# Gold Coast Public Library Powered by community

## 2025 Will Be A Banner Year At The Library!

The Board of Trustees and Staff wish you a Happy, Healthy New Year! We look forward to a very exciting spring and summer and hope you will join us in celebration. The new building at 146 Glen Head Road is in the final stages of construction. Excitement about the possibilities and opportunities it provides is growing! Staff members have already begun preparing for the move; and, now that exterior walls are in place, completing the interior and obtaining a Certificate of Occupancy are top priorities.

Summer Reading 2025 ideas are brewing and, as always, there will be fun kick-off events for all ages in June. This summer also marks the twentieth anniversary of the day the first Library building opened at 50 Railroad Avenue, on August 1st, 2005. Some of you may recall the days when there wasn't a public library in this area! The Gold Coast Public Library has always been—and will continue to be—'Powered by Community.' You, our patrons, are what make it so special; we thank you for your support and look forward to seeing you!









## **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**

Registration begins Tuesday, January 7th, at 9:30AM for Gold Coast Public Library District Residents and Tuesday, January 14th, for Non-Residents. Prior to each program, you are contacted by either email or telephone to confirm your attendance. If attendance is not confirmed, wait-listed people are invited to the program so that as many children as possible can be accommodated.

## **Preschool Series Programs**

## **Tea Time**

Friday, February 28 • 10AM

Ages 3 to 24 Months

Tea Time is a great way to meet other parents and discuss the challenges of raising children. It's also a fun time for children to meet and play together.

## **Play Hooray**

Ages 3 to 24 Months • 10AM

## **Play Hooray Kids**

Ages 25 Months to 4 Yrs • 11AM

Thursday, January 16 Thursday, February 6 Wednesday, February 26 Monday, March 3

Interactive classes filled with music and movement activities based on a theme.



#### **Father Goose**

Monday, January 13 • 10AM Monday, February 10 • 10AM

Ages 12 to 35 Months

A thirty-minute Circle Time filled with nursery rhymes, stories, and songs.

#### **A Time for Kids**

Thursday, January 23 • 10AM Wednesday, February 19 • 10AM

Ages 18 Months to 5 Years

A fun, interactive adult and child educational experience that helps children gain important school readiness and developmental growth skills.

## **Tots' Night Out**

Tuesday, January 14th • 6РМ Tuesday, February 4th • 6РМ

Ages 18 Mos. to 5 Years

Have fun before bedtime with *A Time For Kids!* 

## Jump Bunch Sports and Fitness for Kids

Friday, January 17 • 10AM

*Ages 2 1/2 to 5 years* 

Jump Bunch for toddlers is a sports-oriented class that uses brightly colored foam balls and other simple toys; these grab their attention and improve their basic motor skills and hand-eye coordination.



## Wigglin' Wednesdays

Wednesday, January 22 • 10AM Wednesday, February 12 • 10AM

Ages 3 to 5 Years

Parents and children are invited to not only hear great stories read by Mr. V but also to get up and dance to great song classics!

## **Weekend Family Storytime**

Saturday, January 25 • 11AM

All Ages

Join Miss Amanda for this fun storytime! We'll read stories together, then make a craft!

## **Lego Duplo Storytime**

Friday, January 10 • 10AM Friday, February 21 • 10AM

Ages 2-5

Join Miss Alex for a fun STEMrelated storytime; we read stories, sing songs, and build using Lego Duplo.

## Miss Alex's Lovebug-Themed Storytime

Friday, February 14 • 10AM

*Ages 2-5* 

Join Miss Alex for a Valentine's Day storytime; we read interactive books, learn fingerplays, dance, sing and make a craft!



## **Grades K-5**

## **Winter Sky Wreath**

Saturday, January 25 • 3PM

Grades K-5

Join the fun with Miss Shirley.

Decorate a large cardboard wreath with a winter sky and snowy forest.

Perfect to hang on your door to celebrate the winter season!

