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Gustavus Library Newsletter

Halloween season is upon us, and we invite you to participate in our second annual Creepy Haiku contest at the library! Poets of all ages are encouraged to submit their best spooky entry to the library by Friday 10/25.

- One entry per person
- Poems will be judged on haiku format, creativity, and "spook factor".
- Prize for the winning poems

This time of year was so much fun at the library last year, and we ask for your help once again in making it a success. Consider donating to the candy fund, volunteering to dress up and hand out treats on Halloween evening, or donate a treat for others to hand out.

We will also be hosting a few more Halloween-themed events coming up, including Halloween Slime-Making, and some movie showings! See pages 4 and 5.

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Library Hours

M– 1:30-4:30 and 7-9pm
T– 1:30-4:30
W– 1:30-4:30 and 7-9pm
Th– 10-noon and 1:30-4:30
F– 1:30-4:30
S–11-3:00
Library is closed Sundays.

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Library Notices

Library News

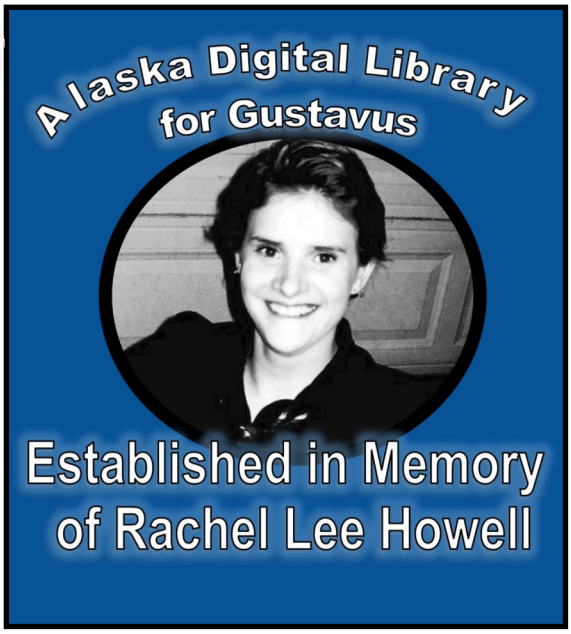
We are excited to be coordinating with the middle/high school to bring brand new library books into the classroom for students to read!

Jen received a scholarship to attend the Afterschool Conference in Juneau in November, and will be attending workshops and networking with others who create and support youth programming outside of school. She hopes to gain some ideas for innovative afterschool programming to host at the library!

A note on computer use: the library is required to have an internet filter that blocks pornographic content, but we do not censor other content. It is up to patrons (and their parents) to ensure content viewed at the library is appropriate for the space and complies with our Computer Use Policy (which can be found here: https://cms.gustavus-ak.gov/library/page/policies-and-procedures). If you do notice content being viewed which violates our policy, please let a librarian know.

With holidays just around the corner, consider supporting your local library by purchasing a bag or t-shirt for someone in your life! The design was created by local artist Kathy Hocker, and proceeds benefit the library. Sizes/color options are limited, so be sure to come look sooner rather than later!

-Jen and Bre



Check out eBooks and audiobooks for free!

Did you know that you can borrow eBooks and audiobooks free of charge? Thanks to generous donors in our community, this service is available to all Gustavus library patrons in honor of Rachel Lee Howell.

Ask your librarians for assistance in setting up an account or checking out these resources.

New at the Library

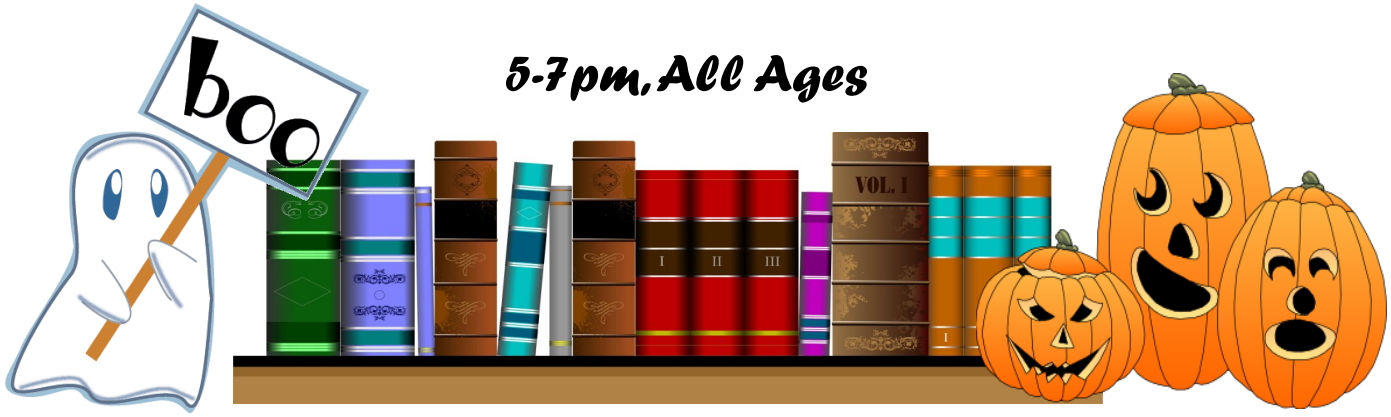
Images from Resource Mate.

