

Sanilac District Library Newsletter



Books & Beyond

Book Talk

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Managing CPS Elementary & High School Libraries

December 2024



Seasons Readings! Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

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.

December 4 at 5:30

*Miss Cecily's Recipes For
Exceptional Ladies*
Vicky Zimmerman

January 8 at 5:30

Brave New World
Aldous Huxley

February 5 at 5:30

Wade In the Water
Nyani Nkrumah

Holiday Closings

Christmas Eve: Tuesday, December 24
Christmas Day: Wednesday December 25
New year's Eve: Tuesday, December 31
New Year's Day: Wednesday, January 1



Not *The Grinch*...It's Grassroots Generosity!

Join the Port Sanilac business community in giving local folks a "hand up" this holiday season. Each business is collecting different items that will be distributed to local families, seniors and special needs residents. Deliver your gift or cash donation by December 13th
Thank you!



- Sanilac District Library:** new children's books
- Alli Bar:** stocking stuffers; take a tag from the tree or donate an item
- Blue Water Sport Bar:** Take a tag, go shopping & deliver a gift back to the Blue Water
 - Dollar General:** Laundry products
 - MiCasa Stays:** Cleaning products
 - Raymond Hardware:** Toys
 - Roxanne's:** Pay it forward: purchase a breakfast or beverage
 - Rumorz:** Take a tag, go shopping & return with a gift
 - Sandbar Studio:** Personal care items
 - Sandtown Florist:** Hats, gloves, mittens & scarves
 - Sanilac Coffee:** Pay it forward: purchase a beverage or pastry
 - Schillinger's Insurance:** donate holiday candy
 - Shoreline Outdoor Living:** Art & school supplies
 - Stone Lodge:** Gas cards/gift cards/cash donations
 - Thumb Bank & Trust** in Port Sanilac & Carsonville: Gift cards for cash/food/gas
 - Town & Country Realty:** Paper products
 - Willis Market:** Non-perishable groceries
 - Yankee Clipper:** Hair & nail care products

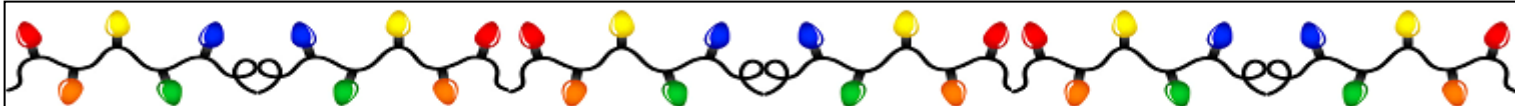


Sanilac District Library

7130 Main Street
PO Box 525
Port Sanilac, MI 48469
810.622.8623

Library Hours

Monday: 11-5
Tuesday: 11- 5
Wednesday: 11-7
Thursday: 11-5
Friday: 11-5
Saturday: 11-2

