## Sanilac District Library Books & Beyond

# Book Talk Newsletter

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## Summer Reading Party!!! Tuesday, August 9 at 7

#### 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.

July 6 at 5:30 *Florence Gordon* by Brian Morton

August 3 at 5:30
The Thursday Murder Club
by Richard Osman

September 7 at 5:30

Garden Spells

by Sarah Addison Allen

#### Sanilac District Library

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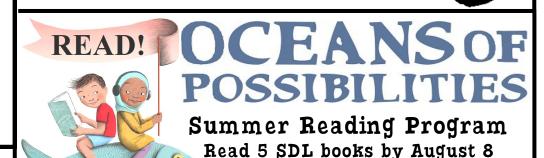
#### Closed Monday, July 4

#### **Library Hours**

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

featuring Gordon Russ, The Magician & George The Raccoon

FUN for the whole family!



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### Beach Glass Jewelry Wednesday July 27 at 5:30

Christine Mack will demonstrate how to wire-wrap beach glass to make beautiful jewelry. Everyone will make a necklace. Participants may then choose to make other pieces: bookmark, dangle bracelet, key

chain, wine bottle stopper or wine glass charm. This class is planned for teens and adults.

If you have taken a class with Christine before, advanced kits *may* be available. Please notify the library when you RSVP.

All materials are included in the class fee: \$30. Please RSVP by July 22.

#### **New Fiction**

- Ashton Hall—Lauren Belfer. Coping with her husband's betrayal, Hannah moves into Ashton Hall with her son and tries to discover more about the remains of a woman walled into a forgotten part of the manor.
- •Aurora—David Koepp. When a solar storm knocks out power across the globe, Aubrey, in Aurora, Illinois, becomes the fierce protector of her neighborhood, while across the country, her brother hunkers down in his gilded desert bunker, leading to a long-overdue reckoning between siblings.
- The Beach Trap—Ali Brady. When 12 -year-old Kat and Blake meet at camp, they become instant best friends until they learn they are also half-sisters. 15 years later when their father dies, they inherit the family beach house in FL. Blake's renovation plans conflict with Kat's creative vision. The most difficult project they face will be learning how to become sisters.
- A Botanist' Guide to Parties and Poisons: Saffron Everleigh mystery—Kate Khavari. Attempting to blaze a new trail for women at the University College London in 1923, research assistant Saffron becomes involved in solving the murder of a professor's wife who was poisoned at a school dinner party.
- •December '41: a WWII thriller— William Martin. On the day after Pearl Harbor, shocked Americans gather around their radios to hear FDR declare war. In L A, a German agent plans to kill FDR on the night he lights the National Christmas Tree. Who will stop him?
- •Dreaming Of Flight—Catherine Hyde 11-year-old Stewie and his brother have been raised on a farm by their older sister...And every day Stewie goes door to door selling fresh eggs from his wagon--a routine with a surprise just around the corner. It's his new customer, Marilyn. She's prickly and guarded, yet comfortably familiar...Marilyn has a reason for keeping her distance: a secret no one knows about...But whatever difficult times lie ahead, Stewie learns that although he can't fix everything for Marilyn or himself, at least he's no longer alone.
- •Escape: a Billy Harney thriller— James Patterson
- •A Face To Die For: an Eve Duncan novel—Iris Johansen
- The Favor—Nora Murphy. Leah and McKenna have never met But they will... Their lives have all the trappings of success, wealth and happiness. But both are trapped. Leah understands that what's inside a home can be more dangerous than what's outside. Driving past McKenna's house one night, she sees that McKenna's "perfect" husband is not what he seems. Leah keeps watch over McKenna, until one night, she intervenes.

