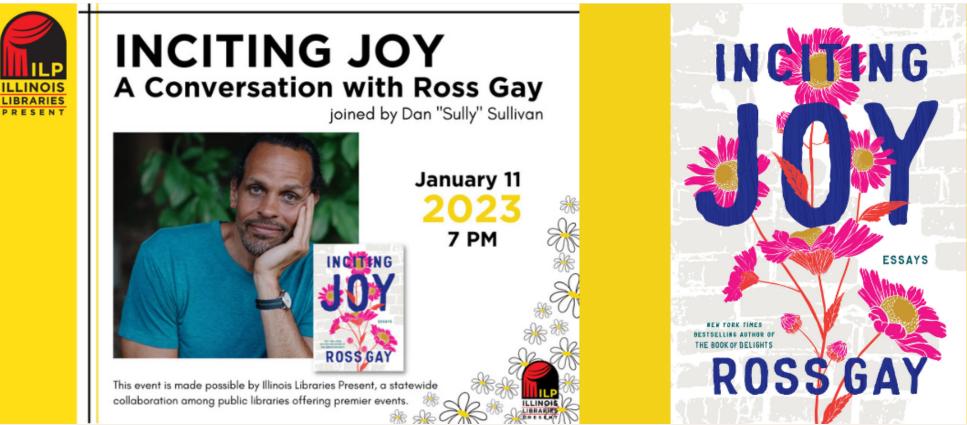


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Kick off your new year with a conversation about joy with best-selling essayist and award-winning poet Ross Gay. An exploration of the joy we incite when we turn our attention to what we love and what brings us together, Ross will discuss his most recent collection of essays, Inciting Joy, with performance poet Dan "Sully" Sullivan.



/	Reduer's Auvisory	Ross Gay is the author of four books of poetry: Against Which; Bringing the Shovel Down; Be Holding, winner of the PEN American Literary Jean Stein				
8	About Us	Award; and Catalog of Unabashed Gratitude, winner of the 2015 National Book Critics Circle Award and the 2016 Kingsley Tufts Poetry Award. His				
		first collection of essays, The Book of Delights, was released in 2019 and				
	Hours	was a New York Times bestseller.				
MON - THUR 9 am - 8 pm FRI - SAT 9 am - 5 pm SUNDAY 1 pm - 5 pm		This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. ILP is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA). ILP is committed to inclusion and accessibility.				
	LIBRARY CLOSINGS	To request accommodations, please email				
	December 31 to January1 - New Years	illinoislibrariespresent@gmail.com				
	January 6 - Staff Development Day					
	January 16 - MLK Day					

LIBRARY SERVICES Services

GADGETS

Kindles

We have Kindles available to check out. You can check their availability and reserve one by visiting the online catalog, calling us, or stopping in. We have 2 Paper-

white and 3 Fire HD 8, fully loaded with 200+ titles. There is also a Fire HD loaded with titles for teens, a graphic novel collection, and some cool apps. Just want to practice using a Kindle before you buy? We have 2 unloaded Kindles available with these you can also download other apps and games (memory wiped after each use).

Kindles may be checked out for two weeks at a time and can be found at the Help Desk.

Mobile Hotspots

Stay connected, wherever you are. Check out a mobile hotspot for instant, trouble-free wireless internet access. Easy to setup and



Roku Streaming Stick

Catch up on your favorite shows on

Hulu/Disney+, Prime, Netflix, HBO Now. Call or reserve one



through the online catalog - look for the featured app! Grab some popcorn and settle in for these new blockbusters and more available on the Vudu app.

Vortex Binoculars

A binocular kit for stargazing and bird watching. Part of the telescope and binocular checkout program, in association with Riverbend Astronomy Club, St. Louis Astronomical Society, and the St. Louis Audubon Society.

Telescope

Amateur stargazers rejoice. We have Orion StarBlast 4.5" telescopes to loan to Glen Carbon Library cardholders. Request online or at the Help Desk.

Notary Service

The Library offers free notary public services. Please check the library website for more details concerning notary service. It is highly recommended that you call ahead to ensure that certified staff is present.

3D Printing

Take your 2D designs into the third dimension. The Library provides use of our 3D printer to all Glen Carbon residents. Fill out a print request form online to get started.

Homebound

The Library provides free delivery services to individuals in the community who are unable to come to the Library either temporarily or permanently. This includes homebound elderly, families with infants up to six weeks old, and individuals unable to leave the home due to temporary or permanent illness. Contact the Library to learn more.

