

# BRAINCH *Out*

Lansing Public Library Newsletter

**SUMMER  
STARTS HERE!**

**Lansing Block  
Party: 6/1/24  
5-8PM**





# THE SCOOP

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### New! Stay Sharp Kits

Designed for those experiencing cognitive challenges related to brain injuries, dementia and other memory disorders, these themed kits include puzzles, card games, books, and other interactive activities to spark conversation and stimulate brain activity. They encourage conversation, multi-generational participation, and memory-making for friends, families, and neighbors.

## MORE BUSINESSES! MORE WAYS TO SAVE!!



Do you know about  
**Community Roots?**

Lansing residents benefit from exclusive discounts from local businesses just for having a library card. Show your card to any of the merchants and take advantage of various discounts!

**Catering to the heart of Lansing- YOU!**

If you are a local business owner interested in participating in the *Community Roots Program* please contact our Outreach Department at [eventsdesk@lansingpl.org](mailto:eventsdesk@lansingpl.org).





# LIBRARY ON THE GO

**Mobile Library Schedule from 9:30-11:30am  
Weather Permitting**

The book bike is at it again...Check out materials around town at various locations with your library card. From books to STEAM kits, come find us around Lansing during the summer months! A special thanks to our *Friends of Lansing Public Library* for funding our bike. We are excited to provide library services to you on the go!!



Check out some of the STEAM kits we have available today!!

## JUNE SCHEDULE

	TUESDAY	THURSDAY
9:30-11:30AM	TED's Feed Store	Ace Hardware

## JULY SCHEDULE

	TUESDAY	THURSDAY
9:30-11:30AM	Lansing Municipal Center	Walgreens on Wentworth





# ADULTS

## Coffee Break Café

Every Wednesday from 10:30-11:30am

Welcome to the all-new Coffee Break Café! It'll be longer and better than before! Enjoy our French Press and Pour-Over coffees or our delectable teas along with a tasty goody! Mingle with fellow patrons and learn about other library offerings!

## Senior Social Club

Fridays: May 3, Jun 7 & Jul 5 from 1-2pm

Love to socialize and meet like-minded people in your community? Stop on by to play games, converse, and enjoy some freshly brewed coffee! Ages 65+.

## Spice Club



First Monday: May 6, Jun 3 & Jul 1

Spice up your cooking! Register each month to receive a sample of a new spice along with the spice's history and delicious recipes. Materials can be picked up at the Info Desk the first Monday of the month. Please register for each month separately.

## Gentle Tai-Chi and Meditation

Every Tuesday from 1-2pm

Start your afternoon strong with the right mind-set. Instructor *Brian Thompson from BNEW4LIFE*, teaches gentle Tai-Chi & Meditation to help you stay focused, alert, pain-free and anxiety-free!



## Storm Science: Severe Weather



Weds, May 8 from 6:30-7:30pm

It's storm season! Come and learn all about severe storms, tornadoes, and more in this exciting weather science class! Meet a storm chaser and learn about his adventures and some close calls! *Provided by Storm Science.*

## Home Seller's Workshop



Thursday, May 9 from 6-7:30pm

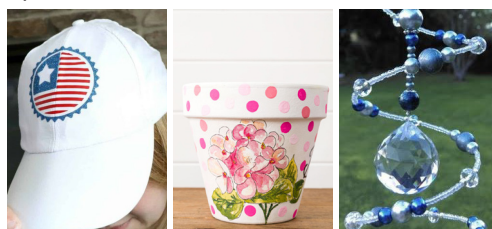
Ready to sell your home like a pro? Join us for an informative workshop where you'll learn the ins and outs of the selling process, learn about associated fees, and discover expert tips on staging your home for maximum buyer appeal, all with the guidance of an experienced realtor.

## CraftMasters



Fris: May 10, Jun 14 & Jul 12 from 1-2pm

Attention craft lovers, this is your opportunity to create something new and amazing! Space is limited so don't miss out!



