From the Desk of the Youth Services Director

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HOURS

MON - THUR  9 am - 8 pm
FRI - SAT    9 am - 5 pm
SUNDAY      1 pm - 5 pm

An Evening With Silvia Moreno-Garcia

Velvet Was the Night

The bestselling and award-winning author of Mexican Gothic discusses her newest book, Velvet Was the Night, and her genre-defying mashups of cultural noir and Lovecraftian horror. Velvet Was the Night is one of The New York Times’ 100 Notable Books of 2021.

Silvia Moreno-Garcia will be joined in conversation with author Gus Moreno. Join us on Zoom.

Wednesday, January 26, 7 p.m.
Register at https://glencarbonlibrary.org/.
This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration between public libraries offering high-quality events.

Changes to Regularly Scheduled Programs

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**DID YOU KNOW?**

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.*

**E- RESOURCES**

**GADGETS / SERVICES**

**Vortex Binoculars**


**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.

**Mobile Hotspots**

Stay connected, wherever you are. Check out a mobile hotspot for instant, trouble-free wireless internet access. Easy to setup and use, they can be checked out for 2 weeks at a time.

**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.

**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.

**ONLINE DATABASES** available to patrons 24/7

- **Gale Books and Authors**
- **Gale in Context Biography**
- **Gale OneFile News**

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Adult Programs

Get Thready – RR
Saturday, February 26th at 11:00am
Celebrate National Embroidery Month with us. Come and get “thready” to learn from an expert embroiderer Yolanda Talbot. During this workshop you will learn to make a small embroidered craft to take home! Masks may be required. Requires Registration

AARP Tax Aid — RR
Fridays - February 4th - April 8
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.

Evening Flow Yoga
Wednesdays | 5:30 pm
January 12, 19, February TBD
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 well-being and feelings of peace and calmness!

Saturday Morning Yoga
Saturday | 9:30 am
January 8, 15, 22, 29
February 5, 12, 19, 26
Instructor: Sarah Hartwig
Start your weekend with an energizing session of yoga.

Plethora of Pens
1st Monday of the Month
6:30 pm
Facilitated by: Susan Carsell
This writing group encourages each other’s creativity and gives support to one another’s work. Mask Required

Adult Zumba w/ Aimee
Thursdays | 6:00 - 7:00 pm
January 6, 13, 20, 27 & February 3, 10, 17, 24
Join us for an evening workout with our very own Zumba Fitness instructor--Aimee! Come in comfortable exercise clothing and bring a water bottle. Space is limited. Mask Required

Beginners Knitting Group
Saturdays | 11:00 - 12:30 pm
January 15, 29
February 5, 26
Instructor: Greta Pastorello
Experience how easy it can be learning 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. Materials list available through the Event Calendar. Mask Required

aRT eXPLoRaTioN
Saturdays | 11:00 - 12:30 pm
January 14
Instructor: Greta Pastorello
December Medium: watercolors
Watercolors are a light and vibrant medium, full of creative possibilities, thanks to its fluidity and surprising effects. No previous art training is required. Materials list available in the Event Calendar on the library website. Mask required.

Medicare Q&A
Mondays | 6:00 pm
January 24 & February 21
Facilitated by: Jon Burgmann
Bring your questions on how to register and what is covered when you sign up for Medicare. Mask required.

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Book Club
Second Tuesday of the Month | 6:30 pm
January 11: Life After Life by Kate Atkinson
February 8: Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult
March 8: I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban by Malala Yousafzai

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. No registration required.

Red Cross Blood Drive
Monday, February 28th at 11:00am

Mask required.

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**Teen Volunteer Shelvers Training**
Saturday, Jan. 22 at 2:00 pm
Are you looking for weekly or biweekly volunteer hours? Do you want to learn skills that will help you get a job? Learn how to be a shelver! We'll train you on the ins and outs of shelving and shelf reading. You must attend the whole session to be eligible to volunteer. **Registration Required**

**Let’s Get Crafty!**
Saturday, January 8 & February 5 at 2:00pm
Join us on our Facebook and YouTube pages for virtual craft time! Reserve a bag of craft supplies to pick up from the library or use items you have at home. Follow along with the tutorial so we can create something wonderful together! **Registration Required**

**Tech Club**
Mondays Twice a month at 6:30pm
January 31, February 7, 21
Youth Entering Grades 3-7
Explore technology and coding in this new club for kids looking to get hands-on experience using different tech! **Registration Required**

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**Storytime**
Mondays & Tuesdays & Saturdays
10:00 am & 10:30 am
January: 4, 10, 15, 18, 24
February: 1, 7, 15, 19, 21
Planned for Pre-K to Kindergarten
*Sing songs, take-home crafts, and interact with us during storytimes! Join us for a socially distanced storytime in our Youth Room! Space is limited; we’ll hand out tokens 30 minutes before each session. Masks are required for everyone over 24 months old.*

**SIUE Tutoring**
Free tutoring for school aged children and teens by SIUE students. We offer both in-person and virtual tutoring! Check our website for more information.

**STEM Activity Kits**
Saturday Once a Month at 2 pm
January 22 & February 19
Do you enjoy exploring science, technology, engineering, and math in fun, crafty ways? Then register for our to-go STEM kits! Once a month, we will dive deep into a project for the whole family! **Register for Kits with Supplies**

**Read with a Dog!**
2nd Monday each Month at 6:30 pm
January 10, February 14
Sit with Woody, a licensed therapy dog, and read a story of your choosing! You’ll have 15 minutes to read and pet a lovable dog! **Registration Required**

**Tech Play Day**
Saturday, January 8 at 1:00 pm
Practice flying our mini drones and play mini-golf with Spheros. Learn how you can submit an object for printing using our new 3D Printer and watch it in action as we print an object. This program is for families with kiddos in grades 3 and up. **Registration opens December 1**

**Teen Time at the Library**
Wednesdays 4:00-6:00 pm, starting January 19th
Join us every Wednesday for a relaxing couple hours of free time with your friends! Enjoy snacks, board games and chill vibes while you hang out. **Masks are required.**

**Trivia on Demand**
January 1-31, February 1-28
A virtual trivia game on your schedule. Trivia will be posted on our website and social media page each month in the summer. Play when you get a chance, then share with your friends to see who is the trivia master!
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Registration available online at [glencarbonlibrary.org](http://glencarbonlibrary.org)

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2022 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: Book Turned into a Movie

DON'T TURN YOUR BACK ON THESE READS
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Public Access & Curbside Hours

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- Library Director: Christine Gerrish

What’s New At The Library? Follow us to find out!

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 events like the Holiday Tree Auction. The Friends of the Library are always looking for new ideas and programs to support the library.

When? The Friends of the Library meet on the third Wednesday of each month 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