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Winter 2025-2026

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More than  
**1,300**  
Programs Inside!





# Welcome to Winter

As the days grow shorter and the winter chill sets in, we invite you to make Kent District Library your warm escape. Whether you're looking for a good book to curl up with, a family program to brighten your week or simply a welcoming space to gather, the library is here for you. We have many relaxing lounging areas and lovely fireplaces to make sure you find cozy comfort at KDL. Think of us as your neighborhood living room this season.

And don't forget to sign up for our annual Let It Snow winter reading program. Get lost in some awesome books this season and earn a lovely mug for your favorite winter beverage.

Come warm up with stories, community and connection all season long – we can't wait to see you!



Sincerely,

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink.

Lance Werner  
Executive Director

  LET IT Snow

Check out page 20 for information about this year's Let It Snow Winter Reading Challenge. You can also go to [kdl.org/snow](https://kdl.org/snow) to get started today! .....





## Nominate a Literacy Champion

Do you know a person or organization who goes the extra step to promote literacy in our community? Nominate them for the KDL Literacy Champion Award. Literacy Champions are people or organizations who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in supporting reading and literacy. The award includes a crystal trophy and \$1,000 that winners may use to help further their literacy efforts. Entries accepted through February 28 at [kdl.org/literacychampion](https://kdl.org/literacychampion).

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The Cozy Issue



### About the cover:

**Brianne Farley** is a Michigan-based author and illustrator whose latest picture book, *Worm Makes a Sandwich*, blends humor with a clever introduction to composting. Known for her playful storytelling and expressive art, Farley's books are beloved by young readers and available in the Kent District Library collection.



Check out all of her work at [BrianneFarley.com](https://BrianneFarley.com).



# KDL Updates



## WonderNook Maps

Looking for a winter break adventure that doesn't require snow gear? Pick up a WonderNook Map at your local branch and set off to explore unique play spaces designed to spark curiosity and creativity. Visit at least five branches and you'll earn a limited-edition WonderNook coloring book and crayons – then head home, get cozy and keep the adventure going!



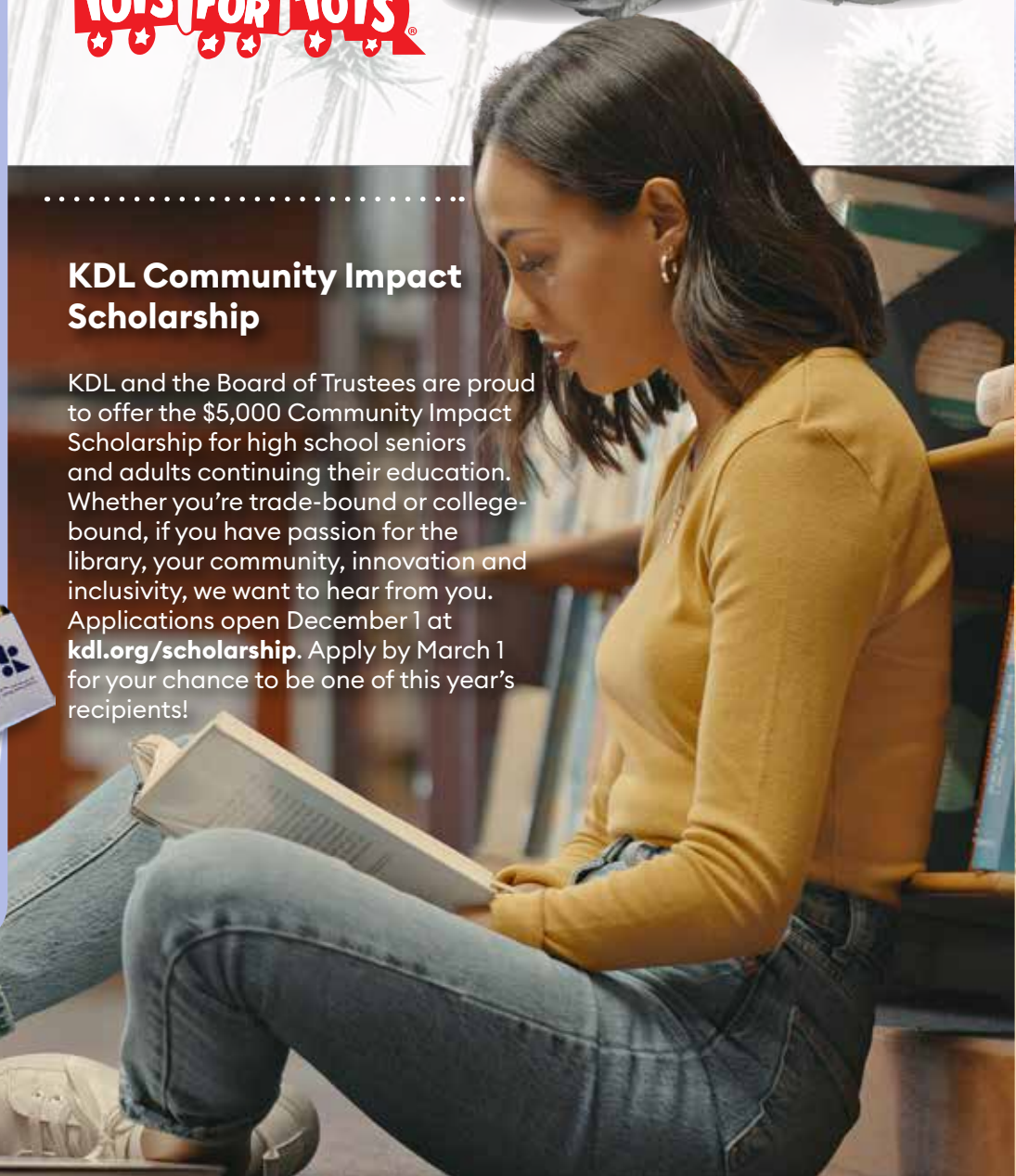
## Toys for Tots

Toys for Tots is back! Through mid-December, drop off a new, unopened toy at any KDL branch and help bring holiday joy to a child in need. One small gift can make a big difference this season. Learn more at [toysfortots.org](https://toysfortots.org).



## KDL Community Impact Scholarship

KDL and the Board of Trustees are proud to offer the \$5,000 Community Impact Scholarship for high school seniors and adults continuing their education. Whether you're trade-bound or college-bound, if you have passion for the library, your community, innovation and inclusivity, we want to hear from you. Applications open December 1 at [kdl.org/scholarship](https://kdl.org/scholarship). Apply by March 1 for your chance to be one of this year's recipients!





## The Amy Van Andel Library Turns FIVE!

Join the celebration as the Amy Van Andel Library turns five on February 5. This branch has quickly become a cornerstone of the vibrant and rapidly growing Ada community. Check out the festivities during the week of February 5, or stop by any time!

[kdl.org/locations/ada](http://kdl.org/locations/ada)



## Tech Appointments

Want to strengthen your tech skills but aren't sure where to start? Our staff can help you polish your résumé, explore tools like Microsoft Office or figure out how Zoom works before an important meeting. Whether your goal is career growth, creative projects or keeping up with technology, we're here to guide you one-on-one. Call us today at **616.784.2007** to schedule a session!

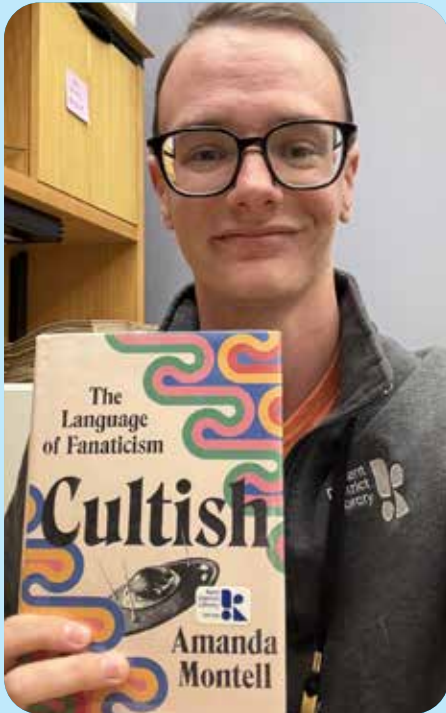


## Extreme Makeover: Krause Memorial Library Edition

The Krause Memorial Library Extreme Makeover is underway! The expansion will more than double the size of the library. In early 2026, the library will temporarily relocate to the Rockford Community Cabin at 220 N. Monroe St. in Rockford while the Bridge Street location is closed for construction. Starting in early January, youth programs will be held at the Parkside Early Childhood Center and adult programs will be held at Rockford City Hall. The renovated branch is going to be amazing! Follow along with the updates at [kdl.org/growingkrause](http://kdl.org/growingkrause).



# Staff Picks



## Cultish

by Amanda Montell

This book immediately went on my list of essential nonfiction that I will recommend to anyone and everyone who will listen. It is thorough in both scope and research, while at the same time managing not to fearmonger. *Cultish* leaves space for the magic, complexity and necessity that is modern human spirituality in capitalist America while encouraging and equipping the reader to use the knowledge provided and critical thinking to better identify the inherent power structures and targeted language use of group thinking in all aspects of 21st century American life, especially in the digital age.

**Holland** | Wyoming Branch

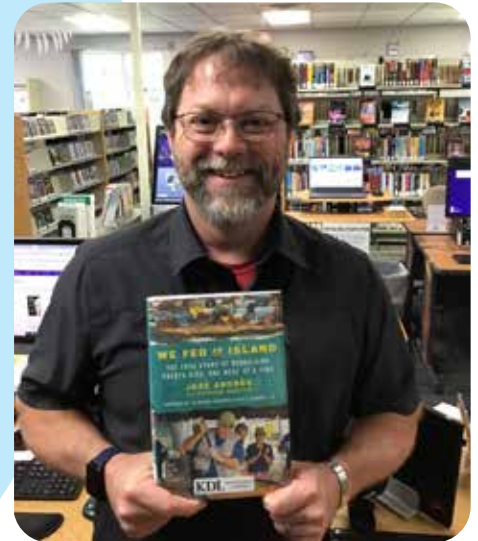


## Dungeon Crawler Carl

by Matt Dinniman

I cannot stop ranting about this book. I will purposefully try to find a reason to talk about this series to anyone who shows any interest in anything nerdy. If you love a fun, fast-paced sci-fi series featuring explosions and fighting big corporations, I think you will love this one. Carl and Princess Donut have taken up space in my brain and won't leave.