May

Jun

Jul

## Cryptid Creatures



Mons: May 13, Jun 10 & Jul 8 at 6:30pm

Do cryptids intrigue you? Have you had an experience with Bigfoot or another local monster? Come share knowledge and stories on the region's cryptid creatures.



## Paint in Place



Tues: May 14, Jun 11 & Jul 9 from 6-7:30pm

Paint in Place is back and this time for Summer paintings! Paint in Place is a painting workshop designed to give you relaxation while making an amazing piece of art that has been drawn on by the artist. Take your painting home and show your friends and family!

## Senior Bingo!

Fris: May 17, Jun 21 & Jul 19 from 12-1pm

Love to play bingo? Like to win stuff too? This is the perfect opportunity for you to socialize and win some interesting prizes! Ages 65+.

## Myths & Munchies



Mons: May 20, Jun 17 & Jul 15 at 6:30pm

Love mythology, but have no one to talk to about it? Join us for discussions focusing on a different pantheon each month while sampling munches from local eateries!

## Citizen Utility Board: Navigating Solar

Thursday, May 23 from 6-7pm

Join *Citizens Utility Board (CUB)* for a presentation on solar and the benefits of clean energy. *(CUB)* will explain the different solar programs and incentives you can get involved in, and why clean energy is more affordable and reliable.

## Shredding Event

Saturday, May 25 from 10am-1pm

Have important documents you'd like to shred after tax season? Swing on by to have your papers shredded for free! Event in the Rear Parking Lot - Limit of 4 boxes. *Provided by Illinois State Rep Marcus C Evans.*



## Estate Planning



Monday, Jun 3 from 6-7pm

Learn the importance of wills, trusts, and estate planning! The *Chicago Title Land Trust Company* will be here to answer all of your questions! *Hosted by CTLT Company & The Chicago Title Land Trust Company.*



# ADULTS



## Cut the Cable ◆ 25

Tuesday, Jun 4 from 10-11am

Looking to ditch cable? Take a look at local internet options as well as the equipment necessary for a streaming-only home.

## The Science of Perception & Deception ◆ 25

Saturday, Jun 8 from 3-4pm

It's Mind Games...Our brains perceive, solve problems, and sometimes deceive us. In this program, presenter, *William Pack* explores brain tricks, optical illusions, and subconscious influences, offering techniques for brain health.



## Home Buyers Workshop ◆ 25

Thursday, Jun 13 from 6-7:30pm

Unlock the door to your dream home at our exclusive workshop! Join our tax and credit specialist, seasoned loan officer, and experienced realtor as they guide you through essential steps to secure your financial future and make homeownership a reality!

## Juneteenth Beaded Bracelets ◆ 20

Wednesday, Jun 19 from 1-2pm

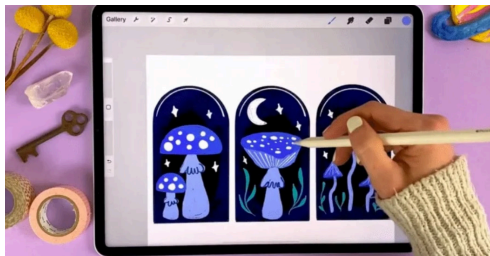
Come celebrate Juneteenth with us by making your very own Juneteenth beaded bracelet or two!



## A Not So "Silent Spring" ◆ 25

Wednesday, Jun 19 from 6:30-7:30pm

Learn about Rachel Carson and the birth of the environmental movement! A marine biologist turned writer takes on powerful forces in her effort to save the planet while personal battles threaten the most precious resource...her life.



## Senior Digital Art Exploration ◆ 8

Monday, Jun 24 from 5-6pm

Explore and learn how to use Procreate, a professional iPad art app. *Ages 65+.* Procreate offers 100s of handmade brushes, a suite of innovative artistic tools, advanced layer system, and the lightning fast Valkyrie graphics engine. - Provided by Age Options.



