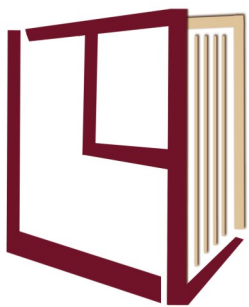


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## From the Director's Desk

Autumn has arrived; a wonderful time of the year! It looks like by the time November rolls around our remodel project should be complete. It has been a chaotic summer at the library. The staff, board and I want to thank you for your patience as we transform our building into a space that will serve our community for many years to come. We will finally have a proper stage with stage lighting and seating that makes sense for our concerts and other big programs. All those tables and chairs can be put in the closet and the stage assembled in a very short time.

**Friday, November 18th we welcome:**

**The Unstoppables performing for the first time on the new stage! Doors open at 6:00 p.m., concert begins at 6:30 p.m. Bring your friends and neighbors!**

Our regular winter concert series begins on Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> with a fun Christmas concert. Details are found on page 3 of this newsletter.

We sincerely hope you enjoy the new spaces we have created. There are three fabulous study rooms for folks to use. We have carved out a new quiet space in the glassed area we previously called the Conference Room. This room will be available to you except for a couple hours on the third Thursday of the month when we conduct our board meetings in that area. The atrium is still available for those who enjoy the garden space. The magazine area will have casual seating and tables for multiple uses. Tables and chairs are on wheels so you can customize an area to suit your needs on any given day. You may find a pop up program happening and book discussions may also be held in this space.

Computers should be split and placed in their new home shortly. Cannot see our new info desk at the back of the library? Keep walking, staff is back there waiting to assist you with all your library needs. Make sure to visit the new Business/AV section. You can now browse all our AV selections in one place. Need to scan, fax or make copies?, Stop here. You may also check out a laptop or a Halo (external battery) for in library use. Please notice the new self check-out machines in their permanent home right as you enter.

October looks to be an exciting time for Cubs fans! We are bound for the post season. One hundred wins and counting! It has been a magical year full of much fun and drama. We are all hoping for wondrous things to happen in October!

*"The other sports are just sports. Baseball is a love."* ~Bryant Gumbel, 1981

**Go Cubs!**

Debbie Albrecht, Director

## Holiday Hours

### Thanksgiving Holiday:

Closing at 5 p.m.  
Wed., Nov. 23, 2016.  
Closed Thursday,  
November 24, 2016.

**Closed Friday, Dec. 2**  
for staff training.

### Christmas Holidays:

Closed Saturday,  
Dec. 24 & Monday,  
Dec. 26, 2016.

### New Year's Holidays:

Closing at 1:00 p.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 31, 2016.  
Closed Monday,  
January 2, 2017.

### Martin Luther King Jr.

**Day:** Closed  
Monday, Jan. 16, 2017.

### Library Hours:

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

**Extended Service  
Hours see page 4-5**

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# Fame, Group News & Donations

**Wanted:**  
**Talented,**  
**Undiscovered,**  
**Self-Published**  
**Illinois Author**

Have you ever written a book of adult fiction?  
 Have you self-published this novel?  
 Do you live in Illinois?

In this statewide contest, librarians judge self-published fiction by Illinois authors to select and promote a winner.

2017 Contest  
 Entries accepted  
**October 8, 2016**  
 through  
**January 7, 2017**

Now in 2017  
**\$1,000**  
 cash  
 prize  
 Sponsored by Biblioboard

2015 and 2016 Winners  
 Michael Peck and  
 Geratyn Heslau Magrady

Soon to be famous  
**Illinois Author Project**

**SoonToBeFamous.info** [facebook.com/soontobefamousauthor/](https://facebook.com/soontobefamousauthor/)

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

**Wednesdays**  
**10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**  
 November 9  
 December 7 & 21  
 January 4 & 18



**Fridays**  
**10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**  
 November 18  
 December 16 & 30  
 January 13 & 27



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 at 9:30 a.m. or 6:00 p.m.** Bring your scissors and any coupons you may have.

Share your gently used books at the Little Free Library in Park Plaza by the clock tower downtown at Ridge Rd. and Grant St.!



