

**Lansing Public Library**

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## From the Director's Desk

Happy Spring to you all! Well, I certainly enjoyed the mildest winter I remember in my lifetime and am looking forward to a glorious spring. Spring to me is not only warmer weather but the beginning of America's and my favorite pastime- baseball. Spring training is going on in earnest in Florida and Arizona and things are looking very good for our Chicago Cubs! Unlike last year people are expecting great things so they are going to have to learn to play well when others are out to prove them wrong. It is going to be a wonderful season. Things also look pretty good for the south side's Chicago White Sox. I cannot wait until the fun begins.

It looks as though the library remodel will finally become a reality probably sometime in May. We are getting ready to go out for bids on the project. Spring and summer will be a little crazy around here as we plan to stay open through the renovation. We ask you to bear with temporary relocation of services, dust, noise and the unavailability of certain materials and areas of the library for the next few months. When we are done we will have a lovely new space with some new amenities for you to enjoy.

April 19<sup>th</sup> is our Go Live date for returning to the SWAN catalog. It has been eighteen years since we broke from the consortium that this library helped found. The staff and I are glad to be rejoining the other 77 libraries. This move will allow you to search all of these libraries at once, no more need to search our catalog and then SWAN. You, the patron, will now be able to see what is available at one glance and will be able to place holds on desired materials from the comfort of your own home or on your own mobile device. We are grateful to RAILS (Reaching Across Illinois Library System) for providing us with a grant that makes this merger possible. Our main goal is to give our patrons what they need and desire in the easiest manner possible and this goes a long way to achieving that goal. Thank you RAILS!

The library board has also decided that we will eliminate the charge to borrow a DVD when we switch to the SWAN system. So you will no longer need to have \$1 to borrow a movie. Fines still apply. We are also making some fine and loan rule changes to make borrowing similar to other area libraries. Later in the summer we will be participating in a pilot program to test some broad simple loan rules as many librarians in the area agree it would be nice if these rules were the same wherever you happened to stop to borrow a book or other materials. So we ask that you bear with us as there will be many changes but information is always available at our website and in the library. We encourage you to give us your feedback.

There will be no Block Party this year because of the remodeling project. No worries we will be back next year the first Friday of June! Summer Reading will go on although in interesting ways so do not forget to sign up to participate, all ages welcome. Geocaching will be back again this summer too. The theme this year ties in with the Olympics, "Read - for the Win!"

*"Baseball is almost the only orderly thing in a very unordered world. If you get three strikes, even the best lawyer in the world can't get you off."* Bill Veech  
Debbie Albrecht, Director

## Dates to Remember!

**Wednesday, April 13**  
Closed for staff training.

**Friday, April 15 @ 5 p.m.**  
No new, replacement or renewal of library cards.  
No payments of fines.  
No new holds or modification of holds.  
Services resume April 19.

**Tuesday, April 19**  
Lansing joins SWAN!  
Suspended services resume. Patrons can now place their own InterLibrary Loan requests.

**Saturday, May 7**  
Open 9-1. Parade Day!

**Monday, May 30**  
Closed for Memorial Day

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

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# Migration to SWAN!

In order to allow time for transition into SWAN, Lansing Library will experience a brief hiatus on some functions. We are required to stop adding new materials to the current catalog on April 5. We will work diligently after migration to get caught up on new materials. Thank you for your patience!

**April 16-18** we will be unable to issue new library cards, renew library cards, accept payment of fines/fees, renew items, or place holds on Lansing owned items.

Users will be restricted from managing their borrower account through the mobile app, BookMyne, or on the website. Users will be unable to place or manage holds, renew items or pay fines/fees themselves on our website from **April 14-18**.

Immediately before the transition, from **April 16-18, checkouts and returns will not reflect and update in your online account.** Those transactions will be processed April 19. No items are due April 15-18. Availability of items as shown in our online catalog will not be up-to-date April 16-18.

