

# GLPLD

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GLENNWOOD-LYNNWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

## GLPLD 50th Anniversary

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## Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 23 @11 - 11:30am

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## National Library Week

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**Most programs require advance registration.  
Contact the library or visit [www.glpld.org](http://www.glpld.org) for details.**

# POCKET EDITION

# AVAILABLE SERVICES

## We Accept Passport Applications

For required documentation and fees, please visit our website at [glpld.org](http://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.**

## 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.**



## Library of Things

### We are more than just books!

We have a collection of **"Things"** that are available for checkout.

All you need is a Glenwood-Lynwood Library card in good standing!

**Items can be checked out for 1 week (except bikes), no renewals!**

Stop in to check out:

- Rock Tumbler
- Nintendo Switch Lite
- Roku Streaming Sticks
- Silverspot Tablet for Seniors
- Portable CD Players
- WiFi Hotspots
- Lighted Magnifying Glasses
- Bikes (Seasonal Checkout)
- Gaming Headphones (in-house use only)

# BOOK DISCUSSION

**Brown Bag**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month from**  
**1pm - 2:30pm**

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

**Mar. 12**    *The Most Popular Book from Your Year of Birth*  
**(See Ann Marie for details)**

**Apr. 9**    *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek*  
by Kim Richardson

**May 14**    *A Woman is No Man*  
by Etaf Rum

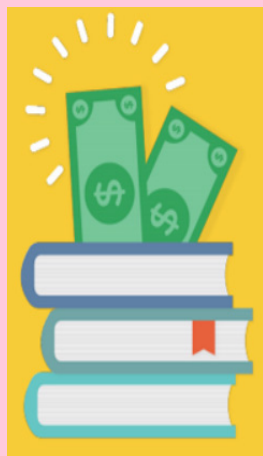
**Indigo**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the Month from**  
**10:30am - 12pm**

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

**Mar. 23**    *Take My Hand*  
by Dolan Perkins Valdez

**Apr. 27**    *Black Candle Women*  
by Diane Brown

**May 25**    *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store*  
by James McBride



## 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!**

## 2023-2024 Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra Tickets

Tickets are still available for March, April and May performances of Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra with FREE Checkout IPO passes. **Two passes are available for each performance. To obtain Check Out IPO passes, please contact the Information Services Desk at 708-758-0090.**





# GLPLD COMMUNITY GARDEN IS BACK FOR 2024!

The Community Garden application and rules will be available beginning **Monday, April 1** on our website ([glpld.org](http://glpld.org)) and at the Information Services Desk. Garden beds are available on a first come, first served basis and are randomly assigned after the application has been submitted **AND** the required fee has been paid.

**Annual fees must be paid in person at the Information Services Desk and are non-refundable:**

- 4×4 Raised Beds and ADA Elevated Wheelchair Beds: **\$10**
- 4×8 Raised Beds: **\$20**

Do you already have a garden at home? Do not hesitate to grab **FREE** flowers, fruit, herb, and vegetable seeds from our Seed Library located in the card catalog across from the Circulation Desk.



# GLPLD 50TH ANNIVERSARY 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



## ***Spring Anniversary Events***

**Roaring 20's Casino Night**  
**Saturday, March 30**  
**4pm - 7pm**

Step back in time and visit the library's speakeasy for a night of casino games, appetizers, drinks, and fun! Say the secret word at the door but don't tell the fuzz.

***Ages 21 and up.***

**1990 Latine Explosion**  
**Saturday, May 18**  
**2pm - 6pm**

Living' la vida loca! Join us for a day of live Latin music and food & merchandise vendors in the library's parking lot. ***Interested vendors: please contact us at [reference@glpld.org](mailto:reference@glpld.org).***

**Soul Train Party**  
**Friday, April 26**  
**6pm - 8pm**

Shake your groove thing on our annual trip down memory lane with a soulful night of 70s jams. 70s attire encouraged but not required. Light refreshments will be served.

***Ages 18 and up. DYNAMITE!***

## ***Save your spot!***

**All programming requires registration in-advance!**

***Go to [glpld.org/programs](http://glpld.org/programs) to register!***

# LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

## 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](mailto:programs@glpld.org) or mail to: Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library District, 50th Anniversary Memory Book, 19901 Stoney Island Ave., Lynwood, IL 60411**

## 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!



# SAVE THE DATE!

## Bingo and Boosters

**Friday, March 8, 1pm - 4pm**

Who's ready to play!? Join Family Christian Health Center for a National Nutrition Awareness Education Bingo and Vaccinations event. **Bingo/education will take place from 1-2pm while flu and/or COVID vaccinations will begin at 2:15pm. The first 10 participants who are 60 and older who receive a Flu or Covid vaccine at the event will win a free \$25 gift card!** What better way to get vaccinated while you play Bingo and win prizes!?

