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ZOMBIES!

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR THE ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE?

The Discovery Center in Rockford is coming back to GPL on Thursday, November 8th at 3:00 pm with their hands-on Zombies! class. Find out how the brain works, build a giant neuron, find the origin of an infectious zombie virus, and create a cure for the undead.

This class is geared for those in grades 3 – 8 and there is a max of 30 kids for the class.

Call the library at 815-784-2627 to reserve your spot in the class today!



NOVEMBER IS...

National Family Literacy Month

Families that read together, succeed together!

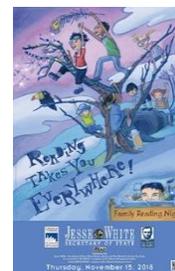
Sponsored by Illinois Secretary of State and State Librarian, Jesse White, and the Illinois Center for the Book, Family Reading Night is an annual statewide event held the third Thursday in November to encourage families to spend quality time reading together. This year Family Reading Night will be **November 15, 2018**.

Thousands of colorful posters and bookmarks have been distributed by the Illinois State Library to libraries, schools and literacy programs across the state to promote Family Reading Night events. The Illinois Library Association iREAD theme of "Reading Takes You Everywhere" from the summer will continue for this event.

This is the 27th year that the Secretary of State's office has sponsored Family Reading

Night. All events are free and open to the public.

"This is a night when families are urged to turn off televisions, computers, phones, video games and other electronic devices and spend time reading together," White said. "Reading together creates a positive learning environment and helps children develop language skills, comprehension and a love for reading that can last a lifetime."

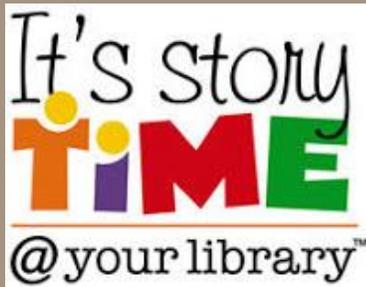


The Genoa Public Library will be hosting a "Dinovenember" Family Reading Night Story Time event on Thursday, November 15th at 6:30 pm in our Event Room. Come for stories, snacks, and a craft. This is an all ages event. Please register at the library or by calling 815-784-2627.

for the young ones >>>

Preschool Storytime

Join Miss Alyssa on Wednesday mornings from 10:30 - 11 am. We have lots of fun reading stories, singing songs, making crafts, and doing activities. Our program is geared for children ages 2 - 5 although younger siblings are most welcome! No registration required.



Special Themed Storytime Dates:

Giving Thanks

November 14, 2018

Gingerbread House Decorating

December 12, 2018

Static Electricity Day

January 9, 2019

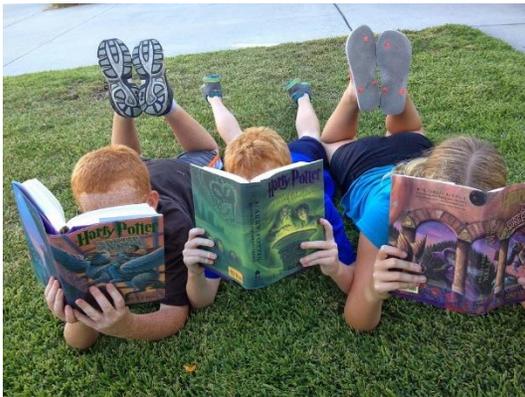
Stuffed Animal Sleepover

January 23, 2019

Valentine's Day

February 13, 2019

No Storytime on 11/21, 12/26, 01/02 or 03/27



craft times >>>

Get Ready For the Holidays!

Holiday crafting will be a breeze with our easy Tinsel Garland Wreath class on Sunday, November 18th from 1 pm – 3 pm. The wreath form, tinsel garland, ball ornaments, and ribbon will be provided in the class. Participants may bring extra decorations for their wreath if they like. Open to ages 14+. Please register by November 15th. There is a 15 person max to the class.



Novel Newts!

Our newest addition is our Youth Book Club and Creative Writing Group aimed for those in grades 5 - 8.

Join Miss Alyssa once a month on the 3rd Tuesday of each month (except November when they will meet on the 2nd Tuesday) from 6 – 7:30 pm where books and how to write creatively will be discussed. Snacks and drinks are always provided.

