen D&D Drop In Thursdays: Dec 21, Jan 18, & Feb 22 5:30pm - 7pm

A casual Dungeons and Dragons drop-in for **teens**! All experience levels welcome.



Cricut Crafters *Thursdays: Dec 28, Jan 25, & Feb 29* 5pm - 7pm

Learn the basics and all tips and tricks on how to use the Cricut. *Limit 12.*

COMPUTER CLASSES

3D Sculpting Using SculptingGL Saturday, December 9 10am - 12pm

Learn the basics of 3D Sculpting, using a "Zbrush" method. We'll cover Mesh, Wireframe, Topology, Etc. **Ages Teen to Adult.** *Limit 13.*

Meet Your Computer Every Wednesday AND Friday January 10 - February 28 10:30am - 12pm

This beginner class is for anyone who would like to begin or continue advancing their basic computer skills. The same content will be taught on both Wednesday and Friday so attendance may be limited to once/week to accommodate all interested patrons. *Limit 12 per class.*

Chat GPT Create-a-Thon Wednesday, January 17 6pm - 7:30pm

Create resumes, short stories, poetry and much more with Chat GPT. *Limit 8.*

Create a YouTube Short Wednesday, January 31 6pm - 7:30pm

Creating a YouTube short is a fun way to create content that could be shared to many other social media platforms. *Limit 8.*

Wordpress 101 Thursday, *February 8* 6pm - 7:30pm

Whether you're a blogger, freelancer, or business owner, WordPress is a great tool to create any website your heart desires. In this class, we'll show you how to start a WordPress website, including explaining domain names, hosting and designing, and launching your site. **Limit 8.**



Need One-on-One Help?

Can't wait for a class and need help now? Schedule a one-on-one session with our Computer Lab staff. Call 708-758-0090 for more details.



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A Message From the Friends of the Library

As we enter the winter 2023-2024 season, the Friends of the Glenwood Lynwood Library want to thank you all for your support. We asked the patrons of Glenwood-Lynwood library to donate books and you did an amazing job with the donations. We are now able to bring back our Bag of Books book sale for \$3.00. Stop by and fill up a bag of books for the holidays!

The Friends of the Glenwood-Lynwood library are on the lookout for a few good friends to join our fun and friendly organization. If you are interested in joining, please fill out a membership form located on top of the bookshelf across from the coffee area. You are also invited to join our next meeting on Wednesday December 13th, at 1pm in the Micheal Bell Meeting Room. All are invited to learn more about Friends of the Library and share any fundraising ideas you have to assist the Glenwood-Lynwood Library with their outstanding programing. We wish you all a Happy Holiday Season. For more information, please feel free to email us at **Friendsofthelibrary59@yahoo.com.**

The Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library District is subject to the requirements of the American with Disabilities Act of 1990. Any individual who plans to attend any program at the Library and requires a special accommodation, or anyone who has questions regarding accessibility to the Library, is requested to phone NEWSLETTER DESIGNER & EDITOR: the library at 708-758-0090 at least five working days prior to the program.



GILLIAN ELMORE

The Library will be CLOSED the following days:

Friday, December 1 – Staff Day December 11 - 16 - Carpet Installation December 23 - 25 – Christmas December 30 - January 1 – New Year's Holiday Monday, January 15 – Martin Luther King Jr Day Monday, February 19 – Presidents Day



The Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library District is a proud member of the Homewood Area Chamber of Commerce and the Lynwood Chamber of Commerce.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Library Board Meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6pm in the Michael Bell Meeting Room.

> Angela Dixon, President Lois Drayer, Vice President Barbara Elmore, Treasurer Patrice Smith, Trustee Linda Tatum, Trustee Doranita Tyler, Trustee Eugeneia White, Trustee Brian Vagt, Library Director

HOURS

9AM-8PM	Mon. thru Thurs.
9AM-5PM	Friday
9AM-1PM	Saturday
CLOSED	Sunday