## Community Health Fair

**Sat., April 27, 9:30am - 12:30pm**

We are partnering with *Sisters Working it Out*, an organization dedicated to eliminating breast cancer disparities in the Chicagoland area, to bring informational, health and wellness resources to our community. Participating vendors will provide health/wellness and healthy eating information, CEDA assistance, insurance guidance, and financial advisory. **Covid-19/ Flu vaccines along with a limited supply of fresh fruit and vegetables will also be available.**

**Don't forget to register for our programs to reserve your spot!  
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# NATIONAL LIBRARY SPIRIT WEEK

## READY, SET, LIBRARY

**April 7 - 13**

Our library programming allows you the opportunity to connect with others and brings the communities of Glenwood and Lynwood together for entertainment, education, and connection through book discussion groups, storytimes, movie nights, crafting classes, instructional classes, meeting spaces and more!

*Find your crew at the library during National Library Week 2024.*

### **Monday, April 8** **Movie Monday**

We'll be showing the acclaimed movie, *The Color Purple (2023)* @10am in the Michael Bell Meeting Room. Snacks will be provided. Stop in to check out your favorite movie or TV series on DVD. Staff is also available to help you download a movie from Kanopy.

### **Tuesday, April 9** **True Love Tuesday** **(National Library Workers Day)**

Post on our interactive display how the library and your favorite library worker has made a positive impact on you.

### **Wednesday, April 10** **Work Outside Wednesday** **(National Library Outreach Day)**

Invite your friends, family and neighbors to an upcoming program.

### **Thursday, April 11** **Turn Home Thursday**

Stop by the library and take home a special gift (**while supplies last**).

### **Friday, April 12** **Free Fax Friday**

Send your fax for free (**up to \$5**) today!

### **Saturday, April 13** **Sharing Saturday**

Share a social media post about the Glenwood-Lynwood Library!





## Kanopy Foreign Film Night

Tuesday, March 12

5:30pm - 7:30pm

March is Foreign Language Month! Come watch and discuss the French film, *Names Live Nowhere*, about the lives of African immigrants in Belgium, plus get a simple introduction to Kanopy, our library's video streaming service.

## St. Patrick's Day Craft

Wednesday, March 13

5:30pm - 7:15pm

Revel in the luck of the Irish with your very own diamond shamrock coaster! We have all you need to make this one-of-a-kind craft.

**Limit 12.**



## Bunny Wreath

Wednesday, March 20

6pm - 7:15pm

Hippity-hop over to the library to make your very own bunny wreath! We have all you need to make your very own! **Limit 12.**

## More than a Color: The Marginalization of African Beauty Through History

Tuesday, March 26

6pm - 7:30pm

Artist, writer, photographer, publisher and filmmaker **Karen J. Anderson** will illuminate history filled with women of color who refused to view themselves through social limitations and redefined beauty. Sponsored by Illinois Humanities.

*Illinois Humanities is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities: Democracy Demands Wisdom and the Illinois General Assembly [through the Illinois Arts Council Agency], as well as by contributions from individuals, foundations, and corporations.*



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HUMANITIES

## Adult Anime Club

Mondays: Mar 25 and Apr 22

5pm - 6:30pm

Calling all anime fans! Join our Adult Anime Club where we will watch anime and discuss over drinks and light snacks. **Ages 21+**

**Don't forget to register for our programs to reserve your spot!**

**Go to [glpld.org/programs](http://glpld.org/programs) to register!**



## The Black Foodies

**Tuesday, April 2**

**6pm - 7:30pm**

THE BLACK FOODIES are food influencers that showcase black-owned and operated (BOO) restaurants and chefs worldwide. Based in the South Chicagoland suburbs, Coretta and Dino Dean will share their journey in becoming social media favorites and give us some suggestions of where to find that next great meal.

## Spring Diamond Art

**Wednesday, April 10**

**5:30pm - 7pm**

Create your very own springtime diamond keychain. **Limit 15.**



## Adult Card Night

**Wednesdays: Apr 17 and May 8**

**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.

## Credit Repair Workshop

**Thursday, April 18**

**6pm - 7:30pm**

Ty Mitchell of *Ready Set Freedom LLC*, a financial literacy company, will offer resources to assist you in your credit journey.