All year, and especially during holiday shopping! Click the link on the library website before you shop on Amazon!



Donations of non-perishable food items for the **Lansing Food Pantry** may be dropped off at the library in the box by the elevator on the lower level. **Food For Fines** (some restrictions apply)  
**November 21-December 31.**



**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: Nov. 19, Dec. 3 & 17 and Jan. 7 & 21.

**Lansing Lions** collects used eyeglasses, used hearing aids, and used cell phones. Drop them off in the box by the elevator on the upper level.

## Adult Events

Register for Adult Events at the Information Desk, on our website, or by phone at 474-2447

### One on One Sessions

Don't have time to commit to a series of classes, but need computer skills? Try making a one-on-one appointment with a staff member. You can have someone's undivided attention for 30 minutes so you can ask questions or practice computer skills. We have staff that can help with the Microsoft Office suite of programs. We can also help you with the basics of Windows and internet searching. Visit the Information Desk or visit the library's website to set up an appointment. We are here to help you!

### Winter Reading Reviews

**Written by Book Lovers for other Book Lovers  
December 2016**

**through January 2017**

Do you love reading books? Do you love telling other people about the book you just read? Then this is for you. We are asking any adult who wants to pass on good book reviews to write short reviews of the latest great book that you have read. These are books that you would recommend to friends and co-workers. Books that you really enjoyed reading. Books that you would rate with 4 and 5 stars. Pick-up and submit your form at the Information Desk. Your reviews will be posted in a book for all our book lovers to read. For more details visit the Information Desk.



**After Hours  
Concerts Doors open  
at 6:00 p.m. Concerts  
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**Maureen Christine** “You must remember this” ....American Film

Institute’s Top Movie songs

timeless favorites of yesteryear.

**Sing along with Rich**

**Mondays: November 14,**

**December 12 & January 9**

**at 10:00 a.m. in the Community  
Room**

Join us as we sing- a- long with Rich Boban. Rich brings his background as a Music Therapist, Music Teacher, Pianist, and songwriter. He will provide all of the materials. Bring your voice, a friend and join us as we sing-along with Rich.

**MAKE  
IT!**

**Make It: Initials  
Friday, November 11  
at 10 a.m.**

**in the Community room**

Color your ‘Initials.’ In this class we will be using crayons to ‘color’ first name initials.

You will need to be able to use scissors, glue, and crayons.

To attend this class you must be 18 or older. **Registration is required, class is limited to 12.**

**Make It: Christmas Mice  
Friday, Dec. 9 at 10 a.m.**

**in the Community Room**

With a bit of felt, a little cutting, and candy canes we will be making Christmas Mice that you can hang on your tree or give to friends for Christmas. To attend this class you need to be able to use scissors & glue. Anyone 18 or older may attend. **Registration is required, class is limited to 12.**

**Make It: Organizer**

**Friday, January 13 at 10 a.m.  
in the Community Room**

What can you make with old left over file folders? With a bit of folding and bending and a little bit of cutting and pasting, you can make a small 4 part organizer that can hold shopping lists, old receipts, notes, names, addresses and more. Anyone 18 or older may attend this class. **Registration is required, class is limited to 12.**

## Adult Events & News



### Creative Coloring for Adults

**Fridays: Nov. 18,  
Dec. 16 and  
Jan. 20 at 10 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.**



### Monday Morning Movies

**Mondays at 11 a.m.**

#### in the Community Room:

November 28 and  
January 23.

No movie in December; the library will be closed for the holidays. *Sponsored by Friends of Lansing Library*



### Laughter for a Healthier You

**Tuesday: Nov. 29 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! Program resumes in February when Tanaz returns from India!



### Dead Relatives Society (Genealogy Research Group)

**Saturday, Nov. 19  
from 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 17  
from 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m.  
Saturday, January 21  
from 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m.  
Meets in Study Room 2.**

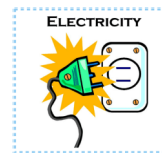
Who do you think you are? Come join us to start researching your family tree. We will make the room and resources available. This will be a time when everyone can gather in one place and research with the assistance of library staff. You can also share with your fellow researchers.

