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Did You Know?

WE NEED YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS!

You might already receive e-mail notices from the library to inform you when items are coming due, or to notify you that a book or DVD you have on hold has arrived. But do you receive e-mail reminders about special events at the library? We have a lot of interesting information to share with you, and more coming in the year ahead. If you haven't yet signed up to receive updates on library programs, staff picks and other special reminders, you can do so at our home page, www.glencoepubliclibrary.org. Click the silver "E-News Signup" button in the blue column at the left of the page and choose the updates you would like to receive. Beginning in 2015, those who have submitted their e-mail addresses will also receive a monthly digital newsletter to supplement the quarterly *Excerpts*, which will continue to be mailed to Glencoe households. For more information on the digital newsletter and other improvements to come in 2015, please see page 8.

Donations to the Library

The library is most appreciative of donations made in honor of a loved one or special event. Donations were recently received from:

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Moving Forward: The Library's Next Strategic Plan



At its October 15, 2014 meeting, the Glencoe Public Library Board of Trustees voted to engage Library Strategies of St. Paul, Minnesota to conduct the library's next strategic planning process. This process will take place early in 2015 and result in the strategic plan that will guide the library staff and trustees in the coming years. Library Strategies will utilize a planning process they have developed and tested that is built on broad and deep stakeholder engagement. In other words, we will be counting on greater community involvement than ever! More specific dates and details about the upcoming strategic planning process will follow.

Library Strategies is the only consulting group in the country based in a library organization that is wholly owned by a friends of the library group, whose non-profit mission is to help libraries succeed. Glencoe Public Library executive director Juli Janovicz says she could not be more pleased to be working with Library Strategies and participating in her first planning process as director of the library.

AUTHOR EVENT: NICKOLAS BUTLER

Wednesday, February 11, at 7:00 p.m.

The library is very pleased to host a reading by Nickolas Butler, author of *Shotgun Lovesongs*, a novel about a group of childhood friends from Little Wing, Wisconsin. Jonathan Evison of the *New York Times Sunday Review* found it "a good old-fashioned novel, a sure-footed and unabashedly sentimental first effort that deserves to be among the standouts in this year's field of fiction debuts" and the *Times's* Janet Maslin described it as "a big-hearted book... impressively original." Copies will be available for sale and signing at the event from the Book Stall at Chestnut Court. For those who would like to discuss *Shotgun Lovesongs*, a book discussion on it will take place that afternoon.



Nickolas Butler

Book Discussions

Everyone is welcome to attend these lively discussions. We try to provide enough copies of each book for all who wish to participate; ask for a copy at the Readers' Services desk. Dates are subject to change.

NONFICTION

Discussions are led by Judy Levin.

Thursday, December 11, at 7:30 p.m.

Book of Ages: The Life and Opinions of Jane Franklin by Jill Lepore

Thursday, January 29, at 7:30 p.m.

Far From the Tree: Parents, Children and the Search for Identity by Andrew Solomon

Thursday, February 26, at 7:30 p.m.

A Spy Among Friends: Kim Philby and the Great Betrayal by Ben Macintyre

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Discussions are led by Judy Levin.

Wednesday, December 10, at 1:00 p.m.

Someone by Alice McDermott

Wednesday, January 14, at 1:00 p.m.

Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail by Cheryl Strayed

Wednesday, February 11, at 1:00 p.m.

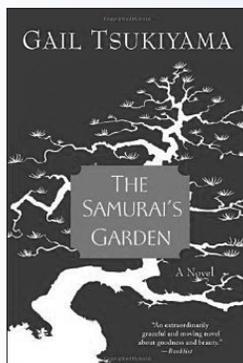
Shotgun Lovesongs by Nickolas Butler

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Discussions are led by Nancy Buehler.

Wednesday, January 7, at 7:00 p.m.

The Samurai's Garden by Gail Tsukiyama



Of Special Interest ...

HOW TO SURVIVE A GLENCOE WINTER: WINTER READING PROGRAM FOR ADULTS

Saturday, January 10 – Saturday, March 7

Last winter was bad — scary bad. This winter — who knows? But chances are you'll spend more time indoors, so we've been busy thinking up ways to make life better this winter, and they all involve materials you can get at your library.