- •Flying Solo—Linda Holmes. Laurie returns to her Maine hometown to handle the estate of her great-aunt, a spirited adventurer who lived to be 90. She finds a wooden duck and letter that ends with the line, "if you're ever desperate, there are always ducks, darling." When the duck disappears, she feels compelled to figure out why anyone would steal it and it was hidden in the first place.
- •The Girl With The Make-Believe Husband: a Bridgerton prequel— Julia Quinn
- •The Girl Who Survived—Lisa Jackson.
- •Hatchet Island—Paul Doiron. A call for help from a former colleague leads game warden investigator Mike and his girlfriend Stacey on a sea kayaking trip to a research station far off the Maine coast. With no one to trust and miles from shore, Mike must stop a ruthless murderer.
- •Hotel Nantucket-Elin Hilderbrand. After a bad breakup, Lizbet is named general manager of the Hotel Nantucket, a Gilded Age gem turned eyesore. While the Hotel appears to be a paradise, there's a lot of drama behind closed doors. In 1922, a tragic fire killed a chambermaid. With Grace gleefully haunting the halls, staff with secrets and Lizbet's romantic uncertainty, is the Hotel destined for success or doom?
- •Iona Iverson's Rules For Commuting
  —Clare Pooley. Seasoned commuters
  never talk to strangers on the train. But
  what would happen if they did? Every
  day Iona sees the same people, whom she
  knows only by nicknames: ImpossiblyPretty-Bookworm and Terribly-LonelyTeenager. Then one morning, a man
  chokes on a grape. This single event
  starts a chain reaction...
- •Island Time—Georgia Clark
- An Island Wedding-Jenny Colgan
- •Listen To Me: Rizzoli & Isles— Tess Gerritsen
- The Measure—Nikki Erlick. In a world where people can find out how much time they have left to live, 8 people must make an extraordinary choice.
- •The Omega Factor—Steve Berry. The Ghent Altarpiece is the most violated work of art in the world. Thirteen times it has been vandalized, dismantled, or stolen. Why? What secrets does it hold? Enter UNESCO investigator, Nicholas Lee, who works for the United Nations' Cultural Liaison and Investigative Office (CLIO). Nick's job is to protect the world's cultural artifacts. When Nick travels to Belgium, he stumbles on the trail of the 12th panel for the Ghent Altarpiece, stolen in 1934.

- •Orphan Train Saga-Sherry Burton (from Sandusky)
  - 1. Discovery
  - 2. Shameless
  - 3. Treachery
  - 4. Guradian
  - 5. Loyal
- •Outside—Ragnar Jonasson. When a deadly snowstorm strikes the Icelandic highlands, 4 friends seek shelter in an abandoned hunting lodge. It is in the middle of nowhere and there's no way of communicating with the outside world. They are isolated, but they are not alone... As the night darkens and fears intensify, an old tragedy gradually surfaces—one that forever changed the course of their friendship. Those memories could hold the key to the mystery the friends now find themselves in. And whether they will survive until morning...
- Red Warning—Matthew Quirk. A CIA agent must track down a Russian operative hiding in D.C. before he can put a devastating, decades-old plot into motion.
- The Second Husband—Kate White. Emma learns a shocking truth about her first husband's unsolved murder that calls everything into question after starting a new life with Tom, who makes Emma feel safe again.
- •Somebody Like Santa—Janet Dailey
- The Sparrow—Mary Russell. A charismatic Jesuit priest and linguist, Emilio, leads a scientific mission on a profound task: to make first contact with intelligent extraterrestrial life.
- •The Sparrow #2: Children Of God: The only member of the original mission to the planet Rakhat to return to Earth, Father Emilio has barely begun to recover from his ordeal, he is called upon him for help in preparing for another mission to Alpha Centauri. Despite his objections and fear, he cannot escape his past or the future.
- •Sunburst—Susan May Warren
- Suspects—Danielle Steel
- A Thread of Grace—Mary Russell September 8, 1943, Claudette and her father join thousands of Jewish refugees scrambling over the Alps toward Italy, where they hope to find safety now that the Italians have broken from Germany and made peace with the Allies. Italy is anything but peaceful, as it becomes a battleground for Nazis, Allies, Resistance fighters, Jews in hiding, and civilians trying to survive.
- Two Nights In Lisbon-Chris Pavone A woman whose husband is kidnapped and held for ransom while visiting Portugal, reaches out to the one person she fears most.
- •Unfailing Love: When Hope Calls Jeanette Oke & Laurel Logan
- Well Played—Jen DeLuca. A laughout-loud romantic comedy.