The group is very informal and everyone is welcome: beginners and veterans. Come and engage with this fascinating hobby!

Lansing resident **Diana Billenstein** bequeathed her book collection to the library. Diana was an avid reader of adventure and political thrillers. Thank you to her family for arranging the delivery of the collection.

### Try-It Illinois during October and November

In October and November the state of Illinois sponsors "Try-it Illinois". This gives libraries an opportunity to try electronic databases and resources for free to evaluate their usefulness for possible subscriptions. Contact the library for the log-in and password information. This trial is available to all Illinois residents. Try the resources and let the library know which you would find useful and we will consider if we can add a subscription.



### Halos are Available

at the BAV area for checkout for use inside the library. Is your phone or tablet battery running low? We have Halo portable battery packs available for checkout so you can recharge!



### Extended Service Hours

We've expanded our services to offer additional hours for telephone and live chat services! If the building is closed, you can still get help placing a hold, checking out an eBook, registering for an upcoming event and more!

You'll notice when you call during our extended phone service hours, you are connected to a live library specialist. No more menu! Or, you can choose to use our online chat available on our website to chat with a live library specialist! (continued next page)

## Adult News

### Extended Service Hours (continued)

**Phone calls are handled:**

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Friday-Saturday: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

If your call is routed for additional assistance, please leave a voicemail and staff will return your call.

We are assisting other customers.

**Live Chat available:**

Monday-Thursday: 6:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.

Friday-Saturday: 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Sunday: 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

**Building Hours:**

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Friday-Saturday: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

\*Live Chat and Phone Service not available on: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, or Christmas Day, but assistance is available if the library is closed for other holidays, staff training, power outages, or weather related situations.



**The Little Free Library** by the Clock Tower at Ridge Road & Grant Street is always open! Share your love of reading!

## Adult Book Discussions



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

Thursday, November 3 at 6:30 p.m.

'Avid Reads' in Study Room 2

*Tallgrass* by Sandra Dallas

Thursday, November 10, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

'Reality Check' in the Brick Room

*He Wanted the Moon: the Madness and Medical Genius of Dr. Perry Baird, and His Daughter's Quest to Know Him* by Mimi Baird

Thursday, November 17 at 6:30 p.m.

'Murder & Mayhem' in the Brick Room

Any Longmire book by Craig Johnson

Thursday, December 1 at 6:30 p.m.

'Avid Reads' in the Brick Room

*Visions of Sugar Plums* by Janet Evanovich

Thursday, December 15 at 6:30 p.m.

'Murder & Mayhem' in the Brick Room

*New York Dead* by Stuart Woods

Thursday, January 5, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

'Avid Reads' in the Brick Room

*Blessings* by Anna Quindlen.

Thursday, January 12, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

'Reality Check' in the Brick Room

*The Tao of Martha: My Year of Living, or Why I'm Never Getting All That Glitter Off of the Dog* by Jen Lancaster

Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

'Murder & Mayhem' in the Brick Room

*The Chase* by Clive Cussler

# 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 Meeting in Community Room** – Do you have a Friends membership but have never come to a Friends meeting? We invite you to check us out. We're a friendly bunch who experience comradery amidst our business planning meetings.

**Monday, November 14, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Monday, January 9, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.** – Includes the Election of Officers

## Fundraiser!



Are you looking for stocking stuffers, hostess gifts, or a pie for Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner? Once again, we will be selling Bakers Square "Sweet Rewards" pie cards for \$12 each, good for one year for any pie at any Bakers Square (\$15 value).

**You can purchase cards at the upstairs Circulation desk, at our November and December book sales, and at our Christmas concert.**

## 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, Nov. 12, 2016

Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016

\*Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017

\*\$5 Fill-A-Bag, Open 9-2

[**CRAFTERS**, please note you can buy Readers' Digest Condensed books from our Book Sale Room!]

## Thank You!

We thank you for supporting our September Applebee's Dine In fundraiser. Our Friends' successes are due to your wonderful support and involvement.