**Tabitha** | Wyoming Branch



## We Fed an Island

by José Andrés

Chef José Andrés, founder of World Central Kitchen, brought together many chefs from around the world to help feed the people of Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria. This is a true story of heartbreak, hope and healing in this devastating crisis. It also helps us learn how to be ready for future natural disasters.

**Clyde** | Spencer Twp. Branch

## Bea Wolf

by Zach Weinersmith

Listen! Hear a tale of mallow-munchers and warriors who answer candy's clarion call! *Bea Wolf* is a modern graphic novel retelling of Beowulf, featuring a gang of trouble-making kids who must defend their tree house from a fun-hating adult who can instantly turn children into grown-ups.

**Katie** | Englehardt (Lowell) Branch







## Skipshock

by Caroline O'Donoghue

While on a train trip, Margo falls through our world and into a new one, and everything changes for her. The stakes are high in this world, and *Skipshock* forces us to explore the weight of our decisions even as we race alongside Margo and her only potential ally, a boy whose secrets could keep him from ever being trustworthy. This book is the adventure you didn't know you needed and you'll become obsessed with long before it's over.

**Amber** | Service Center



## How to Forage for Mushrooms Without Dying

by Frank Hyman

During a recent walk in the woods, I found some (delicious-looking) mushrooms. I decided to leave them untouched as I knew nothing about mushroom foraging. However, they nagged my thoughts for days. I had to find out if they were edible! Hoping to make a quick identification, I picked up Frank Hyman's book. I read the introduction and without planning to, I ended up reading the book from cover to cover. Frank Hyman is an engaging writer, and at times I laughed out loud, all while learning about mushrooms. This book is not comprehensive, but it covers the basics. If you are curious about mushrooms, even if you aren't interested in foraging, you might find this book a good introduction to mycology.

**Rebecca** | Plainfield Twp. Branch



## Things We Never Got Over

by Lucy Score

If you've ever experienced loss or the struggle of starting over, this book will resonate deeply. At first, it takes a little time to heat up and there are plenty of unanswered questions, but once the story unfolds, it's impossible to put down. Lucy Score weaves together heartache, healing and love in a way that felt both raw and uplifting. By the middle, I was hooked, fully invested in the characters' journey. Honestly, I could picture this playing out as a binge-worthy romantic drama series on TV. It's a heart-fulfilling read that reminds you of the power of connection, resilience and finding love when you least expect it.

**Emily** | Service Center



# More Staff Picks



## Run for the Hills

by Kevin Wilson

This is a sweet, funny, life-affirming tale of an unconventional family on an unexpected (and possibly foolish) road trip. Along the way, each character discovers they share the same absent father, whether they like it or not. And surprisingly, this absent parent creates space for some unusual connections.

**Anna** | East Grand Rapids Branch

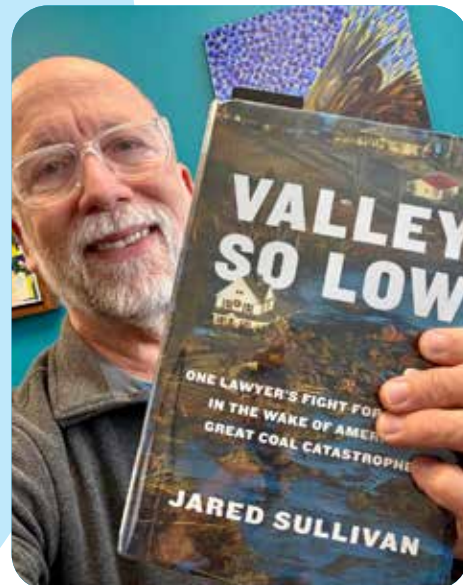


## Things in Jars

by Jess Kidd

This gothic mystery is great for the spooky season. In Victorian England, the quick-witted and bold lady detective Bridie Devine is no stranger to the seedy underworld of the streets of London. Helped by an unlikely pair of "friends," she races collectors of curiosities to recover a kidnapped child said to be a creature of supernatural powers.

**Katie** | Englehardt (Lowell) Branch



## Valley So Low

by Jared Sullivan

This is a book about one lawyer's fight for justice in the wake of America's great coal catastrophe, which took place in 2008 in eastern Tennessee. This is a factual account of an environmental disaster that started a domino effect of harm to the land and people. What's terrifying is the scope of the disaster, how recently it happened and how little we heard about it in the news. The author recounts all of the events in a way that a storyteller should. We get to know the people involved as the events unfold between 2008 and 2023. I picked up this book because my family comes from Appalachia, and the subject of the coal industry has been a topic of conversation and controversy as long as I can remember. This is definitely a good read on the environment, the power of big industry, government and families that are simply trying to make a living.

**Randy** | Service Center

## Bonhoeffer

by Todd Komarnicki

It's worth watching! It is based on a true story! It's about a German Lutheran pastor named Dietrich Bonhoeffer who was executed in 1945 with a number of other people.

**Amy** | Service Center





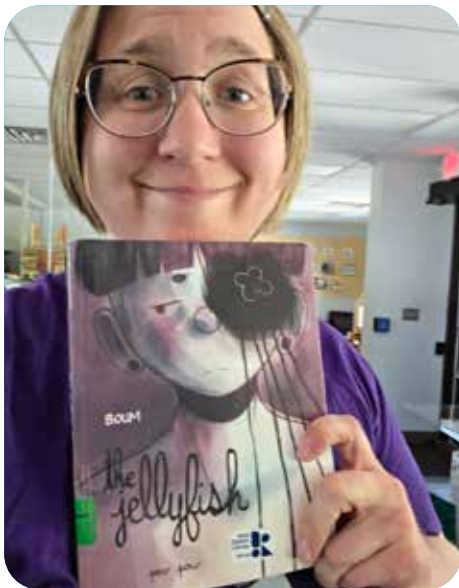


## Attack of the Black Rectangles

by Amy Sarig King

In a world where books, words and ideas are under attack, it is nice to read a story about the people who work to set things right. Censorship isn't about making things safer. It is about silencing the voices of those who might disagree with authority. *Attack of the Black Rectangles* captures the different sides of the censorship debate with grace and depth.

**Josh** | Service Center



## The Jellyfish

by Boum

*The Jellyfish* is a graphic novel gorgeously written and illustrated by someone who is partially blind themselves. Odette has a jellyfish in their eye. And then two. And then three? As the jellyfish multiply and take over their sight and the pages, the reader gets an idea of what it must be like to live with a vision impairment.

**Erica** | Tyrone Twp. Branch



## Bet and the Little Round House

by Atinuke

What a delightful early chapter book! With vibrant pictures and small, everyday adventures, readers follow Beti throughout the year as she meets her new best friend, a goat named Naughty, braves a fierce storm and finds beauty in her little round house in the green woods.

**Laura** | Plainfield Twp. Branch

# Used Book Sales at KDL

## Bestsellers on a Budget



Check out all the dates and times at [kdl.org/booksales](http://kdl.org/booksales).



# Winter Fun

## for the Family

Get cozy in the library this winter with fun shows for families and competitions for teens. If you're willing to brave the cold, spend some time outside with some animal friends.

### Llamas at Your Library

Meet real-life llamas like the ones in the *Llama Llama* books. *For all ages.*

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 26 for dates, times and locations.



### Ready for Reindeer!

Traveling all the way from the North Pole (via Rooftop Landing Reindeer Farms), live reindeer will be visiting the library. Dress warmly for this outdoor program, bring some quarters to purchase treats to feed the reindeer if you wish and don't forget the camera! *For all ages.*

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 26 for dates, times and locations.

### Meet the Sled Dogs

Come meet the sled dogs from Tun-Dra Kennels and their owners. Ask questions about mushing, the Iditarod and more. The program will take place outside, so dress accordingly. *For all ages.*

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 26 for dates, times and locations.



## Furs, Feathers & Frost

Bundle up for a wild winter adventure with live animals. Meet furry mammals and feathered friends while learning how they adapt, find food and stay warm. Outdoor Discovery Center will bring the wonders of wildlife right before your eyes – no hiking boots required! *For school-age kids.*

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 31 for dates, times and locations.

## Wacky Winter Comedy Show

Celebrate the snowy season with Joel's Wacky Winter Comedy Show! Amazing magic, dazzling juggling, wacky stunts and lots of audience participation highlight this magical, family performance. *For families with children.*

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 29 for dates, times and locations.

## Magic Man Rusty

Welcome to the Dimension of Illusion, where magician Rusty Ammerman will delight and entertain with magic, comedy and plenty of illusions. *For all ages.*

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 26 for dates, times and locations.

## Nerf Mobile Games

Players will run, dodge and dive as they try to outwit and out-blast the competition during Nerf Mobile Games! *For teens.*

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 34 for dates, times and locations.



For all of these programs and more, turn to pg. 24, scan this code or go to [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events).



# Teen Scene

From chilling to thrilling — discover teen programs this winter at the library!



## Escape the Library

Bring a group to the library – or form a group at the library – and work together to solve a series of puzzles to escape the room before time runs out.

Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) or page 34 for dates, times and locations.



## Kids and Teens Craft Sale

Arts and crafts will be for sale by local kids and teens. Join us as a seller or come to shop. Celebrate creativity and support young artists. Pre-registration for sellers is required. Stop by the library to register or sign up online at [kdl.org/craft-sale](https://kdl.org/craft-sale).

Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) or page 34 for dates, times and locations.



## Teen Mario Kart Tournament

It's esports time for teens! Bring your friends to compete at *Mario Kart 8 Deluxe* using Nintendo Switch. Many will enter, but only one will be crowned champion! *Space is limited; first come, first served. Doors open five minutes before the program begins.*

Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) or page 35 for dates, times and locations.

For all of our teen programs, turn to page 34, scan this code or go to [kdl.org/events/teens](https://kdl.org/events/teens).



## Teen Cram Session

Finish that big project or prepare for a test in a teen-only study space with light snacks, focus aids and stress-reducing activities. Bring your assignments, your study partners and your brain.

Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) or page 35 for dates, times and locations.





# Teen Poetry Contest & Slam

## Teen Advisory Board

Students ages 11-17 are invited to connect with other civic-minded teens to help our librarians make our public library even better! This program can count as volunteer hours for things like the National Honor Society.

