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Most programs require advance registration. Contact the library or visit 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 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.

Drop-In Voter Registration

Starting on the **1st and 2nd Mondays in January**, stop by from **11:30am** -**12:30pm** to get registered or update your voter information. Stay tuned for more dates and details as we gear up to make your voting experience as easy as possible!

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 (inhouse use only)

CHECKOUT THESE E-RESOURCES THIS WINTER!



Kanopy is a streaming video service providing quality documentaries, feature films, foreign films and training videos available to public library users. Kanopy offers access to a large, curated catalog of over 30,000 educational, entertaining, and enriching films for adults and children.

Educate Station is a database developed by educators offering a full curriculum for students from preK-5th Grade. Packed with lesson plans and worksheets, it's sure to be a help for our home school community as well as public school families.





AtoZdatabases is the Premier Job Search, Reference & Mailing List Database including 65 million business & executive profiles & 240 million residents. Ideal for sales leads, mailing lists, market research, employment opportunities, finding friends and relatives, and much more!

All you need is your Glenwood-Lynwood Library Card. Click on our E-resources tab at glpld.org for details

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Don't get caught without your library card! Download the SWAN Mobile App & Login.

The **SWAN Libraries +** app is free to all patrons and available for iOS and Android. If you have your phone, you'll have your library card at your fingertips to use the public computers, library databases and to checkout at any of the SWAN libraries. Contact library staff if you need assistance downloading the app.

FROSTY FEST '24 HOLDAY PARTY

Thursday, December 12, 6 - 7:30pm

Bring the whole family for an evening of winter wonder! Enjoy festive activities, crafts, and delicious treats as we celebrate the magic of the season. Don't miss out on the fun — let's create some frosty memories together!



The Popsicle Project

December - February

Starting this December, drop by the library to decorate your own popsicle sticks! Unleash your creativity and help us create a giant collaborative art piece. Each decorated popsicle will be glued together by our staff to form a stunning display that will grow throughout the quarter. Perfect for all ages—come join the fun and leave your mark on this exciting project!





Brown Bag 2nd Tuesday of the Month from 1pm - 3pm

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

Dec. 10 Did You Hear About Kitty Karr by Crystal Smith Paul

Meeting held outside of Library!

- Jan. 14 Fifty Words for Rain by Asha Lemmie
- **Feb. 11** Take My Hand by Dolen Perkins Valdez

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Indigo

4th Saturday of the Month from 11am - 12:30pm

An engaged thought provoking discussion of books written by African- American authors. *Limit 15.*

- Dec. NO MEETING DATE
- Jan. 25 Black Water Rising by Tiya Miles
- Feb. 22 Special Black History Month Selection. See Reference Desk for more details

We are Seeking Children's Book Donations!

Help us inspire young readers! The Glenwood Lynwood Public Library is accepting donations of *gently used children's books in good, usable condition.* Your contribution will help fill our shelves with engaging stories, giving kids access to a variety of books to explore and enjoy. **Donations can be dropped off at the library during regular hours.** Thank you for supporting our community's future readers!



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!

CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Wooden Afro Silhouette Craft Saturday, February 15 10:30am - 12pm

Paint and decorate a wooden silhouette perfect for Black History Month! *Limit 10.*



For the Kids!

DIY African Beads Thursday, February 20 6pm - 7pm

Make your own African beaded bracelet and necklace for Black History Month. **Ages 6-12 years. Limit 8.**



DIY African Masks Wednesday, February 26 6pm - 7pm

Come in and make a DIY African mask. **Ages 6-12 years. Limit 8.**

Knowledge is Power

MLK and the Chicago Freedom Movement: Through the Eyes of Bernard Kleina Saturday, February 1 10am - 12:30pm

Photographer Bernard Kleina will discuss his Chicago Freedom Movement Photography Exhibit, a revealing snapshot of Dr. Martin Luther King's visit and marches in Chicago, capturing the ugliness and beauty of the response to open housing by the people of Chicago.

The True History and Legacy of the Black Panther Party Thursday, February 6 6pm - 7:30pm

Join us for a discussion of the true history and legacy of the Illinois Chapter of Black Panther Party led by the current Executive Director of its Historical Preservation Society, *Ms. Leila Wills*.

