



As you read through this month's revamped newsletter, you will see that we've adopted a radically new format. For those of you who have requested that we list the events at the library, with a link to each one, this will hopefully make those dreams come true. For those of you who, like Paul, like to scroll through all of the 35 - 70 events each month to discover otherwise overlooked events, there is a way to do that too. We'll walk you through these options, and more, in the tutorials below.

As we try this format for the next few months, we will value your feedback as we continue our quest to best meet our readers' needs.

Exploring this edition, you will see that the new format begins with typical, full descriptions of the *Friends Activities* — after all,

this is the Friends' Newsletter!

Friends programs and activities are then followed by a list of every library event; these are categorized by adult, teen, tween, and children's programs, and listed chronologically within those categories. Programs that repeat every month, or "ongoing" programs, are listed by title & date after the one-time programs in each category. These are followed by a few fully-described programs with posters that the librarians are excited to have highlighted.

Tutorials!

What follows are instructions about how to access full, detailed descriptions of programs, using the GPL calendar. We will walk you through the process of using this newsletter in concert with the GPL calendar to learn all about Library events that pique your interest. You'll find *very* helpful tips on using both the "monthly view" and "day/list view" functions on the library calendar. Even if you've used the calendar in the past, I can't recommend enough reading through this. Happily for many, the "day/list view" will give you access to something similar to the extensive listings detailed in past newsletters, including every program with a description and poster.

Images are embedded in the tutorial below, to help you navigate these valuable resources.

I. How to see full descriptions of particular programs of interest:

- First, browse the list of library offerings for the month in the "What's the Buzzz?" section of the newsletter. Choose the programs that you want to know more about and jot these down, with their dates, on a piece of paper.

- Then, click on the **Visit the Full Library Calendar** link, which you will find at the top and bottom of the event listings, and looks like this:



- This link will take you directly to the library calendar in "monthly view," which looks like this:

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Nov 3	Nov 4	Nov 5	Nov 6	Nov 7	Nov 8	Nov 9
	Tapestry Health Information Session Main Lobby 2:30pm	Wildflower Alliance Information Session Main Lobby 2:00pm	Young People's Business program Makerspace 5:30pm	Teen Tween Mix Up! Makerspace 2:30pm	Designing with Canva Class Conference Room 10:30am	Winter Farmers Market Community Meeting Room, Main Lobby, Makerspace, Periodicals Lounge All Day Event
	Chess Club 2nd Floor Games Corner 5:30pm	Drop-in Scrabble at GPL 2nd Floor Games Corner 4:30pm	A Paranormal Journey: The Naval/Paranormal History of the USS Salem Community Meeting Room 6:00pm		Drop In Tech Help with Tech Foundry Conference Room 11:30am	
	Sew Your Own Pajama Pants! Part 2 Makerspace 5:30pm	Drop-In Knitting & Crochet Makerspace 5:30pm	Wednesday Night Writers Workshop Local History Room 6:00pm			
	Silent Book Club -- Johnson Reading Room! 6:00pm		Mystery Readers Book Club Conference Room 6:30pm			
	Italian conversation circle Local History Room 6:30pm					
Nov 10	Nov 11	Nov 12	Nov 13	Nov 14	Nov 15	Nov 16
	Library Holiday Closing	Tuesday Tik Tok Club for Tweens	Medicare Open Enrollment Q&A	Teen Tween Mix Up!	Greenfield Ukulele Players	

- You can now look at the list where you jotted down titles and dates after reading the newsletter, and click on a title that interests you by going to its date on the calendar.
- For example, if you are following these directions and click on the sample title "A Paranormal Journey," designated by the pink arrow above, you will come to a complete description of the program. The description will look something like this:

The screenshot shows a Chrome browser window with the URL greenfieldpl.libcal.com/event/13139918. The page title is "A Paranormal Journey: The Naval/Paranormal History of the USS Salem". A pink arrow points to the back arrow in the browser's navigation bar. The event is categorized as "In-Person" and is scheduled for November 6, 2024. The description includes a quote from Don DeCristofaro and information about the Greater Boston Paranormal Associates (GBPA).

A Paranormal Journey: The Naval/Paranormal History of the USS Salem

In-Person

GPL is pleased to welcome Don DeCristofaro for a discussion of paranormal investigation basics (equipment/methodology), investigation experiences across the US, and the naval/paranormal history of USS Salem with displays of video/photographic and audio evidence from various investigations.

Don says: "The true heart of the program is USS Salem and how we've brought her naval history and paranormal activity together. I grew up five blocks from the Fore River Shipyard where Salem was built and now resides. After the Navy I worked at the yard until its closing, and my family was instrumental in bringing Salem home. I believe one of the reasons this presentation is so well received is that when I speak about the ship my passion is evident in my voice."

Don is an investigator with 20 years of experience in the field. He and the group he founded, the Greater Boston Paranormal Associates, have been featured on *Kindred Spirits*, *Most Terrifying Places*, *Ghost Hunters* and ESPN's *College Game Day*. They've photographed the nation's first female serial killer in Charleston, SC, conversed with the entities who inhabit the infamous Conjuring House in Harrisville, RI and spent the night at the Villisca Axe Murder and Sallie Houses.

The GBPA are the exclusive paranormal partners of USS Salem in Quincy, MA, which many consider to be the most actively haunted location in New England, and hosts of Greater Boston Paranormal TV which is carried by many cable access systems across Eastern Massachusetts.

Don and his partner, Sondra Morgan are the hosts of the *Observations From the Road Less Traveled* podcast and his book, *The World Through Evil Eyes*, will be available in time for Christmas.