**We congratulate Clara Zezulka,** our 2016 Friends Volunteer of the Year. Clara, an important part of our Book Room Team, will be honored at the November 4th Lansing Volunteer Dinner.

Check out our Friends' Tree (made of books from our Book Room) at the Historical Society Christmas Tree Display. The Historical Society will be open special hours **Friday, Dec. 2 from 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.** right before The Convertibles Christmas Concert.

## After Hours Concerts

**Enjoy the new view of the concert as the band performs on the new STAGE!**

**Doors open at 6:00 p.m. concerts start at 6:30 p.m.**

**Nov. 18, 2016**

**Doors Open at 6:00 p.m.; Concert from 6:30 p.m. –8:30 p.m.**

**The Unstoppables!** Join us as we christen the new stage! You know The Unstoppables as our "block party band!"

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

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

## Kids Events

### Winter Wizard Reading Tournament

**December & January**  
[Grades K-12]

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### 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

[Preschool]

#### Children's Circulation Desk

Reading is incredibly important for developing language and vocabulary in young children.

#### 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

is a campaign to encourage children and parents to share 1,000 books before kids enter kindergarten. Come to the desk to get your record sheet and start reading! Every 100 books earns you a prize in addition to the big prize at the end of all 1,000!

### Morning Storytime

**Six week session starting the week of Nov. 7 and ending the week of December 12.**

**Six week session starting the week of January 9 and ending the week of February 13.**

**No sign-up required.**

*Baby Storytime (Birth – 24 mos.):*

Mondays at 10:30 & 11:30 a.m.

*Toddler Storytime (24-36 mos.):*

Wednesdays at 10:30 & 11:30 a.m.

*Preschool Storytime (3-5 years):*

Thursdays at 10:30 & 11:45 a.m.

### Pajama Storytime

**Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m.**

**November 2 & 16**

**December 7 & 21**

**January 4 & 18**

**[All Ages, 18 & under]**

**Community Room**

Put on your coziest pajamas and join us for a half hour of stories, a craft, and a quick bedtime snack!

**No sign-up required.**

### Family Movie Night

**Wednesdays @ 6:00 p.m.**

**November 9, December 14 and January 11**

**[All ages, 18 & under]**

**Community Room**

Come enjoy a family-friendly movie and popcorn! Don't forget to wear your favorite pajamas and bring your blanket and pillow!

Contact the library for movie titles. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.*

**No sign-up required.**

### Sensory Exploration

**Community Room**

**10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, November 12 &**

**Saturday, January 14**

**[Ages 8 and Under]**

Squishy, powdery, flakey, wet, hard, soft, squelchy, and downright interesting! Our sensory bins will be full of new things to touch, squish, and experiment with every week. **No sign-up required.**

### Family Interactive Storytime

**Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m.**

**November 30, December 28, and January 25**

**[All ages, 18 & under]**

**Activity Room**

Children and parents are invited to help make crafts, enjoy a snack, and listen to stories!

**No sign-up required.**

### Build It Best: Castles

**Thursday, November 10**

**@ 5:00 p.m.**

**[Grades K-8]**

**Community Room**

The building blocks competition continues - this time with the creation of castles - whether it's a Hogwarts look-a-like or inspired by Cinderella's castle! Come build your own castle using only building blocks. Creations will be displayed in the library.

**No sign-up required.**

## Kids Events

**Oceania Adventurer Craft**  
**Tuesday, Nov. 15 @ 6 p.m.**  
**[Grades K-5]**

**Community Room**

Celebrate the upcoming release of the newest Disney™ film by making an ocean-inspired craft. **No sign-up required.**

**Bookworm Circle**  
**Tuesday, Nov. 22 @ 6:00 p.m.**  
**[Grades 3-5]**

**Community Room**

We are continuing our book club! Stop by anytime in November to pick up your Book Club Kit, complete with a copy of this month's book for you to check out, your membership card, and cool related materials wrapped up and ready to go! Come back on Tuesday, Nov. 22 to chat about the book, eat snacks, and participate in fun activities!

