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News You Can Use!

Celebrate National Library Week

April 10th -16th, 2005!

Adult Services is having 2 drawings: **Guess the number of golf pencils in a jar and win a prize!** (the jar & entry form are located at the Adult Circulation Desk)

Clip the entry form in this newsletter (see pg. 2) and **Enter to win a book shelf and bestseller books.**

Enter drawings before 5 p.m. on April 16th.

Teen & Youth Services are hosting **Fly a Kite Day** (see pg. 3 for details)

Come and watch us march in the **Good Neighbor Parade** 2 p.m. Saturday, May 7th as we celebrate Books for All Seasons!

How Does The Library Use Your Tax Dollars?

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Did you get your money's worth? The **average Lansing household pays \$113 to the library** from their property tax.

What do you get from your money? Access to **over 120,000 books**. Access to **over 2,300 audio books**.

Access to **over 2,000 music CDs**, covering a wide-range of musical tastes. Access to **online databases** giving

you full-text of newspapers and magazines. If a student in your household used any of the **on-line resources** the library holds subscriptions to, you probably got your money's worth.

Subscriptions to **over 200 magazine titles**. If you read magazines at the library instead of subscribing to them at home, you got your money's worth.

Access to Reference **Staff who are trained to help!**

Were you one of the people who asked one of the more than 11,000 questions we answered?

Free computer classes!

Access to **free** programming for all ages. The library has story hours, book discussions, speakers, and shows films. Have you taken a family of four out lately for a cultural event? If you attend programs at the library, you probably got your money's worth. **Free** access to the **Internet**.

Access to nearly **400 DVDs** and approximately **3000 videos**. Every day is dollar day at the library!

Access to **materials from all the other libraries in the Metropolitan Library System** as well as other libraries around the state.

If you took advantage of all these things at the library this year, congratulations! You **really** got your money's worth!

Computer Classes



Lansing Public Library now offers computer classes! These **FREE hands-on classes** are taught by library staff, and are designed to teach the skills needed to use the library's resources to their full potential.

LPL Computer Basics is perfect for the beginner and those afraid of the computer. **LPL Library Catalog Basics** teaches how to search, place your own holds, and access your borrower account.

E-Mail Basics takes you step-by-step in creating a **FREE** e-mail account with Yahoo! Mail.

Internet Basics teaches some basic strategies to find what you're looking for on the Internet, and how to evaluate what you find.

Writing Your Résumé in Microsoft Word will make applying for jobs a little easier. Watch for additional topics in upcoming months!

Registration is required.

Patron must present a valid photo ID Internet library card issued by Lansing Public Library at time of registration. Your library account must be in good standing. Register in person at the Adult Circulation Desk. Class size is limited to 6 and registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Library Closed

We will be closed Monday, May 30, 2005 in observance of Memorial Day.

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Adult Programs & Services

Award-winning Master Gardener Jennifer Tobin returns, presenting **Designing and Growing Beautiful Container Gardens** April 12 at 7 p.m. Whether you live in an apartment, condo, town home or single family home, you probably have the space for the color and interest of container gardens, one of the hottest trends in gardening. Includes container selection, plant selection, and proper planting, and maintenance to help ensure success.



Join us for an evening of folk music with **South Suburban Dulcimer & Folk Music Society**

April 21 at 7 p.m. Enjoy the sound of the Dulcimers and other traditional folk instruments.

Just in time for spring cleaning! Attend **Unclutter Your Life** April 23 at 10:30 a.m. Does the clutter in your home or office overwhelm you? Are you embarrassed when unexpected visitors drop in? Learn tips and tricks to unclutter your life,

your home, your office from professional organizer Elaine Kokai.

Join us for **Quilter's Trunk Show** presented by Shirley Jacobs, April 30 at 10:30 a.m. Her colorful quilts have garnered the Best of Show and have hung in exhibit in Illinois and Indiana. Shirley will display her quilts and tell their background.

Authors visit the library!

Meet author **Michael J. Griffin** May 3 at 7 p.m. Mr. Griffin will discuss his newly released novel *Redemption Road*, a fictional story of Grady Hagen who took part in the lynching of a black man in Mississippi in 1942. This book deals with the reality of past race relations and Grady's desire to make amends.

Author **Sharon Foster** will discuss her book *Ain't No River* May 9 at 10:30 a.m. Everyone welcome!

*Register now for all adult programs in this issue!
Reserve your seat early!*



You're invited to watch **Those Were The Days Radio Players** May 12 at 7 p.m. They will perform

with original scripts of old radio shows using music, innovative sound effects and acting with their voice—just like the early days of radio!

Lansing Police Officer Barnes returns, presenting: **Crimes Against the Elderly**, April 4 at 10 a.m.; **Traveling Scams**, May 2 at 10 a.m.

Our popular **"Purls of Wisdom" Knitting & Crochet Circle** meets in the Community Room. Bring your own supplies.

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Fridays April 1 & April 15,
May 6 & May 27.

6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Wednesdays April 13, & April 27,
May 11 & May 25.

Register for Adult Programs at the Circulation Desk, Adult Services Desk, or call 474-2447, ext. 122.

