



Book Talk

March Is Reading Month



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.

March 1 at 5:30

How The Penguins Saved Veronica by Hazel Prior

April 5 at 5:30

Harry's Trees
Jon Cohen

May 3 at 5:30

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society
Annie Barrows

Reading is important for everyone. The joy of sharing books is a gift you can give yourself and your children from the time they are born. Most avid readers acquire their love of reading at home from their parents. The best readers are those who love to read. Encourage your child to form a habit of lifelong reading by sharing books together. See page 4.

Reading is equally important for adults. Research shows that people may keep growing brain cells as they age. Stimulating activities such as reading may help preserve mental acuity and slow the development of dementia. Exercise your brain! Read books in print, ebooks or listen to audio books.

- ♣ Set aside time each day to turn off the TV & turn on to books.
- ♣ Read out loud to your family, even if little children only "read the pictures."
- ♣ Reduce stress by having a peaceful silent reading time.
- ♣ Listen to an audio book during dinner, chores or in the car.
- ♣ Read and record a favorite book to share with your grandchildren.
- ♣ "Make 'em laugh, make 'em laugh, Don't you know ev'ry one wants to laugh?" The lyrics of this song have the right idea about learning.
 - ♣ Laughter increases white blood cell activity and changes the chemical balance of the blood. This is believed to boost the body's production of the chemicals needed for alertness and memory.
 - ♣ Laughter reduces stress and low stress enhances the brain's receptivity to learning.
 - ♣ According to researcher's, laughter also boosts the body's immune system for three days. Information from: *START SMART!: Building Brain Power In The Early Years* by Pam Schiller.

♣ **Visit the library!** Apply for a library card, your passport to explore the world through books. The value of the creativity, enrichment, enjoyment, history, information, knowledge and wisdom contained within the walls of the library is worth far more than the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow...its priceless!



