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## SDL Book Club

SDL's book discussion group meets the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30.

**02/02/2022**

*The Dollmaker*  
by Harriett Arnow

**March 2**

*The Great Alone*  
by Kristin Hannah

**April 6**

*The Fountains of Silence*  
by Ruta Sepetys

## Readers Advisory

**A matchmaking service for readers**



There are so many good books to read and there is so little time to search. Readers Advisory is librarian speak for a matchmaking service for book lovers. If you like books by one author, then maybe you'll enjoy another author who writes in the same style, uses the same setting or has similar characters. Check out the Reader's Advisory Page on SDL's website, located under Resources. Search by author, title, subject, genre or movie.

The Reader's Advisory Page also includes links to other helpful websites. Use *What's Next* to find the titles and order of books in a series. SDL's Good Reads Page lists books recommended by patrons. If you enjoy a book, let SDL staff know so that the title may be added to the list for others to check out.

## Sanilac District Library

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Port Sanilac, MI 48469  
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### Library Hours

Monday: 11-5  
Tuesday 11-5  
Wednesday 11-5:30  
Thursday 11-5  
Friday 11-5  
Saturday CLOSED



## MiLibraryQuest Mystery

**February 1 - March 15**

**A thief is on the loose!!!**

**Teen Sleuths Are Needed To Crack The Case**

The notorious master thief Lupin has struck again! He pilfered the laptop of a best selling Michigan author which contains the only copy of his latest novel. Lupin is over confident and has sent taunting notes about the laptop's secret location to Michigan libraries.

CPS and SDL students, 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grades, are asked to put their wits to the test and help Inspector Skirmish find where Lupin has stashed the stolen laptop. Visit SDL's website and click on the MiLibraryQuest logo to fill out the entry form. Use the Michigan Travel Guide to find clues on library websites and decode Lupin's messages to solve the case!

## New Fiction

- *Beyond The Wire: a novel of Auschwitz*—James Shipman. Jakub toils under the scrutiny of SS guards sorting through the clothes of the dead and moving their bodies from the gas chambers to the crematoriums. Every morning, Anna and other prisoners are forced to work in a munitions factory. Some of the women are smuggling trace amounts of gunpowder back to the camp in a bold plan to liberate the camp.
- *Brown Girls*—Daphne Andreades. Growing up in Queens, Nadira, Mae, Trish, and Aisha become friends for life. Together they learn to survive schoolyard bullies, clueless teachers and the leering gaze of men.
- *Bye Bye Baby: a Spencer novel*—Robert B. Parker (Ace Atkins). When an outspoken young congresswoman running for re-election faces numerous death threats, her chief of staff reaches out to Spenser for security and he soon crosses paths with an extremist group called The Minutemen.
- *Desolation Canyon*—P. J. Tracy. LAPD Detective Margaret Nolan makes a grim discovery beneath the surface of Swan Lake: the body of an attorney who made his fortune in international trade. As a series of shocking revelations emerge, Nolan finds herself confronting a sinister cabal that just might destroy her and everyone she loves.
- *Disappearance Of A Scribe*—Dana Stabenow. After two Alexandrian fishermen discover a skeleton anchored by a cement weight, Queen Cleopatra charges Tetisheri, her new Eye of Isis, to uncover the identities of the victim and the killers.
- *Easter Bonnet Murder: a Lucy Stone Mystery*—Leslie Meier
- *End Of Days: a Pike Logan novel*—Brad Taylor
- *The Ex-Husband*—Karen Hamilton. Former con artist Charlotte becomes trapped with someone who knows her past and is hell-bent on making her pay for it.
- *The Family You Make*—Jill Shalvis. Pretending to be the girlfriend of Levi Cutler for just one family dinner, Jane, after a series of events and new friends cause them to spend more time together, wonders if this is the life she was always meant to have.
- *The Fields*—Erin Young. A woman found dead in an Iowa cornfield, one of the few farms still managing to compete with the giants of Big Agriculture. When Sergeant Riley Fisher, newly promoted to head of investigations, arrives on the scene, a horrific crime becomes personal when she discovers the victim was a childhood friend, connected to a dark past she thought she'd left behind.
- *The Good Son*—Jacquelyn Mitchard. When her son is released from prison, Thea is committed to helping him make amends until attempts on their lives are made.