April 19 our online catalog will have a new location, remember to update your bookmarks or favorites! [https://swanlibs.ent.sirsi.net/client/en\\_US/lss/](https://swanlibs.ent.sirsi.net/client/en_US/lss/)

**Are you excited for April 19? We are!** You'll be able to search 78 libraries all in one place, request items with a click of the mouse, and manage your account easily! You can pay fines you owe at area libraries at Lansing, you can return items you checked out at one of our neighboring libraries here, and more! Is another library closer to your workplace? Use "Pick Up Anywhere" to have your SWAN holds sent there for pickup!

April 19 is also the day new loan periods and higher item limits go into effect for most items. **April 19 is also the beginning of our new DVD checkout fee.** We've lowered the price to ZERO! Just be sure to return them on time, late fees still apply.

This is just the beginning of improvements we will be rolling out! **June 6, we will expand our services and patrons will receive phone call reminders** items are due, notifications of holds awaiting pickup, and notification of late materials. **If you see "Local Library" on your caller ID, that's us!** You can even call in anytime to hear a list of items checked out, items overdue, current balance, renew items, or change your PIN. **Call toll-free 1-877-662-8190 beginning June 6.**

May 10, Franklin Park Public Library also joins SWAN, expanding the flock to 79 libraries!

A big thank you to Greg Ambrose from Ambrose Landscaping for trimming the beautiful tree in our atrium!



## Adult Events

Register for Adult Events at the Fiction & Beyond Desk, on our website, or by phone at 474-2447, ext. 122.

**FORUM** **Public Forum: Fox Pointe Concept Plan**  
**Monday, April 18**  
**from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.**  
**in the Community Room**  
Review of Fox Pointe Concept Plan and opportunity for public feedback.

**MAKE IT!** **Make It: May Day Baskets**  
**Fri., April 22 at 10 a.m.**  
**in the Community Room**  
May Day, or the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May marks the middle of spring and has been celebrated in the past with lots of enthusiasm. There were parades, dances, festivals, music, food, and the giving of May Baskets. Most of the celebrations have faded with time, but the giving of May Day baskets still remains. In this class, we will be making paper cones and decorating them with stamps, ribbons, lace, buttons, bits of old jewelry. And whatever else you may bring to class. **Registration for this class is required, limit 12.** Class is open to anyone 18 or older. To attend this session, you must be able to use scissors and glue. You may register for this class online or at the Fiction & Beyond desk.



### Get Library Info Online!

Lansing Public Library has added online registration for our computer classes and many of our events. You can register any time day or night, and opt-in for reminders before the event or class! Join our email list to receive a link to the library newsletter and announcements when registration opens for concerts, classes and events. **Stop by the Circulation Desk** to add your email address to your library account today!

## MONEY SMART WEEK

APRIL 23-30, 2016 | ILLINOIS

**The Basics of Budgeting**  
**Tuesday, April 26 at**  
**6:30 p.m. in the Community Room.** A representative from the Illinois Comptroller's office will present an informational session on the basics of budgeting.  
Learn how to:  
Prepare a monthly budget  
Cut expenses / Comparison Shop  
Track and Maintain a Budget



**Understanding Your Credit Report**  
**Thursday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**in the Community Room**  
Lisa Franklin from LPL Financial presents Understanding your credit report. This presentation will cover how to order a free copy of your credit report, how to read it and what to do if you find mistakes in the report. It will also cover what is a credit score and why your credit score is extremely important to your financial success.



**Home Buying Seminar**  
**Saturday, April 30**  
**at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room**

Many potential homebuyers are intimidated about home ownership because they feel the process is complex. One way to minimize the fear of the home buying process is to provide clear and consistent information and high-quality guidance for buying a home.

Frank Sanchez from Standard Bank in conjunction with Sandy T. Carter, Broker Associate From the Carter Realty Group and Attorney Tracy Stalworth, ESQ will be there to talk about the closing procedures and to help answer any questions for those soon to be new home buyers. **Registration is necessary for this program.** Refreshments will be served.