Building Black Wealth Thursday, February 20 12pm - 2pm

Join James Butler Sr. and Jaote Wawatu from the House of Muti to learn practical unity-building strategies that can help transform your family into a winning team.

LIBRARY LOOKOUTS

Discount Passes

Save money this summer and enjoy some of the best venues the Chicagoland area has to offer with discount passes available at the library. **See the Services tab on our website for details.**

Explore More Illinois -- Provides discounts at museums, performing arts centers, park districts and more state-wide.

Museum Adventure Pass -- Get free or reduced-price admission at participating Chicagoland museums.

Museum for All -- Get free or reduced-price admission to museums across the country to anyone receiving SNAP benefits.



Calling Young Artists!

Glenwood Lynwood Public Library is excited to launch a Kidspace Art Wall,

and we're looking for creative kids to fill it with their masterpieces! **Our first theme is "All Things New."** Stop by the library to pick up your paper, create your artwork at home, and bring it back by January 10th for us to frame and display. Certain guidelines apply—pick those up when you get your paper. Let's bring the wall to life with your art!



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

Feeling Crafty?

Vintage Christmas Ornament Wednesday, December 4 5pm - 6pm

Jadeite, with its stunning green hue and timeless appeal, is admired as a symbol of beauty and serenity. Come create your very own jadeite ornament, adding a touch of elegance to your home decor without breaking the bank. **Limit 12.**



Do It on a Dime: Christmas Edition Wednesday, December 11 6pm - 7:30pm

Learn how to fool your guests into believing you spent all your time getting ready for your festive holiday party when we show you how to entertain for Christmas on a dime. *Limit 12.*



Adult Candy Land Ornament Wednesday, December 18 2pm - 3pm

Make your tree the sweetest thing to behold with these simple Candyland -inspired ornaments. *Limit 12.*

Second Chance Crafts Wednesday, January 29 2pm - 4pm

Did you miss out making a craft we previously offered? Help us clean out our coffers to make way for new and exciting crafts. *Previously offered craft projects will be available and quantities are limited.*



Save your Spot! Go to glpld.org to register in-advance for all our programs!



Live Laugh Learn

Sip and Play Thursdays: Dec. 19, Jan. 9, Feb. 13 6pm - 7:30pm

New dates, same great evenings of fun times, good games, and great drinks. Bring your friends (or meet new ones!) **Snacks will be provided.** *Ages 21+. Limit 25*.

New Year Declutter Wednesday, January 8 6pm - 7pm

In this presentation, examine the how and why behind our emotional connection to things and learn helpful steps to effectively declutter the spaces in which we live.



Investment Club Portfolio Builders Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday: Jan. 14 & 28, Feb. 11 & 25 6pm - 7:30pm

Discover the basics of portfolio building and investment strategies at our Investment Club, perfect for beginners and seasoned investors alike. Learn how to diversify, manage risk, and grow your wealth with expert tips in a collaborative setting at the library! **Limit 12.**

Love is in the Air

Couple Candle Making Wednesday February 5 5pm - 7pm

Join us for a fun Couples Candle Making workshop at the library, hosted by Candles by Tanesha. Create your own custom-scented candles while enjoying a unique, hands-on experience together! *Limit 24.*



Heart Art Wednesday, February 12 5pm - 6:30pm

This beautiful abstract heart art project is quick, easy, and can be done by anyone. It also makes for a great homemade Valentine's Day gift. Make your own beautiful heart art with us.



Moving and Movies

Monday Morning Movie: The Forge Monday, December 16 Movie Starts at 10:00 AM

Bring your friends for a chance to watch and discuss one of the most talked about movies this year: *The Forge. Limit 25.*



THE FORGE

Tai Chi *Thursdays: January 2, 9, 16, & 30* 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 25.**



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Let's get Crafty!

Made to Create Fridays each month 12:30pm - 1:45pm

A craft program specifically for our Seniors. Make your décor for the holidays. *Limit 12.*

Dec. 13	Holiday Scene Magnet
Jan. 10	Melted Snowman Decor
Feb. 7	Canvas Tote Bag

Crochet Corner Every 2nd and 4th Saturday: Dec. 14 & 28, Jan. 11 & 25, & Feb. 8 & 22 10am - 12pm

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

Limit 12.