There will be a kickoff party on Saturday, January 10, from 9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon. We'll welcome you with Happy New Year wishes, treats and lots and lots of lists and displays. As always, there will be sign-up prizes, weekly prizes and prizes when you finish six books. If you can't be here on January 10th, sign up at the Readers' Services desk at your convenience or join by emailing radesk@glencolibrary.org. If you'll be away for a while this winter, you can still participate by taking advantage of six-week vacation loans available on all but our newest books.

LYRIC OPERA SERIES

Tuesday, December 2, at 1:00 p.m.: *Anna Bolena* (presented by Karen Jared)

Tuesday, February 17, at 1:00 p.m.: *The Passenger* (presented by Roy Fisher)

Enrich your operagoing experience with these lectures from the Lyric Opera's Community Lectures series.

AUTHOR EVENT: NICKOLAS BUTLER

Wednesday, February 11, at 7:00 p.m.

See page 1 for details.

MINDFULNESS PROGRAMS

Carl Jerome, founding teacher of the North Shore Meditation and Dharma Center in Highland Park, and Glencoe resident Caren Deane Thomas, an academic/career coach who incorporates mindful awareness in her practice, will return to the library for these special classes in December and February.

DE-STRESS FOR THE HOLIDAYS WITH INSTANT ISLANDS OF CALM

Sunday, December 7, at 1:30 p.m.

In this class you will learn four 90-second mindfulness exercises that promote instant calm. Each will help you center and calm yourself in the midst of holiday stress and 'overdrive.'

MID-WINTER MOMENTS OF PEACE

Sunday, February 1, 8, 15, and 22, at 1:30 p.m.

Learn a unique mindfulness technique to promote inner peace any Sunday in February—or come for all four sessions! Each class begins with a guided meditation experience focusing on a special theme. This experience will be followed by a brief discussion about mindfulness meditation from the Eastern and Western perspectives. The first class will explore Patience; subsequent classes will focus on Compassion, Generosity, and Authenticity.

After each one-hour class, participants are welcome to remain for a 30-minute discussion.

BOOKNEWS AT BOOKS ON VERNON

Monday, December 8, at 10:00 a.m.

Glencoe Public Library staffers Nancy Buehler, Sara Lifson, Liz McClain and executive director Juli Janovicz return for another session of morning coffee and lots of book news at Books on Vernon, 664 Vernon Avenue. They'll provide reviews of new and forthcoming books that may be just the thing for your book group or your next favorite read.

WRITERS' OPEN MIC NIGHTS: POETRY AND PROSE AT THE GLENCOE LIBRARY

Wednesdays, December 10 and January 14, and Thursday, February 12, at 7:00 p.m.

Writers of all ages working in all forms and genres are invited to share their work at these community literary evenings. If you want to read your work, please email the moderator, Bob Boone, in advance at ycagsc@aol.com so he can coordinate the evening's roster. Everyone is welcome to participate by reading or listening.

A WRIGHT EXPERT LOOKS AT RAVINE BLUFFS

Sunday, January 11, at 5:00 p.m.

Thomas A. Heinz, a Chicago architect and author of numerous books on Frank Lloyd Wright, will present a slide program focused on Wright's work in Glencoe's Ravine Bluffs subdivision. The library will close at 4:00 p.m. and re-open at 4:30 for program seating in the Johnson Room. This program is co-sponsored with the Glencoe Historical Society.

ALL-STAR SUPERBOWL SNACKS

Tuesday, January 13, at 7:30 p.m.

Chef, caterer, and Glencoe native Blair Carothers will field a winning lineup of fan-friendly recipes. Bring your team to earn, sample, and enjoy. Recipes will be provided.

IT COSTS WHAT?! HOW TO PAY FOR COLLEGE

Tuesday, January 27, at 7:30 p.m.

Admissions consultant Hanna Stotland will help you navigate the minefield of college financing. She will cover need-based financial aid, merit scholarships, how to find affordable options, and more. Bring your questions! For students and parents.

ENVIRONMENTAL FILM SERIES

Tuesday, February 10, March 10 and April 14, at 7:00 p.m.