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E- RESOURCES



ONLINE DATABASES available to patrons 24/7

Check out our online databases at *glencarbonlibrary.org/research-databases/*. Glen Carbon patrons may access 24/7 unless marked "In Library Only."

Here's a list of our database categories!

Biographies	Government	Literature	Reference
Careers	Health and Wellness	Local Resources	Senior Services
eBooks	History	Opposing Viewpoints	Testing & Education
Finance	Languages – Training	Periodicals/Newspapers	
Genealogy	Legal	Reader's Advisory	

ADULT PROGRAMS

PROGRAMS



Establishing Financial Goals Tuesday, January 10 6:30 - 7:30pm (R)

Instructor: Jill Rice

In this workshop you will

learn how to create effective and sustainable financial goals that are suited to your situation and values.



Black History Heroes, **Soldiers & Spies Tuesday, January 17** 6:00pm

Join us for a performance by Bright Star Touring Theatre! History is filled with Black American heroes and in this production, audiences learn the stories of some of the most amazing figures like Colonel Charles Young of the Buffalo Soldiers, the Tuskegee Airmen as they take flight to help achieve victory in World War II, and Mary Elizabeth Bowser, whose work as a spy helped the Union during the Civil War. An exciting and interactive production that is sure to intrigue young and old alike!

Evening Flow Yoga (R)

Wednesdays | 5:30 pm January 4, 11, 18, 25 **February 15, 22**

Instructor: Anne Hughes This "Slow Flow" practice will lead you through a series of yoga poses that focus on strengthening, lengthening, and stretching. Side effects may include a sense of wellbeing and feelings of peace and calmness!

Saturday Morning Yoga (

Saturday | 9:30 am January 14, 21, 28 February 4, 11, 18, 25 Instructor: Sarah Hartwig Start your weekend with an energizing session of yoga.



Monday | 6:00 pm **January 23** February 20

Facilitated by: Jon Burgmann Bring your questions on how to register and what is covered when you sign up for Medicare.

Beginners Knitting Group (R

Saturdays | 11:00 - 12:30 pm January 14, 28 February 11,25



Plethora of Pens (R) 1st Monday of the Month

6:30 pm

January 9 February 6

Facilitated by: Susan Carsell This writing group encourages each other's creativity and gives support to one another's work.



January 31

Cookbook Club is back! Join us every month for delicious food! Cookbooks pertaining to this month's theme will be available at the front desk for you to explore. Then, pick a recipe from the cookbook or use your own and bring a dish to share! You will then be able to try everyone's food and enjoy a lively discussion. You are not required to bring a dish though. If you try a new recipe and it doesn't turn out the way you wanted, you are more than welcome to still come and enjoy everyone else's dishes! Let's get cookin'!



Art Exploration 🕟

Sunday | 2:00 pm January 15 February 12

Instructor: Greta Pastorello The materials list is available in the Event Calendar on the library website.



AARP Tax Aid (R) Fridays- February 4th - April 8

Instructor: Greta Pastorello Experience how easy it can be to learn to knit through our structured, interactive, social knitting group. Perfect for true beginners or those looking for an easy refresh project. Different intermediate skills will be introduced on a project-by-project basis. The materials list is available through the Event Calendar.

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide program provides free tax preparation assistance to anyone. IRS-certified volunteers make filing taxes easy for you. Call 618-288-1212 to schedule an appointment during library hours.

(R) /RR - Registration Required

BOOK (LUB Second Tuesday of the Month | 6:30 pm



January 10: The Midnight Library, by Matt Haig February 14: The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett March 14: Sing, Unburied, Sing by Jesmyn Ward

Limited copies of each book will be available at the Help Desk or they can be immediately downloaded from Hoopla. Some selections may also be available on cloudLibrary & Overdrive.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

PROGRAMS



Black History Heroes, Soldiers & Spies Tuesday, January 17 at 6:00pm *Grades 4 and Up

Join us for a performance by Bright Star Touring Theatre! History is filled with Black American heroes and in this production, audiences learn the stories of some of the most amazing figures like Colonel Charles Young of the Buffalo Soldiers, the Tuskegee Airmen as they take flight to help achieve victory in World War II, and Mary Elizabeth Bowser, whose work as a spy helped the Union during the Civil War. An exciting and interactive production that is sure to intrigue young and old alike!