Limited to the first 10 people.  
**Our pick this month: *Giants Beware!* by Jorge Aguirre**

**Family STEAM Saturdays:**  
***The Story of Soap***

**Saturday, November 26**  
**From 10:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**  
**[All ages, 18 & under]**

**Community Room**

Learn about the surprising history of soap and how it is made. Make a unique melt-and-pour soap creation to take with you and learn about recipes you can make at home. Makes a great gift! **Children must be accompanied by an adult.**  
**No sign-up required.**

**Staff Door Decorating Contest**  
**The Month of December**  
**[All ages, 18 & under]**

**Lower Level**

The ITI staff will be decorating doors on the lower level of the library! Come on in to vote for your favorite door!

**“Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them” In the Library**  
**All December**

**[Grades K-12] Lower Level**

Come search for Fantastic Beasts from the world of Harry Potter in this scavenger hunt style challenge! Things sure have changed in the library. Come familiarize yourself with our new layout while you hunt for fabulous creatures. Every person who finds all of the Fantastic Beasts will earn house points for the Winter Wizard Tournament!

**A Harry Potter Christmas**  
**Tuesday, December 6 @ 6 p.m.**  
**[Ages 18 and under]**

**Community Room**

Join us to make a Christmas Ornament from the world of Harry Potter to hang on your own tree or to give to a friend!  
**No sign-up required.**

**Family STEAM Saturdays:**  
***The Power of Plants***

**Saturday, December 10**  
**From 10:30-4:00 p.m.**  
**[All ages, 18 & under]**

**Activity Room**

Plants are amazing life forms! Learn how they grow, change, and survive the world's harshest conditions. Learn how you can

grow useful plants at home, and take home a kit to make your own multi-colored flower! **Children must be accompanied by an adult. No sign-up required.**

**Gingerbread Houses**  
**Monday, December 12**  
**from 5:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m.**

**[Ages 18 and Under]**

**Community Room**

Join in the tradition of building houses from gingerbread, frosting and all things sweet! Bring home something good to eat (or display). **Limited to first 25 participants.**

**A Winter's Tale**  
**Storytelling Event**  
**Monday, December 19**  
**from 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.**

**[Ages 10 and under]**

**Community Room**

Snuggle up around the storytelling fire for tales from many traditions about this magical time of year with Miss Emily.  
**No sign-up required.**

**Fire-Breathing Dragon**  
**Tuesday, December 20 @ 6 p.m.**  
**[Grades K-5]**

**Community Room**

Some of the best fairytales wouldn't be complete without a dragon around to capture the princess and fight the knight. Make your own dragon that actually breathes "fire!"  
**No sign-up required.**





## Tween & Teen Events

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### **Teen Anime Club Tuesday, November 15 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 20 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 17 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. [Grades 6-12]**

**Teen Room**  
Come to the library and talk about your favorite anime, draw a picture of your favorite characters, tell us about awesome cosplay ideas, comic book shops or just come to meet new people who enjoy anime!  
**No sign-up required.**

### **Teen Movie Nights Thursday, November 17 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 13 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. \*Holiday Movie\***

**Monday, January 31  
from 4:00-6:00 p.m.  
[Grades 6-12]  
Community Room**  
The librarians will select some movies and the one with the most votes wins. *This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.* **No sign-up required.**

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**Children must be accompanied by an adult.**  
**No sign-up required.**

### **Turkey Hunting Monday, November 28 @ 4:00 [Grades 6-12]**

**Community Room**  
Come kick off your Thanksgiving Break with a good old fashioned turkey hunt! Instead of hunting live birds, we will be playing an arcade style game with nerf guns. The highest score wins!  
**No sign-up required.**

### **Abraham Lincoln Nominees Book Club: *Forgive Me, Leonard Peacock* by Matthew Quick Tuesday, November 29 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. [Grades 9-12]**

**Teen Room**  
A day in the life of a suicidal teen boy saying good-bye to the four people who matter most to him. For teens in grades 9-12.  
**No sign-up required.**  
**Book is available for checkout at the library.**

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The ITI staff will be decorating doors on the lower level of the library! Come on in to vote for your favorite door!

