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From the Director's Desk



Happy New Year,

Here's hoping that 2009 is truly a year of productive change and new beginnings. I was stumped on what to write about for this

newsletter when patron Mary

Whalen stopped in to see me. Someone she knows told her about a library in Washington State that had reading glasses available for patron use. What a great idea and it solved my dilemma about what to write about.

The library will now have "cheater" reading glasses available for your use when you forget yours and leave them at home. It is possible for us to do this because these glasses are available inexpensively now. If you are like many people I know you leave your reading glasses home all the time. We are happy to help out. Glasses will be available at the upper level circulation desk. We have several magnifications available for your convenience.

This is a great example of patrons having an idea that we can act on. Please share your ideas with us. We have two suggestion boxes, one downstairs on the circulation desk and one upstairs next to the administrative office. You can e-mail us (feedback@lansing.lib.il.us) or stop by and talk to me anytime. We may not be able to honor everyone's suggestion but it is always good to hear ideas from people who use the library.

Remember there is no better indoor winter activity on a freezing snowy day than curling up on the couch with your favorite blanket, a cup of tea and a great book.

Happy Reading!
Debbie Albrecht

Voter Registration @ the Circ Desk



The deadline to register to vote in the upcoming Lansing elections is March 10, 2009. If you recently registered before voting in the November 2008 election, and have not moved or changed your name, you do not need to re-register. For more details on voter registration and elections visit Cook County's <http://www.voterinfonet.com>

Ask Away Illinois

24 hours a day,
7 days a week,
365 days a year!

Lansing Public Library has joined Ask Away Illinois to provide reference service to our patrons anytime day or night! Just look for the Ask Away logo on our website to connect to a live librarian anytime!



Hours

Library Hours:
Monday-Thursday
9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Friday & Saturday
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Last PC Reservation 30 minutes before closing.

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Adult Programs & Services

Register for Adult Programs at the Adult Services Desk, on our website, or call 474-2447, ext. 122.



“An Evening with President & Mrs. Abraham Lincoln” (a play in one act) Max and Donna Daniels

portray President & Mrs. Abraham Lincoln

February 5 at 6:30 p.m.

“An Evening with Mr. & Mrs. Lincoln” takes place in the White House at the end of the Civil War (April 1865). As the President and Mrs. Lincoln reflect on the events of the past four years and their plans for the future, the play flashes back to the beginning of their lives together – their courtship and early marriage, the births of their children, Mr. Lincoln’s legal career and the development of his political careers- and brings the audience all the way forward through tumultuous years of the Civil War- the responsibilities of the Presidency and the personal traumas suffered by the family – ending as the President realizes that it is time for him to leave for Ford’s Theatre. A short epilogue addresses the events of April 14, 1865 and the last years of Mary Lincoln’s life.

This program has been called “an excellent opportunity to witness living history!”



College Illinois February 10 at 6:00 p.m.

A representative from College Illinois will be at the library to discuss College Illinois. *College Illinois!* is a 529 Plan & Prepaid Tuition Program that allows parents and grandparents to pay for tuition today, which stops tuition inflation. Learn the smart, secure way to pay for college tuition.



Wine Class with Nancy Yos February 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Do you like wine? Are you interested in wine, but don't buy it or drink it much? Whether you are a wine connoisseur or new to oenophilia, come and join us for WINE 101. Nancy Yos (of the Shopper's "At First Glass" column) will talk about some basics -- how wine is made, the "noble" grapes, famous wine-producing regions -- and about good inexpensive wines that you could happily serve to company, or share with that special someone on Valentine's Day. You'll leave with a list of suggestions to start off a good, economical wine collection.

The Roads That Lead to Lincoln February 19 at 6:30 p.m.

Highway Historian **Dave Clark** will tell the story of Lincoln’s Illinois in pictures and music, and he will take us on a photographic road trip of Lincoln sites near and along Route 66 from Chicago to Springfield, the Great River Road from Alton to Gulf Port, and the Lincoln Highway from Dixon to Chicago Heights.



Genealogy Research Group

This new group will meet at the library once a month to do family research. We will meet in the activity room and share ideas, techniques, and successes. Computers will be available to use Ancestry, Heritage Quest, Family Tree Maker, Chicago Tribune Archives and other resources. We will be meeting on from **9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., Saturdays, Feb. 28 & Mar. 28.**

Call the Reference Desk (ext. 109) or sign up on our website if you plan to come. There is no fee. We just want to know how many people to expect. The room has 7 computers, so we may have to share or take turns—the more the merrier! Come join us and get started on this fascinating hobby!