#### **New Nonfiction**

- •An Extravagant Life: an autobiography incorporating blue water, green skipper —Stuart Woods
- •James Patterson by James Patterson: the stories of my life
- •Surrounded By Narcissists: how to effectively recognize, avoid & defend yourself against toxic people (and not lose your mind)—Thomas Erikson



Check out the SciFi & Fantasy in the TEEN Section. Dystopian, Fantasy, Futuristic, Paranormal, SciFi, Steam Punk, Techno Thrillers, Time Travel, Urban Fiction.

Whatever you call them, these page turning, can't-put-them-down books will keep you up all night reading to find out what happens next.

You might not be able to close your eyes...or turn out the light!

#### OverDrive Libby APP



Audio Books eBooks eMagazines

### Download to your device for FREE!

Accounts have already been setup for SDL library card holders. Go to SDL's website.

Click on the OverDrive icon for instructions about how to use OverDrive and download the Libby App.

Access your 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).

#### Romance Paperbacks

- •Finding her Frontier Family— Louise Gouge
- •Second Chance Spring—JoAnn Ross
- Something Blue-Heather McGovern
- •Summer On Blackberry Beach— Belle Calhoune

#### Large Print

•The Wedding Dress Sewing Circle-Jennifer Ryan After losing everything in the London Blitz, A renowned fashion designer heads to the country where she inspires a local village sewing group to create wedding dresses from found materials to help others celebrate love during war and hardship.

## How To Access Your SDL Account

Use your account to see the items currently checked out to you, the due dates, renew (one time per item), reserve, set-up reminder notices, view circulation history (items borrowed in the past), make reading lists and more.

- 1. Go to SDL's website. Click on the CATALOG button.
- 2. Click **Please Login** in the upper right corner of the blue title bar. A window will appear.
- 3. Type in your 14 digit barcode number, found on your library card. *Do not type in \* asterisks*.
- 4. The default password is *userpass*. After you login, you are required to make a new password. Remember it! Library staff *do not* have access to your password. If you do forget, library staff are able to reset the password to *userpass*. You must then create a new password.
- 5. Click ✓ Remember Me if you are using My Account from home.

#### New DVDs

- Ambulance: When their bank robbery goes wrong, two adoptive brothers hijack an ambulance carrying an EMT and a wounded police officer and try to make their escape while keeping their hostages alive.
- The Batman: Batman investigates Gotham City's political corruption when the Riddler begins murdering key figures.
- •The Contractor: A Special Forces sergeant, involuntarily discharged from the Army and cut-off from his pension, joins an underground military organization in order to provide for his family, but soon finds himself hunted and on the run.
- Family Camp: Two dads struggle to keep control of their families and marriages when the two families are forced to camp together and compete for the camp trophy.
- •Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore: Professor Dumbledore sends Magizoologist Newt Scamander, his team of wizards, witches and one brave Muggle baker on a mission to stop the powerful Dark wizard Gellert Grindelwald from seizing control of the wizarding world.
- •Father Stu: Dramatized story about Father Stuart Long, a former boxer who inspired others on his journey to become a priest after surviving a near -fatal motorcycle accident, despite skepticism and a devastating health crisis.
- •Infinite Storm: Based on a true story, an experienced climber is forced to descend a mountain by a blizzard and tries to get back to safety with a stranded man that she encounters on her way down.
- •The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent: A washed-up actor is recruited by the CIA and uses his legendary acting skills to carry out his mission.

#### New Audio

•The Omega Factor—Steve Berry UNESCO investigator, Nick Lee's job is to protect cultural artifacts. When Nick travels to Belgium, he stumbles on the trail of the 12th panel for the Ghent Altarpiece, stolen in 1934.