We've partnered with Go Green Glencoe! to offer a series of thought provoking and entertaining documentary films on environmental topics.

February 10 — *Queen of the Sun: What are the Bees Telling Us?* looks at the role of honeybees in the food chain and the consequences of their disappearance. After the film Jessica Reyes, naturalist at the Heller Nature Center, will speak and be available to answer questions.

March 10 — *Food Patriots*, which features people from all walks of life who are trying to change the way Americans eat and buy food. Producer Jennifer Spitz will speak following the movie.

April 14 — *Bag-It: Is Your Life Too Plastic?*, a film in which an average guy makes a resolution to stop using plastic bags at the grocery store, a simple decision that will change his life completely.

Technology Tuesdays

Our exciting annual **Holiday Technology Spectacular** returns on December 9 to provide you with lots of ideas about fun, useful or just "out there" tech gadgets for you to buy for friends and family (or to add to your own wishlist!). You won't want to miss this class so please take note of its early pre-holiday date in December.

It's a new year! Why not come to our class and learn all the best websites and apps so you can **Change Your Life Online?** From dieting to time management to health, we'll bring you only the best!

Technology Tuesdays is open to all ages and skills, although a basic knowledge of computers (how to use a mouse and keyboard, how to get on the Internet) is required. Each class is taught by Mike Gershbein and will last one hour.

HOLIDAY TECHNOLOGY SPECTACULAR

Tuesday, December 9, at 1:00 p.m.

CHANGE YOUR LIFE ONLINE

Tuesday, January 20, at 1:00 p.m.

For Your Holiday Enjoyment

PHIL PASSEN ON THE HAMMERED DULCIMER

Sunday, December 14, at 2:00 p.m.

Dulcimer virtuoso Phil Passen will be in the Young Adult room (at the back of the main floor) of the library performing a variety of traditional numbers, including Celtic, Hanukkah and other seasonal favorites.

Theater & Film

AMERICA'S MUSICAL THEATER LEGENDS

Susan Benjamin presents the lives and work of the performers, composers and lyricists of the Golden Age of American musical theater.

Monday, December 8, at 1:00 p.m.
Fred Astaire, Part 2

Monday, January 12, at 1:00 p.m.
Harry Belafonte

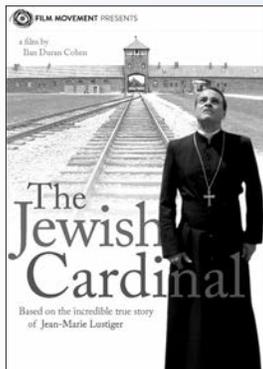
Monday, February 9, at 1:00 p.m.
Mitzi Gaynor

TALKING PICTURES

Enjoy an afternoon of thought-provoking cinema and discussion with Susan Benjamin. Film showings will be followed immediately by a discussion. Talking Pictures is not scheduled in February and will resume on Friday, March 6, at 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 17, at 1:00 p.m.
The Jewish Cardinal (repeat program by popular demand)

Talking Pictures will not meet in January or February



Monday Night at the Movies

Sponsored by the Friends of the Glencoe Public Library.

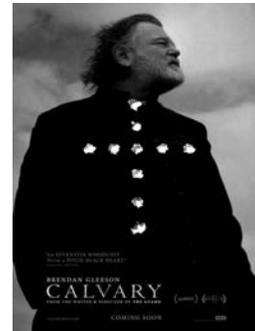
All films in this series are now screened at the library.

CALVARY

Monday, December 15, at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

Father James is a good priest made to answer not only for the transgressions of his church, but seemingly all the pent-up outrage of Ireland in the early 21st century. Carried by the rich performance Brendan Gleeson, *Calvary* faces its many serious issues with a uniquely Irish mix of candor, gallows humor and a reverence for the spoken (and written) word. *Calvary* "...serves as a marvelous showcase for Gleeson, a great old-lion actor who shows, in the film's many close-ups, a quiet, weary yet unbending faith, and a face on which emotion can play like a wave on the beach." — Moira MacDonald, *Seattle Times*.

100 minutes. Rated R.