Adult Programs & Services

Register for Adult Programs at the Adult Services Desk, on our website, or call 474-2447, ext. 122.



Second Annual “Celebrating Senior Month” in March. Join the Adult Services staff in celebrating you being a senior! A variety of free programs are scheduled every Tuesday and Thursday morning, during the month of March, especially for seniors. Registration for the events is preferred. Please call or stop by the Adult Service desk to register, or register online at <http://tinyurl.com/7dhutg>



Tea with Library Director Debbie Albrecht March 3 at 10:00 a.m.



Local historian and author Cynthia Ogorek will discuss her new book “**The Lincoln Highway around Chicago.**” **March 5 at 10:00 am** Join us for an “armchair tour” of the Highway from “The Ideal Section” in Schererville and Dyer, IN to Geneva on the Fox River in Illinois. Find out how the nation’s first hard-surfaced, transcontinental highway developed in the southern and western suburbs of Chicago. See what makes our stretch of this 3300-mile Highway unique. Books will be available to purchase after the program. Cynthia will sign books as well.



“Healthy Eating All Year Long: Tips You Can Live by Everyday” March 10 at 10:00 a.m.

Ellin Learned, Registered Dietician, from *AgeOptions*, will teach participants how to eat healthier by using simple guidelines. Find out how to choose foods low in saturated fat, sodium and calories and how to sort out information and misinformation in the media. Meal tips, healthy snack tips and recipe substitutions will also be discussed.

Medicare, March 16 at 10 a.m.

Research your Family Tree March 17 at 10 a.m.

It is so much easier to document the family history while relatives are still available to answer questions, provide information and documents. Between the library and your knowledge, you can leave a wonderful legacy. Genealogy is a fast-growing and fascinating hobby, come and learn how to do it!



Join **Patty Higgins**, *Lansing Library Reference Department Head*, for **Genealogy Basics**. Come and learn how to use the library’s resources to research your family tree. At the library you can use *Ancestry Library Edition*, *Heritage Quest*, *Family Tree Maker*, and other internet resources. These tools give you access to thousands of databases you can use to find information about your ancestors.



Vintage Cookbooks, Modern Cooks **March 12 at 10:00 a.m.**

In this exciting program, **Penelope Bingham**, cookbook collector and appraiser, author, and Illinois Humanities Council Road Scholar, will discuss what practical use old cookbooks and heirloom recipes have or don’t have for today’s cooks. Participants are encouraged to bring their own favorite cookbooks – old or new – to share. Favorite recipes will also be collected and be used to create a cookbook for all participants.

This program is made possible in part by an award from the Illinois Humanities Council.

March 19 at 10:00 am

Butterfly Gardening! U of I Extension Master Gardner Jennifer Tobin presents.



Eye Care for Seniors. March 24 at 10:00 a.m.

Dr. Zachary Jones, of *Carmin Vision Care*, will speak about the importance of annual eye examinations and provide information on the causes, symptoms, prevention, and current treatment for cataracts. He will also speak about the devastating effects of glaucoma including risk factors, tests, diagnosis, treatments and medication. Other information provided will help the audience understand diabetes and related eye conditions.

Adult Programs & Services



Steve Askins a musician and entertainer will present his program **Swing Standards & Favorite songs.**

March 26 at 10:00 a.m. Steve performs approximately 300 shows per year for senior citizens. He has toured the U.S. as a solo performer and ensemble player.

Book signing by author Diane Martin



March 21 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Community Room. Meet Diane Martin author of three books! She will discuss and autograph her newest book *Falling Angel*.

Writer's Special Interest Group



10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays, February 7 & 21, March 7 & 21. Age 18 and up.

The popular knitting & crochet circle "**Purls of Wisdom**" meets in the Community Room. Bring your own supplies. **Beginners welcome!**

Fridays

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

February 6 & 20, March 6 & 20

Wednesdays

6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

February 11 & 25

March 11 & 25



News You Can Use!



We still have **Brookfield Zoo passes** available

for checkout. The passes are good through August 31, 2009. To check availability, search the library catalog for "zoo pass"



What's New at the Movies?

You can check out DVDs at the library for the **budget friendly price of \$1.00** for 3 days for feature films, \$1.00 for 14 days for TV series on DVD or non-fiction films.

Here is a sample of what is in the collection, and remember you can place a request on titles that are currently checked out!