## Love Ya Hedgehog

Saturday, February 8 • 3PM

Grades K-5

Miss Shirley shows you how to create a cute hedgehog on canvas; a 3-D heart shows his love!

## **Piñata Filled Cupcakes**

Monday, February 24 • 4:30PM

Grades K-5

Decorate and fill cupcakes with fun candy! After creating your special treat, play some fun Chef Rob games.



## **Lego Club**

Monday, January 6th • 4Pм Monday, February 3rd • 4Pм

Grades K-5

We supply the LEGO®, you supply the creativity! Join the LEGO® Club to freely imagine and build to your heart's content!



## **Family Apple Brownies**

Monday, January 27 • 4:30PM

For Adults and Children Grades K-5

Adults and children work together to make scrumptious apple brownies, a great treat all year round; then the children play some fun Chef Rob games.



## **STEAM To-Go-Kit Hybrid Programs for Grades K-2**

The following programs each have 15 in-person spaces to attend in the Library Annex and 20 To-Go Kits if you want to do the craft at home. When registering, you must choose either in-person OR To-Go Kit.

### **STEAM: Snowman!**

Thursday, January 16 • 4PM

Grades K-2

Let's build some snowman crafts and do an exploding snowman experiment with Miss Alex!

## **STEAM: Lovebugs!**

Thursday, February 20 • 4PM

Grades K-2

Let's celebrate the month of love with Miss Alex by making heart and love bug-themed crafts and experiments!

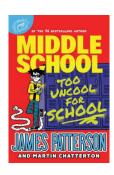
## **Join the Winter Reading Club!**

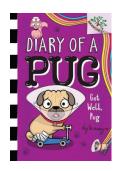
## **Open to Children of All Ages, Now Through February 20th!**

Make the most of your winter break and be eligible to enter a drawing for a fantastic prize! Read or listen to "grade-level appropriate books" and compile a reading record at the library. Please don't hesitate to ask a librarian if you need help finding a book to read! Winter Reading Club ends February 20th, so start reading now!

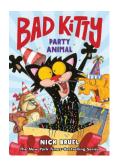


Check out these upcoming titles that you can read during Winter Reading!









## **'TWEEN PROGRAMS (GRADES 3-6)**

#### 'Tween Book Club

Friday, February 28th • 4PM

Grades 3-5

To celebrate the author Jacqueline Davies, our picks for this month are *The Lemonade War* and *Sydney and Taylor Explore the Whole Wide World*. Choose one book OR get both at the Circulation Desk. Even if you don't finish the book, you can still come to Book Club! We do fun book-themed activities as well!





## **Sea Creatures Comic Workshop**

Monday, January 13 • 4РМ

Grades 3-6

Join the fun! Mr. Scott teaches a step-by-step process to draw amazing sea creatures.



## **Colorful Button Bouquets**

Saturday, February 22nd • 4PM

Grades 3-6

Hey, 'Tweens! Making a bouquet of flowers using buttons, wire, and felt is a delightful and whimsical craft! Your colorful arrangement will look charming in a salt shaker vase!



# YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS (GRADES 6-12)

## **Astrology Birth Chart**

Tuesday, January 28th • 7PM

Grades 6-12 and Adults

After you provide your birthday, birth time and location, Jackie of *Jack of Diamonds Creations* teaches you how to read your birth chart and understand the significance of your big signs. Learn how these can factor into your personality and journey through life! Attendees leave with a personalized packet of their birth charts and signs, as well as an understanding of astrological charts!

## **3D Build Your Own Dragon Workshop**

Tuesday, February 18 • 7PM

Grades 6-12

Do something fun on winter break and build your own 3D printed dragon! After learning about 3D printing, choose 3D pieces and assemble them however you want to make your own unique dragon.