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 35 for dates, times and locations.

## Late & Loud at the Library

The library has been taken over with mini-golf, games, silent disco, laser tag and more! Come in early and enjoy this action-packed after-hours event. *Minors must be accompanied by an adult.*

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 34 for dates, times and locations.

## Reeds Lake Rogues

Learn to play Dungeons & Dragons with us! Character sheets will be provided. If possible, please bring a notebook and pencil. *Sponsored by the Friends of the East Grand Rapids Library.*

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 34 for dates, times and locations.

Kent District Library will be accepting entries to the annual Write Michigan Teen Poetry Contest from February 1 to April 1. The contest is open to teens in grades 6-12 living or going to school in Kent County. Teens are encouraged to submit up to two poems to be eligible to win a \$50 gift card to Meijer.

There's more! Teens who enter the Poetry Contest are invited to read one of their poems at the Teen Poetry Slam for another chance to win.

The Slam will take place at **6:00 PM on Thursday, April 30** at the Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch.

**Enter at [kdl.org/teenpoetry](http://kdl.org/teenpoetry) starting Feb. 1.**



JUDGES' WINNERS

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- a. **"Mini Kitchen Disaster"**  
by Pyper Gordon
- b. **"Tiny Yellow Flower"**  
by Aubri VandeBerg\*
- c. **"Vibrant Harmony"**  
by Ashley Larson
- d. **"Boxelder Bug"**  
by Aubri VandeBerg\*
- e. **"Gregory the Grasshopper"**  
by Shane Deneen
- f. **"Pink Mist"** by Christian Kopet
- g. **"Maple the Playful Pup"** by Emma Hillbrands
- h. **"Morning Diamonds"** by Sophie Wisener

\*Teens could enter in multiple categories, and Aubri won in two of them. Congratulations, Aubri!



PUBLIC VOTE WINNERS



g.



h.

2025 TEEN PHOTO JUDGES



**Ashlee McGreevy**

Director of Communications |  
West Michigan Center for  
Arts + Technology (WMCAT)



**Paige Young**

Art and Photo Professor | GVSU



**Brad Baker**

Creative Services  
Coordinator | KDL

To learn more about the contest  
and view these submissions and  
comments from our judges, visit  
[kdl.org/teenphotowinners](https://kdl.org/teenphotowinners).





# Learn Something New at the Library

## Featured Adult Programs



### Those Magical Dames: A History of Women in Magic

Meet six women whose magic excited and entertained crowds from the 19th to 21st centuries and who proved that, while we often consider magic to be a male-dominated field, women can be the conjurers and not just the beautiful assistants.

Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) or page 45 for dates, times and locations.

### The World of Bonsai

Explore the fascinating world of bonsai and the techniques and traditions of miniature trees. Learn the history of these living masterpieces and see the bonsai trees – including one that's 250 years old. Includes a Q & A on how to get started in this ancient horticultural tradition.

Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) or page 45 for dates, times and locations.



### The Victorian Lady at Christmas

Learn what it took to live and dress as a woman from the 1890s, focusing on the Christmas traditions and customs that would have influenced the clothing of Victorian ladies. Step back in time through a display of beautiful, antique fashions.

Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) or page 45 for dates, times and locations.

For all of our adult programs, turn to page 37, scan this code or go to [kdl.org/events/adults](https://kdl.org/events/adults).





## Polymer Clay Jewelry

Try out our clay tips and tricks to create your own, hand-made clay piece to take home and bake with easy, provided instructions.

## Sketching Without Fear

Capture the world around you in this sketching class. You'll learn essential techniques, from form to shading, in a supportive and creative environment. All skill levels welcome, especially beginners.

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 44 for dates, times and locations for these two programs.

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*Space is limited for these two programs, so registration is required and opens two weeks before the event. Doors open 15 minutes before the program; check in with library staff to claim your spot upon arrival. Unclaimed seats will be given to walk-ins five minutes before the program starts.*

## Lead-Free Living

If you have vintage dishes or cookware in your home, there's a chance those dishes might have lead in them. Learn more about the types of dishes likely to contain lead from an expert with the Kent County Health Department. Bring in an item to be tested with their x-ray fluorescence scanner to ensure safe serving in your home.

*Brought to you by the Kent County Health Department.*

Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 43 for dates, times and locations.

Lead (Pb) - Test

# Learn Black History, Celebrate Black Culture

## Olaudah Equiano: Formerly Enslaved Pioneer of Abolition

As a child, Olaudah Equiano was kidnapped and sold to slave traders. As an adult, he purchased his freedom, became a pioneer of the abolitionist cause and published a memoir. Join Dr. Eric M. Washington, Director of African and African Diaspora Studies at Calvin University, as he shares Equiano's story and how his life and work helped shape the abolition movement in England.



Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 43 for dates, times and locations.

## Black Women in Jazz

Join talented musicians Edye Evans Hyde and Mike Hyde for a concert and presentation highlighting four beloved jazz singers and their influence on the civil rights movement.



Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 41 for dates, times and locations.

## Hidden Lives, Living Legacies: Black Women of the Progressive Era

Join local historian and librarian Sophia Ward Brewer for a presentation highlighting the contributions of Black women during the Progressive Era, both nationally and in Grand Rapids. Weaving together stories, Brewer reveals how Black women's clubs laid the groundwork for social justice movements that continue to resonate today in our communities and the nation.



Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or page 43 for dates, times and locations.



# COZY

## Up at KDL

Few things feel cozier than the soft glow of a crackling fire – and in our libraries, fireplaces create the perfect backdrop for curling up with a good book. Whether you're escaping the chill outside or simply seeking a peaceful corner, these hearths bring comfort and warmth to your library visits all season long. Visit [kdl.org/locations](https://kdl.org/locations) to find the location closest to you!



Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)



Caledonia Twp. Branch



Cascade Twp. Branch



Nelson Twp. Branch



Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch



East Grand Rapids Branch



Wyoming Branch



# Cozy Socials



**What makes you feel cozy? KDL invited our social media followers to share their thoughts. Here's what a few of you said!**

**"A warm blanket, a cup of coffee, a good book and a cat!"** – Ginelle Blanch

**"Oversized sweatshirt and human rights."** – Liz Jane

**"Fire in the fireplace, a good book and my dog heating my side."** – Joan Fuller

**"Settle in on the couch, lights off, snacks at hand, chill video game like *Stardew Valley*, *Minecraft*, *Rimworld*, etc.... played on low volume while I listen to an audiobook."** – Christopher Wasel

**"Watching the winter weather from inside."** – Christine Hill Hoque

**"Big blanket, hot cocoa or cider and Lions football on the TV."** – Jenna Skar

**"Yarn."** – Kelly Vanderwell

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# We have Cozy Games, too!

**With over 2,800 video games in our collection, we have something for everyone! This includes many titles in the popular genre of "Cozy Games." Here's a review from a staff member.**

*Hello Kitty Island Adventure* is a cozy, joy-filled life sim that blends exploration, friendship and creativity in a vibrant island setting. As you team up with Hello Kitty and friends to restore a once-forgotten paradise, you'll craft, decorate and uncover the island's secrets. The game's gentle pacing, cute visuals and emphasis on kindness make it perfect for relaxing play. Whether you're baking with Cinnamoroll or diving for treasures with Keroppi, *Hello Kitty Island Adventure* is a delightful escape that celebrates connection and charm.

**Jared** | Cascade Twp. Branch



To peruse the 2,000+ video game titles in our collection, scan this code or go to [kdl.org/videogames](https://kdl.org/videogames).





# LET IT Snow | 2026

Dec. 1 – Feb. 27 • [kdl.org/snow](https://kdl.org/snow)



By **Susan Erhardt** | Branch Outreach and Programming Specialist

Calling all fans of snuggling up to the fireplace with a warm beverage, a cozy blanket and a great book! It's time once again to Let It Snow at your favorite KDL branch. Our Let It Snow winter reading challenge for teens and adults will run from December 1 to February 28. Stop into the library to pick up a reading log or register online at [kdl.org/snow](https://kdl.org/snow).

This year we've made our challenge easier than ever. We heard your request to make this reading challenge more accessible to all.

We have made finishing as simple as reading or listening to six books of your choosing. There will still be some reading lists of suggested titles in case your TBR list is too short, but you will be able to earn an adorable mug after reading any six books you like. If you're a super reader, finishing four additional books will put you in a drawing to win a gift card to a local bookstore.

Curl up with a good book this winter and let the Let It Snow reading challenge make the season a little cozier, one story at a time.





# Programming by the Numbers

KDL's programming department schedules and provides supplies for KDL programs happening throughout the year. Including their manager, the Programming department is made up of just four people. Here are some of the amazing things that this department did in 2025.

- Inventoried and distributed **7,000** Summer Wonder adult prizes and **3,420** Let It Snow prizes.
- Sorted and distributed **62,000** prize coupons to the branches.
- Published **6,848** events to [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events).
- Reserved and routed **851** Adult, Teen, Youth, KDL Lab and Outdoor Games programming tubs to the branches.
- Managed **744** titles for storytimes.
- Scheduled **660** programs with **123** presenters.
- Placed **511** orders for programs.
- Sent **420** glue sticks to branches.
- Took meetings on the White Pine Trail and walked an average of **208** miles.



- Chatted with the Marketing and Communications team for approximately **156** hours on how to promote programs.
- Attended **108** meetings with different programming work groups and **182** meetings for new projects.
- Ordered **81** gallons of bubbles for storytime play.
- Partnered with **8** organizations for programs.
- Threw a bunch of random chip flavors into a bowl to make chip salad **1** time to the immediate regret of only **1** out of **4** people.
- Experienced **1** stress-induced case of shingles leading up to On the Same Page 2025.

## BONUS FACT!

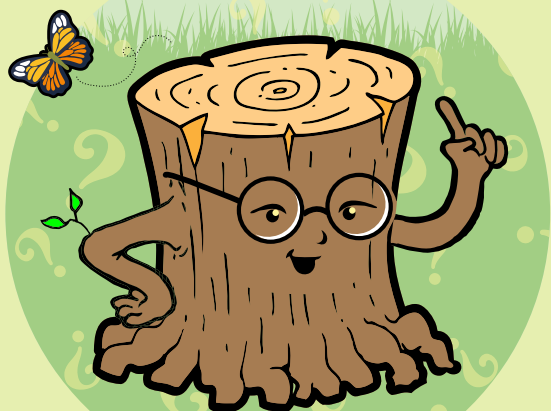
Programming starts scheduling next year's Summer Wonder almost as soon as summer ends.