## Tween & Teen Events

### **Teen Tech Brainstorming Day Thursday, Dec. 1 @ 4:00 p.m. [Grades 6-12] Teen Room**

Our new teen room means we will have space to do more fun things with technology! We want to hear from the kids who will use the space. What kind of technology would your dream library have? What kind of technology might be useful for homework assignments? We will have several examples of fun tech things other libraries use for you to see. Your opinion matters to us- stop by the Teen room and let us know! **No sign-up required.**

### **Teen Holiday Craft Monday, December 5 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. [Grades 6-12]**

**Community Room**  
Forget to make a present for someone? Low on cash? Stop by the library and make a homemade gift for the holidays! Check out our craft supplies, use your imagination and take home something neat!  
**No sign-up required.**

### **A Harry Potter Christmas Tuesday, December 6 @ 6 p.m. [Ages 18 and under] Community Room**

Join us to make a Christmas Ornament from the world of Harry Potter to hang on your own tree or to give to a friend!  
**No sign-up required.**

### **Family STEAM Saturdays:**

#### ***The Power of Plants* Saturday, December 10 From 10:30-4:00 p.m. [All ages, 18 & under] Activity Room**

Plants are amazing life forms! Learn how they grow, change, and survive the world's harshest conditions. Learn how you can grow useful plants at home, and take home a kit to make your own multi-colored flower! **Children must be accompanied by an adult. No sign-up required.**

#### **Natural Beauty Thursday, Dec. 15 @ 4:00 p.m. [Grades 6-12]**

**Community Room**  
Come learn to make your own makeup and lotions using all natural ingredients. You will be able to keep your creation! Lotions and makeup make a great gifts. With holidays coming up, we will also have a gift wrapping station. Of course, if you'd rather keep your creation for yourself, we wouldn't blame you!  
**No sign-up required.**

#### **Abraham Lincoln Nominees Book Club: *Bone Gap* by Laura Ruby Tuesday, December 27 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. [Grades 9-12]**

**Teen Room**  
Bone Gap is the story of Roza, a beautiful girl who is taken from a quiet Midwestern town and imprisoned by a mysterious man, and Finn, the only witness, who cannot forgive himself for being

unable to identify her kidnapper.  
**No sign-up required.**  
**Book is available for checkout at the library.**

#### **Reading Resolutions All January Long [Grades 6-12]**

It's a new year, and it's a new chance to make some reading resolutions! Stop by and post your resolution on our resolution board in the Teen Department!  
**No sign-up required.**

#### **Teen Emoji Craft Tuesday, January 24 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. [Grades 6-12]**

**Community Room**  
You use them all the time in text messages, chats and comments: make a fun emoji out of felt that you can attach to your backpack, purse, whatever!  
**No sign-up required.**

#### **Family STEAM Saturdays: Amazing Science Saturday, January 28 From 10:30-4:00 p.m. [All ages, 18 & under] Community Room**

Do you like magic tricks? Then you will love Science Tricks! Try out easy, fun science activities that you can use to amaze your family and entertain your friends! **Children must be accompanied by an adult.**  
**No sign-up required.**

## Tween & Teen Events

### Abraham Lincoln Nominees

**Book Club: *Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda***

by Becky Albertalli

Tuesday, January 31

from 4:30-5:30 p.m.

[Grades 9-12] Teen Room

Sixteen-year-old, not-so-openly-gay Simon Spier is blackmailed into playing wingman for his classmate or else his sexual identity--and that of his pen pal--will be revealed.

**No sign-up required.**

**Book is available for checkout at the library.**

**Are you looking for resources for your science project or other reports? Try Middle Search Plus!**

Designed for middle school students, this resource contains full text for popular middle school magazines, full-text biographies and historical essays. In addition, it includes primary source documents, reference books and a vast image collection.