Book Discussion Selections

April 5 (10:30 a.m.) and **April 6** (7 p.m.) — *The Art of Mending* by Elizabeth Berg

April 11 — *Three Wishes* by Barbara Delinsky 10:30 a.m.

April 20 — *The Hook* by Donald Westlake 6:30 p.m.

April 26 — *She Walks These Hills* by Sharyn McCrumb 11:30 a.m.

May 3 (10:30 a.m.) and **May 4** (7 p.m.) — *The Inn at Lake Devine* by Elinor Lipman

May 9 — *Ain't No River* with author **Sharon Foster** 10:30 a.m.

May 18 — *True Crime* 6:30 p.m.

May 31 — *Killer Stuff* by Sharon Fiffer 11:30 a.m.



Now Playing!

Adult Services is now showing **free movies** in the Community Room!

My Man Godfrey— [not rated] 92 min.

April 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Calendar Girls— [rated PG-13] 108 min.

April 19 at 10:30 a.m.

Arsenic and Old Lace— [not rated] 118 min.

May 17 at 10:30 a.m.

Enter the Drawing

Name _____

Address _____

Lansing, IL 60438

Phone _____

Library Card Barcode _____

Enter between April 11-16, 2005



Teen Scene (6th-12th Grades)

Art Contest [Grades 6-8] April 2005.



We're looking for a logo for our summer reading program!

The theme this year is

"Dragons, Dreams, and Daring Deeds." 6th through 8th graders

are encouraged to submit an entry for the chance to win a cash prize and see their logo used on our materials all summer long! For details on the contest and rules for entries, call the library or ask at our Teen Reference Desk. Your art must be turned in to the library by Monday, May 2nd, so sharpen those pencils and get drawing!

Fly a Kite Day Saturday, April 16

Celebrate National Library Week with "Something for everyone @ your library!" From 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. join Lansing Library at Lan-Oak Park (180th and Arcadia St. in Lansing, weather permitting) to fly a kite! Kids of all



ages (up to 18) are welcome to join us. Prizes will be awarded for handmade kites in various categories. If you don't want to build a kite, that's okay—store-bought kites are welcome to fly too!

Poetry Café Tuesday, April 26 from 6:30-8 p.m. Join us at Lansing Library's third annual Teen Poetry Café! Even if you didn't submit a poem to our contest, you're more than welcome to attend. We will have an open microphone where you can read your original poetry aloud and refreshments from Muse Café. Copies of our poetry magazine, *Random Inklings*, will be available with original poetry written by Lansing's teens!

Free Comic Book Day! Saturday, May 7th. Never heard of Free Comic Book Day? It's simple—check out any book from our Teen Department on May 7 and you'll get a free comic book!

Random Reads Book Discussion

[Grades 6-12]

Tuesday, April 19—*Son of the Mob*.

This is a joint discussion with the Book Group from T.F. South High School! Grades 6 and up are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served. 4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

May [Date and title to be announced.]

Join us for one of the titles off the new list of Abe nominees! The Abraham Lincoln award is a student-choice award for high school students. The nominees for the 2006 award will be announced in April, so we'll discuss one in May!

Sign up at the Teen Desk and pick up the book. Books are available 1 month before the discussion.

Limited enrollment.

For more information, visit the Teen Dept., call 474-2447, ext. 119. or send an IM to AskLPLTeen

Youth Programs & Services

Story Times [through April 30th]

Toddler Time [2-3 yrs old with caregiver] Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

Baby TALK [Birth-2 yrs old with caregiver] Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

and 11 a.m. Registration full.

Call Youth Services to join the waiting list.

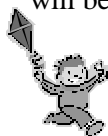
Preschool Story Time [4-6 yrs old]

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Family Reading Night

The entire family is welcome to listen to stories performed by our Book Buddies. Mondays at 7 p.m.

Storytimes take a break in May and will be back in June.



Help us celebrate the library and the coming of spring with **Fly a Kite Day** Saturday, April 16th.

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Kids of all ages (up to 18) are welcome to join us. Prizes will be awarded to hand made kites in various categories. All kites are welcome to fly.



Come and watch us march in the **Good Neighbor Parade**

Saturday, May 7th as we celebrate Books for All Seasons.

After-school programs continue! [grade 1 and up] Begin at 4 p.m.

Movie Mondays [grade 1 and up] Upcoming films:

April 4—*Angels in the Outfield*

April 11—*Mary Poppins*

April 18—*The Little Mermaid*

April 25—*Richie Rich*

May 2—*Free Willy*

May 9—*Freaky Friday*

May 16—*The Wizard of Oz*

May 23—*Race the Sun*



Tutors on Tuesdays

Web of Stories Wednesdays

Theme Thursdays [grade 1 and up]

Upcoming themes:

April 7—Baseball; April 14—Poetry

April 21—Earth Day; April 28—May

Baskets; May 5—Cinco de Mayo;

May 12—Artist Celebration;

May 19—*The Wizard of Oz*;

May 26—Why do we celebrate

Memorial Day?

Fun 'n' Games Fridays

For more information, visit the Youth Services Department, call 474-2447. or send an IM to AskLPLYouth