#### New Books For Kids Picture Books

• Where 's My Cat—Seymour Chwast

#### **Chapter Books**

•Judy Moody and the Missing Mood Ring—Megan McDonald. Judy Moody is freaky for Nancy Drew, the famous girl detective...So when Judy bumps into Mighty Fantaskey, she is excited to meet another Nancy Drew fan and to make a new friend. Excited, that is, until she visits Mighty's house: it's big and old and creaky and definitely haunted. It even turns Judy's mood ring the color of fear!

#### **New for Elementary**

- Judy Moody series-Megan McDonald 14. Book Quiz Whiz
  - 15. Right Royal Tea Party: When Judy learns that some of her ancestors lived in England, her nemesis Jessica Finch finds more relatives that Judy wishes she could hide in a dungeon.
- •Nate The Great and the Missing Tomatoes —Andrew Sharmat
- •Stink series—Megan McDonald
  - Freaky Frog Freakout: When a close encounter with a mutant amphibian makes him freaky for frogs, water-shy Stink becomes a swimming success.
  - The Hairy Scary Spider: Loving everything scientific except spiders, Stink reluctantly tries desensitization therapy exercises recommended by Judy and Webster before a real-life, fact-filled encounter takes them all by surprise.

#### **New Nonfiction**

•LEGO: Star Wars Awesome Vehicles take a look at H-wings, First Order Star Destroyers, Millennium Falcon, Landspeeders and more! X-Wing pilot Poe as your guide, check out amazing brickbuilt vehicles in the LEGO Star Wars galaxy.

#### **Books For Tweens**

- •Campground Kids—C. R. Fulton Isaiah, his sister Sadie and cousin Ethan go on a series of epic camping adventures. As they explore National Parks they encounter mystery, challenge, survival, and more in this action packed series.
  - 1. Grand Teton Stampede
  - 2. Smoky Mountain Survival
  - 3. Zion Gold Rush
- •Manatee Summer—Evan Griffith. Peter and Tommy have a goal to finish their Discovery Journal, a catalog of the wildlife around their Florida town. They see a manatee in a canal and that is injured by a boat. Peter joins the fight to save manatees and also takes care of his ailing grandfather. He realizes that he has much to discover about himself and the world around him when his friendship with Tommy is jeopardized.
- •Star Wars: Stories of Jedi and Sith •Treasure Tracks—S. A. Rodriguez Fin drags his reluctant father on a diving hunt for missing treasure, hoping that finding the family legacy will help his ailing Abuelo.
- •Ultimate Gaming Showdown: Player vs Player #1-M. England 4 kids are invited to compete in a virtual tournament for the grand prize and a chance to become a professional gamer at Affinity, the biggest online multi-player video



#### Middle School

- •The Fort—Gordon Korman. The morning after Hurricane Leo rips through their town, a group of friends discover a trap door in the woods that leads to an intact bomb shelter with electricity, food and even a TV. They vow to keep the place a secret while sharing their secrets. But what started out as a fun place to escape soon becomes a refuge for a a boy trying to avoid an abusive stepfather.
- •Gabe In the After-Shannon Doleski When Gabe searches for survivors after a global pandemic he finds Relle, a strange hopeful girl for whom Gabe develops a crush. Tragedy strikes after they return to the mainland forcing Gabe to set out on a dangerous journey to find other survivors where the world might be normal, like Before.

## Oceans of Possibilities

#### **Books For Teens**

- •Elsewhere—Gabrielle Zevin. After Liz is hit by a taxi and killed, she finds herself in a place that is both like and unlike Earth, where she must adjust to her new status and figure out how to "live."
- •Love & Other Great Expectations— Becky Dean. Britt Hanson embarks on a competitive scavenger hunt in England that takes her to the locations of classic British novels and meets a bookish boy who can't help her with clues but might make the trip take some unexpected turns.

Summer Reading Party Tuesday, August 9 at 7 Gordon Russ, The Magician Fun For Everyone!