Recently Received

Dark Knight

Get Smart

Hancock

Iron Jawed Angels

Mamma Mia!

This Christmas



TV on DVD

Battlestar Galactica: season 4.0

Chuck: season 1

Eureka: seasons 1-2

The Office: season 4

Rome: seasons 1-2

The Tudors: season 1

On Order & Coming Soon!

Appaloosa

Burn After Reading

Desperate Housewives: season 4

The Duchess

Eli Stone: season 1

Life: season 1

The Women

You can also see a list of new DVDs each month using shortcuts in our online catalog.

Visit <http://tinyurl.com/9tat2p> to see the recent lists, automatically updated as new titles are added!

Friends of Lansing Library Book Sales

Members Only 9 a.m.-10 a.m.

General Public

10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 7, 2009

Saturday, March 7, 2009

Sales are cash only.

Ongoing book sale near the Adult Services Desk.

Friends Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Monday, March 9, 2009

(Election of Officers)

Renew or sign up for your Friends membership card by March 31, 2009.

Get your canvas tote bag at the Circulation Desk for only \$10.00!

Adult Programs & Services

Book Discussions

February 3 (10:30 a.m.) and

February 4 (6:30 p.m.) —

***Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen**

Jacob Jankowski, a retired veterinarian living out his days in an assisted-living facility, drifts in and out of his memories: Only days before graduating from vet school in 1931, young Jake learns his parents have died and left him penniless. Leaving school, he hops a train that happens to belong to the Benzini Brothers Most Spectacular Show on Earth. When the circus's owner, Uncle Al, learns Jake's educational background, he quickly hires him as the circus vet.

February 17 (11:00 a.m.)

***Firestorm* by Nevada Barr**

Exhausted from battling a California wildfire, ranger Anna Pigeon and her crew try to outrun the blaze, ultimately taking refuge in fire shelters. When the fire passes they emerge from the shelters and discover a crew member has been murdered.

March 3 (10:30 a.m.) and

March 4 (6:30 p.m.) —

***The Color of Water* by James McBride**

The Color of Water tells the remarkable story of Ruth McBride Jordan, the two good men she married, and the 12 good children she raised. Jordan, born Rachel Shilsky, a Polish Jew, immigrated to America soon after birth; as an adult she moved to New York City, leaving her family and faith behind in Virginia. Jordan met and married a black man, making her isolation even more profound. The book is a success story, a testament to one woman's true heart, solid values, and indomitable will. Ruth Jordan battled

not only racism but also poverty to raise her children and, despite being sorely tested, never wavered.

March— No Mystery discussion.

Pick up the book for the April discussion beginning on March 23rd.

**Discussions are always open to new members!
Books are available at the Circulation Desk one month before the discussion.**

It's Movie Time!



Friday, February 13 at 10:30 a.m.

Abe Lincoln in Illinois 110 minutes

This film starring Raymond Massey and Ruth Gordon covers Abe Lincoln's life starting with his early years as a Kentucky woodsman until his election as President in 1860.

Friday, March 13 at 10:30 a.m.

Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day 92 minutes.

Frances McDormand and Amy Adams costar in this comedy, set in 1930's London, about a middle-aged governess who takes a new job as a social secretary.

Adult Winter Reading Program

Adult Winter Reading Started

January 5 and will continue through February 23, 2009.

It is not too late to join.

See the adult services desk for all the details.



New Reference Resource: Auto Repair Reference Center

Lansing Library has added a subscription to the *Auto Repair Reference Center* (ARRC) database to our offerings. For all the do-it-yourself mechanics, or for those who just want to know what the mechanic is recommending, this is a terrific resource. Also, for safety sake, you can view all recalls and service bulletins that apply to your vehicle.

The ARRC database includes automotive repair information supplied by Point 5 Technologies, Inc., under license from Nichols Publishing, the former publisher of Chilton Information and information from Delphi Integrated Service Solutions. ARRC contains information on most manufacturers of domestic and imported vehicles.

Now the repair manual you need is NEVER checked out or unavailable!

Content includes

- * More than 33,100 vehicles covered from 1945 to present
- * Over 250,000 drawings and step-by-step photographs
- * Approximately 77,570 technical service bulletins & recalls issued by the original equipment vehicle manufacturer
- * Over 144,600 enhanced wiring diagrams for easy viewing and printing
- * Specifications & maintenance schedules
- * Labor Time Guide & Estimator
- * AutoIQ
- * Quick Tips, a complete guide to vehicle ownership & maintenance

New repair procedures and updates will also be added continuously. All of the content in *Auto Repair Reference Center* has been created by ASE certified technicians.