## CUB: How to Decarbonize Your Home ◆ 25

Thursday, Jun 27 from 6-7pm

Join *Citizens Utility Board (CUB)* for a presentation on decarbonizing your home! Decarbonization is both a method of climate change mitigation and the process of significantly reducing or eliminating carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and other greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from the atmosphere.

## Farmhouse Academy: French Crêpes ◆ 20

Saturday, Jul 6 from 1-2:30pm

We are having a live cooking class! Join us and *Farmhouse Academy* and learn how to make delicious French Crêpes!

## Real Estate Investor's Workshop ◆ 25

Thursday, Jul 11 from 6-7:30pm

Dive into real estate investing today with our tailored workshop designed for beginners and seasoned pros. Discover funding avenues for your projects, and realize that investing doesn't have to wait—this workshop takes the guesswork out of real estate investing!

## Summer Reading ◆ 25

June 1-29

Read, Renew, Repeat this summer at the library! Log your reading to earn prizes and a chance for our grand prize drawing.

1. Pick up a reading log from the Info Services department starting June 1.
2. Fill in a circle for every ten (10) minutes read.
3. Earn prizes by completing sixty (60) minutes of reading.
  - a. 60 min (1 hr) = Drawstring tote bag\*
  - b. 300 min (5 hr) = Coffee mug\*
  - c. 600 min (10 hr) = \$10 gift card of your choice\*
  - d. Every 60 min = 1 entry for grand prize drawing

The grand prize winner will be able to choose an experience for up to four (4) individuals:

- C3 CityPass Tickets
- Brookfield Zoo Family Membership
- Single-game tickets to the Chicago Cubs or White Sox.

While supplies last.



# LANSING LIBRARY CINEMA



**Star Wars Rogue One**  
Mon, May 6 at 12pm

Set only days before the first Star Wars movie, learn how the rebels were able to obtain the Death Star plans and exploit it, throwing the galaxy into the first galactic civil war. Join us on May 6, or also known as Revenge of the Sixth!



**Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny**  
Fri, Jun 28 at 12pm

Archaeologist Indiana Jones races against time to retrieve a legendary artifact that can change the course of history.

# COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

## Getting "Smart" About Phones



Wednesday, May 15 from 6-7:30pm; Tuesday, Jul 9 from 2-3:30pm

As phones get smarter, so can you! Learn general tips and tricks that can apply to both Android and Apple phones. Both classes have identical instruction.

## Intro to Google Docs



Thursdays: May 16 & Jun 20 from 10-11:30am; Tuesday, Jul 16 from 6-7:30pm

With Google Docs you can create, format, and edit text documents. Google account required with access to password. All classes have identical instruction.

## 1:1 Tech Help (By Appointment Only)

Book a 30 minute one-on-one tech assistance session! Scheduling is dependent upon the topic and staff availability. Please note this service is not intended as a replacement for device support, i.e. Geek Squad. Staff are not certified to troubleshoot or repair devices, but may only assist patrons with basic device usage and instruction of library applications. **Request an appointment in-person at the Info Desk, by phone at (708) 474-2447 ext. 109 or by email to [infodesk@lansingpl.org](mailto:infodesk@lansingpl.org)**



**Godzilla Minus One**  
Fri, Jul 26 at 12pm

Japan is still recovering from the Second World War when a gigantic monster emerges off the coast of Tokyo. This movie is made and produced in Japan and has subtitles.