#### **No-Bake Makes**

**Chinese New Year** 

Tuesday, January 21 • 7PM

Valentine's Day

Tuesday, February 11 • 7PM

Grades 6-12

Join Teen Librarian Alex for a chill night of making themed holiday treats that require no baking. Play holiday-themed trivia games too!



## **DIY Craft Programming for Grades 6-12**

For To-Go Kit programs, you must register to reserve your kit. An email is sent prior to the program date with pickup instructions. Kits not picked up within two weeks of the program date are offered to those on the wait-lists.

## **DIY Snowflake Clings Kit**

### Wednesday, January 8

Grades 6-12

Decorate your bedroom windows with DIY snowflake window clings!



## **DIY Macramé Hearts Kit**

#### Wednesday, February 12

Grades 6-12

Learn how to DIY cute macramé hearts with only pipe cleaners, cord, and a comb!



## **Check Out These Upcoming Titles!**









# COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES (GRADES 6-12)

## **Teen Program Volunteers**

Grades 9-12

Earn 2 community service hours helping with children's programs listed below. To volunteer, email Teen Librarian Alex (acivorelli@ goldcoastlibrary.org) as soon as you can before spots are taken!

January Lego Club

January 6th • 3:45-5РМ

**January STEAM** 

January 16th • 3:30 - 5:30PM

February Lego Club

February 3rd • 3:45-5PM

**February STEAM** 

February 20th • 3:30 - 5:30PM

## **Saturday Volunteers**

Grades 6-12

Busy throughout the week but would like to help out at the library? Email Teen Librarian Alex at acivorelli@goldcoastlibrary.org to arrange a time on a Saturday to volunteer. Help with projects and prepare for upcoming programs for the children's and teen departments, and receive community service hours!

## **Earn Hours for Input!**

You're getting your own Teen Space in the new library, and we want to hear from you about how to make it the best place it can be for your entertainment, studying and reading needs! Visit our website <a href="https://www.goldcoastlibrary.org/young\_adults">www.goldcoastlibrary.org/young\_adults</a> or Instagram at @gcplteens and fill out the Google form with your honest input about what you'd like to see in the new space. Earn 1 hour of community service for your submission!

# NEW ADULT PROGRAMMING (AGES 18 AND UP)

## **Book Page Wreath To Go Kit**

Friday, February 7th

Creating a wreath from book pages is a wonderfully creative way to repurpose old books and add a touch of literary charm to your home décor. Whether for a cozy reading nook or as a thoughtful gift for a book lover, this craft is a perfect blend of creativity and sustainability!



## **ADULT PROGRAMS**

Registration begins, online or in-person, Tuesday, January 7th @ 9:30AM for GCPL District Residents and Tuesday, January 14th for Non-Residents. Where there is a fee, you must register in-person at the Library Circulation Desk.

## **Butterfly Globe**

Monday, January 6th 2рм OR 7рм

Get ready for spring making a beautiful butterfly globe under the guidance of Lisa Colon.

## Retirement Options for Small Business Owners

Monday, January 13th • 7PM

Presenter Jon Totillo explores all options available to small business owners. Determine the most tax-efficient strategies available to you. Discover how provisions of the SECURE 2.0 Act apply and how they can assist you in the implementation of your plan. Learn how to maximize benefits to your organization and employees, even if you already have a plan in place.

## **Stemless Goblets**

Wednesday, January 22nd • 6:30pm

Warm up this winter sipping from the adorable stemless goblet you've hand-painted with Shirley Ruby's help.

## **Homemade Tea Sachets**

Wednesday, January 29th • 7PM

Lisa Colon guides you in making beautiful tea sachets to enjoy yourself or give as a gift.



## **Chocolate Dipped Strawberries**

Saturday, February 1st • 11AM

Learn the art of making professional-looking chocolate dipped strawberries with *Thems the Breaks Chocolate*...just in time to give that special someone a sweet gift for Valentine's Day.