Date: Wednesday, November 6, 2024

- Once you are finished reading about a specific event you've selected, you may want to look at the complete description of another program. Click on your computer's "back," or "last screen," arrow (see pink arrow in image above) to do so.
- This will take you back to the monthly calendar and you can scroll up or down until you find the date of the next program you are looking for, then click on the program's title to see its full description.


- You can also see program lists for *upcoming* months by selecting a given month under "2024" on the left side of the page. However, keep in mind that those calendars are largely populated with ongoing events, and continue to fill out as the librarians develop future programming as the current month goes on.

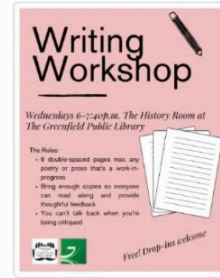
II. How to access the "list view" of every library program for the month, including brief descriptions and posters

If you would like to scroll through every program for the month, with a more complete description of each program than the "monthly view" offers (much like previous versions of the Friends Newsletter), follow these instructions to change to the "day/list view" on the calendar. This will bring up a list of events that looks something like the image below, allowing you to scroll up and down through the programs to your heart's delight. You will also be able to click on a given program in this view to see its fullest description (very lengthy descriptions are truncated in this view).

Wednesday Night Writers Workshop

Writers are invited to attend a weekly informal gathering to workshop their prose and poetry in-progress. Everyone is welcome to bring three single-spaced or six double-spaced pages max and enough...

Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024
Time: 6:00pm - 7:40pm
Location: Local History Room
Audience:  Adult



Local Author Talk with Ernie Brill

The Greenfield Public Library welcomes local author Ernie Brill for a talk in the Community Meeting Room at 6:30pm to read from and talk about his book *Journeys of Voices and Choices*. Ernie Brill...

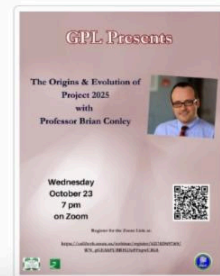
Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024
Time: 6:30pm - 7:50pm
Location: Community Meeting Room
Audience:  Adult



Virtual: GPL Presents: The Origins and Evolution of Project 2025 with Professor Brian Conley

Project 2025 has been in the news lately but, for some, it seemed to come out of nowhere. Join Professor Brian Conley of Suffolk University, for a virtual conversation about the history and origin of...

Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024
Time: 7:00pm - 8:00pm
Location:



- To access the calendar in "day/list view," click on the **Visit the Full Library Calendar** link anywhere in the newsletter, just as you did before.
- Then, change the calendar view from the current "Monthly View" to the "Day/List View" by clicking on the three horizontal lines, indicated below with a curving pink arrow:

Greenfield PUBLIC LIBRARY

Greenfield Public Library / LibCal / Library Events and Programs

All events that occur at the Greenfield Public Library, both those sponsored by the library and those taking place in our space. **Day/List View**

October 2024

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9

Search for event...

Calendar*

Library Events and Programs

Filter by

Category

Audience

Show All Events

Library Events and Programs - Upcoming Events

Time Zone: Eastern Time - US & Canada ([change](#))

Middle School Half Day Lounge

Hang out with us at the library on your half day and watch a fun movie based on R.L. Stine's hit book series Goosebumps. For ages 10 - 13. For more information, contact Francesca Passiglia at...

Date: Thursday, October 24, 2024
Time: 12:00pm - 2:30pm
Location: Conference Room

Avoiding Internet Misinformation

Surfing the internet can be jarring but with the right knowledge, you can avoid falling into common internet pitfalls and avoid misinformation. Feeling overwhelmed by conflicting information...

Date: Friday, October 25, 2024
Time: 10:30am - 11:30am
Location: Conference Room

Drop In Tech Help with Tech Foundry

Do you need help using your computer, tablet, or smartphone? Come to a drop-in tech help session! Leon from Tech Foundry will be at the Library to help you with your tech issues. Drop in between 11:30...

Date: Friday, October 25, 2024

SPOOKY HALF DAY MOVIE

JUST FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 12-2:30PM
 AT GREENFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

ENJOY THE MOVIE BASED ON THE BEST GOOSEBUMPS EVER WRITTEN
 CROSY COLLEEN PAULS

Looking to Improve Your Computer Skills?

Are you new to the world of computers? Do you need help with...?

- Setting up a new computer
- Finding information on the internet
- Using email and social media
- Finding information on the internet
- Finding information on the internet

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- **Please note:** If you are having trouble seeing the full list of programs, click on "Clear All," indicated by the straight pink arrow in the image above. This will get you out of "day view" and back into the full list of programs.
- There will be several pages of listings for you to peruse this way; just click through to additional pages by selecting a page number or using the ">" button at the bottom of each page:

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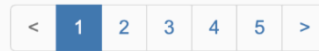
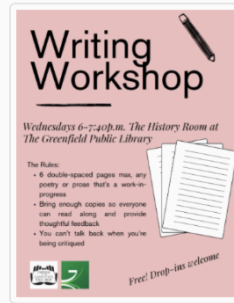
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Date: Wednesday, October 30, 2024

Time: 6:00pm - 7:40pm

Location: Local History Room

Audience: Adult



As with any change in procedure, it might take a bit of noodling around to master GPL calendar use successfully. We very much hope that this tutorial helps even "non-techie" folks to master this set of resources fairly quickly.

And we would love to hear from you about how this new format is working for you. Just a quick note to this email would be fabulous, if you're so moved: newsfgpl@gmail.com