**MAKE IT!** **Make It: Spring Bird Mobiles**  
**Friday, May 27**  
**at 10 a.m.**

**in the Community Room**  
Spring time with lots of little birds. In this class we will trace and cut out little birds to string and hang as one of a kind line mobiles.  
**Registration is required.** This class is open to anyone 18 or older. Class limit it 12. To attend this class you must be able to trace and cut out the birds, and use a needle and thread. You may register for this class on line or at the Fiction & Beyond desk.

## Adult Events

### Thank You!

The library received a donation from the Craft Club used to purchase *Secret Garden Embroidery: 15 Projects for Your Stitching Pleasure* by Sophie Simpson and *Artfully Embroidered: Motifs and Patterns for Bags and More* by Naoko Shimoda.

In memory of Lucille Sebahar, Mary Heinz donated the following titles: *Life as a Cowboy in the American West*, *Life as a Pioneer on the Oregon Trail*, *Life as a Soldier in the Civil War*, *Life as a Spy in the American Revolution*, and *Life as an Engineer on the First Railroads in America*.

### Help By Appointment

Appointments are available with library staff to help you build your technology skills!

Topics include smartphone, tablet or laptop assistance, Microsoft Office programs, resume assistance, digital content assistance (e-books, e-magazines, e-audio), genealogy assistance, and help with our extensive online research tools.

Please visit our website for a complete list of topics and to schedule your appointment today! Lansing Public Library Card required.

### Groups

**Calumet River Creative Writers Group**  
**10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Community Room**  
Age 18 & up.  
New writers are always welcome.  
Saturdays: April 2 & 16, May 7 & 21



The popular knitting & crochet circle “Purls of Wisdom” meets at the library. Bring your own supplies. **Beginners always welcome!**

**Wednesdays**  
**6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**  
April 27  
May 11 & 25



**Fridays**  
**10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**  
April 8 & 22  
May 6 & 20



The Lansing Business Women’s Association is **cutting and sorting coupons for our military families overseas**. The coupons can be used 6 months past the expiration date at their commissary.

Join us on the **first Monday of every month at the Lansing Public Library in the Community Room**. We meet **9:30 a.m. – Noon and 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.** Bring your scissors and any coupons you may have.

### Recurring Monthly Events

**Creative Coloring for Adults**  
**Fridays, April 1 & 15 and May 6 & 20 at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room**



If you are under stress, this class is for you. Come and join us for a relaxing hour coloring the time away. You’ll be surprised how quickly one hour can go. Coloring is a great right-left brain activity. It’s calming & soothing. It’s an activity anyone can do. We supply the materials. All you have to do is come in, pick a picture and start coloring. This class is for anyone 18 or older. Please register for these classes.

**Register Online Now**

**Register on our website for classes and events. Add your email address to your library card account to receive emails when registration opens for upcoming classes!**

## Adult Events

### Recurring Monthly Events



**Monday Morning Movies**  
**Mondays: April 11 & May 9**  
**at 11:00 a.m.**

**in the Community Room**

*Sponsored by Friends of Lansing Library*  
*Friends Book Sale open after the movie until 2 p.m.*



**Laughter for a Healthier You**  
**Tuesdays: April 26 & May 31**  
**from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the**  
**Community Room.**

Experience the healing power of laughter, joy and deep breathing and feel it transform your life from the inside out. Learn to incorporate laughter into your daily life and also when sick, depressed or facing challenges. Join Tanaz Bamboat, a certified Laughter Yoga Instructor, for an hour of fun and laughter!



**Dead Relatives Society**  
**(Genealogy Research Group)**

**Saturday, April 23 from 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.**

**Saturday, May 21 from 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.**

Meets in the Conference Room on the main level. We meet once a month at the library to do research. The library supplies the computers and room and a staff member. You bring your curiosity and questions. (You can bring your own computer if you like.) We research together and share our triumphs and brick walls. Sometimes we break down brick walls and we all share the thrill.