## **Découpage Tea Lights**

Monday, February 3rd • 7PM

Découpage a set of two tea lights with the help of Christin Nash. *A non-refundable \$7 fee is due at registration.* 



## Winter Solstice Painting on Glass

Wednesday, February 5th • 7PM

Under the guidance of Doris Benter, paint a delightful winter solstice scene on glass.

## **Pentagon Baby Balls**

Thursday, February 6th • 2PM

Ever wondered if you would like quilting? This is the perfect class for you to find out as you make a pentagon baby ball.



## **Winter Sunset Painting**

Thursday, February 13th • 7PM

Kristen Duer guides you through painting a beautiful winter sunset.

## **Basic Sewing Class**

Wednesday, February 26th • 7PM

Class will cover a couple of basic hand-sewing stitches, and techniques for reattaching buttons, closing an open seam, and (if there is time) fixing a fallen hem. Each student will have the opportunity to make a small pin-cushion or needle book using the stitches being taught.

If you have items that need buttons reattached, feel free to bring them along for practice. Otherwise, sample materials to work on will be provided.

## **Learn to Cook at the Library**

## Thai Lettuce Wraps and Glazed Shrimp

Monday, Jan. 27th • 6:30PM

Get ready to devour two Chef Rob standouts! Thai lettuce wraps with Beef and Scallion made with Ground Beef, Ginger Carrots and Green Onions; and Glazed Shrimp with Chinese Plum Sauce. A non-refundable \$5 fee is due at registration.

#### **Best Chocolate Cookies Ever**

Monday, Feb. 24th • 6:30PM

Chef Rob helps you prepare the most delicious chocolate cookies ever! *Please bring one large bowl, one medium bowl, a spatula, and a cookie tray. A non-refundable \$5 fee is due at registration.* 

#### In Stitches

Mondays 2 - 3:30PM Tuesdays after MLK Jr. Day and Presidents' Day

Learn to crochet or knit in a warm, friendly environment. Enjoy the camaraderie while learning a new skill or improving on skills you already have. Work on your own or on a group project.

## **Leprechaun Hat**

Monday, March 3 • 7PM

Make delicious Leprechaun Hats with *Thems the Breaks Chocolate* just in time for St. Patrick's Day!



#### **Book Art Bird House**

Wednesday, March 5 • 2PM

Make a unique springtime decoration from a book under the guidance of Shirley Ruby.

## **Defensive Driving**

Thursday, March 6th • 9AM- 3PM Visit goldcoastlibrary.org/defensivedriving for details.

## **UPCOMING LECTURES**

All of these programs are offered via Zoom. Registration is required; access information is sent via email shortly before the program.

## **North Shore Programming Consortium**

The Gold Coast, Glen Cove, Oyster Bay-East Norwich, Locust Valley, Sea Cliff and Bayville Libraries have formed the NSPC in order to offer a wide variety of educational and entertaining lectures in a cost-effective way.



Check out this newsletters featured lectures! For a full schedule of upcoming NSPC lectures visit nspc.library.org.

## **Expressions of Illusion**

Friday, January 31st • 2PM

For centuries, artists have employed illusions to create visual expressions that allure viewers.

Trompe l'oeil - French for 'deceive the eye' - remains a technique and can mean many things. Be prepared to be tricked as you uncover the illusions!

#### **Italian Americans**

## Thursday, February 20th • 2PM

It has been said that Joe DiMaggio and Frank Sinatra probably did more than anyone else in their time to bring Italian-Americans into the mainstream of 1930s and 1940s popular culture. Thousands since then—including baseball players, actors, and singers—have changed American culture.

## **The Girl from Ipanema**

Tuesday, March 4th • 7PM

The Bossa Nova sound originated in Rio de Janiero, home to the Copacabana and Ipanema beaches. *The Girl from Ipanema* won a Grammy for Record of the year in 1965. Rio, a city of contrasts, features one of the seven wonders of the modern world, the pre-Lenten celebration Carnaval, and striking favelas. The city comes alive through the music of Antonio Carlos Jobin, including the Sinatra recordings, Sergio Mendes and Elis Regina.