Sanilac District Library

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Library Hours

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

New Fiction

- *3 Days To Live*—James Patterson
- *ARCH-Conspirator*—Veronica Roth
- *Artfully Yours*—Joanna Lowell
- *Bookworm*—Robin Yeatman
- *Bring On The Blessings*—Beverly Jenkins.
- *A Calder At Heart*—Janet Dailey
- *The Cliff's Edge: a Bess Crawford mystery #13*—Charles Todd
- *Code Name Sapphire*—Pam Jenoff
- *Cold People*—Tom Rob Smith
- *The Cradle of Ice: Moon Fall 2*—James Rollins
- *Death of a Traitor: a Hamish MacBeth murder mystery*—M. C. Beaton
- *The Deluge*—Stephen Markley
- *Ellie and the Harpmaker*—Hazel Prior
Dan lives a happy, solitary life carving harps in the English moors. Ellie discovers Dan's barn and is enchanted. She begins visiting Dan almost daily and quickly learns that he isn't like other people. He isn't just different; in many ways, his world is better, and he gives her a fresh perspective on her own life.
- *End of Story*—Kylie Scott
- *The Fires*—Sigridur Bjornsdottir.
When a series of volcanic eruptions threaten most of Iceland's population, volcanologist Anna Arnardóttir, caught between the safety of a nation embarks on a dangerous journey to save the lives of the people she loves.
- *The House Guest*—Hank Phillippi Ryan.
A diabolical cat-and-mouse thriller but which character is the cat, and which is the mouse? Alyssa is terrified when she's dumped by her powerful husband. When the FBI shows up, Alyssa really needs a friend. And then meets Bree who's running from a dangerous relationship of her own. But no one is what they seem.
- *Invitation To A Killer: an Augusta Hawke mystery*—G. M. Malliet
- *The Last Orphan: an Orphan X novel*—Greg Hurwitz
- *The Librarian of Burned Books*—Brianna Labuskes
- *The Little Wartime Library*—Kate Thompson
- *Maureen: A Harold Fry novel*—Rachel Joyce
- *Mickey 7*—Edward Ashton.
Mickey7 is an Expendable sent to colonize the ice world Niflheim. After one iteration dies, a new body is regenerated with most memories intact. When Mickey7 goes missing and is presumed dead, a new clone reports for duty. Duplicate Expendables are forbidden & Mickey7 must keep his double a secret. The survival of both human and Expendables comes down to Mickey7.
- *Midwife's Touch*—Sue Harrison.
China has the power to grant wishes with a touch. The only person she trusts is her mentor, a Cherokee midwife. China's life is torn apart by her mother's death and accusations of witchcraft. Is her secret safe with the new doctor in town?
- *Misfire*—Tammy Euliano.
A new type of implanted defibrillator misfires in a patient causing the problem it's meant to correct. Dr. Kate Downey resuscitates the patient, but grows concerned for her aunt who received the same device. She is prevented from alerting other patients by the greed of the inventor of the device.
- *The Mitford Secret: a Mitford Murders Mystery*—Jessica Fellowes
- *Moonrise Over New Jessup*—Jamila Minnicks.
In 1957, Alice steps off a bus into the all-black town of New Jessup, Alabama, where residents have rejected integration. She falls in love with Raymond, whose organizing activities challenge the status quo and could lead to the couple's expulsion--or worse.
- *Murder At An Irish Bakery*—Carlene O'Connor
- *Murder At An Irish Castle*—Ellie Brannigan
- *Murder At Haven's Rock*—Kelley Armstrong.
Deep in the Yukon wilderness, a town is being built. A place for people to disappear.
- *My Father's House*—Joseph O'Connor
Led by a courageous priest, a group of friends risk everything to help diplomats, refugees and escaped Allied prisoners flee for protection into Vatican City.
- *Night Angels*—Weina Dai Randel
Dr. Ho Fengshan, consul general of China posted in Vienna, whose instructions are to maintain amicable relations with the Third Reich, risks his life to help Jews escape the Nazis before WWII explodes.
- *Of Manners and Murder: a Dear Miss Hermione mystery*—Anastasia Hastings.
In 1885 London, Violet, advice columnist Miss Hermione, receives a letter from Ivy who fears for her life. When Violet visits the village where the letters were posted, Ivy is dead and nothing is as it seems...
- *On The Beach*—Nevil Shute
- *Pandora*—Susan Stokes-Chapman
- *The Porcelain Moon*—Janie Chang
In WWI France, Pauline Deng, a Chinese woman, runs from an arranged marriage. Camille, escaping an abusive husband, offers her a place to stay. They are forced to make a terrible decision when their situation escalates into deadly danger.
- *Remember Me*—Tracie Peterson
- *Ruby Spencer's Whiskey Year*—Rochelle Bilow
- *Second Time Around*—Melody Carlson
- *Secretly Yours*—Tessa Bailey.
A Thousand Miles To Graceland—Kristen Chase
- *The Sound of Light*—Sarah Sundin
In WWII Denmark, Baron Ahlefeldt assumes the identity of a shipyard worker, rowing messages to Sweden for the Resistance. He meets Else, an American physicist who seems to know his secret.
- *Stella Maris*—Cormac McCarthy
- *Storm Watch: A Joe Pickett novel*—C. J. Box
- *The Sweet Spot*—Amy Poeppel.
In the heart of Greenwich Village, 3 women form an accidental sorority when a baby, belonging to exactly none of them, lands on their collective doorstep.
- *This Other Eden*—Paul Harding.
Inspired by the true story of Malaga Island. In 1792, former slave Benjamin and his Irish wife discover an island where they can make a life together. Over a century later, their descendants and a diverse group of neighbors are desperately poor and isolated. During the tumultuous summer of 1912, a prejudiced schoolteacher disrupts the community through his efforts to educate its children.
- *The Three Lives of Alix St. Pierre*—Natasha Lester.
In 1943, with men headed overseas to fight, Alix gets a publicity job to recruit women into the workforce. Her skills catch the attention of the government and she finds herself sent to Switzerland as a spy.
- *Too Good To Be Real*—Melonie Johnson
- *Unnatural History: an Alex Delaware novel*—Jonathan Kellerman
- *Varina Palladino's Jersey Italian Love Story*—Terri-Lynne DeFino.
A boisterous, complicated Italian family is determined to help their widowed mother find a boyfriend.
- *Wade In the Water*—Nyani Nkrumah
A novel exploring the unlikely friendship between a precocious black girl and a white woman in a 1980s town in Mississippi.
- *The Woman With The Cure*—Lynn Cullen.
Based on the true story of Dorothy Horstmann who stopped a pandemic. In 1940s & '50s, polio is as dreaded as the atomic bomb. Outbreaks of the virus put American cities in lockdown. Applying the same determination that lifted her from a humble background to becoming a doctor, Dorothy hunts down the monster where it lurks: in the blood.
- *You Must Remember This*—Kat Rosenfield.
A spooky and witty whodunnit about a long-ago love affair, icy death, and a rich family gone bad.