AGEOPTIONS.

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

Funds for this programming were provided through an award from **AgeOptions** through funding from the **American Rescue Plan Act.**

All adults are welcome to attend!



Never Too Old to Learn!

Veterans Medicare Seminar Wednesday, December 4 11am - 1pm

Explore your Medicare options as a veteran and understand how it complements existing coverage, including VA healthcare, TRICARE for Life, and CHAMPVA. Learn about eligibility, enrollment periods, and creditable coverage.



SNAP & Benefits Enrollment Day Tuesday, January 28 12pm - 2pm

Schedule an apointment with AgeOptions' Benefit Enrollment specialists will help seniors find and enroll in all the benefits programs for which they are eligible. AgeOptions is a nonprofit organization connecting older adults (and those who care for them) with resources and services to live fulffiled lives. **Registration required.**

Senior Lunch and Learn Thursdays: Jan. 23, Feb. 27, Mar. 27 10am - 12pm

Join Yvette Roberts for a 3-part series that will examine all things nutrition and its impact on overall health. You'll explore the interplay between diet, health and fitness with the goal of achieving and maintaining optimal eating habits This program was partially funded by Age Options. **Limit 20.**



Medicare 101 Tuesday, February 4 11am - 1pm

Confused about Medicare Parts A, B, C, and D? Join us to learn the basics, explore plan options, and understand recent changes to Medicare for 2025!

What you'll Learn:

- What is Original Medicare, and is it enough?
- The differences between Medicare Advantage and Supplement Plans.
- Changes to Medicare in 2025 that you need to know about.





Teen Anime Club Mondays: Dec. 2, Jan. 6, Feb. 3 5pm - 7pm

We will watch and discuss new anime episodes and do an anime related activity.



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

Use basic crafting skills to create cool projects. All skill levels welcome! **Ages 12+. Limit 12.**

- **Dec. 9** Hanging ornament
- Jan. 13 Color Changing Cups
- Feb. 10 Canvas Tote Bag

Teen Treats for the Holidays Thursday, December 19 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Join us to make delicious holiday treats, from peppermint bark to chocolate-dipped goodies. Bring your holiday spirit and sweet tooth for an afternoon of tasty fun, perfect for sharing or keeping for yourself!



Video Game Club Every 3rd Saturday

Unlimited gaming on our gaming PC, PS5 console, XBOX, or Switch.

- Dec. 21 Smash Bros. tournament Starts at 9:30am
 Jan. 18 Mariokart Tournament Starts at 9:30am
 Feb. 15 Gaming Round Table
 - eb. 15 Gaming Round Table Starts at 10am. Limit 12.

Lunar New Year Party Thursday, January 16 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Celebrate Lunar New Year at the Library! Discover the traditions of Lunar New Year while enjoying an evening filled with movies, crafts, and fun. All supplies provided—just bring your creativity!



Vintage Candy Fest Thursday, February 13 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Step back in time for a sweet celebration at our Vintage Candy Fest, where teens can sample classic treats, play retro games, and experience the nostalgia of oldfashioned candy culture!



Tall Tales with Thomas Tuesday, December 10 10:30am - 11am

Bring the kids in for a fun Storytime with Thomas. *Limit 15.*



Snowman Friend Craft Tuesday, December 17 6pm - 7pm

Come create a cute snowman friend for the winter season. Age Limit 6-12 years. *Limit 8.*

Winter Owl Art Tuesday, January 21

6pm - 7pm

Come create a scenic winter owl craft. **Ages 6-12 years. Limit 8.**



Winter Scratch Art Craft Monday, January 27 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Scratch out a beautiful wintery masterpiece with this simple and fun craft! **Ages 6-12 years. Limit 8.**



Elemental Rock Painting Party Thursday, February 27 5:30pm - 7pm

Join us for a magical crafting adventure inspired by the movie Elemental! Kids can paint rocks to represent Earth, Fire, Water, and Air, and bring their creations to life with fun decorations. Come watch the movie, get creative, and explore the elements in a hands-on way! All supplies provided. **Ages 6-12 years. Limit 8.**