## **Genealogy Collective**

## Organize Like an Archivist: Taming Genealogy Records and Research

Tuesday, January 14th • 7PM

Archivist, librarian, and genealogist Nancy Loe has been helping researchers with their family trees since 1977. She specializes in US and European family history research and has presented at webinars and conferences in the US, Canada, and Australia, including NGS and Rootstech.

## Tracking Down Your Eastern European Ancestors

Tuesday, February 11th • 7PM

In spite of the many wars, boundary changes, and political and natural catastrophes, an astonishing number of records exist for our Eastern European ancestors, both here and abroad. Even if you don't speak any foreign languages, you can still find great information about your overseas ancestors. Explore strategies for locating ancestral places of origin, uncovering original names, finding and requesting records, understanding the documents, and coping with language challenges.

## **READER'S CORNER**

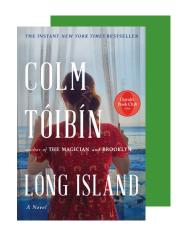
## **Good Reads with Sarah Siegel**

Good Reads book discussions are held in-person in the Library Annex. Register either online or at the Reference Desk. You can reserve copies of the books either online or by speaking with a Librarian at the Reference Desk.

## Long Island by Colm Tóibín

## Wednesday, January 15th • 6PM

A young Irish woman, Eilis Lacey, is married to plumber Tony Fiorello, one of four Italian-American brothers who live in neighboring houses in Lindenhurst, Long Island. Along with their wives, children and Tony's parents, this huge extended family lives, works, eats, and plays together. Now it is 1976 and Eilis, in her forties with two teenage



children, has no one to rely on in this still-new country. One day, when Tony is at his job and Eilis is in her home office doing her accounting, an Irishman comes to the door. He tells her that his wife is pregnant with Tony's child and that, when the baby is born, he will not raise it but instead will leave it on Eilis's doorstep.

## Tell Me Everything by Elizabeth Strout

## Wednesday, February 19th •

While defending a lonely, isolated man accused of killing his mother, town lawyer Bob Burgess falls into a deep and abiding friendship with acclaimed writer Lucy Barton; together they meet curmudgeonly Olive Kitteridge and spend afternoons in Olive's apartment, telling each other stories which imbue their lives with meaning.



#### **Blood Drive**

## Tuesday, January 7th • 1-7РМ

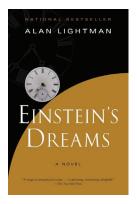
Save a life! Stop by the Annex, donate a pint of blood, and help three people in need.

## The Glad Scientists Book Discussions

## Einstein's Dreams by Alan Lightman

## Wednesday, January 8th • 7:30рм

A fictional recreation of Einstein's discovery of the nature of time follows the young Albert through 1905 Bern, Switzerland, as he sorts through the dreams that have persisted in his mind for several months.



## Virtual Author Visits All Year Long!

## Co-Sponsored by Friends of the Gold Coast Library

The Gold Coast Public Library has joined the Library Speakers Consortium to bring you access to the most interesting and impactful authors of our time. Tune in live and be part of the conversation, or watch the recordings on your own schedule after they happen. This program will continue throughout the year, so look for additional authors in future newsletters! Upcoming speakers include the NY Times and USA Today Bestselling Author TJ Klune on January 15th at 7:00pm.



## FRIDAYS ARE MOVIE DAYS AT THE LIBRARY

Nominees for the 97th annual Academy Award® ceremony are announced in January. The movie schedule features a Best Picture winner from each 20th century decade and one from the 21st century.

Movies are shown in the Library Annex on Friday afternoons at 2PM. Door opens at 1:45PM.

## 1920s: Wings (1927)

#### January 3

The first film to win the Academy Award for Best Picture, this timeless story of love and loss follows two men who go to war and the girl they leave behind. Clara Bow stars alongside Richard Arlen, Charles "Buddy" Rogers, and the legendary Gary Cooper in a cameo appearance.