The information can be viewed from anyplace where you can access the library's website. You can print individual pages as needed. Take a look at this resource and let us know what you think!

Auto Repair Reference Center can be used both in the library and through the library website at <http://www.lansing.lib.il.us/catalog.html#auto>

A valid Lansing public library card is required for remote access.

See page 7 for demonstration time.



Spotlight On... Encyclopaedia Britannica Online



Merriam-Webster dictionaries in both English and Spanish and a thesaurus.

Lansing Public Library now offers *Encyclopaedia Britannica Online* to all of our users, free of charge. It is a great, web-based resource that can be accessed either at the library or from the comforts of your own home. It is comprehensive and easy-to-use. It contains 4 complete encyclopedias, each covering the research needs of a different age group. It also contains full-text magazine articles, website recommendations, homework help, a world atlas,

It also contains a feature called *Primary Sources*, which is helpful for historical research for students at all levels. For example, if you were to put "William Shakespeare" in the search box of *Encyclopaedia Britannica Online*, you will come up with 541 *Encyclopaedia Britannica* text articles, 61 *Concise Encyclopedia* articles, 65 pieces of media (illustrations, audio, downloadable video clips, 29 relevant and verified outside websites, periodical and journal

articles from Proquest and EBSCO along with every work ever published by William Shakespeare. All in one place, right at your fingertips!

Encyclopaedia Britannica Online is constantly updated and expanded so you are receiving the best information available. Try it out!

Encyclopaedia Britannica Online can be used both in the library and through the library website at <http://www.lansing.lib.il.us/catalog.html#eb>

A valid Lansing public library card is required for remote access.

See page 7 for demonstration times.

Upcoming Demonstrations: Learn to Use Library Resources

Registration required.

Register on our upcoming events webpage or at Adult Services. No deposit required.



Auto Repair Reference Center (45 min.; Registration required.)

Friday, February 6 @ 2:00 p.m. in the Community Room. A 45-minute training

on the basics of the Auto Repair Reference Center. Topics covered include: How to research information on specific car models; Features of the interface; How to look up car repair procedures; Troubleshooting tips for the car owner or enthusiast.



Ebsco Host Basics (1 hour; Registration required.)

Thursday, February 5 @ 1:00 p.m. in the Community Room. 1-hour overview of the EBSCOhost interface.



Ebsco Host Advanced Searching (1 hour; Registration required.)

Friday, February 20 at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room (limit 10)

A 1-hour overview of advanced searching techniques within EBSCOhost, including recent enhancements.



Encyclopaedia Britannica Online (1 hour; Registration required.)

Thurs., February 19 @ 11:00 a.m. in the Community Room

Tuesday, March 17 @ 11:00 a.m. in the Community Room

1-hour overview of Encyclopaedia Britannica Online.



Kids Search & Searchasaurus (1 hour; Registration required.)

Thursday, February 5 @ 2:30 p.m. in the Community Room

A one-hour overview, for parents, teachers and librarians, of the Kids Search and Searchasaurus interfaces (designed for Grade K-8 students).



NoveList Plus Basics (1 hour; Registration required.)

Wednesday, February 4 @ 10 a.m. in the Conference Room (limit 10)

This session will give you a basic overview of NoveList, covering the features of the NoveList homepage as well as how to use the Basic Search box to answer common Readers' Advisory questions. This basic session is intended for beginning users of NoveList.



NoveList Plus Advanced Searching (1 hour; Registration required.)

Tuesday, February 24 @ 1:00 p.m. in the Conference Room (limit 10)

This session is intended for those who are already familiar with NoveList and using simple searches in NoveList to find books by author, title or series. The session will build on what you have learned and delve into getting the most out of NoveList by using the Advanced Search. We will discuss ways to broaden or narrow searches through reading difficulty, author characteristics, reading level and more.



Student Research Center (1 hour; Registration required.)

Thursday, February 5 @ 3:30 p.m. in the Community Room

A one-hour overview, for parents, students, teachers and librarians, of the Student Research Center interface (designed for Grade 6-12 students). A variety of search techniques using the Student Research Center functionality will be covered including searching by Lexiles, subjects and topics.

**All of these resources are accessible from home!
(Valid Lansing Library card required.) Come learn how you can use them anytime!**

Encyclopaedia Britannica Online demo sponsored by Encyclopaedia Britannica, all other demonstrations on this page sponsored by EBSCO.