*[Offered by I&I]*

## Adult Book Discussions



Book discussions are open to anyone who want to **participate**. Books are available at the Circulation Desk one month before each discussion.

**Thursday, April 7 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**'Avid Reads' in the Community Room**  
***An Untamed State* by Roxane Gay**

**Thursday, April 14 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**'Reality Check' in the Community Room**  
***The Road to Character***  
**by David Brooks**

**Thursday, April 21 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**'Murder & Mayhem' in the Community Room**  
***Baltimore Blues* by Laura Lippman**

**Thursday, May 5 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**'Avid Reads' in the Community Room**  
***A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith**

**Thursday, May 12 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**'Reality Check' in the Community Room**  
***When Books Went to War: the Stories that helped***  
***Us Win World War II***  
**by Molly Guptill Manning**

**Thursday, May 19 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**'Murder & Mayhem' in the Community Room**  
**Read any Book by James Patterson**

We've added many new resources to our website. See Page 11 for details about the historic newspapers and expanded consumer, academic research & hobbyist tools!



## Computer & Technology Classes



### Introduction to Microsoft Word 2013

In this class we will explore the basics of Word; we will be covering the powerful tools in Word 2013 that will help you create professional looking documents.

**Prerequisite for class: Mouse and Keyboard proficiency. Registration required, limit 10 Lansing cardholders.**

Meets in the Brick Room, lower level.

*[Offered by I&I]*

**Thursday, April 7 @ 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**



### Writing a Résumé Using Word

If you have been out of the job hunt for a while, or aren't getting responses to your applications, you may need to look at and revise your resume. This class will cover the basics of using Microsoft Word and tweaking your resume to reflect current trends in resumes. Please bring a flash drive or purchase one at the library. Also, if you currently have a resume bring a copy.

**Prerequisite for class: Mouse and Keyboard proficiency. Registration required, limit 10 Lansing cardholders.**

Meets in the Brick Room, lower level.

*[Offered by I&I]*

**Thursday, April 21, 2016 @ 2 p.m.-3:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, April 21, 2016 @ 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**



### Introduction to Google Drive

In this class we will explore the basics of Google Drive; we will be demonstrating how to sign up for Google Drive, how to access the drive, and how to get started using it.

**Prerequisite for class: Mouse and Keyboard proficiency. Registration required, limit 10 Lansing cardholders.**

Meets in the Brick Room, lower level.

*[Offered by I&I]*

**Tuesday, May 3, 2016 @ 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**

**Thursday, May 5, 2016 @ 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**



### Library Catalog

Learn how to place your own holds in the new catalog and manage your account.

**Registration required,**

**limit 10 Lansing cardholders.**

Meets in the Brick Room, lower level.

*[Offered by IT]*

**Saturday, April 23, 2016 @ 2 p.m.-3 p.m.**



### BookMyne

Learn how to place your own holds in the library's app and manage your account. Please bring your smartphone or tablet.

**Registration required,**

**limit 10 Lansing cardholders.**

Meets in the Brick Room, lower level.

*[Offered by IT]*

**Saturday, April 23, 2016 @ 3 p.m.-4 p.m.**

### To Know a Database is to Love a Database

Are you aware that the Lansing Public Library is fortunate enough to subscribe to numerous databases that will enrich your life tremendously? To acquaint you with some of these, we are offering introductory classes. **Registration required, limit 10 Lansing cardholders.**

Meets in the Brick Room, lower level.

*[Offered by I&I]*



### Focus on Home Improvement & Crafts

**Thursday, April 28, 2016**

**@ 10 a.m.-11 a.m.**



### Focus on Travel

**Thursday, May 19, 2016**

**@ 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**



Register on our website for classes and events. Add your email address to your library card account to receive emails when registration opens for upcoming classes!