DIY Penguin Plush (R) January 28 at 1:00pm

Come to the Library to make your very own penguin plush! In this program, you will stuff your plush and make a wish to put inside. We'll have a penguin-themed activity, a photo spot, and a movie to share with your new friend!

Due to limited supplies, priority will be given to Glen Carbon residents until January 16th. Add yourself to the waitlist, and we'll contact you about your registration status ASAP.



🔆 Storytime Mondays & Tuesdays at 10:00 am January 9, 10, 20, 21 February 6, 7, 23, 24

Sing songs, make crafts, and interact with us during storytimes! Join us in our Youth Room where we'll help build your preschooler's early literacy skills! Space is limited.



Imagination Station Tuesdays at 10:00 am

January 17, 31 / February 14, 28

Join us for a morning of activity, imagining, creating, songs, and fun! Planned for ages 3-5.





Special Storytime at the Cabin Saturdays at 10:00am January 21 / February 18

Cozy up at Yanda Log Cabin while listening to stories, singing songs, and making a simple craft. Storytime is planned for Pre-K to Kindergarten-age kiddos, but kids of all ages are welcome!

Stuffie Sleepover Friday, February 3-4

Bring one of your very special stuffies to the Library for a sleepover! Your fluffy friend will get a goodie bag, and you will get some fun pictures of the great time they spent with their new stuffie friends!

Drop-off: Friday, Jan. 3 from 9 am to 4 pm Pick-up: Saturday, Jan. 4 starting at 9 am



ူန္နှု Pajama Storytime Wednesdays at 6:30 pm Anuary 4,18 / February 1, 15 January 4,18

Get all cozy in your pajamas and join us for a night of stories! Pajama Storytime is an excellent way for families to unwind together before bed. Planned for Pre-K to Kindergarten, all are welcome



STEM Activity Days (R) Sundays at 2:00 pm

January 29 / February 26 **Youth Entering Grades K-5**

Do you enjoy exploring science, technology, engineering, and math in fun, crafty ways? Then register for this program at the Library! Once a month, we will dive deep into a project.

Tutoring

SIUC

Free tutoring for school-aged children and teens by SIUE students. Check our website for more information. *Tutoring ends Dec. 3 and restarts Jan. 17



Baby Lapsit Thursday at 10:00 am January 12, 26 / February 9, 23

Build your baby's literacy foundation with skills, stories, and songs in a 20-minute session. Playtime follows to help with social skill development. For ages birth to 2.



Tech Club Mondays once a month at 6:30 pm January 23 / February 20

Youth Entering Grades 3-7 Explore technology and coding in this new club for kids looking to get hands-on experience using different tech!

Read with a Dog! Monday at 6:30 pm January 9 / February 13

Sit with Woody, a licensed therapy dog, and read a story of your choosing! You'll have 15 minutes to read and pet a loveable dog! Drop-ins welcome.

Lego Days Sundays at 2:00 pm January 15 / February 12

Come to the Library to show off your Lego skills! Build and create your own Lego masterpiece to show off at the Library!

Age 4+

Comic Corner Sunday February 4th at 1:00 pm

TEEN PROGRAMS Monthly programs for youth in grades 6 through 12.



Art Unlimited (R) Tuesdays at 6:00pm January 10 & 24 **February 14, 28**

Join Miss Sam at the library as we craft and create! Each month will feature a different art medium and project, lasting two weeks. Get your creativity flowing with your friends.

(R) Registration Required



Junior Friends of the Library 1st Wed. of the month @4:00 pm

Are you in grades 6-12? Do you want your voice to be heard at your library? Join the Junior Friends of the Library! Earn volunteer hours and help come up with ideas to make the library a better place for teens!



Teen Hangout Wednesdays 3:00-6:00 pm

Join us every Wednesday for a relaxing couple of hours of free time with your friends! Enjoy movies, board games, and chill vibes while you hang out.



Twitch Streams

Monday at 5:00 pm Thursday at 6:00 pm

Do you love books, art, and video games? Do you want to see more of that at the Library? Well, check out our Teen Twitch channel! Aimee and Sam will be live streaming the most popular Switch games, talking books, and creating art every week! Visit our website for more information.