## DIY Wall Pocket Posey

**Wednesday, April 24**

**5:30pm - 7pm**

**Bring an empty 28oz aluminum can** and transform it into a beautiful spring planter. **Limit 12.**



## Fairy Garden Stakes

**Wednesday, May 15**

**6pm - 7pm**

Bring color to your garden by making your very own fairy wand. We will provide all you need to make a unique garden decoration all your own! **Limit 15.**

## Managing Difficult Emotions Through Life Skills and Anger

**Wednesday, May 22**

**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.

**Soul Line Dancing**  
**Tuesdays: March 5 - 26**  
**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: March 7 - 28**  
**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 20 per class.**



**Crochet Corner**  
**Saturdays: March 9 & 23, April 13 & 20, & May 11 & 25**  
**10am - 12pm**

Join Blanca and like-minded crafters to learn how to knit and crochet and to work on individual projects.  
**Limit 15.**



**Oscar March Madness**  
**Mondays in March**  
**10am**

It’s Oscar Madness Month at the library! Join us to see 3 Academy Award nominated movies and vote for your favorite! **Snacks will be provided or bring your own!**

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| <b>Mar. 11</b> | Oppenheimer |
| <b>Mar. 18</b> | Holdovers   |
| <b>Mar. 25</b> | Barbie      |

**Made to Create**  
**Wednesdays**  
**1pm - 2pm**

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

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| <b>Mar. 13</b> | Wine glass painting |
| <b>Apr. 10</b> | Floating Teapot     |
| <b>May 15</b>  | Sip and Paint       |

**Senior Lunch and Learn**  
**Thursdays**  
**10am - 12pm**

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

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| <b>Mar. 28</b> | Medicare Bingo                 |
| <b>Apr. 25</b> | National Minority Health Month |
| <b>May 30</b>  | Senior Mental Health           |

# LIBRARIANS

## **Zumba Gold**

**Thursdays: April 2 - 30**

**12pm - 12:45pm**

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 25.**



## **Tai Chi**

**Tuesdays: May 2 - 23**

**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.

**Limit 24.**



## **Save your spot!**

**Don't forget to register for our programs to reserve your spot!  
Go to [glpld.org](http://glpld.org) to register!**

# ESPECIALLY FOR OUR SENIORS

*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!

## **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.

## **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.**

# MULTI-GENERATIONAL

## DIY Easter Peeps House Kit

**Friday, March 22**

**While Supplies Last**

Wondering what to do with Peeps besides eat them? Peeps houses are one of our favorite spring projects! Pick up a kit while supplies last and make your very own!



## Earth Day Cleanup

**Saturday, April 20**

**9am - 12pm**

Celebrate Earth Day by helping us clean up library grounds! Limited cleanup kits will be available.



## DIY Cinco De Mayo Pinata Kits

**Friday, May 3**

**All Day, While Supplies Last**

Pick up a celebratory Cinco de Mayo craft kit while supplies last! One per person.

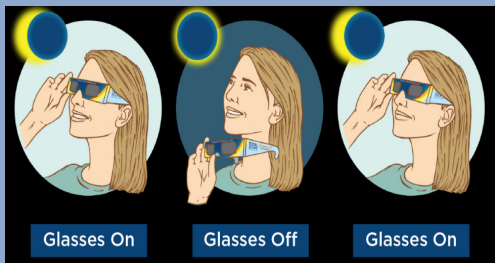


## Total Solar Eclipse Viewing Glasses Pickup

**Thursday, April 4**

**While Supplies Last**

Stop in to pick up your free viewing glasses, informational packet and craft for the **Monday, April 8** viewing (courtesy of StarNet). One pair of glasses will be provided per person (age 6 and older). **Peak viewing time will be between 2:00-2:15 pm (weather permitting) on April 8.**



## Drawn to Jazz

**Tuesday, May 14**

**6pm - 7pm**

Participants will explore the art of drawing to jazz – illustrating music and movement, call and response image making, along with fun ideas for children and adults to do as a family. **All ages welcome.**



# KIDSPACE

## **Spring into Storytime**

**Wednesdays: Mar 13, Apr 10, May 8**  
**6:30pm - 7:15pm**

Join us once a month on Wednesdays for creative crafts, treats, and stories about Easter, Spring and our amazing mothers.

## **Yummy to The Tummy**

**Thursday, March 28**

**6pm - 7pm**

We will use crafts to highlight nutrition awareness and have some healthy snacks. **Ages 5-10. Limit 12.**

## **Kids' Comics Class**

**Saturday, April 13**

**10am - 11:30am**

Children will learn some of the FUNdamentals of making comics and then try their hand at drawing up their own stories with premade panels. **Ages 7-12.**

## **Magic Reading Wand**

**Thursday, April 18**

**6pm - 7pm**

Create your own magic reading wand to help keep your place and follow along in the story while reading.

**Ages 5-9. Limit 12.**

## **Worry Box Craft**

**Tuesday, May 7**

**6pm - 7:30pm**

Children will learn a simple way to handle their worries with this fun, creative craft! **Ages 5-10. Limit 10.**

## **Squishable Stuffie Painting Party**

**Thursday, May 30**

**6pm - 7:30pm**

Are you a fan of those cute, round squishable stuffies? Then we're inviting you to our party to paint your very own. **Ages 7-12. Limit 12.**

## **We are Eggstra for Easter!**

**Saturday, March 23, 11AM - 11:30AM**

### ***It's an Easter Egg Hunt at the Library!***

The hunt starts promptly at 11am and the eggs are typically collected within a few minutes.

