

Sanilac District Library Newsletter



Books & Beyond

Book Talk

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Gobble Up A Good Book!

SDL Book Club

Share your love of books with others who enjoy reading. SDL's book discussion group meets the first Wednesday of the month.

November 6 at 5:30

The Help

Kathryn Stockett

Read the book & watch the DVD

December 4 at 5:30

Miss Cecily's Recipes For Exceptional Ladies

Vicky Zimmerman

January 8 at 5:30

Brave New World
Aldous Huxley

Happy Thanks-Reading!

Holiday Closings

Closing at 5 on Wednesday, November 27

Closed on Thanksgiving Day

Closed Friday, November 29.

Courtesy Renewals For SDL Patrons

As a convenience to SDL patrons, most books & magazines will automatically renew one time on the due date. Auto renewal is a one time per item occurrence.

Exceptions:

- Movies *do not* automatically renew.
- Interlibrary loan items *do not* automatically renew. Due dates are determined by the lending library.
- Items reserved for another patron *will not* automatically renew.

You will receive a notice confirming the auto-renewal, if your email address is recorded in your SDL account. Inform library staff if you would like to add your email address to your SDL account. Or you may add it yourself by using My Account.

How To Access "My Account"

1. Go to SDL's website at: www.sanilacdistrictlibrary.lib.mi.us
2. Click on the CATALOG icon.
3. Click **Please Login** in the upper right corner.
4. Enter the 14 digit barcode number from your library card. *Do not type in the * asterisks.*
5. The default password is *userpass*. When accessing the first time, you will be required to make a new password. Remember it! Library staff *do not* have access to your password but are able to reset the password to *userpass*. You will then need to create another password.

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Library Hours

Monday: 11-5

Tuesday: 11- 5

Wednesday: 11-7

Thursday: 11-5

Friday: 11-5

Saturday: 11-2

www.sanilacdistrictlibrary.lib.mi.us

New Fiction

- *Behind Every Good Man*—Sara Goodman Confino. A suburban housewife throws herself into running a political campaign in 1962 for an underdog opposing the incumbent senator who employs her cheating, soon-to-be ex-husband.
- *Betrayal At Blackthorn Park: an Evelyn Redfern mystery*—Julie Kelly. On her first assignment as an agent at a secret weapons research facility, Evelyne finds the chief engineer is dead and must use all of her detection skills to expose layers of deception that could alter the course of the war.
- *Beyond Reasonable Doubt*—Robert Dugoni
The Blue Hour—Paula Hawkins. Eris, an island, has only one house, one inhabitant, one way out. Once home to Vanessa, a famous artist whose husband disappeared 20-years ago. Now home to Grace. When a shocking discovery is made in an art gallery in London, a visitor comes calling. And the secrets of Eris threaten to emerge.
- *Eleanore of Avignon*—Elizabeth DeLozier
- *A Gathering Mist: a Timber Creek K-9 Mystery*—Margaret Mizushima
Mattie & Robo are summoned for a search and rescue mission to find a celebrity's missing child. Mattie suspects something more sinister is at play. Her fiancé, Cole joins the rescue team as veterinary support. When it is uncovered that the child was kidnapped, the search becomes a crime scene investigation to find the child before it's too late.
- *Grey Wolf: Chief Inspector Armand Gamache*—Louise Penny
- *An Honorable Assassin: Nick Mason novel*—Steve Hamilton. Mason is promoted to lead assassin for an organization that reaches every corner of the globe. There's only one name on his list: Hashim Baya, aka the Crocodile, the #1 most wanted on Interpol's "Red Notice" list.
- *House Of Glass*—Sarah Pekkanen. Stella is an attorney for children in custody cases. A 9-year-old girl witnessed the murder of her nanny and stopped speaking. Everyone is a suspect. Is the person Stella is supposed to protect the one she needs protection from?
- *I'm Starting To Worry About This Black Box Of Doom*—Jason Pargin. In LA, a driver pulls up and sees a woman sitting on a large black box. She offers him \$200,000 cash to transport her and that box to Washington, DC. But there are rules: He cannot look inside the box, ask questions or tell anyone. He must leave all trackable devices behind. As these eccentric misfits hit the road, rumors spread on social media that the box is part of a terror attack intended to plunge the USA into civil war. The truth is even stranger.