Hands-On Computer Workshops

Computer Workshops & Labs

\$5 refundable deposit & valid library card required for each workshop.

Register at the Adult Services Desk. Limit 7 students per workshop.

Workshops with less than 3 people registered will be cancelled. Open to adults of any age, senior citizens welcome!
Each workshop is hands-on, stand-alone single sessions.

We recommend you attend workshop in order as they build upon content in prior sessions.

**Registration begins
February 2nd.**

You asked for it, so we've made some changes to the classes offered this Spring!



Computer Basics

Never used a computer before? Learn computer basics including using a mouse and keyboard,

working with windows, and basic computer terminology.

Put your fears aside, you're not alone! Class is approx. 1.5-2 hours.

Friday, February 20 @ 9:30 a.m.

Skill level: No computer experience to Beginner

Prerequisite: Eagerness to Learn!



Hands-On Introduction to Mouse Lab

Develop and refine your mouse skills and learn how to click,

right-click, double-click, scroll, use radio buttons, drop-down menus and forms.

Mouse skills are required for all other classes.

Work at your own pace.

The tutorial takes most new users between 1 and 1.5 hours.

Hands-on tutorial will include:

- Learning how to use a mouse
- Hands-on mouse practice
- Staff available to answer questions encountered during the tutorial.

Friday, February 27 @ 9:30 a.m.

You can use the mouse tutorial anytime on the public computers in the library, or anywhere you can access the Internet.

Skill level: Beginner



Gmail: Email Basics

Feel like the last person in the world without an e-mail address? Learn how to sign up for a free e-mail account on the Gmail website, and how to compose, send, reply to and forward messages.

Participants must be familiar with the Internet or have taken Internet Basics. Class is approx. 1.5-2 hours.

Friday, March 6 @ 9:30 a.m.
Friday, March 20 @ 1:30 p.m.

Skill level: Beginner

Prerequisites: Mouse Skills and Internet experience or Internet Basics Class



Internet Basics

Feeling left behind on the Information

Superhighway? Learn about the Internet and the World Wide Web, how to navigate a Web browser, explore the Lansing Public Library Website, find information and print Web pages. Class is approx. 1.5-2 hours.

Friday, March 20 @ 9:30 a.m.

Skill level: Beginner

Prerequisite: Mouse Skills



Hands-On Computer Workshops



Gmail: Email Basics (repeat)

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Friday, March 20 @ 1:30 p.m.

Skill level: Beginner

Prerequisites: Mouse Skills and Internet experience or Internet Basics Class



Internet Search Tools

Having trouble finding what you're searching for on the Internet? Learn

how to effectively search the Web using directories and search engines. Participants must be familiar with the Internet or have taken Internet Basics. Class is approx. 1.5-2 hours.

Friday, March 27 @ 9:30 a.m.

Skill level: Beginner with some computer experience.

Prerequisites: Mouse Skills and Internet experience or Internet Basics Class



Word Processing

Learn how to create simple documents, edit and format text, correct spelling, adjust margins, save, print and open files in

Microsoft Word 2007. Participants must feel comfortable using a mouse or have taken Computer Basics. Class is approx. 1.5-2 hours.

Friday, April 3 @ 9:30 a.m.

Skill level: Beginner with some computer experience.

Prerequisites: Mouse Skills and comfortable with a computer or have taken Computer Basics.



The Invisible Web

Some researchers suggest that more than 80% of authoritative information available on the Internet is not

indexed by search engines, so you won't find it when you search sites like Google or Yahoo. Learn about Lansing Public Library's online resources and subscription databases (like those on page 6 & 7) to uncover the "invisible" web. This class is intended for experienced Internet users. Class is approx. 1.5-2 hours.

Friday, April 17 @ 9:30 a.m.

Skill level: Beginner/Intermediate
Prerequisites: Mouse Skills and Internet experience or Internet Basics Class

Which classes would you like to see offered this summer?

Return this to the Adult Services Desk by May 10.

Computer Basics

Mouse

Gmail

Internet Basics

Internet Search Tools

Introduction to Word Processing

Invisible Web

Other?

Thank you for your input!



Book Discussion:
*Storky: How I Lost
my Nickname and
Won the Girl* by

D.L. Garfinkle
February 2 at 6 p.m.
[6th-12th grade]

Fourteen-year-old high school student Michael "Storky" Pomerantz's journal describes his freshman year, from dealing with his mother's dating his dentist to attempting to win the heart of the girl he loves. Sign-up at the Youth Ref. Desk.