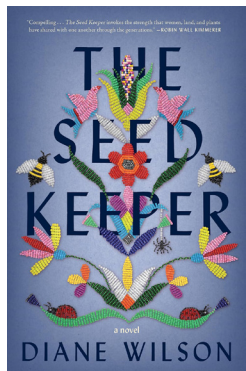
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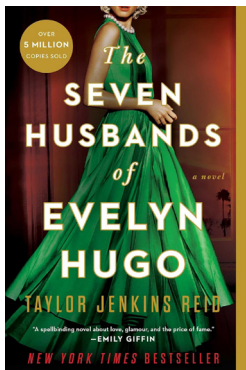
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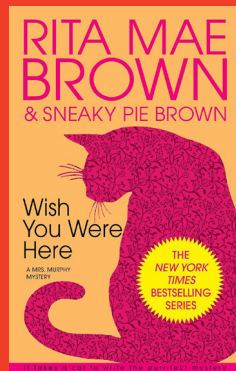
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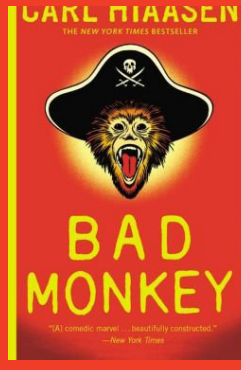
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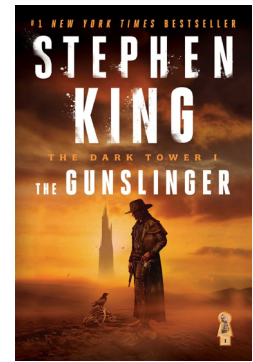
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## READER'S GUIDE TO THE Galaxy

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 6:30pm



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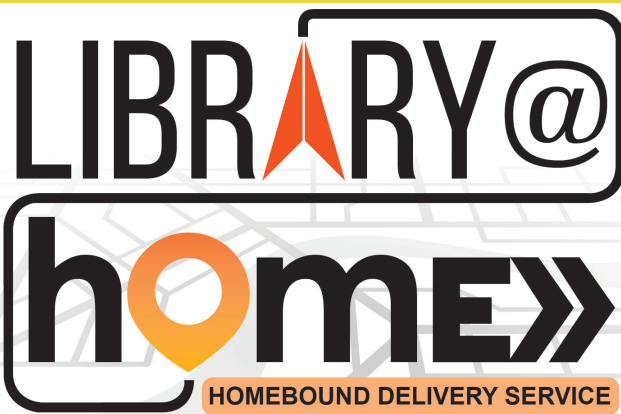
# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



## WIN 2 TICKETS FOR MEXICO VS BOLIVIA MATCH

May 4 through May 25

Sign up or re-new your Lansing Public Library Card for an opportunity to win two (2) tickets to the Mexico vs Bolivia match at Soldier Field on May 31. Winner announced on Tuesday, May 28.



Library@Home is for Lansing Residents who have:

- A temporary hardship due to a major illness
- An ongoing need due to physical handicaps
- A long-term illness
- Are homebound seniors
- New parents

If you are a homebound patron, please contact the Information Desk (708) 474-2447, ext. 109 for further information on starting as a homebound customer. You don't have to forgo your love of reading!



Our Library of Things is a collection of non-traditional materials including gadgets, tools, games, kits, electronics, and more - all available to check out for free with a Lansing library card.





# ALL AGES

**International Tasters Club** ✦ 15 👑  
Tues: May 14, Jun 11 & Jul 9 at 6pm

Explore the world through your taste buds as we taste-test a selection of yummy snacks from different countries and learn fun facts about their origins.

**Seeds and Sprouts** ✦ 25 ✨  
Mons: Jun 10 & 24; Jul 8 & 22 at 1pm

Interested in reading, renewing, and repeating? Come help contribute to the Lansing Public Library's community planters! On inclement days, we'll be crafting DIY flowers in the Teen Room.



**El Mago Bilingual Magic Show** ✦ 100 ✨  
Saturday, June 15 at 1pm

*El Mago* brings the wonders of magic to life in this mesmerizing, bilingual magic show.

**Juneteenth Lunch and Learn** ✦ 25 ✨  
Wednesday, June 19 at 1pm

What is Juneteenth and what does it mean to you? Let's go over the history of Juneteenth and see how far we've come and what traditions are still seen today.