- *In To Deep: a Reacher novel*—Lee Child
- *Killing Time: an Agatha Raisin mystery*—M. C. Beaton
- *Libby Lost and Found*—Stephanie Booth. Libby, an author, is diagnosed with early-onset Alzheimer's. Needing help finishing her last book, she turns to an 11-year-old superfan who knows the books even better than she does.
- *The Love Elixir of Augusta Stern*—Lynda Loigman. Retiring at 80, Augusta relocates to a senior community and meets the man who broke her heart 60 years earlier. When her mother died, Aunt Esther moved in sharing her, remedies to her father's pharmaceutical customers. As a teen in the 1920's, Augusta uses Esther's most potent elixir with disastrous consequences. She vows to reject Esther's enchantments forever. Can Augusta reclaim the magic of her youth before it's too late?
- *Lula Dean's Little Library of Banned Books*—Kirsten Miller. Lula, removes "pornographic" books from the public library and fills a little library in front of her home with wholesome books. At night, a troublemaker exchanges those books for banned books wrapped in "wholesome" dust jackets, changing the lives of those who read them.
- *Magic All Around*—Jennifer Moorman. Russell women, with the exception of Lilith, have always lived in a century-old Victorian with a radio that tunes itself to the listener's mood and a pantry that provides the ingredients for any baking need. When Lilith dies, her will stipulates a series of tasks that Mattie, her daughter, must complete to earn her inheritance. Outraged at first, Mattie soon realizes she may discover the identity of her father and secret of the family "gifts".
- *Mrs. Quinn's Rise To Fame*—Olivia Ford. After 59 years of marriage, Jenny decides she wants a little something for herself. She secretly applies to be a contestant on the TV show Britain Bakes. But the stress of the competition unearths memories. With her baking star rising, Jenny struggles to keep a lid a secret that may shatter the very foundations of her marriage. Will the limelight be a recipe for disaster?
- *Murder In Highbury: an Emma Knightley mystery*—Vanessa Kelly
After a chilling murder, suspicions fall on a harmless local. Emma investigates to protect the innocent and expose the ruthless culprit hiding in plain sight.
- *Murder Takes The Stage: Phyllida Bright mystery*—Colleen Cambridge

- *Night In The Woods: Mercy Carr mystery*—Paula Munier
- *No One Will Know*—Rose Carlyle. A manipulative wealthy couple have a perfect plan. All they need is the perfect victim to ensure their worst nightmare becomes a dream come true.
- *On the Hunt*—Iris Johansen
- *A Place To Hide*—Ronald Balson. In 1938, Teddy is assigned to the US Consulate in Amsterdam to process visa applications for those desperate to secure passage to the U.S. Teddy and his girlfriend Sara adopt an orphan who was abandoned at a nursery school. He joins an underground group to rescue those who can't escape.
- *Restless Wave: a US Navy novel*—Admiral James Stavridis. Annapolis plebes in 1941 graduate early and are sent to battle stations at Pearl Harbor.
- *Rolling Toward Clear Skies*—Catherine Ryan Hyde. As a Doctor on Wheels, Maggie is sent to Louisiana after a hurricane. She bonds with two sisters and their puppy orphaned by the storm. Looking forward to their new foster home, the sisters are polar opposites of Maggie's own teenage daughters who resist this intrusion into their privileged lives. Soon, Maggie's blended family is in chaos.
- *The Secret War of Julia Child*—Diana Chambers. Before she mastered French cooking, Julia worked in America's first espionage agency in Asia during WWII where she finds purpose, adventure and love with mapmaker Paul Child.
- *Very Very Lucky*—Amanda Prowse
With kids, an ailing mother and a neglected husband, life is too full for Emma. For Thurston, life without his wife of 62-years has lost all joy. Until he meets Emma. As Thurston is drawn into the whirlwind of her chaotic life, his calming influence starts to bring her troubles into perspective, and an unlikely friendship grows.
- *The Wedding People*—Alison Espach
When Phoebe arrives at the grand hotel she is mistaken as a guest. But, Phoebe is there because she's dreamed of coming for years. Now at rock bottom, she is determined to have one last splurge. Meanwhile, the bride has accounted for every disaster except for Phoebe, which makes it surprising when the two confide in each other.
- *What Does It Feel Like*—Sophie Kinsella. Eve, a successful novelist, wakes up in a hospital with no memory after an operation to remove a malignant brain tumor. As Eve learns to walk, talk and write again, she begins to recall what's most important: her husband's hand clasped firmly around hers and family game nights.
- *You Have Gone To Far: a County Kerry mystery*—Carlene O'Connor