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Food For Fines Amnesty Month

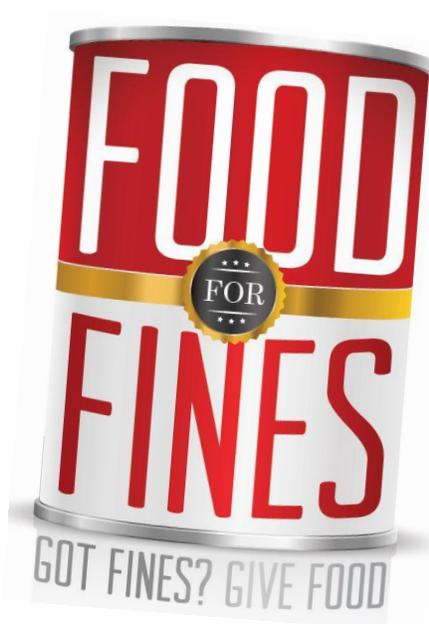
Every year in November families gather around the table to enjoy a feast of turkey, cranberries, stuffing, and pumpkin pie. These memories stay with us as our children grow and move on to begin new traditions with their own families. However for our neighbors in need who are facing hunger, a special holiday meal is out of reach.



The Genoa Public Library is partnering with the local food pantry hosted by Faith United Methodist Church in Genoa for our Food For Fines Amnesty Month. For every boxed or canned item that you bring to the Library during the month of November, one dollar of fines will be waived from your account. See the list below for requested items from the Food Pantry to help fill their Holiday Meal Boxes. The amnesty does not apply to billed items, replacement fees, or fines from other libraries. Do something good for your neighbors and help yourself at the same time!

Items requested by the Food Pantry:

- Can/Jar of gravy
- Canned pumpkin
- Canned corn
- Canned green beans
- Canned sweet potatoes
- Canned cranberry sauce
- Cream of Mushroom soup
- Boxed stuffing mix
- Boxed instant potatoes



Monthly Adult Book Club

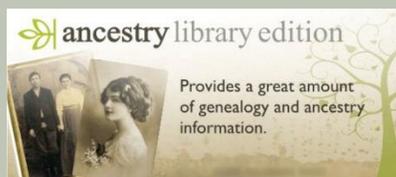
Our long-running adult book club meets monthly on the 4th Monday of each month (except on a holiday) at 7 pm in the Program Room. Books are provided to club members whether a library card holder or not. For more information, contact Adrienne at the library 815-784-2627.

Now Showing: *Incredibles 2*

Join us for our annual pre-Thanksgiving Day movie extravaganza on Wednesday, November 21st at 3 pm! We will be showing **Incredibles 2** (rated PG) in our Event Room on our large 80" movie screen. Snacks, covered drinks, blankets, and friends are most welcome! The kick-off to the holiday weekend happens at the Genoa Public Library!

database spotlight >>>

Ancestry Library Edition



Ancestry Library Edition brings the world's most popular consumer online genealogy resource to your library. It's an unprecedented online collection of individuals from North America, the United Kingdom, Europe, Australia, and more. Answers await everyone—whether professional or hobbyist, expert or novice, genealogist or historian—inside the more than 7,000 available databases. Here, you can unlock the story of you with sources like censuses, vital records, immigration records, family histories, military records, court and legal documents, directories, photos, maps, and more. And with ongoing updates and new content always being added, you'll keep coming back to discover more. Start your family research on one of our library computers today!



our services...

The Genoa Public Library is more than just books (or ebooks)! We have DVDs, magazines, audio books, music CDs, and large print books that are available for circulation. We have 8 patron computers available plus two catalog computers and one self-checkout kiosk. We provide free WiFi for all of your devices. The library is also equipped to provide you with copy and scan services as well as faxing. We have recently added more electronic databases and resources to our offerings – check out our website for a complete listing.



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We pride ourselves on providing quality programming to our patrons. Please check out our calendar below:

National Game and Puzzle Week November 18 – 24:

At the Genoa Public Library, we love celebrating the little things. In honor of National Game and Puzzle Week, the library will be putting out its puzzle table again. We have a brand new puzzle that we think you will enjoy! As always, feel free to work on the puzzle whenever you come in - whether it's a few minutes or an hour – we enjoy seeing the daily progress made by our patrons.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7	Preschool Storytime	10:30 am
8	Elder Care Visit	11 – 12:30 pm
8	ZOMBIES! class (R)	3:00 pm
13	Novel Newts	6 – 7: 30 pm
14	Preschool Storytime	10:30 am
15	Family Reading Night (R)	6:30 pm
18	Tinsel Garland Wreath craft (R)	1 – 3 pm
19	Board Meeting	7 pm
21	Showing: Incredibles 2 (PG)	3 pm
21	Closing Early	5 pm
22	Happy Thanksgiving	CLOSED
26	Book Club	7 pm
28	Preschool Storytime	10:30 am