LOVE IS STRANGE

Monday, January 19, at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

Not long after finally tying the knot in an idyllic ceremony, Ben and George lose their New York apartment and are forced to live apart. "The strangest thing about *Love Is Strange* is how completely un-strange it is, from its familiar family dynamics to its exquisite honesty and compassion." — Ann Hornaday, *Washington Post*.

98 minutes. Rated R.

ART AND CRAFT

Monday, February 16, at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

Mark Landis has been called one of the most prolific art forgers in US history. His impressive body of work spans thirty years, covering a wide range of painting styles and periods that includes 15th century icons, Picasso, and even Walt Disney. *Art and Craft* starts out as a cat-and-mouse art caper, rooted in questions of authorship and authenticity—but what emerges is an intimate story of obsession and the universal need for community, appreciation, and purpose.

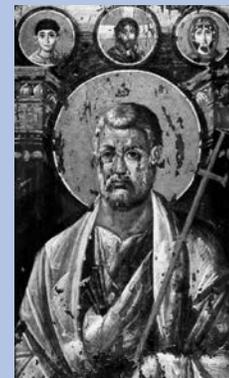
89 minutes. Not rated.

THE SPLENDORS OF BYZANTINE ART: A SPECIAL EXHIBIT PREVIEW LECTURE

Tuesday, December 2, at 7:00 p.m.*

Over the fall and winter of 2014–15, a collection of Byzantine icons, jewelry, and sculpture from Greece will be on display at the Art Institute of Chicago for a special exhibition. The exhibit features many objects that have never traveled outside Greece. Art historian Dr. Michelle Paluch-Mishur returns for this slide lecture about artwork produced during a thousand years of Byzantine history.

**Please arrive early to ensure a place, seating is limited*



Just for Young Adults

WHAT'S COOL FOR WINTER: YA WINTER READING CLUB

Wednesday, December 17—Monday, February 23

6th–12th grades

Whether you're traveling for winter break or staying home, we're sure you'll want to catch up on your reading. Our YA Winter Reading Club has lots of goodies to reward you. You set your own goal for the number of books you think you can read during the program. If you reach your goal by February 23, you get a free paperback book of your own choosing. There will be suggestions to get you started but read whatever looks good to you. Happy reading!

SECOND ANNUAL TEEN SCAVENGER HUNT

Saturday, January 3, 10:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

6th–12th grades

Test your book, movie and music knowledge! Find clues scattered throughout the library that will lead you to great prizes. Stop by the Readers' Services desk anytime between 10:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to pick up the rules and get started. Happy hunting!

STUDY BREAK LOUNGE

Saturday, January 17–Wednesday, January 21

Study Break Lounge is the perfect place to take a break from studying for free snacks and a little socializing. Lounge hours are 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 18; 1:30–4:30 p.m. on Sunday, and 9:30 a.m.–8:30 p.m. on Monday through Wednesday.

Library Staff News

MEET PAM SPICER



Pam Spicer

I enjoy the social interaction with Glencoe Library patrons that being at the Circulation Desk allows me. A rather shy person in my younger years, my family said that I “exploded” socially in college. Determined to combine my art degree with my interest in business, I worked my way to Chicago from Michigan to work for the next 25 years as an art director and creative director in the field of sales promotion. I worked for Frankel & Company and Simon Marketing in Oakbrook—both on the McDonald's account.

I have lived in Glencoe for 17 years with my husband, Steve, and sons Mark and Matt. The Glencoe Public Library has been a favorite destination of ours. The staff was so warm and helpful to me as a new resident getting to know the community. I felt very lucky to get to know them better when I came on board initially as a shelver in the delightful children's department.

For the past six years I have passionately thrown myself into oil painting, landscapes primarily. I paint from photos I take while traveling. My Michigan roots and relationship with nature are a common theme for my vivid imagery.

In joining the wonderful group at the front desk, I recognize what an amazing opportunity I have to expand my horizons in a place that feels like home.

Friends' Corner

Contact the Friends via email at friends@glencoepubliclibrary.org or visit us at www.glencoepubliclibrary.org/friends.htm. **Please note** that we are now sending all information about the concerts and book sales by email. If you'd like to be notified about the concerts and book sales, please provide your email address.