(2 Hours, 24 Minutes)

## 1930s: Grand Hotel (1932)

#### January 10

At a luxurious Berlin hotel, a oncewealthy Baron (John Barrymore) supports himself as a thief and gambler. He romances an aging ballerina (Greta Garbo), and teams with a dying accountant (Lionel Barrymore) against his former boss (Wallace Beery). Joan Crawford stars as the flip stenographer.

(1 Hour, 52 Minutes)

## **1940s: The Lost Weekend (1945)**

#### January 17

Ray Milland portrays a wouldbe writer whose dissatisfaction with life leads to a self-destructive three-day binge. Filled with riveting imagery, this masterpiece won Oscars for Best Picture, Best Director (Billy Wilder), Best Actor (Milland), and Best Screenplay (Charles Brackett and Wilder).

(1 Hour, 41 Minutes)

## 1950s: From Here To Eternity (1953)

#### January 24

Director Fred Zinnemann's Oscarwinner is a powerful portrait of a peacetime military camp in Hawaii just before the attack on Pearl Harbor. Deborah Kerr's love scene in the Hawaiian surf with Burt Lancaster is enshrined as one of the most famous moments in the history of film. Montgomery Clift and Frank Sinatra also star.

(1 Hour, 58 Minutes)

## **1960s: West Side Story (1961)**

## January 31

This electrifying musical sets the tragedy of Romeo and Juliet against a backdrop of gang warfare in 1950s New York. Featuring an unforgettable score and powerful performances by Natalie Wood, Russ Tamblyn, Richard Beymer, Rita Moreno, and George Chakiris. (2 Hours, 33 Minutes)

## 1970s: The Sting (1973)

#### February 7

Paul Newman and Robert Redford portray two con men in 1930s Chicago. After a friend is killed by the mob, they try to get even by attempting to pull off the ultimate 'sting.' No one is to be trusted as the twists unfold, leading up to one of the greatest double-crosses in movie history.

(2 Hours, 10 Minutes)

## 1980s: Driving Miss Daisy (1989)

#### February 14

The story of a stubborn Southern matron (Jessica Tandy) and her patient chauffeur (Best Actor Morgan Freeman), two very different individuals who, after a bumpy beginning, forge a lasting friendship that spans 25 years.

(1 Hour, 39 Minutes)

## 1990s: The English Patient (1996)

#### February 21

An amnesiac plane crash victim is cared for by a devoted young nurse. Through flashbacks of the man's past, a tale of WWII intrigue and forbidden love in the sands of North Africa unfolds. Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche, Kristin Scott Thomas, and Willem Dafoe star.

(2 Hours, 41 Minutes)

## 2000s: The Artist (2011)

#### February 28

The story of enthusiastic movie fan Peppy Miller, who literally bumps into the swashbuckling hero of silent film, George Valentin. She is inspired to audition for a bit-part at the studio. As Peppy's star slowly rises, the introduction of talking-pictures turns Valentin's world upside-down.

(1 Hour, 40 Minutes)

## **Gold Coast Memories**

## **Glimpses of Days Gone By**

Special thanks to library patron Andrea Sasso who generously donated her collection of early 20th century postcards of both Glen Head and Glenwood Landing. They will soon be digitized and made available on the library website. For now, here's a small preview:



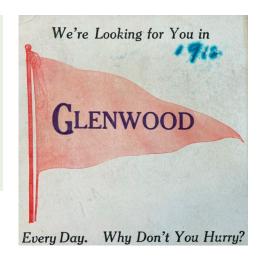
C.W Bell's Store Glen Head circa 1915



Glenwood Landing Post Office 1912



The Shipyards at Glenwood Landing circa 1908





L.I. Railroad Engine No.24 highballs through Glen Head 1942



Karatsonyi's Hotel. The property was sold to LILCO in 1950

The Gold Coast Public Library is always looking for photos, postcards, and other ephemera that tell the story of the history of our Special District Library. Please contact Rich Brower at the Reference Desk if you have any items you would like to share.