New Nonfiction

- *The Coming Golden Age: 31 ways to be kingdom ready* — Dr. David Jeremiah
- *Eavesdropping on Animals: what we can learn from wild-life conversations* —George Bumann
- *Framed: astonishing true stories of wrongful convictions* —John Grisham & Jim McCloskey
- *I Want To Trust You, But I Don't: moving forward when you are skeptical of others, afraid of what God will allow and doubtful of your own discernment*—Lysa Terkeurst
- *In France Profound: the long history of a house, a mountain and a people* —T. D. Aldman
- *Melania*—Melania Trump
- *Road Trips In The USA: 50 adventures on the open road*
- *True Gretch: what I've learned about life, leadership and everything in between* —Gretchen Whitmer
- *What I Ate In One Year (and related thoughts)*—Stanley Tucci
- *Why Animals Talk: new science of animal communication* —Arik Kershenbaum
- *Young Woman and the Sea: how Trudy Ederle conquered the English Channel and inspired the world*—Glenn Stout

New DVDs

- *Bad Boys: Ride of Die*: After their late former Captain is framed, Lowrey & Burnett try to clear his name, only to end up on the run themselves.
- *The Boy In the Woods*: The remarkable true story of Max, a Jewish boy escaping Nazi persecution in Eastern Europe. After he is separated from his family, Max finds refuge with Christian peasant Jasko, who hides him in plain sight until a tense stand-off with Nazi police. Afraid for his own family's life, Jasko sends Max to live in the woods where he learns to survive alone. Like a Grimms' fairy tale, Max's experience is both terrifying and magical.
- *Harold and the Purple Crayon*: In his book, Harold can make anything come to life by drawing it. After he grows up, he draws himself into the real world and he has to learn. When the power of unlimited imagination falls into the wrong hands, it takes all of Harold's creativity to save both the real world and his own.
- *Horizon: An American Saga Chapter 1*: expansion and settlement of the West after the Civil War.
- *Despicable Me 4*: Gru, Lucy and their girls welcome a new member to the family, Gru Jr, who torments his dad, as a new nemesis shows up and forces the family to go on the run.
- *Disciples In the Moonlight*: A reluctant leader heads up a team of seven Christians intent on smuggling Bibles to underground churches in a future America where the Bible is illegal and danger is around every corner. When faith is outlawed, freedom is silenced.
- *The Fabulous Four*: life-long friends go to Key West to be bridesmaids in the surprise late-in-life wedding of their college girlfriend.

Libby By OverDrive

Free AudioBooks, eBooks & eMagazines

Libby accounts have been set-up for all Sanilac District Library patrons.

Go to SDL's website and click on the Libby icon to download the Libby App.

How to access your Libby account

- 1) Choose SDL as your home library.
- 2) Enter your 14 digit library card number.
- 3) Enter your PIN (your last name in lower case letters).

SDL is a member of White Pine Library Cooperative's Fuel Your Mind Digital Collection. SDL patrons may also borrow items from the digital collections of these partner library systems:

Download Destination
Genesee District Library — **New**
Great Lakes Digital Libraries
Lakeland Digital Library
Metro Net Library Consortium
Midwestern Michigan Library Cooperative
Midwest Collaborative for Library Services
St. Clair County Library System— **New**
Suburban Library Cooperative
Traverse Area District Library
Up North Digital Collection
Woodlands Downloadable Library

How To Add Other Content Groups To Your SDL Libby Account

SDL patrons may also borrow items from the partner content groups listed below.

Log into your Libby account and select "Menu" on the toolbar at the bottom of the page.

1. Under "Your Libraries" click "Add Library"
2. In the text box asking for Library Name, begin typing the name of one of the above content groups
3. Click on the library card icon next to the name of the content group you wish to add to your account
4. Click "Sign In With My Card"
5. Click on Sanilac District Library
6. Enter your library card number and PIN. Sign In
7. Repeat steps 1-6 until each Content Group is added

Content groups only need to be added to your account *one time*. Once added, Libby automatically searches all the **Content Groups in your account**.

New Books For Kids

Picture Books

- *ARTificial Intelligence*—Biedrzycki
- *Never Ever Ask A Pirate To A Party*—Clare Welsh

New for Elementary

- *Hedgehog Whodunit*—Heather Preusser. All Hitch the Hedgehog wants to do is nap, but there's a mystery to solve. Someone changed the sign at the panda exhibit of the City Zoo. Instead of "please feed the panda," it says, "please free the panda." It's pandemonium for Hitch! Along with his partner Vinnie the Rat, Hitch tries to catch the cagey culprit and return the panda to its bear-y perfect spot.

New Nonfiction

- *Kids How To Cook Everything: Inspiration and recipes for making the food you love*—Mark Bittman

New Graphic Novels

- *Big Nate: Remain Calm*—Lincoln Peirce



Toddler Time

Thursdays at 10:30
for 2 to 4 year olds.