#### MAP Michigan Activity Pass



#### Use Your SDL Card to get Free or Discounted Tickets to Michigan Attractions

Use your SDL card to redeem passes to hundreds of art, cultural and historical institutions plus recreational areas, State Parks and tourist attractions. Free or reduced admission, discounts to gift shops and other exclusive offers are available. New destinations are always being added. SDL card holders may print a free one-day pass to any of Michigan's 102 state parks or 138 state forest campgrounds from your own device or at the library. Last year, the MAP program returned \$50,000 in value to over 10,000 patrons who used their library card for admission to a featured site.

Click on the MAP Logo on SDL's website to get more information, see a complete list of venues and to print tickets.

#### **How MAP Works**

- 1. Enter your starting location
- 2. Enter the number of miles you want to travel
- 3. Enter Sanilac District Library as your home library
- 4. Optional: refine your search by

☐ All Destinations ☐ Kid Friendl	$\Box$	All Destinati	ions $\square$	Kid	Friend	dlv
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☐ Type of attraction:

- $\ \ \, \Box \ \, Farms/Gardens/Nature$
- $\square$  Maritime
- ☐ Science

☐ Art

☐ History

- ☐ Music/Theater
- $\square$  Transportation

- 5. Click Search.
- 6. Watch a tutorial for extra help.



#### Give your child a head start! 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. Start your child on the road to learning. 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 may also receive updates about SDL story times and other free, educational children's events. Plus, a few tips just for you. When parents are strong and healthy, it's easier to give kids what they need to grow.

#### Parents are their child's first teachers.



## 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 their home every month. This FREE GIFT is sponsored by the Sanilac County Community Foundation and the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. There is no cost to the family. It's easy! Parents just need to submit the registration form available on SDL's website. Children must be a resident of Sanilac County. The first book should be received about 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!

#### Oceans of Possibilities Summer Reading Fun



#### **Summer Reading Program** As easy as 1, 2, 3

- 1. Register
- 2. Read
- 3. Record

CPS & SDL students, K-12th grade who read 5 or more SDL books by July 30 will earn a prize. Sign-up at SDL or online at READsquared and keep track of the SDL books that you read. Come to the PARTY on August 9!



Babies & preschoolers may take part in SDL's summer reading program by having a parent or sibling read SDL books aloud to them.



"You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child." Dr. Seuss





Sanilac District Library is partnering with REC-CONNECT to provide programs that inspire kids and their families to be physically active. Featuring PE-Nut Educator, Mary Boury.

## Story Time

Thursdays at 11:30 July 7 ~ July 28

For kids: 4\* ~ 4th grade
\*Children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult caregiver



Date	Activity	Presenter
July 7	Flying Discs	REC-CONNECT
July 14	Strength Bands	REC-CONNECT
July 21	Trails*	REC-CONNECT
July 28	Folk Music**	A & W Band

\*After the program, have more fun by taking a picnic lunch to the Museum's Nature Trail and go on a go on a scavenger hunt.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Program will include some hands-on experience for kids.



READsquared is an online reading program designed to encourage life-long reading habits. Use the link on SDL's Summer Reading Program page to register. There are four age groups: 0 to 4; 5 to 12; 13 to 17 and 18 & adults. After earning enough points, a completion certificate may be printed. Bring it to SDL to receive a prize. (Limited to CPS & SDL residents)

#### **MI Learning Channel** Summer Fun **Ends August 14**

Keep kids engaged in learning over the summer! The Michigan Learning Channel's 8-week summer program students build their brains and learn key concepts that will help them succeed in school. From preschool to 6th Grade, each grade has 2-3 hours of video lessons per week, plus a free fun downloadable activity book. Programs are available on TV and on-demand online. Use the link on SDL's website: Summer Reading

program page to download activity books.



#### MilibraryQuest Treasures of the Deep **For Teens**

**Ends July 31** 

CPS & SDL teen explorers are challenged to solve a crossword puzzle by finding clues on the websites of Michigan libraries. Answers include famous pirates, shipwrecks and sea monsters. Fill out the entry form using the link on SDL's website. Print the crossword puzzle from the MiLibraryQuest site and bring the completed puzzle to SDL. OR follow instructions to submit the puzzle online. Submit the completed puzzle by July 31 to earn a prize.