Baby/Toddler Play Group!

Tuesdays from 9-10am at the library with Deja .

All young children and their caregivers are welcome.

Trick-or-Treat at the Library!



5-7pm, All Ages

Volunteers Needed: Come dressed as a literary character and help us hand out treats, or donate some treats ahead of time!

HALLOWEEN SLIME-MAKING

Come make slime after school at the library! Choose your own Halloween-themed scent (pumpkin, apple cider, harvest spice, etc) to add to your concoction!

THURSDAY 10/24 AT 3:30PM

Halloween Movies!

Paranorman

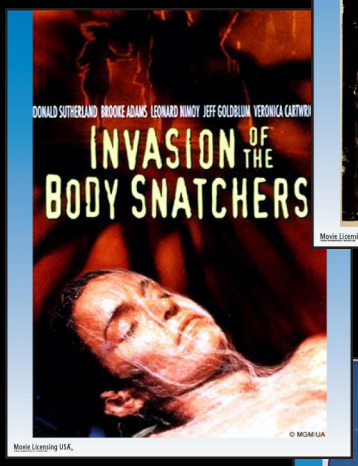
Rated PG

Fri 10/25 at 3pm

Invasion of the Body Snatchers (1978)

Rated PG

Tues 10/29 at 7pm



Hocus Pocus

Rated PG

Wed 10/30 at 7pm

*Suggested donation $5/film (or bring a snack to share!)

**Please research these films before deciding if they are appropriate for your children.

Weekly Events

Story Time
Mondays at 10:30am
Songs, movement, and stories for infant through preschoolers and their parents or caregivers.

Yoga
Mondays at 5:30pm
Wednesdays at 5:30pm
Saturdays at 9:30 am
*by donation

Knitting/Craft Group
Schedule variable
Check in with Bre

Everybody's Welcome Band
Thursdays at 5:30pm

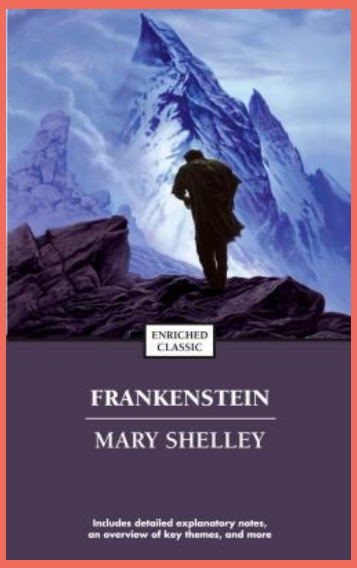
No-Pressure Book Club (monthly)
Check in at the library to see our latest read. Anyone is welcome to join, no commitment required. Read the book, come to the discussion, or don't!

Volunteers Needed

Have you ever thought about volunteering at the library? We are looking for people interested in becoming a desk-sitter. The commitment is one day per week. Talk to Jen or Bre if you are interested in applying!

Join us for our next Book Club read:

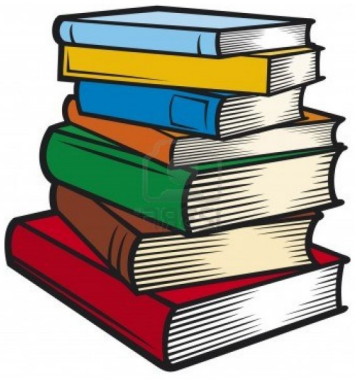
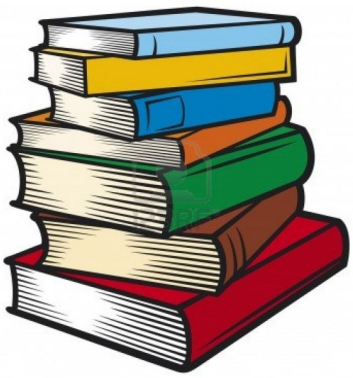
Frankenstein by Mary Shelley



Victor Frankenstein discovers the secret of creating life and fashions an eight-foot monster, only to bring danger and destruction to the lives of those he loves.

Discussion date TBA.

Library Statistics September 2019



Library visitors	**1200**
Books checked out	**519**
Movies checked out	**401**
Meetings, Programs, and Special Events	**64**