November 7: Dance
November 14: Thanksgiving
November 21—Family
November 28: No program.

Happy Thanksgiving!

All children must be accompanied
by a parent or adult caregiver.

Books For Tweens

- *Mouse & His Dog: Dogtown #2*—Katherine Applegate. In Dogtown, a shelter for real and robot dogs, Mouse helps his trouble-attracting friend Buster find a forever home, and has an adventure with Stewie, a misunderstood dog & Smokey, a malfunctioning robot dog.
- *Slime Doesn't Pay*—R. L. Stine. Amy and Lissa don't know what to do about Arnie's bullying. The little monster is ruining their lives! The girls decide it's payback time. They find a recipe for blue slime to pour over him. To their horror, the slime turns him into a real monster.

Graphic Novels

- *Katie The Catsitter: The Purrfect Plan*—Colleen AF Venable

Middle School

- *Dead City* series—James Ponti. The Metropolitan Institute of Science and Technology recruits students to join the Omegas, a secret group that polices and protects zombies.
 1. *Dead City*
 2. *Blue Moon*
 3. *Forbidden City*
 4. *City of the Dead*
- *Dork Diaries: Tales From A Not-So-Bratty Little Sister*—Rachel Renee Russell
- *Skandar* series—A. F. Steadman. When the mysterious Weaver steals the most powerful unicorn in the world, Skandar faces sky battles, ancient secrets and bloodthirsty unicorns in order to save his island.
 1. *Skandar and the Unicorn Thief*
 2. *Skandar and the Phantom Rider*
 3. *Skandar and the Chaos Trials*
 4. *Skandar and the Skeleton Curse*
- *The Sherlock Society*—James Ponti. Alex Sherlock, his sister Zoe, and friends Lina and Yadi decide to spend the summer investigating "cold cases" from their grandfather's years as a reporter. First case: Al Capone and a buried treasure.
- *Westfallen*—Ann & Ben Brashares. Henry and his friends alter the outcome of World War II when they communicate over radio with kids from 1944 and must work together to change it back.
- *Wild River*—Rodman Philbrick. When a dam fails and rushing waters sweep away their adult supervisors, five kids on a white-water rafting adventure are left alone with few supplies.

Books For Teens

- *All American Boys*—Jason Reynolds. When Rashad is mistakenly accused of stealing, Quinn witnesses his brutal beating at the hands of a police officer who is the brother of his best friend. Told through Rashad and Quinn's alternating viewpoints.
- *The Bletchley Riddle*—Ruta Sepetys. Jakob and his quirky sister Lizzie work at Bletchley Park, the home of WWII codebreakers working to decrypt the Nazi's Enigma cipher. They struggle to unravel a mystery surrounding their mother's disappearance against the backdrop of the Battle of Britain and German feared invasion.
- *Code of Silence* series—Tim Shoemaker. When Cooper, Hiro, and Gordy witness a robbery that leaves a man in a coma, they are tangled in a web of mystery and deceit that threatens their lives.
 1. *Code of Silence*
 2. *Back Before Dark*
 3. *Below The Surface*
- *My Mary* series—Cynthia Hand, Brodi Ashton & Jody Meadows
 1. *My Contrary Mary*: Mary is the queen of Scotland and jewel of the French court. Except when she's a mouse. It's a secret that could cost her a head--or tail. Mary inherits the throne after the king meets a suspicious end amidst a viper's nest of conspiracies, traps, and treason.
 2. *My Imaginary Mary*: When two masterminds, Mary, the daughter of Mary Wollstonecraft, and Ada, the daughter of Lord Byron--are brought together by fate, they make a shocking and magical discovery that draws the attention of a mad scientist.
 3. *My Salty Mary*: Mary, a mermaid, is pulled out of the sea and onto a pirate ship. To survive, she joins them. But Mary isn't willing to just sing yo-ho-ho. She wants the pirate life and she's ready to make a splash by becoming captain and prove that she's worth her salt.
- *Tiger's Tale*—Colleen Houck. Twin princesses to the Kievian Empire, Anastasia and Verusha, scorn diplomatic obligations, preferring to train with the Royal Guard. When their father is lost in war and their mother seriously ill, they know that one of them must ascend the throne and arrange a political marriage. Both girls prefer the path of the 2nd born. As their mother worsens, the twins seek a healer who offers an option, The sisters banish him. As the strange man leaves, he unleashes a devastating curse that sends the twins far from home on an adventure beyond anything they ever imagined.