- *The Good Wife of Bath*—Karen Brooks. In 1364 England, one of literature's most unforgettable characters, Chaucer's *Wife of Bath*, tells her story in her own words as she rises through society from a cast-off farm girl to a woman of fortune fighting to control her own life.
- *The High House*—Jessie Green-grass. Trying to make a home in the midst of an environmental disaster, Caro, her younger brother and High House's caretaker and his granddaughter fight to stay alive as the rising waters threaten to engulf the whole town.
- *I Must Betray You*—Ruta Sepetys. In a country governed by isolation, fear and a tyrannical dictator, Cristian is blackmailed by the secret police to become an informer, but he decides to use his position to try to outwit his handler, undermine the regime, give voice to fellow Romanians, and expose to the world what is happening in his country. (This book is in the YA section)
- *In Five Years*—Rebecca Serle. Dannie is on track for her 5 year plan when she lands her ultimate job. That night she dreams herself 5 years in the future. She buries herself in work until she meets the man from her dream and her plan starts to unravel.
- *Just Like the Other Girls*—Claire Douglas. After the death of her mother, Una becomes a ladies' companion. She discovers that the two companions before her disappeared, never to be seen again.
- *Life Flight: Extreme Measures #1*—Lynette Eason. Helicopter pilot Penny Carlton is used to stress, but an emergency landing in a raging storm with a critical patient on board would test the limits of the best of pilots.
- *Lightning In A Mirror*—Jayne Krentz
- *Love At First Spite*—Anna Collins
- *A More Perfect Union*—Tammye Huf. When Henry O'Toole escapes the Irish famine and sails to America, he doesn't expect the prejudice. Determined to never starve again, he changes his name to Henry Taylor to secure a job. Travelling south, he meets Sarah, a slave woman torn from her family and sold. In 1849, interracial marriage is considered an illegal abomination. No matter how much they want to be together, Sarah is trapped on Jubilee Plantation and owned by another man.
- *The Night Train To Berlin*—Melanie Hudson. June 1944, Ellie, a shy violinist meets Joe, a fellow passenger, who makes her feel like she has been given a second chance.
- *One Step Too Far*—Lisa Gardner

- *The Overnight Guest*—Heather Gudenkauf. True crime writer Wylie Lark, snowed in at an isolated farmhouse where she's retreated to write her new book, finds a small child in the snow outside and, bringing him inside for warmth and safety, learns that the farmhouse isn't as isolated as she thought.
- *Quicksilver*—Dean Koontz.
- *The Secret Letter*—Debbie Rix. Germany, 1939: 13-year-old Magda is devastated when her friend is sent to a concentration camp. Magda hates the new rules of the Hitler Youth. Magda secretly joins The White Rose Movement. When an English pilot crashes near Magda's home she is faced with an impossible choice: to risk the safety of her family or to save a stranger.
- *A Stranger's Game*—Colleen Coble. A wealthy hotel heiress. A suspicious death. A fight for the truth
- *Targeted: a Bob Lee Swagger novel*—Stephen Hunter. After being accused of reckless endangerment and forced to answer to the U.S. Congress, master sniper Bob Lee Swagger must protect political hostages in a once-in-a-lifetime standoff.
- *A Thousand Steps*—T. Jefferson Parker
- *The Unfamiliar Garden*—Benjamin Percy. A passing comet caused irreversible change to the growth of fungi, spawning a dangerous, invasive species that threatens to control the lives of humans and animals.
- *Violeta*—Isabel Allende. the epic story a woman whose life spans one hundred years and bears witness to the greatest upheavals of the twentieth century.

## Romance Paperbacks

- *Aunt Ivy's Cottage*—Kristin Harper
- *The Sweetheart Deal*—Miranda Liason
- *Texas Homecoming*—Carolyn Brown
- *To All Dogs I've Loved Before*—Lizzie Shane

## Western Paperbacks

- *Biscuits and Gravy: a Chuckwagon Trail western*—William Johnstone
- *Prairie Fire: Luke Jenson Bounty Hunter*—William Johnstone
- *Texarkana: a Perley Gates western*—William Johnstone

## Large Print

- *Find Me*—Alafair Burke
- *Mercy*—David Baldacci

## New Nonfiction

- *The Betrayal Of Anne Frank: a cold case investigation*—Rosemary Sullivan Using a recently discovered documents, new investigative techniques and technology, a retired FBI agent and a cold case team pieced together the months leading to the infamous arrest of Anne Frank and her family--and came to a shocking conclusion.
- *The Defense Lawyer: the Barry Slotnick story*—James Patterson. Takes readers inside the courtroom to witness defense lawyer and Bronx-native Barry Slotnick, known for his brilliant legal mind, sharp suits and bold courtroom strategies, as he never loses a case for his notorious and dangerous clients.
- *Eat Right For Your Inflammation type: the three-step program to strengthen immunity, heal chronic pain and boost your energy*—Maggie Berghoff
- *E. R. Nurses*—James Patterson. The compassion, the work ethic and the selflessness of nurses.
- *Fix It With Food: every meal easy: simple and delicious recipes for anyone with autoimmune issues and inflammation*—Michael Symon
- *For Such A Time As This: my faith journey through the White House and beyond*—Kayleigh McEnany
- *I Can't Believe It's Keto: 60 low-carb recipes for pizzas, breads, lasagnas and more*—Leili Malakooti
- *Microsoft Office For Seniors For Dummies: Office 2021 & Office 365*
- *The Power Of Thank You: discover the joy of gratitude*—Joyce Meyer
- *The Rise Of America: remaking the world order*—Marin Katusa
- *Teaching Your Child To Read: a parents guide to encouraging a love of reading*—Jessica Wang
- *Tractor Wars: John Deere, Henry Ford, International Harvester and the birth of modern agriculture*—Neil Dahlstrom



## FREE Online Classes For Seniors By Seniors

Over 150 classes offered

Register on SDL's website.