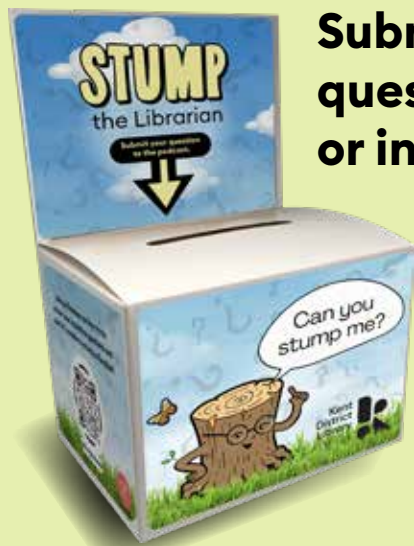
# STUMP

## the Librarian



Have you ever wondered if a balloon could float to space, how horses sleep standing up or what the world's most dangerous bird is? Join Jill and Liz every other Wednesday to learn new and exciting information about our world and get a book recommendation. Visit [kdl.org/stump](http://kdl.org/stump) to enjoy the podcast and to submit a question. You can also enjoy the podcast on Apple Podcasts, Spotify or wherever you get your podcasts.

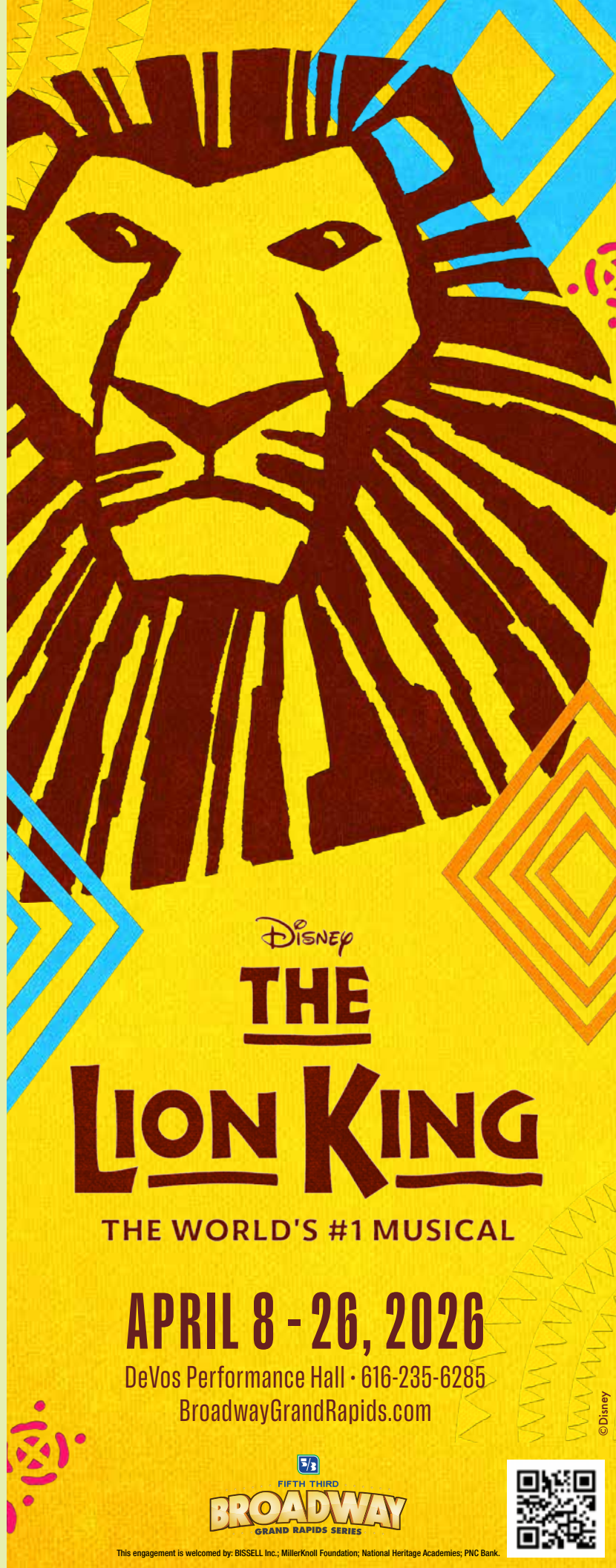
**Submit a question online or in a branch.**



Your hosts



[kdl.org/stump](http://kdl.org/stump)



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 GRAND RAPIDS SERIES





# Welcome to KDL

**Sam Allen**

Assistant Branch Librarian  
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## Used Book Sales

There will be bargains galore at the Friends of the Library's used book sales this season.

Visit [kdl.org/booksales](https://kdl.org/booksales) for dates and times.

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# ALL AGES

## Family Craft Time

Bring the whole family for arts and crafts for all ages.

Wed., Dec. 10, 6:30 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Wed., Jan. 14, 6:30 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Wed., Feb. 11, 6:30 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

## Heart to Heart Craft Party

Roses are red, violets are blue, join our Valentine event, just for you! Celebrate Valentine's Day with crafts.

Tue., Feb. 3, 10:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch  
 Fri., Feb. 13, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch

## KDL Gaming | Game On Tabletop for All Ages!

Fun games for all. Try a variety of traditional table-top games or bring your own! Space is limited; first come, first served. Doors open 15 minutes before the program begins.

Sat., Dec. 27, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 22, 5:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 19, 5:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch

## Llamas at Your Library

Meet real-life llamas like the ones in the *Llama Llama* books.

Sat., Dec. 6, 11:00 AM – Alpine Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 13, 11:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 20, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 27, 11:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

## Magic Man Rusty

Welcome to the Dimension of Illusion, where magician Rusty Ammerman will delight and entertain with magic, comedy and plenty of illusions.

Tue., Dec. 30, 10:00 AM – Gaines Twp. Branch  
 Tue., Dec. 30, 2:00 PM – Walker Temporary Library

! Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) for Walker location details.



## Meet the Sled Dogs

Come meet the sled dogs from Tun-Dra Kennels and their owners. Ask questions about mushing, the Iditarod and more. The program will take place outside, so dress accordingly.

Mon., Dec. 1, 5:00 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch  
 Fri., Dec. 5, 6:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)  
 Wed., Dec. 10, 3:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 13, 11:00 AM – Alpine Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Dec. 15, 4:00 PM – Grandville Branch  
 Tue., Dec. 16, 4:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 17, 5:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 20, 10:00 AM – Walker Temporary Library  
 ! This event will be held at the parking lot in front of the library near the car wash.

Mon., Dec. 22, 1:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch  
 Mon., Dec. 29, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 3, 10:00 AM – Alto Branch  
 Wed., Jan. 7, 5:00 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 8, 4:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 10, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Jan. 14, 4:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 15, 4:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 17, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch



## Movie Zone

Enjoy a movie at the library! All you need to do is show up and we'll have a family movie ready to roll. *The library will post the movie titles in the branch. All movies will be rated G or PG. Closed captioning provided.*

Sat., Dec. 6, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 13, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 20, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Fri., Dec. 26, 2:00 PM – Grandville Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 27, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 3, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 10, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 17, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 24, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 24, 2:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 31, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 7, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Fri., Feb. 13, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 14, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 19, 2:00 PM – Grandville Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 21, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 21, 2:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 28, 1:30 PM – Wyoming Branch

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### Ready for Reindeer!

Traveling all the way from the North Pole (via Rooftop Landing Reindeer Farms), live reindeer will be visiting the library. Dress warmly for this outdoor program, bring some quarters to purchase treats to feed the reindeer if you wish, and don't forget the camera!

Wed., Dec. 3, 4:00 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 6, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Tue., Dec. 9, 6:30 PM – Alto Branch  
 Thu., Dec. 11, 4:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Dec. 11, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 13, 10:00 AM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Dec. 15, 4:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch  
 Mon., Dec. 15, 6:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch  
 Tue., Dec. 16, 4:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch  
 Tue., Dec. 16, 6:30 PM – Walker Temporary Library  
 ⚠️ *This event will be held at the parking lot in front of the library near the car wash.*  
 Wed., Dec. 17, 4:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 20, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

### Rock the Uke

Play ukulele at the library! Beginners and newcomers welcome. Learn with ukulele enthusiasts followed by a group strum along. *Limited ukuleles available; first come, first served.*

Thu., Dec. 11, 5:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 15, 5:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 12, 5:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch

### Winter Fun

Step inside the library to make a couple of wintry crafts and listen to the award-winning Northview Jazz Band.

Mon., Dec. 15, 6:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

Get free passes to  
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# Perk Pass

Kent District Library has partnered with area attractions to provide our patrons with access to complimentary guest passes to museums and botanical gardens. More partnerships may be added over time.

KDL patrons ages 18 and above can use their library card to reserve free passes to attractions and experiences around the county. Cardholders can reserve passes online, print their passes at any branch and visit their attraction on the date they reserved.



[kdl.org/perkpass](http://kdl.org/perkpass)



## FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN



### Countdown to Happy Noon Year!

We're giving kids an exciting way to ring in the new year with a countdown, noisemakers, crafts and fun – at an hour that won't keep them up way past their bedtimes.

Tue., Dec. 30, 11:30 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 10:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 11:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 11:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 11:30 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 11:30 AM – Grandville Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 11:30 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 11:30 AM – Wyoming Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 11:30 AM – Tyrone Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 11:30 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 12:00 PM – Alto Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 31, 12:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

### Generations in the Making: Bricks at the Library

KDL invites parents, grandparents and children to team up and build with bricks in a fun, collaborative environment. Our program encourages families to build with purpose and create something amazing together!

Sat., Dec. 13, 1:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 10, 1:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
 Wed., Jan. 21, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 29, 5:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 14, 1:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
 Wed., Feb. 18, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 26, 5:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch

### Gingerbread Lane

Stroll down Gingerbread Lane and enjoy gingerbread house decorating. Each child will make a simple gingerbread house. Gingerbread house materials are not for consumption. *Space is limited; first come, first served. Doors open 15 minutes before the program begins.*

Fri., Dec. 12, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch



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### Mama Bear & Baby Cubs Support Group

All moms and children welcome! Join this maternal support group for play time, bonding with other mothers, and free coffee and tea.