**Love of Chocolate
Valentine's Day
Party February 9 at
6 p.m. [6th-12th grade]**

Join us as we celebrate our appreciation of love's greatest food, CHOCOLATE! The evening will include chocolate taste tests, chocolate trivia, a chocolate movie, and a chocolate prize.



Movie Night:
13 Going on 30
February 16 at 5 p.m.
[6th-12th grade]

Jenna makes a wish on her 13th birthday to be 30 and grown up. When she wakes up the next day she finds herself, miraculously, just weeks away from her 30th birthday. The new, older Jenna is a successful magazine editor with friends in high places and a lion's share of potential suitors.

The problem is that her mind hasn't matured with her body and Jenna finds it a little more terrifying than cool to be living on her own.



**Book Discussion: *Epic*
by Conor Kostick**
March 5 at 4 p.m.
[6th-12th grade] On New

Earth, a world based on a video role-playing game, fourteen-year-old Erik persuades his friends to aid him in some unusual gambits in order to save Erik's father from exile and safeguard the futures of each of their families. Sign-up at the Youth Reference desk.



Teen Tech Week!
March 9-14, 2009

Share your favorite movies, music, and video games with your fellow

teens. Throughout the month of March, there will be a poster where you can write down your favorites in honor of Teen Tech Week's theme, **Press Play @ Your Library.**



Movie: *School of Rock*
March 9 at 5 p.m.
[6th-12th grade] When

his band votes him out due to his embarrassing musical antics, Dewey has to make the rent somehow. After intercepting a call for his substitute-teacher roomie

Visit our blog for all the latest news and more! <http://lansinglibraryteen.blogspot.com>

For more information, visit the Teen Dept., call 474-2447, ext. 119

Ned, Dewey finds himself in front of a class of elite elementary school students. Dewey decides to take on the music program and makes it his goal to teach them the gospel of rock and roll. His ulterior motive is to get them to compete against his former band for a cash prize.

Game day!
March 12 at 4 p.m.
[6th-12th grade]

Celebrate technology by playing some video games!



Animoto class
March 14 at 1 p.m.
[6th-12th grade]

What is Animoto?

Animoto is an awesome new way to take some of your pictures, arrange them in your preferred order, and then add music making your very own music video! Feel free to take some of your own pictures with to use in your music video. Sign-up is required. Library card required. Limit 6.

Teen Poetry Café

Calling all poets! The Annual Teen Poetry Contest and Teen Poetry Café is right around the corner. Start working on your masterpieces today. We will start accepting submissions on April 1.

Teen **Teen Scene** (6th-12th Grades)



TAB: Teen Advisory Board

Tuesdays, February 17 & March 17 at

4:30 p.m. [6th-12th grade]

Do you want to have a say in what goes on at Lansing Library? Do you have recommendations on what books we should order and what programs we should offer? Join TAB! No registration required.

Read for a Lifetime Deadline!

Don't forget about Read for a Lifetime! Read 4 books by the March 31st deadline and turn in your sheet!



Caudill Award Voting

[grades 4-8]

February is voting month! Are you ready to vote for your favorite Caudill nominee? The Rebecca Caudill award is for readers in grades 4-8. Students must read or listen to three of the nominated titles to be eligible to vote for their favorite.

Voting will be conducted at Lansing schools in February. If you are homeschooled or attend school outside of Lansing you may vote in the library at the Youth Reference Desk anytime between February 2-20, 2009.

Watch for the Caudill winner to be announced in March!

Visit our blog for all the latest news and more! <http://lansinglibraryteen.blogspot.com>

For more information, visit the Teen Dept., call 474-2447, ext. 119



Remember, the last PC reservation is made 30 minutes before closing!

Plan ahead on your projects and homework! Don't forget a disk to save your work!

Youth Programs & Services (Birth-grade 5)

For more information, visit the Youth Dept., or call 474-2447, ext. 112

Storytimes

Storytimes are available for children from birth through age 5 (preschool).



Sign-up is required and begins January 12 and continues until Jan 24.

Storytimes begin the week of January 26 and end March 5.

Baby Talk (Miss Patti),

Birth through 12 months with caregiver
Monday at 10:30 a.m.

Baby Talk (Miss Patti),

13-24 months with caregiver
Monday at 11:30 a.m. OR
Wednesday at 11:30 a.m.

Toddler Time (Miss Rebecca),

24-36 months with caregiver
Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

Pre-K storytime (Miss Rebecca)

ages 3-5
Thursday at 10:30 a.m. OR
Thursday at 11:30 a.m.