Three age groups will be assigned a section of the lawn to hunt for eggs left behind by the Easter Bunny.

**After the eggs are collected, the Easter Bunny will be available for selfies. Don't forget your Easter basket to collect the eggs! We'll be inside if it rains. Ages 2-12.**



## Teen Anime Club

**Mondays: Mar 4, Apr 1 & May 6**  
**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!

## Clearly Impossible Puzzles

**Thursdays: Mar 7, Apr 4, & May 2**  
**5pm - 6pm**

Come unwind with snacks and attempt an impossible puzzle.

## Chaotic Crafts

**Mondays each month**  
**5pm - 7pm**

Create awesome crafts using a different medium each month.  
**Limit 12.**

**Mar. 11** Mug Painting

**Apr. 8** Floating Teacup

**May 13** Beach Theme



## Gaming Round Table

**Saturdays: Mar 16, Apr 20 & May 18**  
**10am - 12pm**

Bring your friends (and meet new ones) while you play both old school and electronic games.

# TEENS

## Sew Cool Teens

**Mondays: Mar 18, Apr 15, & May 20**  
**5:30pm - 7pm**

Beginner or advanced--- come in and learn or expand your knowledge of sewing basics. **Limit 8.**

## Teen Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt

**Thursday, March 21**  
**5pm - 6:30pm**

An egg hunt outside the library with only the sky (and your phone's flashlight) to find your way. **Limit 20.**

## Bundt and Buttons

**Thursdays: Mar 28, Apr 25, May 9**  
**5pm - 6pm**

Drop in for cool button-making and mini bundt cakes with Jae'ln and DA DOPAMINE PROJECT. Da Dopamine Project is a non-for-profit organization informing the community on mental illness, wellness and the creative solutions they can use to navigate through it all. Bring your pictures or design one at the library to show off. **Limit 12.**



# COMPUTER CLASSES

**Meet Your Computer**  
**Every Wednesday AND Friday**  
**March 6 - May 31**  
**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**  
**Part 1: Wednesday, Mar 27**  
**Part 2: Wednesday Apr 24**  
**6pm - 7:30pm**

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

**Using Your Android Phone**  
**Saturday, April 27**  
**10am - 11:30am**

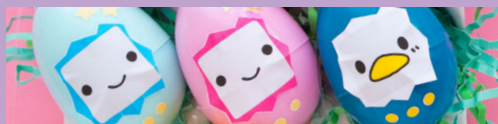
Learn basic tips and tricks for using your iPhone. **Don't forget to bring your fully charged phone to class!**

**Using Your Android Phone**  
**Saturday, May 25**  
**10am - 11:30am**

Learn basic tips and tricks for using your Android phone. **Don't forget to bring your fully charged phone to class!**

**Using Your iPad**  
**Wednesday, May 29**  
**6pm - 7:30pm**

Learn tips and tricks for using your iPad that will allow you to move beyond just using your device to check your email and play games! **Don't forget to bring your fully charged tablet to class!**



## 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



Spring has sprung and we are getting ready for new and exciting things this year! 2023 was challenging with the death of our President, but with the new year, we not only have new officers, but we have also increased our membership! It is not too late to become a part of our great group of volunteers. Please complete a membership form (located on the Book Sale bookshelf) and join us at our next meeting: **Wednesday, April 10 at 1pm in the Michael Bell Meeting room.**

Help us in our fundraising efforts by purchasing a \$50 legacy brick to honor a special person or event. Applications are available atop the Book Sale bookshelf. Our Bag a Book Sale is ongoing. Each bag filled with books is only \$3. Also, a few of our blue, zippered tote bags are still available for \$20. If you have any fundraising ideas, we would love to hear them! **Email us at [Friendsofthelibrary59@yahoo.com](mailto:Friendsofthelibrary59@yahoo.com).** Thank you for your support!

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 the library at 708-758-0090 at least five working days prior to the program.



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GILLIAN ELMORE

**The Library will be CLOSED the following days:**

**Monday, April 1 – Easter**

**Monday, May 27 – Memorial Day**

Happy Easter



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 Dramer, Vice President  
Barbara Elmore, Treasurer  
Patrice Smith, Trustee  
Linda Tatum, Trustee  
Doranita Tyler, Trustee  
Eugeneia White, Trustee  
Brian Vagt, Library Director

## HOURS

**9AM-8PM**  
**9AM-5PM**  
**9AM-1PM**  
**CLOSED**

**Mon. thru Thurs.**  
**Friday**  
**Saturday**  
**Sunday**