MULTI-GENERATIONAL

Register, Relax & Repeat

Monthly Writing Club <u>ADULTS:</u> 2pm - 4pm Tuesdays: Dec. 3, Jan. 7, Feb. 4 <u>TEENS:</u> 10am - 12pm Saturdays: Dec. 7, Jan. 4, Feb. 1

Join Information Services Librarian Caroline once a month to improve your writing skills and get to know other writers in the community. The class is not genre specific, so whether you write fiction, non-fiction, or poetry, you can participate. Writers of any skill level are welcome—you don't have to be "good"; you just have to be willing! *Limit 20.*



Journal Making & Bookbinding Thursdays each month

Learn how to make your own journal using a traditional Japanese method! In this class, we will use Japanese four-hole binding to stitch together blank paper pages and decorative covers to make a one-of-a-kind

journal. Limit 10.

Dec. 5	Christmas Themed 1pm - 2:30pm
Jan. 9	New Year's Resolutions 10am - 11:30am
Feb. 6	Valentine's Day Themec 5:30pm - 7pm

Fun For You and the Family Too!

Holiday Cookie Jar Craft Tuesday, December 10 6pm - 7pm

Warm and comforting holiday cookies will only be a few minutes away after you finish this fun and delicious craft! *Limited to one jar per household. Limit 15.*

Ugly Christmas Sweater Decorating Kit Friday, December 20 WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

Enjoy the spirit of the season by decorating your very own ugly Christmas sweater. We'll have kits with all you need to make yours the ugliest!



Lyrically Correct Friday, January 24 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.**

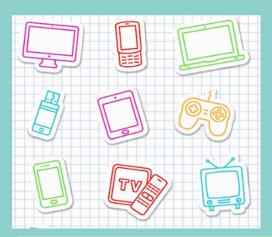
COMPUTER CLASSES

Learn a New Skill!

Tech with Marcus Wednesdays each month 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Join us for a hands-on tech class led by Marcus, where you'll learn essential skills in a relaxed and supportive environment. Perfect for beginners looking to boost their knowledge with everyday technology. **Limit 13.**

- Dec. 11 Basic of Pre-Installed Phone apps.
- Jan. 22 Library E-Books and "What is Libby?"
- Feb. 26 Free movies with Kanopy



Class is Back in Session!



Computer 101 Wednesdays OR Fridays Classes begin Wednesday Jan. 8 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 during both days. Limit 13 per class. You can only register for either Wednesday classes OR Friday classes. You must sign up for that first week or else you will have to wait until March.

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 wrap up a year of fun and celebration for the 50th Anniversary of the Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library District, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks for your support throughout 2024!

With the Holidays approaching, if you're looking for gift ideas, we have some wonderful options for you: \$3 Bags of Books, \$20 50th Anniversary Memory Book, or a \$50 Memorial Bricks! (We accept cash, checks, or Zelle at friendsofthelibrary59@yahoo.com.)

Consider joining our fantastic group of Friends who volunteer their time and knowledge! You can find a volunteer form located on top of the bookshelves near the coffee area. You're also invited to our meeting on Wednesday, December 11 @ 1 PM in the Glenwood-Lynwood Library meeting room. Also feel free to share any fundraising ideas with us at friendsofthelibrary59@yahoo.com.

Mark your calendars for Frosty Fest on December 12, 2024! Bring the kids to enjoy our craft table and cookie decorating station. Wishing you Happy Holidays from all of us at the Friends of the Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library District!

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.



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The Library will be CLOSED the following days:

Friday, Dec. 6 – Staff Day Tuesday, Dec. 24 – Christmas Wednesday, Dec. 25 - Christmas Thursday, Dec. 26 - Friday, Dec. 27 - Christmas Friday, Dec. 31 – New Year's Holiday Saturday, Jan. 1 – New Year's Holiday Monday, Jan. 20 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, Feb. 17 – 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 Eugeneia White, Vice President Barbara Elmore, Treasurer Patrice Smith, Trustee Linda Tatum, Trustee Doranita Tyler, Trustee DeShaise Frierson, Trustee Brian Vagt, Library Director

AM-8PM	Mon.
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