# Friends of Lansing Library

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## **You're Invited!**

We invite you to join Friends of Lansing Library. Membership is \$5 per year. One membership perk is early admission to all our book sales! Memberships may be purchased at the monthly book sale or at the Circulation Desk anytime.

**Friends Meetings** are held every other month. Upcoming meeting: **May 9 @ 6:30 p.m.** in the Community Room.

If you have never come to a meeting, come check us out. We are fun folks!

**Friends Fundraising Team meeting Monday, April 11 @ 6:30 p.m.** in the Community Room.

Help support our Friends who support the library with purchases that are beyond the library's budget.

**“READ A PAGE, FUND THE STAGE” Friends Fundraiser:** During National Library Week, April 10-16, Friends members will read as many pages/books as the seven days allow. Before we begin to read, we will ask people to sponsor us with a monetary pledge (the sponsor chooses the amount.) All pledge amounts will go to purchase the portable library stage. We have raised 77% of the stage cost and hope this Read-a-thon propels us to the 100% we need. When a “Friend” asks you to be a sponsor, would you please consider his/her

request. You may also become a sponsor by asking for a Read-a-thon pledge envelope from the Fiction and Beyond Desk. We will read a page, will you help fund the stage?

## **BAKERS SQUARE FUNDRAISER**



Bakers Square (Lansing location) all-day fundraiser **Tuesday, April 12 from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. MUST PRESENT FLYER** (use the flyer on page 2 or take a flyer from the Circulation Desk). With flyer, Friends will receive 20% of your purchase price!

No coupons/no discounts.

### **Valid Dining In or Carry Out!**

We thank you in advance for your participation and hope to see many of you, our loyal supporters, there.

## **PORTABLE LIBRARY STAGE UPDATE**

We have raised 77% of the money needed to purchase the stage. Many of you gave a monthly pledge (or a donation) toward the stage in 2015. Can we count on you for another pledge (or donation) in 2016? Any donation amount will be gratefully received. You may request a pledge envelope from the Fiction and Beyond Desk and may hand in your pledge envelope there as well.

## **Friends of Lansing Library Book Sales**

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

### **General Public**

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

*Friends memberships are available at the door.*

\*Saturday, April 9, 2016

Saturday, May 14, 2016

\$5 Fill-a-Bag! Open until 2

### **Additional Book Sales**

\*Friday, April 1, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

\*Monday, April 11, 12:30-2 p.m.

Monday, May 9, 12:30-2 p.m.

Friday, May 13, 12:30-2 p.m.

Friday, May 20, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

### **\*NEED A MOTHERS' DAY**

**GIFT** for Sunday, May 8?

Friends will be selling \$5 gift sets and \$10 bracelets at the three April book sales.

**THANK YOU** to our Library concert patrons who bought cupcakes after the February and March concerts. We collected **\$292** which has been placed in the portable stage fund.

### **DORIS, oh how we will miss you!**

Longtime Friends of the Lansing Library volunteer, Doris Archer, passed away in March. Whether it was cutting coupons for the Veterans; working at Friends Book Sales; picking up pop for the Block Party; volunteering at the Block Party and at Autumn Fest; or planning the Antique Appraisal Friends Fundraiser, Doris was always a willing and energetic worker. We will miss your smile, your can-do attitude, and your servant's heart.

**Notice: Kids, Tween & Teen Events:**  
See Page 9 for registration notice.

For more information, visit the ITI Dept., or call 474-2447, ext. 421

## Kids Events

### **Recurring Programs**

#### **Morning Storytime**

Six week session starting the week of April 18 and ending the week of May 23

#### **Activity Room**

No sign-up required.

*Baby Storytime (Birth – 24 mos.):*  
Mondays @ 10:30 & 11:30

*Toddler Storytime (24-36 mos.):*  
Wednesdays @ 10:30 & 11:30

*Preschool Storytime (3-5 years):*  
Thursdays @ 10:30 & 11:45

#### **Lego Day**

Saturdays: April 2 & May 14  
from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

[All Ages]

We provide the Legos, you bring your imagination! All completed projects will be displayed in the ITI department. No sign-up required.