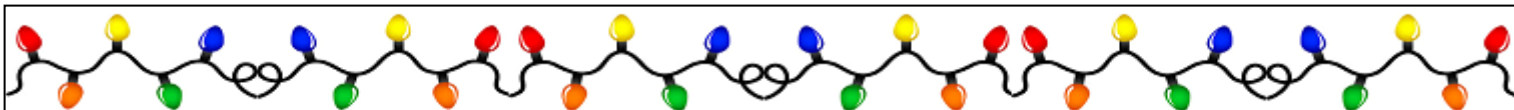


New Fiction

- *The Author's Guide To Murder*—Beatriz Williams, Lauren Willing, & Karen White. What's a little revenge among friends? At Castle Kinloch in the Scottish Highlands, a literary superstar is found dead, leading Chief Inspector Euan McIntosh to investigate 3 novelists, each with motives and secrets, as he uncovers connections between Presley's murder and the castle's dark history.
- *Between Sound and Sea*—Amanda Cox
- *Beyond Ivy Walls*—Rachel Fordham
- *The Bishop's Villa*—Sacha Naspini
Tuscany, 1943. Rene can no longer stand by and watch as his town and love become victims of the Nazis. He takes action, for the first time in his life.
- *Blooming of Delphinium: a Moonberry Lake novel*—Holly Varni
- *Catch And Keep*—Erin Hahn
- *Christmas Duet*—Debbie Macomber
- *Christmas In Bethel*—Richard Paul Evans
- *The Christmas Tree Farm*—Melody Carlson
- *Christmas With The Queen*—Hazel Gaynor & Heather Webb
- *The Color of Home*—Kit Tosello
- *Death At A Scottish Christmas: a Scottish Isle Mystery*—Lucy Connelly
- *The Desert Between Us*—James Magruder. Two years ago, Chase lost his spouse to a heart attack. Now, at the age of 37, he finds himself wondering if he could love again. Would it even be in the same way? No one can replace his former wife. Left with a son, Chase resigns himself to a single father's life. Hoping that the novels he writes are enough to help the them get by. That is, until he meets Sierra, his son's teacher. She reignites a spark in him. As the two of them bond, Chase finds himself drowning in quilt. Is he betraying Aimee's memory?
- *Drop Dead Sisters*—Amelia Coombs
Three sisters reunite on a family vacation and rekindle their relationship the only way they know how, by covering each other's tracks in a real-life murder mystery. Nothing strengthens family ties quite like crime.
- *Eleanor of Avignon*—Elizabeth DeLozier
The story of a woman who is unwilling to bend to the limitations society places upon her when she becomes the apprentice to the pope's physician at the most dangerous moment in medieval European history.

- *Everyone This Christmas Has A Secret: a festive mystery*—Benjamin Stevenson. A mystery fan investigates a murder when the benefactor of a magician turns up dead and all the suspects are masters of illusion and misdirection.
- *Fatal Witness: a Pearl River novel*—Patricia Bradley
- *A Fifth of a Story*—Dr. Katherine Hutchinson-Hayes
- *Her Knight At The Museum*—Bryn Donovan. A centuries-long curse is no match for rom-com shenanigans when a medieval knight is brought to life in modern-day Chicago.
- *Her Majesty the Queen Investigates series*—S. J. Bennett. The Queen has led a double life ever since her teenage years. She has a brilliant skill for solving crimes. As she carries out her duties, no one in the Royal Household, the government or the public knows that the resolute Elizabeth won't hesitate to use her quick mind and steady nerve to bring a murderer to justice.
 1. *Windsor Knot*
 2. *All The Queen's Men*
 3. *Murder Most Royal*
 4. *A Death In Diamonds*
- *Holiday Cottage*—Sarah Morgan
Imogen works 24/7 to survive the holidays, until burnout leads to a catastrophic blunder. Forced to take time off to recuperate, she is goes to a client's cottage in the Cotswolds, a picture-perfect haven. Can it provide the fresh start Imogen desperately needs?
- *Housebroke*—Jaci Burton
- *Icebreaker*—Hannah Grace
- *Improvisers*—Nicole Glover. Velma, is many things: a pilot, a bootlegger, a jazz pianist and wielder of celestial magic. She's also an investigator for a magic rights organization. In 1930s America, enchanted items are highly valuable, especially during the magical Prohibition. She discovers collection of dangerous artifacts manipulating people and leading to their deaths.
- *Is She Really Going Out With Him?*—Sophie Cousens
- *Lady Anna's Favor*—Karen Tuft
- *Leaning On Air*—Cheryl Bostrom
After a decade of marriage, tragedy strikes. Reeling with grief, Celia flees to a farm in Washington, where a wild prairie and an alluring neighbor convince her to begin anew. But when unexplained accidents and a mute little boy make her doubt her decision, a hawk and the endangered lives of those she loves compel her to examine her past and reconsider her future.