**Stuffed Animal Sleepover** ✦ 25 👑  
Friday, June 21 at 4pm - Drop Off  
Saturday, June 22 at 9:30am - Pick Up

Send your stuffer on an after-hours library adventure! We'll start the fun with a goodnight storytime for kids and their favorite stuffed animals. Our Youth Services librarians will take the stuffed animals on a tour of the library, including places off-limits to the public. The program concludes the next morning with breakfast in the Community Room and a slideshow of the previous night's activities.

**Family BINGO/ LOTERIA** ✦ 20 👑  
Weds: Jun 26 & Jul 24 at 5:30pm

Head to the library for a fun night of family BINGO/LOTERIA (Mexican BINGO) and a chance to win a tasty treat!

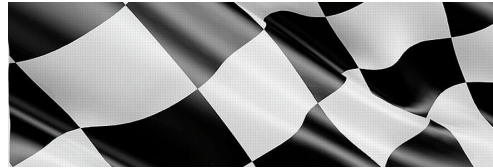
¡Diríjase a la biblioteca para una noche divertida de BINGO/LOTERIA familiar y la oportunidad de ganarse algo delicioso!

**Patriotic Snacks** ✦ 50 👑  
Wednesday, Jul 17 at 1pm

Join us as we commemorate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July with a cold treat! Bring your family to enjoy a bowl of froyo topped with your choice of toppings.

**Science Heroes: Adventure of the Lost Treasure** ✦ 100 ✨  
Thursday, Jul 11 at 6pm

*Talewise* will bring you on a journey of science discovery deep within the jungle. This interactive STEM show is hands on and tons of fun!



**Mobile Racing Challenge** 👑  
Thursday, Jul 18 at 5pm

You and your pit crew will race on a custom track. The race master will teach you to use the remote to navigate through obstacles, drift through hairpin turns, pop giant wheelies, and handle big jumps. Ages 7+.



**STEAM Ice Cream In A Bag** ✦ 50 👑  
Wednesday, Jul 31 at 6pm

It's back! Discover how a few household items can become a tasty treat, using science of course!



**Saturday, Jun 1  
from 5-8pm**

Summer starts here!! Our Block Party is quickly approaching. Don't miss out on an evening of fun!! We'll have food trucks, games, live entertainment, and so much more for everyone's enjoyment!



# YOUTH

## Birth - PreK

**Toddler Storytime** ✦ 12  
Every Monday beginning in June at 10am

This is a time for fun and learning new skills! Leave with a take home craft! Ages 18-36mos.

**Music and Movement** ✦ 8  
Every Tuesday beginning in June at 10:30am for Ages: 0-12mos; 11am for Ages: 12-18mos

This is a time to enjoy books, movement, songs, and more!

**Preschool Storytime** ✦ 12  
Every Wednesday beginning in June at 10am

Learn important things like motor and literacy skills! Leave with a take home craft! Ages 3-5.

**Daycare Storytime** ✦ 12  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday beginning in June at 11am  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Weds beginning in June at 11am

For daycares with up to six kids. Call the library to schedule a separate storytime for larger groups.



**Move with Sol** ✦ 15  
Weds: June 5 & July 3 at 11am

Follow along as we have fun exercising to kid-friendly YouTube dance videos.

**Baby Drive-In** ✦ 15  
Fridays: June 21 & July 12 at 10am

Decorate a cardboard box to make it look like a car, then "drive" it to the Community Room for cartoons and snacks. All supplies will be provided.

**Pajama Storytime** ✦ 20  
Thurs: June 27 & July 25 at 6pm

Read good night books and sing lullabies to prepare your little ones for bed.



## Grade K - 5

**Beginner Crochet for Kids** ✦ 6  
Sats: May 11, Jun 8 & Jul 13 at 10am  
Tues: May 21 at 6pm; Jun 18 & Jul 16 at 2pm

Chain, turn, and crochet your way into a new skill. Grade: 3-8.

**Mi Casita Spanish Storytime** ✦ 12  
Weds: June 12 & July 10 at 5:30pm

Engage your kids in an enriching bilingual experience. We will be reading a book followed by a fun activity.