Mama  
Bear



#### Byron Twp. Branch

Tuesdays, 1:00 PM

Jan. 6	Jan. 27	Feb. 17
Jan. 13	Feb. 3	Feb. 24
Jan. 20	Feb. 10	

#### Grandville Branch

Mondays, 10:00 AM

Dec. 1	Jan. 5	Jan. 26	Feb. 16
Dec. 8	Jan. 12	Feb. 2	Feb. 23
Dec. 15	Jan. 19	Feb. 9	

#### Plainfield Twp. Branch

Tuesdays, 11:00 AM

Jan. 6	Jan. 27	Feb. 17
Jan. 13	Feb. 3	Feb. 24
Jan. 20	Feb. 10	

#### Wyoming Branch

Thursdays, 10:30 AM

Dec. 11	Jan. 15	Feb. 5	Feb. 26
Dec. 18	Jan. 22	Feb. 12	
Jan. 8	Jan. 29	Feb. 19	

### Polar Pals

What do a polar bear, a penguin and a narwhal all have in common? They're all cold weather creatures! Craft and play as we celebrate all your favorite winter animals.

Sat., Dec. 20, 10:00 AM – Alto Branch  
 Mon., Dec. 29, 10:00 AM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
 Fri., Jan. 2, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Tue., Jan. 13, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
 Wed., Jan. 14, 6:30 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch  
 Fri., Jan. 16, 10:00 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)  
 Fri., Jan. 16, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 24, 10:00 AM – Gaines Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Feb. 4, 1:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 7, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Fri., Feb. 13, 11:00 AM – Walker Temporary Library

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Fri., Feb. 13, 1:00 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 14, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Feb. 16, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 21, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 26, 6:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch



## Preschool and Early Learning Expo

Meet representatives from area preschools and other learning agencies to find the best educational opportunities for your child.

Mon., Jan. 5, 5:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
Thu., Jan. 15, 5:30 PM – Grandville Branch  
Sat., Jan. 31, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch

## Wacky Winter Comedy Show

Celebrate the snowy season with Joel's Wacky Winter Comedy Show! Amazing magic, dazzling juggling, wacky stunts and lots of audience participation highlight this magical, family performance.

Tue., Dec. 23, 2:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch  
Mon., Dec. 29, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
Mon., Dec. 29, 6:30 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch  
Fri., Jan. 2, 1:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch



## Winter Craft Party

Celebrate the snowy season with winter-themed craft-making fun for the family.

Sat., Dec. 13, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
Mon., Dec. 22, 10:00 AM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
Fri., Jan. 9, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
Thu., Jan. 15, 1:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch  
Sat., Jan. 17, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
Mon., Jan. 19, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
Mon., Jan. 26, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Thu., Jan. 29, 6:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch  
Fri., Jan. 30, 1:00 PM – Wyoming Branch  
Sat., Jan. 31, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch  
Mon., Feb. 9, 6:30 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch  
Tue., Feb. 10, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
Fri., Feb. 13, 10:00 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)  
Sat., Feb. 14, 10:00 AM – Alto Branch  
Tue., Feb. 17, 2:00 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch  
Fri., Feb. 20, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch

# Play inside this winter!

## Inside a covered bridge, or a tree house, or a barn, or a trading post, or a sawmill, or a mechanic's shop, or...



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YOUNG CHILDREN (AGES 0-5)

Storytimes

Most storytimes begin the week of Jan. 5 and end the week of Feb. 23. For the most up-to-date information on storytimes – including cancellations due to branch closures – please visit [kdl.org/storytime](https://kdl.org/storytime).



Enjoy a Saturday Rhyme Time at the Cascade Twp. Branch at 10:00 AM on Jan. 10 and Feb. 7!

	MON					TUES				WED				THURS				FRI		SAT
	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	1:00	10:00	10:30	1:00	6:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	1:00	6:30	9:30	10:00	11:00	6:30	10:00	10:30
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ALTO																				
AMY VAN ANDEL LIBRARY (ADA)																				
BYRON TWP.																				
CALEDONIA TWP.																				
CASCADE TWP.																				
COMSTOCK PARK																				
EAST GRAND RAPIDS																				
ENGLEHARDT (LOWELL)																				
GAINES TWP.																				
GRANDVILLE																				
GRATTAN TWP. EXPRESS LIBRARY																				
KELLOGGSVILLE																				
KENTWOOD (RICHARD L. ROOT)																				
KRAUSE MEMORIAL (ROCKFORD)																				
NELSON TWP.																				
PLAINFIELD TWP.																				
SPENCER TWP.																				
TYRONE TWP.																				
WALKER																				
WYOMING																				

● Babytime ● Storytime ● Yoga Storytime ● Bilingual Storytime / Hora de Cuentos Bilingües ● Toddler Time ● Rhyme Time ● Preschool Storytime

Loose Parts Play

Give your young child’s imagination room to grow through open-ended play with a variety of manipulative materials.

- Tue., Dec. 2, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch
- Fri., Dec. 12, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch
- Tue., Jan. 6, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch
- Fri., Jan. 9, 11:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
- Fri., Jan. 16, 11:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
- Fri., Jan. 23, 11:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
- Fri., Jan. 30, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch
- Tue., Feb. 3, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch
- Fri., Feb. 6, 11:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
- Fri., Feb. 20, 11:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
- Fri., Feb. 27, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch



Make Music Together®

Come dance and play with Joyful Sounds Music Studio! Have fun and make music with your kids using research-based activities that incorporate early literacy skills. *Space is limited; first come, first served. Doors open 15 minutes before the program begins and you may save one seat for a friend.*

- Fri., Dec. 19, 10:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch
- Fri., Dec. 19, 11:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch

Winter Wonder Stories

Get cozy while listening to seasonal stories; then create fun, winter-themed crafts.

- Mon., Dec. 1, 10:00 AM – Alto Branch
- Wed., Dec. 3, 10:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch
- Fri., Dec. 5, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
- Tue., Dec. 9, 6:30 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
- Wed., Dec. 10, 10:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch
- Thu., Dec. 11, 10:00 AM – Alto Branch
- Thu., Dec. 18, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
- Fri., Dec. 19, 10:00 AM – Alto Branch

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## Young Children and School-Age



### Plush Pet Show

Bring your cutest, fluffiest or most unique stuffed animal friend to the library for a pet show! Each stuffed pet will be given its own award. *One plush animal per child; no live animals please.*

Tue., Dec. 30, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch

## SCHOOL-AGE (AGES 5-10)

### Book Explorers

Explore children's literature and do an activity inspired by the book chosen by the branch.

#### Cascade Twp. Branch,

Tuesdays at 4:30 PM

Jan. 6	Jan. 27	Feb. 17
Jan. 13	Feb. 3	Feb. 24
Jan. 20	Feb. 10	

### Celebrate International LEGO® Day!

It's International LEGO® Day, and we're having a party! Enter a LEGO® bricks building contest, build with Bricks 4 Kidz and enjoy raffles and other LEGO®-inspired fun.

Sat., Jan. 24, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch

### Craft & Create for Kids

Create together! Features a new craft each time for you to make and take home.

Wed., Jan. 7, 4:30 PM – Grandville Branch

Wed., Feb. 4, 4:30 PM – Grandville Branch

### Fur, Feathers & Frost

Bundle up for a wild winter adventure with live animals. Meet furry mammals and feathered friends while learning how they adapt, find food and stay warm. Outdoor Discovery Center will bring the wonders of wildlife right before your eyes – no hiking boots required!

Mon., Dec. 22, 10:00 AM – Alto Branch

Tue., Dec. 23, 10:30 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch

Sat., Dec. 27, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch

Tue., Dec. 30, 2:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

## HOMESCHOOL hangout

Welcome to our hangout, where homeschoolers can connect with other kids and learn through engaging activities including STEAM, writing, crafts and games. The theme changes regularly, so there are always new opportunities to learn and explore together!

#### Caledonia Twp. Branch

Tuesdays, 1:00 PM

Jan. 6	Jan. 27	Feb. 17
Jan. 13	Feb. 3	Feb. 24
Jan. 20	Feb. 10	

#### Cascade Twp. Branch

Mondays, 1:00 PM

Jan. 5	Jan. 26	Feb. 16
Jan. 12	Feb. 2	Feb. 2
Jan. 19	Feb. 9	

#### Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

Thursdays, 1:00 PM

Dec. 4	Jan. 15	Feb. 12
Dec. 11	Jan. 22	Feb. 19
Dec. 18	Jan. 29	Feb. 2
Jan. 8	Feb. 5	

#### Plainfield Twp. Branch

Wednesdays, 1:00 PM

Jan. 7	Feb. 4
Jan. 21	Feb. 18

#### Spencer Twp. Branch

Mondays, 10:00 AM

Jan. 5	Feb. 2
Jan. 19	Feb. 16

#### Tyrone Twp. Branch

Tuesdays, 1:00 PM

Jan. 6	Jan. 27	Feb. 17
Jan. 13	Feb. 3	Feb. 24
Jan. 20	Feb. 10	







## KDL LAB EXPERIENCE

Drop in and allow children to think creatively, tinker, explore and collaborate while engaging in a variety of hands-on activities based on STEAM concepts.

Sat., Dec. 27, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Mon., Jan. 5, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 17, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Mon., Jan. 26, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Feb. 16, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 28, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

### KDL Lab Experience: A STEAM Sports Spectacular

Join us for a blend of STEAM exploration and sports-themed excitement. Creativity meets competition as you explore hands-on challenges inspired by the world of sports.

Sat., Dec. 6, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Mon., Jan. 12, 3:30 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Jan. 19, 1:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
 Fri., Jan. 23, 3:30 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)  
 Sat., Jan. 31, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Mon., Feb. 9, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Feb. 16, 2:00 PM – Walker Temporary Library

ⓘ Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) for Walker location information.

Wed., Feb. 25, 4:30 PM – Grandville Branch

### KDL Lab Experience: Art Party

See how science and creativity go hand in hand as you let your artistic vision flow through a multitude of mediums and projects.