### Digital Devices

- Computers
- Getting to know your device
- Smartphones: Androids & iPhones
- Tablets
- And more!

### Online Services

- Apps
- Email
- iCloud
- Social Media
- Zoom with family & friends
- And more!

### Special Interests

- Cooking
- Dancing
- Genealogy
- Health
- Music
- Travel
- And more!

### Examples

- Use Zoom to connect with others
- Take fitness classes to stay healthy
- Join a social hour to talk about your interests & hobbies

## New DVDs

- *Clifford The Big Red Dog:* The adventures of Emily and her uncle after her red puppy grows to a giant size overnight.
- *Cobra Kai:* The *Karate Kid* saga continues.
- *Dune:* Paul Atreides, son of Duke Leto, along with the inhabitants of the planet Arrakis, struggle to overthrow the terrible Baron Harkonnen to control the mind-altering spice.
- *Ghostbusters: Afterlife* When a single mother and her two kids move to a small town, they discover their connection to the original Ghostbusters and a secret legacy their grandfather left behind.
- *Grantchester:* seasons 2—6. A young vicar and a veteran cop join forces to solve baffling murders around the village of Grantchester in the 1950s.
- *Jack Ryan:* season one. When a CIA analyst is pulled from his desk job and catapulted into a deadly game of cat and mouse, he must race to stop a terrorist's plans for a massive attack against the U.S.

## Audio Book

- *Find Me*—Alafair Burke. A Manhattan defense lawyer searches for her missing friend, who never recovered from amnesia after an accident, with the help of a homicide detective who thinks the disappearance might be related to a cold case.

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Check out MeL's [eBook Business Collection](#) for information about Consumer Behavior, eCommerce, Leadership, Management, Sustainability and much more. Improve financial fitness, utilize social media more effectively or beef up sales techniques. Over 590 titles were added in the past year. Small Business Reference Center also includes:

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- **Business periodicals and Industry information**
- **Michigan's Small Business Start-Up Guide** published in September 2021.
- **Financial Fitness:** Use the search term **invest\*** and select Publication Year. [80 results](#) are found to help with investments, government spending, securities, trading, and retirement strategies. Interesting titles are [Put Your Money Where Your Life Is: How to Invest Locally Using IRAs and Solo 401\(k\)s](#) and [S. Inspectors General: Truth Tellers in Turbulent Times](#).
- **Sales Techniques:** enter the search term **sales** and select Publication Date Range. that might get you headed in the right direction is [The Startup's Guide to Sales: How Not to Crash and Burn](#).
- **Note:** Using an asterisk (invest\*) with your search term to replace multiple root word endings such as investment, investing, and investor can offer more consistent results.

## New Books For Kids

### Picture Books

- *Ada And The Galaxies*—Alan Lightman Ada knows that the best place for stargazing is on the island in Maine where she vacations with her grandparents. By day, she tracks osprey in the trees, paddles a kayak, and hunts for shells. But she's most in her element when the sun goes down and the stars blink to life. Will the fog this year foil her plans, or will her grandfather find a way to shine a spotlight on the vast puzzle of the universe until the weather turns?"
- *How Beautiful*—Antonella Capetti. A caterpillar lives a simple life on his leaf until one day, an UnKnown Thing picks him up and calls him beautiful. A question forms in the caterpillar's mind: What is beautiful? Much to his surprise, each animal in the forest has their own unique definition
- *Lissy's Diary*—Ellen DeLange. Grandma reads wonderful stories that a little girl wrote a long time ago.
- *The Story Of A Story*—Deborah Hopkinson. A child struggles to write a story until he finds inspiration outside his window.