Sign-up begins again
Monday, March 9th
through March 21st.

Sessions begin March 23, 2009
and end April 30, 2009.



Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!

[Pre-K-Grade 3]
Monday, March 2
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
Come and celebrate the birthday of one of

our favorite authors, Dr. Seuss!
Our youngest readers are invited to come play games, win prizes, and help wish Dr. Seuss a happy birthday! Special Seuss-filled storytime at 7:00 p.m.!

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Youth Programs & Services (Birth-grade 5)

For more information, visit the Youth Dept., or call 474-2447, ext. 112



Afterschool Activities
4:00-5:00 p.m.
[Age 10 and up]
 New this spring! Fun afterschool activities!



Mondays
 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Crochet/Weave with

Miss Patti Ages 10+
 Learn to crochet and weave.



Tuesdays
 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Fitness Class with
Miss Maureen

Ages 10+, Limit 20
Sign-up and permission slip required. Explore different fitness methods including yoga, aerobics and pilates.



Wednesdays
 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
String Art with
Miss Kara

Ages 10+, Limit 8
 Learn to make keychains and other items out of plastic string.



Remember, the last PC reservation is made 30 minutes before closing! Plan ahead on your projects and homework! Don't forget a disk to save your work!

Tri-Fold Presentation
 Boards for sale in Youth
 Dept. only \$5.00!



Valentine's Day Themed Activities

Story and Craft
Wednesday,

February 11 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
[Grades K-3]
Sign-up required; Limit 12. Sign up at the Youth Desk.

Beaded Bracelets and Cards
Saturday, February 7
1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. [Grades 4-5]
Sign-up required; Limit 10. Sign up at the Youth Desk.

Lincoln's Birthday Party
Thursday,
February 12
4:00 p.m.



[All ages]
 Help us celebrate Abe Lincoln's 200th Birthday! We'll have cake, games, and trivia!
No sign-up required.

"I Have a Dream"
Wednesday,
February 18
6:00 p.m.



[All ages]
 Come and hear
 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech.
No sign-up required.
 Meet in the Community Room.



Monarch Award Voting
[grades K-3]

February is voting month! Are you ready to vote for your favorite Monarch nominee? The Monarch award is for readers in grades K-3. Students must read or listen to five of the nominated titles to be eligible to vote for their favorite.

Voting will be conducted at Lansing schools in February. If you are homeschooled or attend school outside of Lansing you may vote in the library at the Youth Reference Desk Feb. 2-20. Watch for the Monarch winner to be announced in March!



Caudill Award Voting
[grades 4-8]

February is voting month! Are you ready to vote for your favorite Caudill nominee? The Rebecca Caudill award is for readers in grades 4-8. Students must read or listen to three of the nominated titles to be eligible to vote for their favorite.

Voting will be conducted at Lansing schools in February. If you are homeschooled or attend school outside of Lansing you may vote in the library at the Youth Reference Desk between February 2-20, 2009. Watch for the Caudill winner to be announced in March!

Youth Programs & Services (Birth-grade 5)

For more information, visit the Youth Dept., or call 474-2447, ext. 112



Movie Night: *The Wiz*
Thursday, February 26
5:30 p.m.

[Age 10 & up]

In celebration of Black History Month we will be showing the musical "The Wiz!"

No sign-up required.



Movie Night: *Space Jam*
Tuesday, March 24
5:30 p.m.

[Grades K-3]

March Madness is here! Come join us for a showing of an all time favorite, "Space Jam!"

No sign-up required.

Did you know?

You can use many library resources from home?

Visit our website

<http://www.lansing.lib.il.us> to search the library catalog, place items on hold, renew items online, or just check when your items are due!

You can also check the calendar of upcoming events anytime!

Read our youth blog for news, information, book reviews and recommendations!

Use Encyclopaedia Britannica Online from home! This is a great resource for any homework project! If you're thinking it is the same as a regular old encyclopedia, you need to try it! It includes video files too!

If you're doing research on a country, try Global Road Warrior, which you can also use from home!

Visit <http://www.lansing.lib.il.us/catalog.html> to see all the library resources you can use at home in your pjs!



St. Patrick's Day Themed Activities

Story and Craft

Monday,

March 16 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

[Grades K-3]

Sign-up required; Limit 12. Sign up at the Youth Desk.

Make a St. Patty's Day Throw Pillow!