Acompáñenos para una experiencia bilingüe divertida y enriquecedora. Leeremos un libro seguido de una actividad divertida.

**Kid's Game Night** ✦ 12  
Thurs, Jun 13 at 6pm; Tues, Jul 2 at 6pm

Learn how to play fun, cooperative games with friends old and new. Grade: K-3.

**Sidewalk Chalk Obstacle Course** ✦ 20  
Friday, June 14 at 2pm

Can you be the fastest one around the Courtyard's obstacle course?

**Happy Birthday Sonic!** ✦ 12  
Tuesday, June 18 at 6pm

It's juice and jam time at the library. Celebrate your favorite blue hedgehog's birthday with Sonic crafts and inspired snacks. It's going to be way past cool!



**Spooky Tales & S'mores** ✦ 12  
Thurs, Jun 20 at 6pm; Tues, Jul 23 at 6pm

Tell spooky stories with friends while making and eating s'mores.

**DIY Butterfly House** ✦ 24  
Thursday, June 27 at 6pm

Invite butterflies to your yard with this cool butterfly house.

**Make A Crankie Box** ✦ 8  
Thursday, July 11 at 1pm

Long before graphic novels, crankies were a way to tell a moving story. We'll watch videos of other crankies in motion and learn how to make a crankie box using our own drawings.

**Let's Make Stuff!** ✦ 12  
Fridays & Saturdays in July at 2pm

Make a mess at the library and save your house! All materials will be provided.

Week 1 - Slime  
Week 2 - Oobleck  
Week 3 - Playdough  
Week 4 - Magic Sand

**Let's Make a Kite!** ✦ 12  
Tuesday, July 16 at 6pm

Reach new heights in this STEAM program about aerodynamics. Create your own kite and test fly it right here at the library.



**Scales and Tales** ✦ 40  
Monday, July 22 at 6pm

Step into a world of wonder! Led by experienced handlers, this interactive experience offers a unique opportunity for children to learn about and interact with fascinating creatures from around the globe.



# TEENS

## Grade 6 - 12



**Anime Club** ♦️20  
Tues, May 7 at 4pm;  
Sats: Jun 29 & Jul 27 at 2pm

Explore the exciting world of Japanese animation with like-minded peers.

**Mother's Day Bracelets** ♦️15  
Wednesday, May 8 at 4pm

Hey Teens! Join us for a fun Mother's Day bracelet-making party! Get creative and craft special bracelets for your amazing moms. Let's make this Mother's Day extra special together!

**Teen Volunteer Orientation & Training**  
Tues: May 28 at 4pm; Jun 25 & Jul 30 at 2pm

Learn about volunteering at the library.

**Key Chains** ♦️15  
Wednesday, June 5 at 4pm

Join us at our personalized key chain making event! Get ready to design, craft, and express yourself while adding a personal touch to your everyday essentials.

**Teen After Hours Party** ♦️20  
Saturday, June 8 from 6-11pm

Food, fun, and a mobile escape room experience.



**Jolly Rancher Candy Rose** ♦️15  
Wednesday, June 12 at 1pm

Learn how to make roses out of Jolly Rancher.

**Korean Culture Club** ♦️12  
Thurs: June 13 & July 25 at 1pm

Say hello to summer with Korean music, snacks, and beauty products!

**Campfire Chats** ♦️12  
Mons: June 17 & July 15 at 1pm

Experience daytime camping! We will discuss the upcoming school year and the books we're reading. S'mores and lemonade will be served!

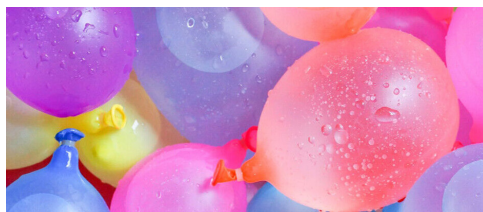
**M&M's Mosaic** ♦️10  
Wednesday, June 26 at 1pm

We're combining our love of food and art by creating an edible mosaic made with M&Ms and frosting!