### New for Elementary

- *Mina Mistry (sort Of) Investigates: The Case of the Loathsome School Lunches*—Angie Lake. Being at school is boring when you're going to become something cool like a Private Investigator. Mina practices for her future by keeping notes on all her classmates & spying on suspicious teachers.
- *STEAM Tales: the children's classic with 20 hands-on STEAM projects*
  - *Alice In Wonderland*—Lewis Carroll
  - *Around The World In 80 Days*—Jules Verne

### Nonfiction

- *The Big Book of Amazing LEGO Creations with bricks you already have*—Sarah Dees
- *Cook It! The Dr. Seuss cookbook for kid chefs*—Daniel Gercke
- *The Curse Of The Mummy: uncovering Tutankhamun's Tomb*—Candace Fleming
- *Gone to The Woods: surviving a lost childhood*—Gary Paulsen. The author of *Hatchet* shares the story of his childhood, his escape into military service and the life-changing impact of an encouraging librarian who handed him his first book.
- *Opposites Abstract*—Mo Willems

## Books For Tweens

- *Across The Desert*—Dusti Bowling While using a library computer to find help for her mother who is addicted to pain medicine, Jolene witnesses a friend's crash-landing in the desert and goes on a journey to rescue her.
- *Escape From Atlantis*—Kate O'Hearn. When Riley and her family are stranded on the mythical island of Atlantis, they have to uncover its secrets in order to find a way home.
- *Operation Do-Over*—Gordon Korman
- *Pig Hearted*—Alex Perry. Jeremiah, who has a fatal heart condition and J6, the pig growing the heart that could save his life, give their own perspectives on being a transplant donor and donee.
- *Voyage of the Sparrowhawk*—Natasha Farrant. In the aftermath of World War I, two orphaned friends set off in a boat from England as each hopes to find a missing family in France.

## Middle School

- *AfterMath*—Emily Barth Isler. After her younger brother's death from a heart defect, Lucy moves to a town that was devastated by a school shooting four years earlier, where she must navigate different kinds of grief.
- *Arch of Bone*—Jane Yolen. When a rough sailor named Ishmael delivers news of his father's death, Josiah, who longs to be at sea, and his dog Zeke embark on an adventure to uncover the secrets of the Pequod at the mysterious Arch of Bone.
- *Bamboo Kingdom: Creatures of the Flood #1*—Erin Hunter. Three young pandas set out on separate journeys to save their homes and families in the Bamboo Kingdom.
- *The Blue Lady of Coffin Hall: Nancy Drew Diaries #23*—Carolyn Keene. Nancy and her boyfriend Ned visit Coffin Hall to research the library's rumored ghost, but when a fire breaks out and Ned is blamed, it is up to Nancy to find the true culprit.
- *Diary of a Wimpy Kid #16: Big Shot*—Jeff Kinney. Greg decides that when it comes to his athletic career, he's officially retired. But after his mom urges him to give sports one more chance, he agrees to sign up for basketball. Tryouts are a mess, and Greg is sure he won't make the cut. But he unexpectedly lands a spot on the worst team. Will Greg rise to the occasion? Or will he blow his big shot?"

## Books For Teens

- *Clue Mystery series*—Diana Peterfreund
  1. *In The Hall With The Knife*: When a storm strikes at Blackbrook Academy, students are stranded on campus. A body is found. The students are all hiding something, nothing is as it seems, and everyone has a motive for murder.
  2. *In The Study With The Wrench*
  3. *In the Ballroom with the Candlestick*
- *I Must Betray You*—Ruta Sepetys. In a country governed by isolation, fear and a tyrannical dictator, Cristian is blackmailed by the secret police to become an informer, but he decides to use his position to try to outwit his handler, undermine the regime, give voice to fellow Romanians, and expose to the world what is happening in his country.
- *Inheritance Games*—Jennifer Barnes
  1. *Inheritance Games*: When a teen inherits vast wealth and an estate from the richest man in Texas, she must live with his surviving family and solve a series of puzzles to discover how she earned her inheritance.
  2. *The Hawthorne Legacy*: Rumors spread that Tobias Hawthorne's lost son may still be alive, casting doubt on Avery's inheritance and changing the rules of the game.
- *Instant Karma*—Marisa Meyer. Pru is quick to cast judgment. Her dreams of justice are fulfilled when she gets the ability to cast karma on those around her. Pru giddily makes use of the power, punishing everyone from vandals to mean gossips. But there is one person on whom her powers backfire: Quint, her slacker lab partner. Quint is annoyingly cute and impressively noble, especially when it comes to his work at the sea animal rescue center. When Pru works at the center for extra credit, she uncovers truths about environmental upheaval and romantic crossed signals. Her new insights reveal how thin the line is between virtue and vanity, generosity and greed, love and hate and fate.
- *Skyward series*—Brandon Sanderson
  1. *Skyward*: When an attack against her world by the alien Krell escalates, Spensa's dream of becoming a pilot may come true, despite her deceased father being labeled a deserter.
  2. *Starsight*: The rumors about her father are true and Spensa wonders if the same thing could happen to her.
  3. *Cytonic*: In order to figure out what she really is fighter pilot Spensa must leave her world behind to enter the Nowhere, a mysterious realm from which those who enter rarely ever return.