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### Book of the Month

November

- Picture Book - *The Napping House* by Audrey Wood
- Juvenile - *Thanks to Lucy* by Ilene Cooper
- Teen - *If We Survive* by Andrew Klavan

December

- Picture Book - *The Christmas Giant* by Steve Light
- Juvenile - *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Cabin Fever* by Jeff Kinney
- Teen - *Doctor Who: 11 Doctors, 11 Stories* by Eoin Colfer

January

- Picture Book - *Turtle's Penguin Day* by Valeri Gorbachev
- Juvenile - *The Year of Miss Agnes* by Kirkpatrick Hill
- Teen - *Gabi, A Girl in Pieces* by Isabel Quintero

## News You Can Use



### Image Release

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



### Museum Adventure Passes

Visit many Chicago-area museums at a discount!

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to see participating museums and offers, then visit the Circulation Desk with your library card to check out a pass!



### Email Notices— Subscribe now!

**Available Now! Emailed checkout receipts!**

Email notices will be sent for holds awaiting pick-up and overdue items. We will also send occasional notices about selected special events. It's easy! Follow the instructions on <http://www.lansingpl.org/notices.html> or ask any Circulation staff to add your email address to your account. Thank you!

**This is great for parents to get email reminders when items are due soon!**

# News You Can Use!



## Historical Society Holiday Hours Festival of Lights Exhibit Hours

Open Nov. 28 through Jan. 5, 2017

- Mondays:** 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Tuesdays:** 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Wednesdays:** 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Thursdays:** 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Fridays:** Museum Closed
- Saturdays:** 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- \*Sat. Dec 2 only 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m.**

This exhibit features more than 30 tree representing different countries as well as organizations in our community. Besides the trees, there are exhibits, costumes, crèches, and explanations of holiday customs from around the world.

To arrange tours at other times, contact Barb Dust at (708) 474-7497.



## Lansing Historical Society: New Phone Number!

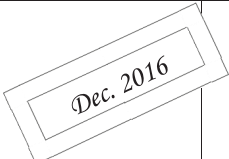


You can now reach the Lansing Historical Society at their new number 708-474-2447 (Yes! That's the library's phone number!) We will transfer your call to the museum. Please leave a message on their voicemail if they are unable to answer your call at that time.








## 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!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 PJ Storytime 6:30	3 Avid Reads Disc. 6:30	4	5
<i>Nov. 2016</i>	Please check the newsletter for details, ages and registration requirements.					
6	7 Military Coupon Cutting 9:30 & 6:00 Baby Storytime 10:30 & 11:30	8 Election Day	9 Knit 10:00 Toddler Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 Family PJ Movie 6:00	10 Preschool Storytime 10:30 & 11:45 Build-It Best: Castles 5:00 Reality Check NF 6:30	11 Make It 10:00	12 Book Sale 9-11 members only 9-10 Sensory Exploration 10-3
13	14 Sing along with Rich 10:00 Baby Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 Friends Meeting 6:30	15 Teen Anime 4:30-5:30 Oceania Adventurer Craft 6:00	16 Toddler Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 PJ Storytime 6:30	17 Preschool Storytime 10:30 & 11:45 Teen Movie 4-6 Murder/Mayhem 6:30 Library Board 6:30	18 Adult Coloring 10:00 Knit 10:00 The Unstoppables Concert 6:30; doors open at 6	19 Dead Relatives 9:30-11 Writers Group 10:00-12:30
20	21 Baby Storytime 10:30 & 11:30	22 Bookworm Circle 6:00	23 Library Open 9-5 Toddler Storytime 10:30 & 11:30	24 Library Closed	25	26 Family STEAM: The Story of Soap 10:30-4
Food For Fines: Nov. 21-Dec. 31 Some restrictions apply						
27	28 Baby Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 Adult Movie 11:00 Turkey Hunting 4:00 TF South Choir and Trees Open 6:00	29 Laughter 10-11 Lincoln Nominee Book Club 4:30-5:30	30 Toddler Storytime 10:30 & 11:30 Interactive Story 6:30	Early Voting is in the Brick Room, lower level, enter by the rear parking lot. Nov. 1-Nov. 4 from 9-7; Sat., Nov 5 from 9-5; Sunday Nov. 6 from 9-3, and Monday November 7 from 9-5		

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