**DIY Sharpie Mugs** ♦️15  
Wednesday, July 10 at 1pm

Personalize your own mug using markers!



**Water Balloon Fight** ♦️30  
Wednesday, July 24 at 1pm

Escape the heat and join us for a water balloon fight. Dress in something appropriate for water games.



**Can You Survive a Shark Attack?** ♦️15  
Wednesday, July 31 at 1pm

Come and test your knowledge about sharks in this interactive survival game and see if you are able to avoid a shark attack.

# Summer

Reading Is Here!!!

June 1-29  
Ages 0-18

Read, Renew, Repeat this summer at the library! Log your reading to earn weekly prizes and raffle tickets for a chance to win big prizes.

Pick up a reading log from the Youth Services department starting June 1st.



**GCFD Summer Lunch Program**  
Monday-Friday from 11am-1pm

June through August, children 0-18 can enjoy free summer lunches! Lunches must be eaten on-site. Exact dates will be announced closer to summer.



**LIBRARY HOURS**

Monday-Thursday: **9am-8pm**  
Friday & Saturday: **9am-5pm**  
Sunday: **CLOSED**

**LIBRARY CLOSINGS/SPECIAL HOURS**

May 4 - Closing at 1pm (Good Neighbor Parade)  
May 27 - Memorial Day  
June 1 - Block Party  
July 3 - Closing at 5pm (Independence Day)  
July 4 - Independence Day  
August 2 - Staff In Service

**DIRECTOR**

Lisa Korajczyk

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Yvette Farmer, *Trustee*  
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Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30pm in the Community Room. No meetings in August and December.

**DISABILITY ACCOMMODATIONS**

Any person needing accommodations for a disability in order to access the benefits of the Library's services, programs, or activities under the American with Disabilities Act should contact Director Lisa Korajczyk by phone 708-474-2447 or in writing, not less than five (5) business days prior to the event.

**CONTACT INFO**

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Please visit the Library or our website for updates to program information. Visit our website to subscribe to our eNewsletter.

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**POSTAL CUSTOMER**

**LANSING HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**Brides through the Decades**

June 10 - August 19: Mondays 5:30-7:30pm;  
Saturdays 11am-1pm

"Brides through the Decades" will open in the Lansing Historical Society Museum on June 10th this year. Although the exhibit has been mounted in June for many years, it constantly changes. New gowns are donated every year, adding to the rich history conveyed by the wedding trends dating from Victorian times through 2000. The display features photos of many of the brides and commentary about fashion trends and history from each era. Tours at other times can be arranged by calling 708-474-7497.



**IMAGE RELEASE**

All program registrants and participants must permit to the taking and use of their image in future library publications, both printed and electronic.



**Friend's Meeting**

Mondays: May 13 & Jul 8 at 6:30pm

**Book Sale**

Sats: May 11, Jun 8 & Jul 13

Members Access: 9:30-10:30am  
General Public: 10:30am-1:30pm

**Basket Raffles**

Three (3) Mother's Day Baskets  
\$5/1 ticket or \$10/3 tickets  
Drawing: May 9

Kids' Summer Activity Basket  
\$5/1 ticket or \$10/3 tickets  
On Display: May 9  
Drawing: June 8

4<sup>th</sup> of July Basket  
\$5/1 ticket or \$10/3 tickets  
On Display: June 8  
Drawing: July 1

Teacher Backpack  
\$5/1 ticket or \$10/3 tickets  
On display: July 1  
Drawing: August 16

**Concessions Sale**

**Block Party**

Friends will sell memberships, raffle baskets, book bundles, and books/DVD's. Buy waters (\$1/bottle) and Fannie May Candy Bars (\$2 each or 2 bars/\$3).

**Candy Bar Sales**

Fannie May bars will be sold at block party and book sales. \$2 each or 2/\$3.