ANUARY

Registration available online at *glencarbonlibrary.org*

For programming beyond this month, please visit our website, or call 618-288-1212

SUNDAY	Monday	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	Friday	SATURDAY
1 CLOSED	2	3	4 3:00pm Teen Hangout 4:00pm Junior Friends of the Library 5:30pm Virtual Evening	5	6 CLOSED STAFF DEVELOPMENT	7
	5:00pm: Twitch for teens		FlowYoga 6:30pm: Pajama Story Time	6:00pm: Twitch for teens	DAY	
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29	30	31 10:00am Imagination Station 6:30pm Cookbook Club				

⁶ **FEBRUARY**

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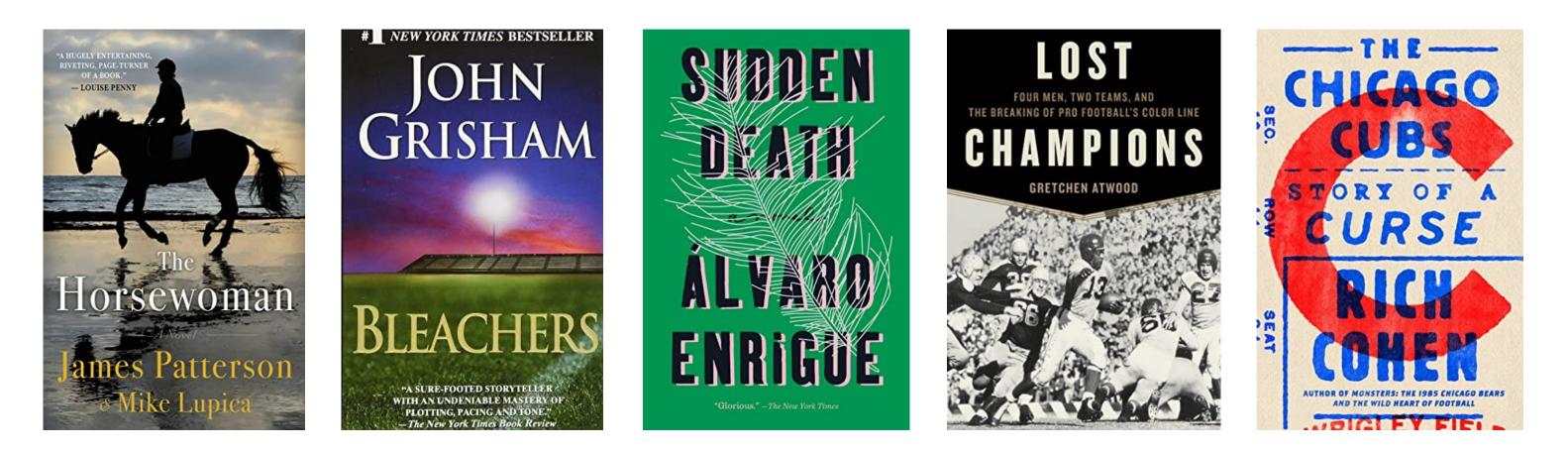
READER'S ADVISORY

2023 READING CHALLENGE

Join us again as we challenge ourselves to not only read more, but read better. Reading Challenges push us to read books outside of our comfort zones. That often means reading genres we usually overlook; like classics, non-fiction, or even fantasy, despite a preference for contemporary fiction. We chose 12 tasks designed to expand and diversify your reading in all sorts of ways to be completed over the course of a calendar year.

Each month we will announce a new task and help you with suggested titles. Once you've read your book, submit an entry on our website. Complete all 12 and receive a thank you gift from us.

This month's task is: A book about Sports or an Athlete



NEW YEAR. NEW BOOKS: WHAT IS YOUR 2023 TBR (TO BE READ) LIST?

ABOUT US

GLEN CARBON CENTENNIAL LIBRARY DISTRICT



Glen Carbon Centennial Library District is a nationally recognized public library known for its innovative programs, strong community partnerships, and staff committed to excellence and personal service.

Public Access	&	Curbside	Hours
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MON - THUR	9 am - 8 pm
FRI - SAT	9 am - 5 pm
SUNDAY	1 pm - 5 pm

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

December 31 to January 1 - New Years January 6 - Staff Development Day January 16 - MLK Day

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Friends of the Library

Who? Our friends are volunteers who share a common belief that the library is important to the intellectual and cultural growth of the community.

What? The members of this non-profit organization work to increase public awareness of all library services and assist in bringing funds to the library for special needs with fun evens like the Holiday Tree Auction. The Friends of the Library are always looking fo rnew ideas and programs to support the library.

When? The Friends of the Library meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 1pm in the Community Room.

Become a member by picking up an application, which are available at the Help Desk. For more information contact us at: **friends@glencarbonlibrary.org**

WHAT'S NEW AT THE LIBRARY? Follow us to find out!