Romance Paperbacks

- *Accidentally Famous*—Marissa Clarke
- *The Bluebird Bakery*—Lee McClain
- *Mr. Right Next Door*—Naima Simone
- *When Justice Rides: Buckhorn, Montana*—B. J. Daniels
- *Wyoming Mail-Order Bride*—Janet Tronstad

Western Paperbacks

- *Forever Texas*—William Johnstone
- *Fort Misery*—William Johnstone
- *The Jackals: the Fires of Hell*—William Johnstone

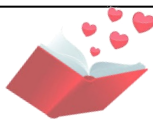
Large Print

- *Force of Nature: Aaron Falk series #2*—Jane Harper

New Nonfiction

- *The Confidante: the untold story of the woman who helped win WWII and shape modern America*—Christopher Gorhan
- *The Dawn of Detroit: a chronicle of slavery and freedom in the city of the straits*—Tiya Miles
- *The Diary Keepers: WWII in the Netherlands as written by the people who lived through it*—Nina Siegal
- *Fight Like Hell: the untold story of American labor*—Kim Kelly
- *Mr. Lincoln Sits For His Portrait: the story of the photograph that became an American icon*—Leonard Marcus
- *Oscar Wars: a history of Hollywood in gold, sweat and tears*—Michael Schulman
- *The Princess Spy: the true story of WWII spy Aline Griffith, Countess of Romanones*—Larry Loftis
- *Say The Right Thing: how to talk about identity, diversity and justice*—Kenji Yoshino
- *The Ship Beneath The Ice: discovery of Shackleton's Endurance*—Mensun Bound, Director of Exploration, Endurance22 Expedition
- *Start, Star or Leave: the art of decision making*—Trey Gowdy

Blind Date With a Book



Try something new & have fun!
You may fall in love!



SDL is continuing to play match-maker through National Library Week in April. Here's how it works:

Select your "date" from the display of wrapped books. The title and author are hidden but there are clues to entice you into choosing a book.

Check out the book and unwrap it. Surprise!

Hopefully, it will be love at first sight. But don't judge a book by its cover. Spend some time with your date. It's a risk, but maybe you'll fall in love. If the book is a dud, simply return it to the library. It's feelings won't be hurt. Just give the book a chance, you may find the match of your library dreams.

Share all the juicy details by filling out the Rate Your Date Form in the book. Was your date hot or not? Would you give the author another shot? You liked it but don't want to marry it? Love at first sight? Or the book was only good for a one night stand? A big yawn and a complete dud? Or woohoo! Hit the jackpot. And then, go on another date!



Special Programs Preview

National Library Week
April 24—28

- Gardening
- How To Use Shopping Apps
- Make a Basket
- And more!

New DVDs

- *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever*: In the wake of King T'Challa's death, leaders of Wakanda fight to protect their country from other nations pressuring them to share their vibranium.
- *Devotion*: the inspirational true story of two fighter pilots who helped turn the tide in the most brutal battle of the Korean War. The heroic sacrifices and enduring friendship of Jess Brown, the first black aviator in Navy history and Tom Hudner made them the Navy's most celebrated wingmen.
- *Don't Worry Darling*: While living with her husband in the idyllic 1950s company town of Victory, a housewife suspects that his company is hiding dark secrets.
- *Father Of The Bride*: A Cuban-American family erupts in a frenzy as a daughter's wedding approaches.
- *The Menu*: When several people travel to an exclusive island restaurant, they discover that the chef has prepared a lavish menu and is hiding several dark secrets.
- *Miss Scarlet & The Duke: Season 3*
- *Nothing Is Impossible*: A middle-aged janitor gets a second chance at love and his dream of playing professional basketball when the local team, owned by his ex-fiancée, holds open tryouts.
- *The Old Way*: Colton Briggs, is a cold-blooded gunslinger turned respectable family man. When a gang of outlaws put Colton's family in peril, he is forced to take up arms with an unlikely partner, his 12-year-old daughter.
- *Running the Bases*: a small-town baseball coach uproots his family to start a dream job at a larger high school and faces opposition to his coaching methods from the school superintendent.
- *Sanditon: Season 2*: A spirited young woman leaves behind her life at her rural home and moves to a fishing village looking to re-establish itself as a seaside resort town.
- *Spoiler Alert*: Michael's relationship with his partner, Kit, as he battles a rare form of cancer, displays the strength of love rather than sadness of loss.
- *She Said*: Based on a true story, follows New York Times journalists Jodi Kantor and Megan Twohey as they expose stories of abuse and sexual misconduct perpetrated by Hollywood producer, Harvey Weinstein.
- *Strange World: (Disney)*: A family of explorers try to navigate an uncharted treacherous land to find out why their fuel source is losing its power.