- *The Liberty Scarf*—Aimie Runyan
- *The Lies We Leave Behind*—Noelle Salazar. In 1943, Kate is a nurse who flies to treat wounded soldiers at the front. After an injury she is reassigned to the English countryside. She falls for a wounded officer with a sense of humor & sees a future from the horrors of war. Called to duty again, she travels back into danger.
- *Matthew Redd series* by Ryan Steck.
A former Marine Raider gets a cryptic message from his adoptive father, "Trouble's come knocking. Might need your help." He goes to Montana to discover that J. B. is dead. Determined to dig up the truth, Redd uncovers a dark conspiracy and no team at his back, except one among old friends and enemies, if he can figure out who to trust.
 1. *Fields of Fire*
 2. *Lethal Range*
 3. *Out for Blood*
- *The Mighty Red*—Louise Erdrich
- *The More The Merrier: An Andy Carpenter Mystery*—David Rosenfelt
- *The Mirror: The Lost Bride Trilogy Book 2*—Nora Roberts
- *The Most Wonderful Crime of the Year*—Ally Carter. Maggie is the queen of cozy mysteries. Ethan is Mr. Big-Time thriller guy. They both accept an invitation to attend a party at the estate of a reclusive fan. The next morning, the host, famous author Eleanor is gone, vanishing from a locked room. Maggie wonders if Eleanor in danger? Is this some kind of test? Is Ethan competition? Or is he the only person she can trust?
- *Now of Never: Stephanie Plum #31*—Janet Evanovich
- *One Big Happy Family*—Susan Mallory
- *Pickleballers*—Ilana Long
- *Prime Time Romance*—Kate Robb
- *Santa's Secret*—Fern Michaels
- *Summerhaven*—Tiffany Odekirk
- *The Treasure Hunters Club*—Tom Ryan. For a century, people have visited a seaside town in search of a legendary lost pirate treasure, but locals know there's more than gold buried in the sand. As the paths of 3 strangers converge, the truth is about to be blown wide open and bodies start to pile up.
- *Trial By Fire*—Danielle Steel
- *We Three Queens: a Royal Spyness mystery*—Rhys Bowen



New Nonfiction

- *Eat Like a Heroine: nourish and flourish with bookish stars, from Anne of Green Gables to Zora Neale Hurston*—Lorilee Craker
- *Most requested COPYCAT dishes: 101 homemade versions of your favorite restaurant recipes*
- *Living With Rheumatoid Arthritis*—Tammi Shlotazhauer



Year End Donations To SDL

Contributions are greatly appreciated and are a necessary part of SDL's budget. Donations provide funds for special projects that are not financed by normal revenue sources such as equipment, furniture and improvements to the facility and garden. Gifts are recognized on SDL's website and The *Giving Tree* or *Book Of Remembrance* unless the giver wishes to remain anonymous.

Thank you!

Libby By OverDrive

Free AudioBooks, eBooks & eMagazines

Libby accounts have been set-up for all SDL patrons

How to access your Libby account

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

- 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 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

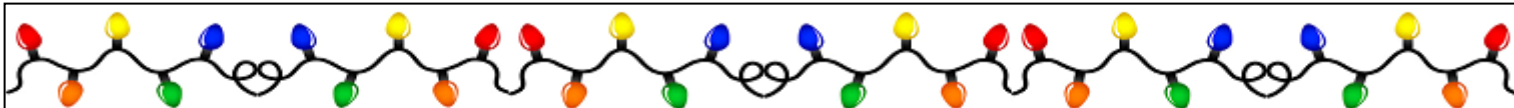
Log into your Libby account and select "Menu" on the toolbar at the bottom of the page.

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 DVDs

- *Beetlejuice Beetlejuice 2024 A.D.*: After a tragedy, 3 generations of the Deetz family return home to Winter River. Still haunted by Beetlejuice, Lydia's life is turned upside down when her teenage daughter, Astrid, accidentally opens the portal to the Afterlife.
- *Borderlands*: a team of misfits battle alien monsters and bandits to find and protect a missing girl, who may hold the key to unimaginable power. The fate of the universe could be in their hands-but they'll be fighting for something more: each other.
- *It Ends with Us*: Grappling with a painful past, Lily begins a new life in Boston and opens her own flower shop. Falling in love with Ryle, Lily notices sides of him that remind her of her dangerous father. With the support of friends, Lily must find strength to break the pattern or the pattern will break her.
- *Leonardo Da Vinci: inside the mind of a genius*. A film by Kevin Burns.
- *Reagan (DVD & Blu-Ray)*: Ronald Reagan's incredible life, from his childhood to the Oval Office. Told through the voice of a former KGB agent, offering a perspective that is as unique as it is captivating.
- *Someone Like You*: After losing his best friend London, Dawson is compelled to search for London's twin sister who was separated from her when they were still embryos. But, he ever planned to fall in love..
- *Twister*: Ever since a devastating tornado, Kate gave up chasing storms. Lured back to the field for a scientific opportunity, Kate crosses paths with Tyler, a charming daredevil and tornado wrangler social media sensation. As storms intensify Kate and Tyler must work together if they are to survive an outbreak of destructive tornadoes.