#### **Homeschool Hub**

Fridays: April 8 & May 13  
from 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

[All Ages]

#### **Community Room**

All homeschooling families invited to come and share a morning of information, resources, and fun!  
No sign-up required.

#### **Family STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics)**

Saturday, April 9  
from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

[Family Event]

#### **Community Room**

All About Birds! Drop in and make a bird house, learn to identify common bird species,

and find out what you can do to protect them and their habitats. Touch feathers, eggs, and more! Children must be accompanied by an adult.

#### **Family STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics)**

Saturday, May 28  
10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

[Family Event]

#### **Community Room**

Mammal Mania! Stop in and learn what makes mammals unique! Touch fur, bones, and more! Make a mammal craft and learn about native mammals you may see in your backyard! Children must be accompanied by an adult.

#### **PJ Evening Storytime**

Wednesdays: April 20, May 4 & May 18 at 6:30 p.m.

[All Ages]

#### **Activity Room**

Join us for an evening of stories, songs, snacks and crafts!  
No sign-up required.

#### **Family Pajama Movie Night**

Wednesday:  
May 11 at 6:00 p.m.

[Family Event]

#### **Community Room**

Family Movie + Popcorn = Family Pajama Movie Night. Feel free to bring your blanket and wear your favorite PJs! Contact the library for movie titles. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.*

No sign-up required.

#### **Family Interactive Storytime** Thursday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 24 at 6:30 p.m.

#### **[All Ages] Activity Room**

Parents are invited to help make crafts, enjoy snacks, and listen to stories! No sign-up required.

#### **Write to Book Characters!**

##### **Ages 1-8**

Mail Time! Come visit Infants, Teens, and In-Betweens' book character mailboxes to mail letters to a few of your favorite book characters, like Llama Llama and Elephant & Piggie. Characters will switch from month to month.

#### **Monet Inspired Paintings**

Thursday, April 7 at 6:30 p.m.

#### **[Grades K-5] Activity Room**

Monet is best known for his water lily paintings. Recreate a painting in a fun way with a cool 3D element! No sign-up required.

#### **Picnic With a Twist**

Thursday, April 14 at 6:30 p.m.

#### **[Grades K-5] Activity Room**

We're going on an indoor picnic! Join us on the picnic blanket to make a few tasty picnic snacks with a twist and hear a few stories! No sign-up required.

#### **Earth Day Bird Feeders**

Monday, April 18

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

[3rd grade and under]

#### **Activity Room**

Help the environment and celebrate spring by creating your own birdfeeders to take home and hang around the yard. Peanut free! No sign-up required.



## Tween Events

### **Adventure Fund Fun Thursday, April 26 at 4:00 p.m.**

**[Grades 4-8] Activity Room**  
A money saving jar is a great way to stash cash you want to use for those adventures you're trying to save up for. Decorate one that's unique to you and your big plans.  
**Limited space available.**

### **Blackout Page Tuesday, May 10 at 4:00 p.m. [Grades 4-8] Activity Room**

Have you ever come up with a poem without writing any words yourself? Well, it's possible! Come create a work of art and a piece of poetry without picking up a pencil.  
**No sign-up required.**

### **Angry Birds Party Wednesday, May 25 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. [Grades 4-8]**

**Community Room**  
Celebrate the release of the Angry Birds Movie with Angry Birds themed activities.  
**No sign-up required.**

### **Customize Your Flip Flops Tuesday, May 31 at 4:00 p.m. [Grades 4-12]**

**Activity Room**  
Time to get ready for summer! Bring a new pair of inexpensive rubber flip flops to the library, and we will provide all the awesome craft supplies you need to make them truly your own!  
**No sign-up required.**