New Picture Books

- *Are You A Monster?*—Guilherme Karsten
- *Evergreen*—Matthew Cordell
- *Hey Otter! Hey Beaver!*—Brian Pinkney
- *Rabbit, Duck and Big Bear*—Nadine Brun-Cosme
- *The Greedy Worm*—Jeff Newman

Nonfiction

- *Going To The Zoo*—Eric Parrish
- *I Am Left-Handed: what I love about being a lefty*—Dagmar Geisler
- *Stars Of The Night: the courageous children of the Czech Kindertransport* —Caren Stelson

New for Elementary

- *Detective Gordon*—Ulf Nilsson
 1. *The First Case*
 2. *A Case In Any Case*
 3. *A Case For Buffy*
 4. *A Case With A Bang*
- *Lost Galumpus*—Joseph Helgerson
When a furry beast from the distant past appears in their park, Gilly the Possum, and raccoon Mayor Crawdaddy, try to figure out where it came from...and how to get him home again.
- *When Sea Becomes Sky*—Gillian McDunn.
During a drought on Pelican Island, the hand of a statue underneath the water is revealed. Bex & Davey are determined to find out more.

Books For Tweens

- *Lasagna Means I Love You*—Kate O-Shaughnessy.
When foster kid Mo finds a handmade cookbook filled with someone else's family recipes, she collects the stories behind them and builds a website to share them, secretly hoping a long-lost relative will find her and give her a family recipe all her own.

MARCH IS READING MONTH



Start your child on the road to learning! Subscribe to TALK.

TALK: Text and Learn for Kindergarten sends fun activities for parents to do with their babies and preschoolers. Make any time learning time! Developed by librarians and based on the Every Child Ready to Read program, TALK encourages parents to read, write, sing, talk, and play with their little ones everyday. TALK activities are designed to get kids ready for school success. And it's FREE!

Click the link on SDL's website to sign up to get 8-10 text messages per month with fun activities you can do at home to help prepare your little ones, aged 5 and under, for school success.

Research shows that when parents and caregivers talk and listen to young children, they develop the cognitive and language skills they need to do well in school and beyond. TALK activities increase back-and-forth conversations and provide activities for little ones to learn through exploration and discovery.

Parents are their child's first teachers.

March Is Reading Month: Raise A Lifelong Reader

Talk ~ Sing ~ Read ~ Write ~ Play With Your Child

- ☺ Make reading fun: Songs & nursery rhymes foster a love of words.
- ☺ Read aloud. Reading to your child increases attention span, improves listening skills and develops vocabulary. Listening to books read aloud benefits every age, not just young children.
- ☺ Read it again and again. Children need and enjoy repetition, which builds word recall. It also helps children feel secure and confident.
- ☺ Surround your child with books: offer many age appropriate books to encourage reading.
- ☺ Let your child see you reading. Be a reading role model!
- ☺ Read every day: Plan 10 to 30 minutes a day to snuggle with books.
- ☺ Visit your library often. Borrow books for FREE! Let your child choose books that lets their imaginations soar.
- ☺ Check out SDL's website Kid Pages for more early literacy tips.



Free Books To Children Birth - 5

Spark imagination through a love of reading!

Every child in Sanilac County, from birth to 5 years old, may receive a FREE age-appropriate book mailed directly to your home every month. This FREE GIFT is sponsored by the Sanilac County Community Foundation. There is no cost to your family. Fill out the registration form available on SDL's website.

You must be a resident of Sanilac County. You should receive the first book 8 - 10 weeks after registration. Books will continue to be mailed until your child turns five or you move out of Sanilac County. **Read with your child and have fun!**