New Books For Kids

Picture Books

- *Chick Chicka Ho Ho Ho*—William Boniface
- *Hugs For Pug*—Ethan Long
- Hugs for pug—

New for Elementary

- *Pete The Cat and the Wright Brothers* —Kimberly & James Dean

New Graphic Novels

- *The First Cat In Space and the Wrath of the Paperclip*—Mac Barnett



Toddler Time

Thursdays at 10:30

For preschool children
2 to 4 years old
with an adult caregiver.

Age appropriate activities,
books, crafts and FUN!

December 5: Sleep In PJ Day
December 12: Holiday Fun
December 19: Reindeer Dance
December 26: No Program
January 2: No Program
January 9: Cars & Trucks

Books For Tweens

- *The Found Boys*—S. D. Smith
Three friends embark on an intrepid quest to retrieve a priceless treasure guarded by a menacing villain. But this is no fantasy. Danger is all too real. Unlikely heroes will emerge. Enemies will become allies. Truths will be revealed.
- *Happy Town*—Greg Van Eekout
Keegan's family moves to a remote company town that seems perfect on the surface, but Keegan discovers a dangerous glitch in the system that's turning the town's happy residents into zombies. He and his friends need to find a way to destroy it.
- *The Sapphire Sword*—Robert Fuller
To save the world, 3 siblings and their shapeshifting alien guide embark on an out-of-this-world adventure in search of an ancient, all-powerful weapon.

New Graphic Novels

- *Last Kids On Earth #1*—Max Brallier

Middle School

- *Diary of a Wimpy Kid #19: Hot Mess*—Jeff Kinney
- *Fault Lines: Winterton Deception #2* —Janet Sumner Johnson
- *Framed* series—James Ponti.
Florian Bates, a consulting detective for the FBI, and his friend Margaret help thwart the biggest art heist in US history.
 1. *Framed!*
 2. *Vanished!*
 3. *Trapped!*
- *Last Dragon On Mars: Dragonships Book 1*—Scott Reintgen. Lunar Jones was born on Mars. He enters a restricted military zone and learns dragons are real! A new dragon has chosen him as a rider to help save the Martian colony.
- *The Parasite: Michael Vey #6*—Richard Paul Evans
- *Fault Lines: Winterton Deception 2* —Janet Sumner Johnson

Books For Teens

- *The Bletchley Riddle*—Ruta Sepetys & Steve Sheinkin. After their mom disappears, Jakob and his quirky sister Lizzie work at Bletchley Park, the home of WWII codebreakers trying to decrypt the Nazi's Enigma cipher during the Battle of Britain and Hitler's feared invasion.
- *Eleven Houses*—Colleen Oakes
Mabel is one of the last members of the 11 houses on the haunted island of Weymouth. All teens on the island prepare their houses for The Storm: a once-in-a-decade event with hurricane-level wind, water, and waves. But that's not all the Storm brings with it. Weymouth Island is a gate between the world of the living and the dead.
- *High Water* series—Tim Shoemaker
After being mauled by an alligator, Paraker hates the Everglades. He thinks he'll die if he doesn't escape soon ...and he's right. All he wants to do is get out of Florida and he's convinced he won't be okay until he does. But he can't leave until he finds a missing friend. Escaping a bad situation isn't always a matter of geography. Sometimes the best way to a brighter future is to face your past.
 1. *Escape The Everglades*
 2. *Every Hidden Thing*
 3. *The Deep End*
 4. *The Second Storm*
 5. *Even In Darkness*
- *Shadow Road*—K. D. Kirchmeier
After electric dragon-like monsters descended upon the earth and wiped out the power, teen survivors Thomas and Cassie embark on an epic journey to defeat the creatures and save humanity.
- *Sixteen Minutes*—K. J. Reilly.
When a new girl arrives in town, seemingly from the future, the lives of three teens are turned upside down.