LATEST GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY

At its most recent meeting, the Friends Board voted to support the following items, events, and services for the library: a screen for the Hamil Conference Room; a buttonmaker and supplies; the children's winter reading program; LEGO WeDo Kits; storytime equipment; music programs for children by Wendy Morgan; a series of “visiting professor” lectures for adults; an online calendaring and event sign-up system; and the participation of one staff member at an Illinois Libraries Association conference. The Friends also funded and organized a classical music concert on November 9 featuring the Guadagnini String Quartet.

NEXT BOOK SALE: FEBRUARY 28–MARCH 2

Weather permitting or not, the next used book sale will be February 28–March 2, 2015. The sale will feature not only thousands of gently used books but also audiobooks, DVDs, and CDs—at low prices! Sale hours will be Saturday, February 28, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.; Sunday, March 1, 1:00–5:00 p.m. (everything half price); and Monday, March 2, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon (\$3/bag sale). Glencoe residents who are members of the Friends are invited to a members-only pre-sale on Friday, February 27, 6:00–8:00 p.m. Yes, you may join at the door!

We are always grateful to our generous donors, enthusiastic shoppers, and hard-working volunteers for their support. If you would like to help us prepare for the book sales and/or help at the next sale, please leave a message at (847) 835-7467 or email us.

Storytimes

BOOK BABIES

Mondays at 10:30–11:15 a.m.

January 5–March 9

Ages 0–23 months with parent or caregiver

Introduce your baby to the library with stories, songs, and active play specially developed to teach infants and toddlers their first literacy skills. Older siblings are welcome.

SCRIBBLES AND WIGGLES *NEW*

Tuesdays at 10:30–11:00 a.m.

January 6–March 10

Ages 2–5 with parent or caregiver

Sing, dance, and move to the beat with music. Make some noise with voice, hands, and instruments. Mix colors, squish clay, and learn about textures. Each week will feature different music, movement or art activities along with a story!

TALES FOR TOTS

Thursdays at 10:30–11:15 a.m.

January 8–March 12

Ages 2–3 with parent or caregiver

Read, sing, talk, and play to build early literacy skills! Join us for stories, songs, fingerplays, and more.

SENSORY STORYTIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL ABILITIES

Saturdays at 10:15 a.m.

January 10 and February 21

Ages 3–8 with parent or caregiver

Children with special needs and their siblings are invited to join us for this inclusive hour-long program filled with stories, music, rhymes, and playtime. **R**

MILK, COOKIES, AND BEDTIME STORIES

Thursday, December 18, at 7:00–7:30 p.m.

Children of all ages with parent or caregiver

Dress in your PJs, bring a special blanket or stuffed animal, and visit the library for a special evening storytime. Milk and cookies will be served at the conclusion of the program.

Winter Special Programs

GET COZY! WINTER READING PROGRAM

December 19–January 31

Earn brag tags and books for reading and participating in fun winter activities! Pick up your reading log in the Children's Department beginning December 19. Kids of all ages are welcome to play.



BIRDS OF PREY

Saturday, December 6, at 2:00–2:45 p.m.

Grades 1 and up with parent or caregiver

Guest naturalists from The River Trail Nature Center will share exciting facts about the amazing birds of prey that live in your backyard. You are invited to touch real specimens and may even see a live raptor or two!

HOLIDAY HOUSE DECORATING

Thursday, December 11, at 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Ages 7 and up

Show us your creative side as we celebrate this festive time! Join us as we decorate holiday houses with yummy candy and other edible treats. **R**



BITTY DRIVE-IN MOVIE

Monday, December 22, at 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Ages 1–4 with parent or caregiver

Join us for our first indoor drive-in movie! Families will decorate cardboard cars with their little ones and enjoy a storytime that will include a screening of a picture book DVD. **R**

BIG-KID DRIVE-IN MOVIE: PLANES FIRE AND RESCUE

Monday, December 22, at 2:00–4:15 p.m.

Ages 4 and up with parent or caregiver

Join us for an indoor drive-in movie. Families will decorate cardboard cars and enjoy the movie *Planes: Fire and Rescue* (100 minutes). **R**

WINTER BREAK LITTLE YOGIS

Monday, December 29, at 10:00–11:00 a.m.

