Warren-Newport Public Library District

Gurnee, Illinois

Suggestions & Questions from Our Library Users

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Building-related comments

In silent Room, Put a big sign saying “NO EATing Your entire Lunch, throwing banana peels & yogurt Cups 3 feet from Trash & Chewing chips. Not even studying. Really Distracting. & couldve done else where.

Thank you for letting us know, and we're sorry the Quiet Reading Room wasn't living up to its name during your visit. The room is meant to be a calm, distraction-free space, and a full meal there really isn't in keeping with that. The most effective fix is to address it in the moment, so please don't hesitate to flag a staff member when something like this is happening. We're glad to step in and help. We'll also look at how to make the room's quiet-space expectations clearer for everyone who uses it.

Hang up pre-closure signs in the workshop – I was here last week and did not know that it was closed 5/26-5/29.

Thank you for the feedback, and we're sorry the closure caught you off guard. We currently share Workshop closures on our website, on social media, and with signage in The Workshop itself, but we hear you that it wasn't visible enough, so we'll add more signage around the building ahead of any scheduled closure.

Miscellaneous-related comments

Gurnee has (had) a victim of the Titanic! William James Elsbury. We should mention his name on the Anniversary date 15th April 1912.

Thank you so much for bringing this to our attention. You're right, William James Elsbury was a Gurnee farmer who lost his life when the Titanic sank on April 15, 1912, and it's a remarkable piece of local history. We appreciate you sharing it with us.

Thank you for taking the time to help us improve our service to you.
If suggested a title for purchase, we have passed it along to staff members who order materials.

Ryan Livergood, Executive Director

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