## **Embark on the Nassau Library Quest this winter!**

Journey to 10 participating Nassau County Public Libraries from January 25th to March 3 to complete the Quest! Take a self-guided tour as a family, a team of friends, or go solo. At your 10th library, you'll earn your choice of an exclusive Nassau Library Quest magnet or vinyl sticker—while supplies last—and be entered into a grand prize raffle! Get started by picking up a map at the Library. For more information, visit quest.nassaulibrary.org.

# REPAIR CAFE

Nassau's Public Libraries

## **Community Experts Needed!**

Can you rewire a lamp, fix a broken clasp, mend a seam, etc.? If you have skills like this to share, we are looking for volunteers to assist in our Repair Cafe. We are collaborating with some of our neighboring North Shore Libraries to bring a series of Repair Cafes to our Libraries in 2025 to provide our communities with access to experts who can help repair broken items and provide an alternative to tossing them out. For more information, and to register to help, visit goldcoastlibrary.org/repaircafe.



Art that inspires and engages, science that excites and educates, local history, and culture that lives. Let the adventure begin at your public library with the Museum Pass Program. Enjoy an educational and entertaining experience with your family and friends. The Museum Pass Program allows you to check out passes for free admission to local museums, including a newly added pass to the 9/11 Memorial and Museum. Visit **goldcoastlibrary.org/museum-passes** for a full list and more information!







## **Volunteers Needed for Friends of the Gold Coast Library!**

Friends of the Gold Coast Library is a not-for-profit group that works closely with the Gold Coast Public Library to provide patrons with opportunities beyond those the library budget covers. Author talks, museum passes, and summer reading prizes are just a few of the many programs and services made possible by the Friends group.

As you watch your new building go up Glen Head Road, think about what you can do to help make the library a more vibrant hub in your community. If you have graphic design, marketing, social media, fundraising skills, or any other talent that you are willing to share with an enthusiastic and growing group of volunteers, please email friendsofgcpl3@gmail.com.

Visit **goldcoastlibrary.org/fol** or scan the QR code for more information.



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## **Library Hours**

Monday through Thursday - 9AM to 9PM Friday and Saturday - 10AM to 6PM Sunday - Noon to 5PM

The library is closed on: December 31st & January 1st (New Year's)

The library is open 9AM to 2PM on: January 20th (MLK Jr Day) February 17th (Presidents' Day)

## **Upcoming Meetings**

## **Friends of the Gold Coast Library**

Monday, January 6th • 10:30AM Monday, February 3rd • 7PM

#### **Library Board of Trustees**

Wednesdays, January 15th and February 12th 7:30pm

## **Library Board of Trustees**

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## **Winter Reading Is Here!**

December 16th, 2024 through

February 20th, 2025
This winter, cozy up with a good book and participate in our Winter Reading Challenge! Here's how:
Pick up a Game Card at the Library, read four books of your choice, have your Game Card stamped by a librarian and win GCPL Hand Warmers, courtesy of Friends of the Gold Coast Library! Explore new genres or revisit old favorites.

Enjoy the journey!

## In Remembrance Barbara Palermo and Mary Birk

While the prospect of a new library building in 2025 has brought excitement to our library community, the end of 2024 brought sadness.

Barbara Palermo, one of the original Library Board members, passed away on October 12th. Barbara devoted much of her time to serving the community as a volunteer. She was a library trustee for more than twenty years and had previously served on the Board of the North Shore School District.

Mary Birk was a longtime, welcoming presence at the Library; she served as the Head of the Circulation Department for more than thirteen years. Mary passed away on November 19th.

Both Barbara and Mary will be greatly missed by the library staff, Board of Trustees, and community.