## Teen Events

### **Make Something Monday Every Monday at 4:00 p.m. [Grades 6-12]**

**Community Room**  
Every Monday after school, come to the Chat Room to make a fun craft!

### **April 4: Wooden peg superhero dolls**

### **April 11: Coloring day**

### **April 25: DIY journals**

### **May 2: Mini-catapults**

### **May 16: Olympic paper chains- help us get ready for summer reading**

### **May 23: Last Monday of school surprise!**

### **Teen Movie Night Tuesday, April 12 at 4:00 p.m. Wed., May 17 at 4:00 p.m. [Grades 6-12]**

**Community Room**  
*Sponsored by the Friends of the Library*

The librarians will provide you with choices and the movie with the most votes will play. Will it be a few episodes of your favorite TV show? Or maybe that new release you have been waiting to see? There's only one way to find out...see you at movie night!  
**No sign-up required.**

### **Game Day Thursday, April 14 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. Thursday, May 5 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. [Grades 4-12]**

**Community Room**  
Come on over and try your hand at Mario Kart, Super Smash

Brothers and more! We also have several board games to play as well! **No sign-up required.**

### **Reader Reviews [Grades 4-12] April & May**

Is there a book you really, really liked and want others to know how great it was? If you'd like to, get a book review form and fill it out with your name, grade and why you liked the book! We'll post them up at the library to share with other readers!

**Create a Poem Station  
Month of April [Grades 4-12]**  
Poetry doesn't have to be boring! Come make your own poem at our poetry station, located at the Teen Desk for the entire month of April. Search for words, put them together and glue them to a page to make one-of-a-kind poetry artwork!

**Book Cover Makeover  
Month of May [Grades 4-12]**  
If there is a book cover you think needs improvement, submit your very own updated design. Winners' creations will be displayed on the original books. Instructions and materials are at the teen desk.

**Star Wars: The Force Awakens  
Craft  
Tuesday, April 5 at 5:00 p.m.  
[Grades 4-12] Activity Room**  
The wait is over, and the newest Star Wars movie is out on DVD today! To celebrate, let's make light sabers! Using pool noodles and tape, we will make the

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greatest weapon in this galaxy... or any other!

**No sign-up required.**

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**[Grades 4-8] Activity Room**

Have you ever come up with a poem without writing any words yourself? Well, it's possible! Come create a work of art and a piece of poetry without picking up a pencil.

**No sign-up required.**

**Angry Birds Party**  
**Wednesday, May 25**  
**from 5-6 p.m.**  
**[Grades 4-8]**  
**Community Room**

Celebrate the release of the Angry Birds Movie with Angry Birds themed activities.

**No sign-up required.**

**Customize Your Flip Flops**  
**Tuesday, May 31 at 4:00 p.m.**  
**[Grades 4-12] Activity Room**

Time to get ready for summer! Bring a new pair of inexpensive rubber flip flops to the library, and we will provide all the awesome craft supplies you need to make them truly your own!

## News You Can Use

New Resources Added!

Did you know you can access all of these from the library or your own home with your library card?

- Automobile Reference Center
- Consumer Health Complete
- Funk & Wagnalls New World Encyclopedia
- History Reference Center
- Hobbies & Crafts Reference Center
- Home Improvement Reference Center
- Legal Information Reference Center
- Literary Reference Center
- MasterFile (magazines)
- Middle Search Plus (magazine articles written at a middle school reading level)
- NoveList
- NoveList K-8
- Primary Search (magazine articles written for elementary school reading level)
- Regional Business News
- Science Reference Center
- Small Engine Repair Reference Center

Find it all on the library website under "research!"

Ask staff for details or a demonstration!



### Image Release

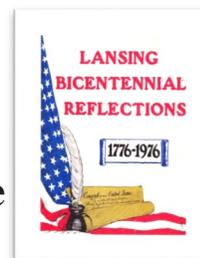
All program registrants and participants must permit the taking and use of their image in future library publications, both printed and electronic.