Mon., Jan. 12, 4:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 15, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Jan. 19, 4:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 22, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Jan. 26, 4:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 29, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Feb. 2, 4:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 5, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Feb. 9, 4:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 12, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Feb. 16, 4:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 19, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Feb. 23, 4:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 26, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

### KDL Lab Experience: Brick by Brick

Rainbows and bridges and marble runs, oh my! Try out our challenges and discover a new way to enjoy everyone's favorite little bricks.

Wed., Dec. 3, 4:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch  
 Fri., Dec. 19, 3:30 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)  
 Tue., Jan. 6, 4:00 PM – Alto Branch  
 Wed., Jan. 28, 4:30 PM – Grandville Branch  
 Mon., Feb. 2, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 28, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch

### KDL Lab Experience: Cardboard Construction

Our Makedo and Chomps shop construction tools will help you design, create and learn as you build your very own cardboard masterpieces – the possibilities are endless!

Mon., Dec. 29, 2:00 PM – Grandville Branch  
 Mon., Jan. 5, 4:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
 Mon., Jan. 12, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Feb. 4, 4:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch  
 Fri., Feb. 13, 3:30 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)  
 Tue., Feb. 17, 1:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

### KDL Lab Experience: Cubelets, Robots in Disguise

Stack and build with pre-programmed robots in a variety of unique ways to create countless robot constructions. Make your robot move, groove and light up. Every design is a new robot.

Tue., Dec. 2, 4:00 PM – Alto Branch  
 Sat., Dec. 20, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Fri., Jan. 23, 1:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch

### KDL Lab Experience: Dog Man's STEAM Adventures

Unleash the creative world of Dog Man with paws-on activities straight from your favorite Dog Man books.

Mon., Dec. 8, 3:30 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
 Tue., Dec. 30, 1:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
 Wed., Jan. 7, 4:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch  
 Mon., Jan. 19, 4:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 31, 10:00 AM – Gaines Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 5, 4:00 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 21, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Fri., Feb. 27, 3:30 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)

### KDL Lab Experience: Knights of the Lab Table

Hear ye, hear ye! Join us as we journey to the Middle Ages and explore the wonders to be found. Don your armor and prepare!

Fri., Jan. 9, 3:30 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)  
 Mon., Feb. 9, 3:30 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 19, 4:00 PM – Wyoming Branch



## KDL Lab Experience: Light Up Your World

Are you ready to light up your world? Light is all around us, but what is it? How does it work? Come spark your curiosity and explore the ways light illuminates and shapes the world around us.

Tue., Dec. 30, 1:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch  
Sat., Jan. 24, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
Mon., Feb. 16, 1:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

## KDL Lab Experience: Tech Takes Flight

Get ready to soar! In this exciting hands-on experience, you will get to fly a drone, test your piloting skills and race through the course to see if you can conquer it. Perfect for curious minds and future pilots, this program is sure to be a high-flying adventure.

Mon., Dec. 22, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
Mon., Feb. 23, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

## KDL Lab Experience: Totally Tubular

Make connections as you create and design with our tube-shaped builders. We've got pipes, tubes and straws for you to explore.



Wed., Dec. 17, 6:30 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch  
Mon., Dec. 22, 1:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch  
Mon., Dec. 29, 1:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
Sat., Jan. 3, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
Thu., Jan. 8, 4:00 PM – Wyoming Branch  
Mon., Jan. 19, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Mon., Feb. 2, 4:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
Tue., Feb. 3, 4:00 PM – Alto Branch  
Sat., Feb. 14, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

## KDL Lab Experience: Wilderness Explorers

Do you feel out of your element while braving the elements? Wilderness Explorers is just the program for you! Complete our non-strenuous training regimen, and you'll feel a new appreciation for the great outdoors. Happy exploring!

Sat., Jan. 10, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
Thu., Jan. 22, 4:00 PM – Wyoming Branch  
Fri., Feb. 13, 1:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch



It's a special time for fun, interactive programs just for school kids! Join our KDL Kids Zone programs for crafts, storytime, games and other activities.

### Caledonia Twp. Branch

Thu., Feb. 5, 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM

### Grandville Branch

Wed., Feb. 18, 4:30 PM

### Cascade Twp. Branch

Wed., Feb. 11, 4:30 PM

### Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Thu., Dec. 18, 1:00 PM

Fri., Dec. 19, 1:00 PM

### East Grand Rapids Branch

Mondays at 4:00 PM

Jan. 12  
Jan. 26  
Feb. 9  
Feb. 23

### Wyoming Branch

Thursdays at 4:00 PM

Dec. 11	Jan. 29
Dec. 18	Feb. 12
Jan. 15	Feb. 26

## Mini Brick Derby

Build your dream race car out of LEGO® bricks and see if it has what it takes to win! *Sponsored by the Friends of the East Grand Rapids Library.*

Mon., Dec. 22, 3:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
Mon., Feb. 16, 4:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch

## Pocket Monster Club

Bring your Pokémon® cards to trade or battle with friends. A few decks will be provided for players to learn how to play.

Wed., Jan. 7, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Wed., Jan. 14, 4:30 PM – Grandville Branch  
Thu., Jan. 15, 5:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
Wed., Feb. 4, 4:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Wed., Feb. 11, 4:30 PM – Grandville Branch  
Thu., Feb. 12, 5:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch

# SCHOOL-AGE (AGES 5-10) Cont.

## Ruff Readers

This unique read-aloud program in partnership with West Michigan Therapy Dogs, Inc. pairs kids with a trained therapy dog and their handler. Kids read their favorite book and the pooches curl up, listen and enjoy. *Arrive 15 minutes early to sign in and secure a time slot. First come, first served.*

Mon., Jan. 12, 6:30 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch  
Fri., Feb. 20, 2:00 PM – Grandville Branch

## Story in Symphony

Meet different sections of the symphony, get hands-on experiences with instruments, and hear the music and story connected to the Grand Rapids Symphony's current Lollipop Concert children's program.

Mon., Dec. 22, 2:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch  
Mon., Jan. 19, 2:00 PM – Walker Temporary Library

! Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) for Walker location information.

Mon., Jan. 19, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
Wed., Jan. 21, 4:30 PM – Grandville Branch

## Stump the Librarian Podcast

Join our librarians as they put their research skills to the test to answer your inquisitive questions and see if it's possible to stump a librarian! You can submit a question via [kdl.org/stump](https://kdl.org/stump). They would love to hear what questions are on your mind. New episodes drop every other Wednesday, and you can subscribe on Apple Podcasts, Spotify or wherever you get your podcasts.

Dec. 3	Jan. 14
Dec. 17	Jan. 28
Dec. 31	Feb. 11

## School-Age and Teens

### Battle of the Books Kick Off

Join us for the Battle of the Books Kick Off event. This year's titles will be revealed and important event information shared.

Mon., Dec. 1, 6:30 PM – Grandville Branch

### Kids and Teens Craft Sale

Arts and crafts will be for sale by local kids and teens. Join us as a seller or come to shop. Celebrate creativity and support young artists. Pre-registration for sellers is required. Stop by the library to register or online at [kdl.org/craft-sale](https://kdl.org/craft-sale).

Mon., Dec. 1, 5:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
Sat., Dec. 6, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Sat., Dec. 6, 5:00 PM – Grandville Branch  
Sat., Dec. 20, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

# TEENS (AGES 11-17)

## Escape the Library

Bring a group to the library – or form a group at the library – and work together to solve a series of puzzles to escape the room before time runs out. *Space is limited so registration is required for this event at [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events). Doors open 15 minutes before the program begins; please check in with library staff upon arrival to claim your reservation. Any seats left open five minutes before the program begins will be given to patrons in the library who want to attend but weren't able to register.*

Tue., Dec. 30, 12:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
Tue., Dec. 30, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
Tue., Dec. 30, 2:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
Tue., Dec. 30, 3:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
Tue., Dec. 30, 4:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
Tue., Dec. 30, 5:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

## Late and Loud at the Library

The library has been taken over with mini-golf, games, silent disco, laser tag and more! Come in early and enjoy this action-packed after-hours event. *Minors must be accompanied by an adult.*

Fri., Jan. 9, 6:30 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch



## Nerf Mobile Games

Players will run, dodge and dive as they try to outwit and out-blast the competition during Nerf Mobile Games!

Mon., Dec. 29, 3:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
Tue., Dec. 30, 2:00 PM – Wyoming Branch  
Fri., Jan. 2, 4:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

## Reeds Lake Rogues

Learn to play Dungeons & Dragons with us! Character sheets will be provided. If possible please bring a notebook and pencil. *Sponsored by the Friends of the East Grand Rapids Library.*

Wed., Dec. 3, 3:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
Wed., Dec. 17, 3:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
Wed., Jan. 7, 3:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
Wed., Jan. 21, 3:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
Wed., Feb. 4, 3:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
Wed., Feb. 18, 3:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch

The program events listed in this document are subject to change and were current at the time of printing. Please confirm details at [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events).



Retro Arcade

This is a free play day of your favorite arcade games.

Fri., Jan. 16, 6:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
Minors must be accompanied by an adult  
Sat., Jan. 17, 10:00 AM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

Teen Advisory Board

Students ages 11-17 are invited to connect with other civic-minded teens to help our librarians make our public library even better! This program can count as volunteer hours for things like the National Honor Society.

Wed., Dec. 10, 3:30 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
Wed., Jan. 14, 3:30 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
Thu., Jan. 15, 5:30 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
Wed., Feb. 11, 3:30 PM – Byron Twp. Branch

Teen Cram Session

Finish that big project or prepare for a test in a teen-only study space with light snacks, focus aids and stress-reducing activities. Bring your assignments, your study partners and your brain.

Sat., Dec. 13, 1:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Sun., Dec. 14, 1:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Mon., Dec. 15, 5:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Tue., Dec. 16, 5:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Wed., Dec. 17, 5:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Thu., Dec. 18, 5:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Teen Mario Kart Tournament

It's esports time for teens! Bring your friends to compete at *Mario Kart 8 Deluxe* using Nintendo Switch. Many will enter, but only one will be crowned champion! *Space is limited; first come, first served. Doors open 5 minutes before the program begins.*

Fri., Dec. 26, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
Mon., Dec. 29, 2:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)  
Fri., Jan. 2, 2:00 PM – Grandville Branch



TEEN ZONE

Teen-only fun for you and your friends at the library! Stop by for activities that may include board games, food and more.