Saturday, March 14

1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. [Grades 4-5]

Sign-up required; Limit 6. Sign up at the Youth Desk.

Animal Fair

Storytime

Thursday,

March 26

6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

[Birth-Grade 1 with caregiver] Meet in the Community Room.


Bring your favorite pet stuffed animal to the library to listen to stories with Miss Patti!

No sign-up required.



February 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	2 Kids Crochet/ Weave 4-5 Teen Book Disc. 6:00	3 Book Disc. 10:30 Kids Fitness 4-5	4 <i>NovelList Plus Demo</i> 10:00 Kids String Art 4-5 Book Disc. 6:30	5 <i>Ebsco Demo 1:00</i> <i>Kids Search 2:30</i> <i>SRC Demo 3:30</i> Mr. & Mrs. Lincoln 6:30	6 Knit/Crochet 10:30 <i>Auto Repair Ref</i> <i>Center Demo 2:00</i>	7 Book Sale 9-11 Writers Group 10-12 Beaded Bracelets & Cards 1-2
8	9 Kids Crochet/ Weave 4-5 Love of Chocolate 6:00	10 Kids Fitness 4-5 College Illinois 6:00	11 Kids String Art 4-5 Knit/Crochet 6:00 Valentine Story/Craft 6-7	12 Lincoln's Birthday Party 4:00 Wine Class with Nancy Yos 6:30	13 Movie: Abe Lincoln in Illinois 10:30	14
15	16 Kids Crochet/ Weave 4-5 Teen Movie: 13 Going on 30 5:00	17 Book Disc. 11:00 Kids Fitness 4-5 TAB 4:30	18 Kids String Art 4-5 "I Have a Dream" 6:00	19 <i>Britannica 11:00</i> Library Board Meeting 6:30 Roads to Lincoln 6:30	20 Award Voting Ends <i>Computer Basics 9:30</i> Knit/Crochet 10:30 <i>Ebsco Host Advanced</i> <i>Demo 1:30</i>	21 Writers Group 10-12
22	23 Kids Crochet/ Weave 4-5	24 <i>NovelList Plus</i> <i>Advanced Demo 1:00</i> Kids Fitness 4-5	25 Kids String Art 4-5 Knit/Crochet 6:00	26 Youth Movie: The Wiz 5:30	27 <i>Mouse 9:30</i>	28 Genealogy Group 9:30-11:00

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	2 Kids Crochet/ Weave 4-5 Seuss Birthday 6-7:30	3 Tea w/ Library Director 10:00 Book Disc. 10:30 Kids Fitness 4-5	4 Kids String Art 4-5 Book Disc. 6:30	5 Storytime Ends Lincoln Hwy 10:00 Teen Bk Disc. 4:00 Candidates Forum 6:30	6 <i>Gmail 9:30</i> Knit/Crochet 10:30	7 Book Sale 9-11 Writers Group 10-12
8 Teen Tech Week! Storytime SignUp	9 Kids Crochet 4-5 Teen Movie: School of Rock 5:00 Friends Meet 6:30	 10 Healthy Eating 10:00 Kids Fitness 4-5	11 Kids String Art 4-5 Knit/Crochet 6:00	12 Vintage Cookbooks 10:00 Game Day 4:00	13 Movie: Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day 10:30	14 Animoto 1:00 St. Patrick's Throw Pillow 1-2
15	16 Medicare 10:00 Kids Crochet 4-5 St. Patrick's Story/Craft 6-7	17 Family Tree 10:00 <i>Britannica 11:00</i> Kids Fitness 4-5 TAB 4:30	18 Kids String Art 4-5	19 Butterfly Garden 10:00 Library Board Meeting 6:30	20 <i>Internet Basics 9:30</i> Knit/Crochet 10:30 <i>Gmail 1:30</i>	21 Writers Group 10-12 Diane Martin 11-2
22	23 Storytime Begins Pickup Mystery Book Disc. Kids Crochet/ Weave 4-5	24 Eye Care 10:00 Kids Fitness 4-5 Youth Movie: Space Jam 5:30	25 Kids String Art 4-5 Knit/Crochet 6:00	26 Swing Music 10:00 Stuffed Animal Storytime 6-7	27 <i>Internet Search Tools</i> 9:30	28 Genealogy Group 9:30-11:00
29	30 Kids Crochet/ Weave 4-5	31 Lansing Organiza- tions 10-12 RFAL deadline Kids Fitness 4-5	Friends Memberships Expire March 31! Renew now!	Please check the newsletter for ages and registration requirements.		