Through a partnership with the Lansing Historical Society, Lansing Public Library has made the Lansing Journal and Sun-Journal newspapers available online for researchers or the nostalgic. Issues are available from 1935-1983.

Thank you to the 23 people who volunteered their time to help and for making these files available to researchers: Donald Olsen, Maxine Olsen, Marilyn Kooy, Jackie Ore, Tony DeLaurentis, Toni DeLaurentis, George Dommer, Gerri Besse, Therese Leisenfeld, Floyd Fairfield: did all the cutting, Lucille Sebahar, Phyllis Drewno, Paul Schultz, Lea Dommer, Carol Sebastian, Elayne Young, Patty Eidam, Bud Eidam, Betty Gapinski, Sandy Schultz, Diane Roberts, Norma Anderson, and Tom Highland: took all the photos.

A total of 62,873 pictures were taken. Volunteers met 56 times for a total of about 220 hours of labor for the project.



Thank you to Lawrence Varkalis who contacted the library and shared his digital copy of the *Lansing Bicentennial Reflections, 1776-1976*

Find it all on the library website under "research!"

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	 <b>March 28</b> Baby Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 Adult Movie 11:00 Book Sale 12:30-2 SWAN craft 1-5	<b>March 29</b> Laughter 10-11 Movie Marathon 1-7	<b>March 30</b> Toddler Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 Movie Marathon 10-4 SWAN craft 1-5 Knit 6:00	<b>March 31</b> Preschool Storytime 10:30 & 11:45 Movie Marathon 10-4 Key to Life 6:30 RFAL Deadline	 <b>April 1</b> Movie Marathon 10-4 Adult Coloring 10:00 Book Sale 11:00-1	<b>April 2</b> Writers Group 10:00-12:30 Lego Day 2-3:30
	3	4 Military Coupon Cutting 9:30 & 6:00 Baby Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 Make Something 4:00	5 Star Wars Craft 5:00	6 Toddler Storytime 10:30 & 11:30	7 Preschool Storytime 10:30 & 11:45 Intro Word 10:00 Avid Reads Disc. 6:30 Monet Paintings 6:30	8 Homeschool Hub 10-12 Knit 10:00
10 Read a Page, Fund the Stage Friends Fundraiser April 10-16	 <b>11</b> Adult Movie 11:00 Book Sale 12:30-2 Make Something 4:00 Friends Fund. Meet 6:30	 <b>12</b> <b>Bakers Square Fundraiser</b> <b>Flyer Required 7 a.m.-11 p.m.</b> Teen Movie 4:00	<b>13</b> <b>Library Closed</b>	14 Game Day 4:30-6 Reality Check NF 6:30 Picnic with a Twist 6:30	15 Adult Coloring 10:00	16 Writers Group 10:00-12:30
17	18 Baby Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 <b>Forum: Fox Pointe Concept Plan 6-8</b> Bird Feeders 6:30-7:30	 <b>19</b> <b>SWAN Go Live</b> Plant a Pet 6:30-7:30	20 Toddler Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 PJ Storytime 6:30	21 Preschool Storytime 10:30 & 11:45 Resume in Word 2:00 Resume in Word 6:00 Murder/Mayhem 6:30	22 Make It 10:00 Knit 10:00	23 Dead Relatives 9:30-11 Library Catalog 2:00 BookMyne 3:00
 <b>24</b>	25 Baby Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 Make Something 4:00	26 Laughter 10-11 Adventure Fund 4:00 Basics of Budgeting 6:30	27 Toddler Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 Knit 6:00	28 Preschool Storytime 10:30 & 11:45 Database: Home Improve & Crafts 10:00 Credit Report 6:30 Family Story 6:30	29	30 Home Buying 10:00 <b>Paper Shredding &amp; Electronic Recycle at Village Hall 10-12</b> 

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29	<b>30</b> <b>Library Closed</b>	31 Laughter 10-11 Customize Your Flip Flops 4:00	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">             Please check the newsletter for details, ages and registration requirements.           </div>				