Byron Twp. Branch  
Wednesdays, 3:30

Dec. 17  
Jan. 21  
Feb. 18

Cascade Twp. Branch  
Wednesdays, 4:30 PM

Jan. 28  
Feb. 25

East Grand Rapids Branch  
Thursdays, 3:00 PM

Dec. 11 Jan. 29 Feb. 19  
Jan. 8 Feb. 5 Feb. 26  
Jan. 22 Feb. 12

Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
Mondays, 1:00 PM

Dec. 15  
Jan. 19  
Feb. 16

Grandville Branch

Thu., Feb. 26, 3:30 PM

Kelloggsville Branch  
Tuesdays, 4:00 PM

Dec. 2 Jan. 27 Feb. 24  
Dec. 9 Feb. 3  
Jan. 13 Feb. 17

Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Mon., Dec. 22, 3:00 PM  
Wed., Dec. 31, 11:30 AM  
Mon., Feb. 16, 2:30 PM  
Tue., Feb. 17, 2:30 PM



Tyrone Twp. Branch  
Tuesdays, 3:00 PM

Jan. 6 Jan. 27 Feb. 17  
Jan. 13 Feb. 3 Feb. 24  
Jan. 20 Feb. 10

Wednesdays, 3:00 PM

Jan. 7 Jan. 28 Feb. 18  
Jan. 14 Feb. 4 Feb. 25  
Jan. 21 Feb. 11

Thursdays, 3:00 PM

Jan. 8 Feb. 5 Feb. 26  
Jan. 22 Feb. 12 Feb. 27  
Jan. 29 Feb. 19

Fridays, 3:00 PM

Jan. 9 Feb. 6  
Jan. 16 Feb. 20  
Jan. 30 Feb. 27



Teen Zones last 1 - 2 hours. For specific durations and the most current schedule – including any additions to this schedule or unexpected cancellations – visit [kdl.org/teenzones](http://kdl.org/teenzones).

## Teen Zone | Bead by Bead

Create colorful, pixel-style art with Perler beads! Arrange your design on a pegboard, then watch it fuse together with heat. Perfect for making keychains, magnets and more – bring your creativity and leave with a one-of-a-kind masterpiece.

Wed., Dec. 3, 3:00 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Thu., Dec. 11, 3:30 PM – Grandville Branch  
 Tue., Feb. 10, 4:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch  
 Mon., Feb. 16, 3:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch



## Teen Zone | D&D

Join a group of adventurers on a Dungeons and Dragons quest! New and experienced players are welcome.

Mon., Dec. 15, 6:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 15, 6:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Jan. 19, 6:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 29, 6:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 12, 6:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Feb. 16, 6:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 26, 6:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

## Teen Zone | Design a Journal

Part planner, part art project – this program lets you connect the dots to epic designs and bullet-journal your master plan for world (or at least homework) domination.



Thu., Dec. 4, 3:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
 Wed., Dec. 10, 3:00 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Tue., Dec. 16, 4:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch  
 Sat., Jan. 10, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 15, 3:30 PM – Grandville Branch

## Teen Zone | Let the Games Begin

From quick card battles to intense board game marathons, this program has everything you need for a legendary library hangout.

Wed., Jan. 7, 3:00 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 29, 3:30 PM – Grandville Branch



## Teen Zone | Put a Pin in It!

Get creative and express yourself one pin at a time. Drop in to design your own pins using our button maker. Choose from templates, draw, collage or cut out something cool and turn it into wearable art.

Tue., Jan. 6, 4:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch  
 Sat., Feb. 7, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Feb. 25, 3:00 PM – Wyoming Branch

## Teen Zone | Sketch & Shrink

Draw it. Shrink it. Wear it. Repeat. Turn your drawings or tracings into one-of-a-kind keychains, magnets, jewelry and more!

Mon., Dec. 15, 3:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Feb. 4, 3:00 PM – Wyoming Branch

## Teen Zone | Switch It Up!

Ready for the ultimate gaming hangout? We've got controllers for eight players, a huge selection of your favorite games, plus a projector to blow it up large. Team up or face off – it's time to Switch it up!

Tue., Dec. 2, 4:30 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
 Mon., Dec. 29, 3:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Tue., Jan. 6, 4:30 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
 Mon., Jan. 19, 3:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Jan. 28, 3:00 PM – Wyoming Branch  
 Tue., Feb. 3, 4:30 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 12, 3:30 PM – Grandville Branch

## Teen Zone | Totally 90s DIY

Get crafty with a throwback twist! Make vintage-inspired 90s creations like friendship bracelets, slap bracelets and beaded keychains while vibing to retro tunes.

Thu., Jan. 15, 3:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
 Tue., Jan. 20, 4:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch  
 Wed., Feb. 11, 3:00 PM – Wyoming Branch



## Author Talks, Online

All online author talks are one hour, unless noted otherwise, and new author talks are being added regularly. **Check the latest schedule and register at [kdl.org/authortalks](http://kdl.org/authortalks).** .....



### Scheming Wives and High-Stakes Hilarity with Author Sue Hincenbergs



Author of  
*The Retirement Plan*  
and Award-Winning  
Television Producer

Tue., Dec. 2  
2:00 PM

### Nature, Art, and Service as Medicine with Journalist Julia Hotz



Journalist and Award-  
Winning Author of  
*The Connection Cure*

Tue., Jan. 20  
2:00 PM

### The Legacy of Julia Child's Kitchen with Author and Smithsonian Curator Paula J. Johnson



A Library Speakers  
Consortium and  
Smithsonian Institution  
Collaboration

Tue., Dec. 9  
2:00 PM

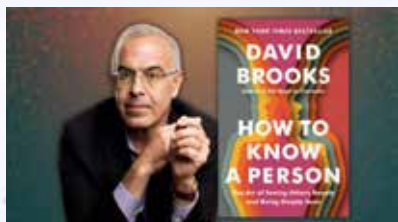
### Secrets and Second Chances with Liz Moore



New York Times  
Bestselling and Award-  
Winning Author of *The  
God of the Woods* and  
*Long Bright River*

Wed., Jan. 28  
7:00 PM

### The Creative and Compassionate Art of Seeing Others Deeply with David Brooks



Leading Cultural and  
Political Commentator  
and Bestselling  
Author of *The Road to  
Character*

Tue., Jan. 13  
2:00 PM

**Do you want to revisit some of our past author talks, including from authors like Laura Dave, Madeline Miller, Rick Steves and John Irving?**

Explore the complete archive of KDL Author Talks at [libraryc.org/kdl/archive](http://libraryc.org/kdl/archive). .....



# Book Discussions, In Person

Join a fun, informal discussion of great books.

## Alpine Twp. Branch

### Alpine Ave. Book Discussion

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM



**Dec. 3,**  
*The Women  
in the  
Castle*  
by Jessica  
Shattuck



**Jan. 7,**  
*Glamorous  
Notions*  
by Megan  
Chance

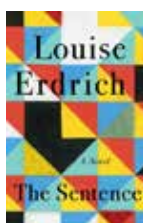


**Feb. 4,**  
*The Pink  
Suit*  
by Nicole  
Mary Kelby

## Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)

### Ada Z Book Club

Wednesdays at 12:00 PM



**Dec. 31,**  
*The Sentence*  
by Louise  
Erdrich



**Jan. 28,**  
*The Great  
Alone*  
by Kristin  
Hannah



**Feb. 25,**  
*The Briar  
Club*  
by Kate  
Quinn

## Caledonia Twp. Branch

### Novel Characters Book Club

Wednesdays at 1:00 PM



**Dec. 3,**  
*The Wager*  
by David  
Grann



**Jan. 7,**  
*Klara and  
the Sun*  
by Kazuo  
Ishiguro

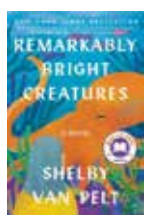


**Feb. 4,**  
*There There*  
by Tommy  
Orange

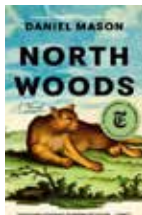
## Alto Branch

### All Aboard! Book Club

Thursdays at 1:30 PM



**Dec. 18,**  
*Remarkably  
Bright  
Creatures*  
by Shelby  
Van Pelt



**Jan. 15,**  
*North  
Woods*  
by Daniel  
Mason



**Feb. 19,**  
*The Maid*  
by Nita  
Prose

## Byron Twp. Branch

### Byron Twp. Book Discussion

Mondays at 6:30 PM



**Jan. 26,**  
*The Frozen  
River*  
by Ariel  
Lawhon



**Feb. 23,**  
*Black Cake*  
by Charmaine  
Wilkerson

## Cascade Twp. Branch

### Better Off Read Book Club

Thursdays at 7:00 PM



**Dec. 15\*,**  
*One Hundred  
Years of Lenni  
and Margot*  
by Marianne  
Cronin



**Jan. 26\*,**  
*Carnegie's  
Maid*  
by Marie  
Benedict



**Feb. 16\*,**  
*West with  
Giraffes*  
by Lynda  
Rutledge

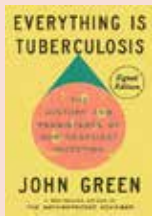
\*These events will take place at  
YMCA Mary Free Bed  
5500 Burton St. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546



## Cascade Twp. Branch (Cont.)

### Friends of the Cascade Twp. Library Book Club

Wednesdays at 10:00 AM



**Dec. 17,**  
*Everything Is Tuberculosis*  
by John Green



**Jan. 21,**  
*The Art Thief*  
by Michael Finkel



**Feb. 18,**  
*The Midnight Feast*  
by Lucy Foley

## Comstock Park Branch

### Never Too Old Book Club

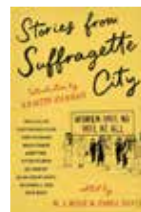
Tuesdays at 6:30 PM



**Dec. 9,**  
*Gallant*  
by V.E. Schwab



**Jan. 13,**  
*Girls Like Her*  
by Melanie Sumrow



**Feb. 10,**  
*Stories from Suffragette City*  
edited by M.J. Rose and Fiona Davis

## Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

### Night Owls Book Club

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM



**Dec. 3,**  
*Everyone in My Family Has Killed Someone*  
by Benjamin Stevenson



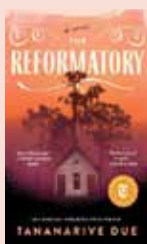
**Jan. 7,**  
*Weyward*  
by Emilia Hart



**Feb. 4,**  
*The Celebrants*  
by Steven Rowley

## There Will Be Blood Book Club

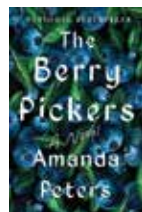
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*The Reformatory*  
by Tananarive Due

## Lit Wits Book Club

Thursdays at 6:30 PM



**Jan. 22,**  
*The Berry Pickers*  
by Amanda Peters



**Feb. 19,**  
*The Women*  
by Kristin Hannah

## Gaines Twp. Branch

### Common Reader Book Discussion

Tuesdays at 1:00 PM



**Dec. 16,**  
*Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club*  
by J. Ryan Stradal



**Jan. 20,**  
*Crying in H Mart*  
by Michelle Zauner



**Feb. 17,**  
*Between Two Kingdoms*  
by Suleika Jaouad

## Silent Book Club

Put down your phone, pick up a book and spend quality time with fellow book lovers. This isn't your typical book club; there is no assigned reading or deadlines. Simply bring what you're reading and connect over a beverage.