Ages 4–8

Join us as Colleen Yeloushan from Glencoe's own Reach Yoga presents a special preview class for young yogis. Hear a story and learn basic, fun yoga poses to enhance flexibility and build strength, coordination, and body awareness. **R**



FROZEN TEA PARTY

Saturday, January 3, at 2:00–3:00 p.m.

Grades K–3

For the first time in forever, we are hosting a *Frozen*-themed tea party! Play games, make a fun winter craft and enjoy delicious “tea” and cookies. **R**

MAGIC SNOWBALL SCIENCE

Tuesday, January 6, at 4:15–5:00 p.m.

Ages 5 and up

Explore the science of snow with us as we make artificial snow and rainbow snowballs during this fun sensory experience. **R**



K-9 READING BUDDIES OF THE NORTH SHORE

Thursdays at 6:30–7:30 p.m., January 15 and February 19

Grades 1–5

Read to four-legged furry friends in this fun literacy program. Register for a 15-minute slot to read to a trained therapy dog. **R**

ROCK AND ROLL KIDZ WITH WENDY

Fridays at 10:30–11:05 a.m., January 16 and 23

Ages 0–3 with parent or caregiver

It's never too early to introduce your child to music! Join special guest Wendy Morgan for this series of parent/child music classes based on the Musikgarten program. There will be plenty of singing, dancing, and playing with musical instruments.

LEGO ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

Mondays: December 29, 2:00–3:30 p.m.;

January 26, 4:00–5:30 p.m.; February 23, 4:00–5:30 p.m.

Grades 2–4

If you love robots, this is the program for you! Build and program cool robots with the easy to use Lego WeDo kit. Creativity and imagination are encouraged! **R**

VALENTINE'S CARD MAKING

Saturday, February 7, between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon

All ages

Kids and adults alike are invited to drop in and create a card (or two, or six) for Valentine's Day. Designs and templates will be available to create professional-looking cards for your loved ones.

VALENTINE'S CUPCAKE WORKSHOP

Saturday, February 14, at 2:00–3:00 p.m.

Grades 3–6

Learn how to create stylish cupcakes with a Valentine's theme! Participants will get to take home (or eat) their finished products. **R**



Book Clubs For Kids

PAGES WITH PARTNERS

Wednesdays, January 28 and

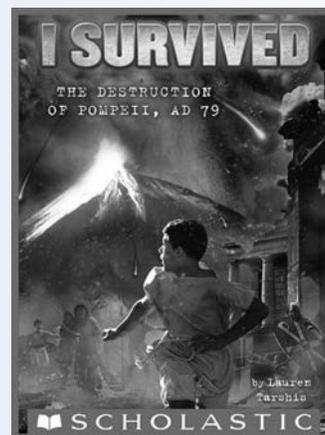
February 25, 7:00–8:00 p.m.

Grades 3–4 with adult partner

Join us along with your favorite grown-up as we discuss a different book and do a different book-related activity each month! Copies of the book can be picked up at the Children's desk one month prior to the book discussion. **R**

January's Book:

I Survived the Destruction of Pompeii, AD 79 by Lauren Tarshis



February's Book:

El Deafo by Cece Bell



R = Programs marked with this symbol require advance registration.

Please call the Children's Department at (847) 835-5056 to register.



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HIGHLIGHT ON LIBRARY TECHNOLOGY AND PROGRAMS

COMING IN 2015...

AN INTERACTIVE CALENDAR FOR LIBRARY EVENTS AND MEETING ROOMS

The new calendar system will offer the ability to register for library programs (when applicable) and check availability of meeting rooms.

A MONTHLY DIGITAL NEWSLETTER

Supplementing the quarterly *Excerpts* newsletter, the library's digital newsletter will offer both interactive options and the most up-to-date information on library features and special events. Make sure we have your e-mail address so you can receive the digital newsletter as soon as it's available!

A NEW WEBSITE

Complimenting the digital newsletter and new calendaring system, a new library website will more seamlessly direct you to the online catalog, library resources and other information you need.

The library will close at 1:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, 24**, and remain closed through **Thursday, December 25**. The library will also close at 1:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, December 31**, and remain closed through **Thursday, January 1**.