Saturdays at 10:00 AM



**Dec. 20**



**Jan. 17**



**Feb. 14**

## East Grand Rapids Branch

### Lakeside Lit Book Club

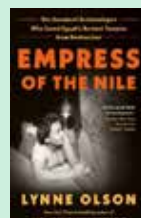
Mondays at 1:00 PM



**Dec. 8,**  
*Calling Me Home*  
by Julie Kibler



**Jan. 12,**  
*No Two Persons*  
by Erica Bauermeister



**Feb. 9,**  
*Empress of the Nile*  
by Lynne Olson

## Grandville Branch

### Maple St. Book Discussion

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM



**Dec. 10,**  
*The Lincoln Highway*  
by Amor Towles



**Jan. 14,**  
*Real Americans*  
by Rachel Khong



**Feb. 11,**  
*Symphony of Secrets*  
by Brendan Slocumb

## Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

### Cozy Readers Book Club

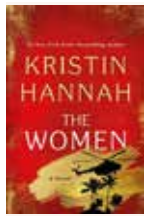
Mondays at 10:00 AM



**Dec. 8,**  
*This Tender Land*  
by William Kent Krueger



**Jan. 12,**  
*The Frozen River*  
by Ariel Lawhon



**Feb. 9,**  
*The Women*  
by Kristin Hannah

## Nelson Twp. Branch Nelson Twp. Book Club

Tuesdays at 1:30 PM



**Dec. 16,**  
Join a fun, informal discussion of great books. This month, we'll discuss books we loved reading in 2025!



**Jan. 20,**  
*Ace of Spades*  
by Faridah Àbíké-Íyímídé



**Feb. 17,**  
*The Women*  
by Kristin Hannah

## Walker Temporary Library Walker Book Discussion

Thursdays at 11:00 AM

Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) for Walker location information.



**Dec. 11,**  
*Wintering*  
by Katherine May



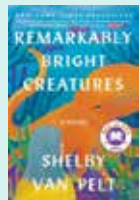
**Jan. 8,**  
*Nightbloom*  
by Peace Adzo Medie



**Feb. 12,**  
*The Lost Apothecary*  
by Sarah Penner

## Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Krause Evening Book Club

Mondays at 6:30 PM



**Dec. 1,**  
*Remarkably Bright Creatures*  
by Shelby Van Pelt



**Jan. 5\*,**  
*The Art Thief*  
by Michael Finkel



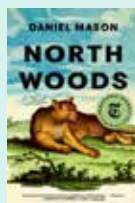
**Feb. 16\*,**  
*The Women*  
by Kristin Hannah

## Krause Afternoon Book Club

Fridays at 1:30 PM



**Dec. 19,**  
*The Wager*  
by David Grann



**Jan. 16\*,**  
*North Woods*  
by Daniel Mason



**Feb. 20\*,**  
*When Women Ran Fifth Avenue*  
by Julie Satow

\*This event will take place at City of Rockford - City Hall in the Chamber Room, 7 South Monroe St., Rockford, MI 49341

## Plainfield Twp. Branch

### Plainfield Branch Book Discussion

Thursdays at 1:00 PM



**Dec. 11,**  
*When We Cease to Understand the World*  
by Benjamín Labatut



**Jan. 8,**  
*The Women*  
by Kristin Hannah



**Feb. 12,**  
*Gilead*  
by Marilynne Robinson

## Wyoming Branch Silent Book Club

Thursdays, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Put down your phone, pick up a book and spend quality time with fellow book lovers. This isn't your typical book club; there is no assigned reading or deadlines. Simply bring what you're reading and connect over a beverage.



**Dec. 11**



**Jan. 8**



**Feb. 12**

## The Slow Readers Bimonthly Book Club

Tuesday, Jan. 13, 6:30 PM



*The Handmaid's Tale*  
by Margaret Atwood



## 3D Hobby Printing

Discover the exciting world of 3D printing with live demos, hands-on 3D pen activities and fun conversations. Local enthusiasts will share how the technology works, explore creative possibilities and show how 3D printing can be used in everyday life.

Wed., Jan. 28, 6:30 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

## American Mahjong: Learn the Basics

Get an understanding of the rules, strategies and history of American Mahjong in this exciting introduction to the captivating game. Instructors from Mahj in the Mitten will walk you through the basics, share fascinating insights into its origins and provide you with opportunities to learn more.

Mon., Feb. 9, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

## An Evening with Carole Boston Weatherford & Jeffery Weatherford

Join the award-winning author and illustrator, mother/son duo behind a wide array of children's and young adult books as they speak about their collaboration and body of work. A book sale and signing will follow the presentation. *Sponsored by the Friends of the EGR Library with generous support from the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation.*

Wed., Feb. 4, 6:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch

## Awesome Adults

A time for fun activities with friends. This program is designed for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their care partners.

### Alpine Twp. Branch

Thursdays, 1:00 PM

Jan. 15  
Feb. 19

### Cascade Twp. Branch

Tuesdays, 10:30 PM

Dec. 16 Jan. 27 Feb. 17  
Jan. 6 Feb. 3  
Jan. 13 Feb. 10

### Comstock Park Branch

Mondays, 1:30 PM

Jan. 26  
Feb. 23

### Gaines Twp. Branch

Wednesdays, 10:00 AM

Dec. 10  
Jan. 14  
Feb. 11

### Grandville Branch

Thursdays, 1:30 PM

Dec. 8 Feb. 9  
Jan. 12

### Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Fridays, 1:00 PM

Dec. 19 Jan. 16 Feb. 20

### Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch

Thursdays, 3:30 PM

*This event will be held at City of Rockford - City Hall, 7 South Monroe St., Rockford, MI 49341*

Jan. 8 Feb. 12

### Plainfield Twp. Branch

Thu., Jan. 15, 12:00 PM

## Bingo Hour

Relax and make new friends while playing exciting rounds of Bingo.

Tue., Dec. 2, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch

Tue., Dec. 2, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch

Tue., Dec. 9, 1:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)

Tue., Dec. 16, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch

Mon., Dec. 22, 10:30 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Tue., Jan. 6, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch

Tue., Jan. 13, 1:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)

Tue., Jan. 13, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch

Wed., Jan. 14, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Tue., Jan. 20, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch

Mon., Jan. 26, 10:30 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Wed., Jan. 28, 10:00 AM – Gaines Twp. Branch

Tue., Feb. 3, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch

Tue., Feb. 10, 1:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)

Tue., Feb. 10, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch

Wed., Feb. 11, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Tue., Feb. 17, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch

Thu., Feb. 19, 12:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

Mon., Feb. 23, 10:30 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Wed., Feb. 25, 10:00 AM – Gaines Twp. Branch

## Black Women in Jazz

Join talented musicians Edye Evans Hyde and Mike Hyde for a concert and presentation highlighting four beloved jazz singers and their influence on the civil rights movement.

Tue., Jan. 27, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Tue., Feb. 17, 6:30 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Tue., Feb. 24, 6:30 PM – Grandville Branch

## Blood Drives

Donate blood and save lives. Versiti Blood Center of Michigan will be at Kent District Library; appointments are preferred but not required, and you can schedule your appointment at [versiti.org/KDL](https://www.versiti.org/KDL).



ADULTS (AGES 18 AND OLDER) Cont.

Brick by Brick: Adult Build Night

LEGO® aren't just for kids: adults, come and build with us! Collaborate with friends on a LEGO® set, tackle a themed challenge, or freestyle with our brick stash – stay for 10 minutes or the whole evening.

- Tue., Dec. 30, 6:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch
- Tue., Jan. 27, 6:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch
- Tue., Feb. 24, 6:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch

Classic Movies of the Silver Screen

Join other classic movie lovers to watch films from the golden age of the silver screen. Refreshments provided. The library will post the movie titles in the branch. Closed captioning provided.

- Tue., Dec. 9, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch
- Fri., Dec. 12, 1:30 PM – Grandville Branch
- Fri., Jan. 23, 1:30 PM – Grandville Branch
- Tue., Jan. 27, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch
- Fri., Feb. 13, 1:30 PM – Grandville Branch
- Tue., Feb. 24, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch

Climate Change and Your Health

The warmest year in recorded history was 2024. What are the health risks of living in a warmer world? How does the continued burning of fossil fuels in our homes and communities affect our health? Learn the answer to these questions and more as Dr. Steve Ashmead discusses how to be climate smart for your health. This Sustainable Neighbors series is presented in partnership with E-GRen and sponsored by the Friends of the EGR Library.

- Tue., Jan. 20, 6:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch



Considering Home Ownership

Learn what financial preparation is required prior to purchasing a home and receive guidance on the factors that can affect eligibility for a loan, the different mortgage options available and how to estimate what you can afford to pay for a home.

- Tue., Jan. 13, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch
- Wed., Jan. 21, 6:30 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
- Thu., Feb. 5, 6:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch

Craft & Create

Create together! Features a new craft each time for you to make and take home.

- Mon., Dec. 1, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch\*
- Wed., Dec. 3, 6:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
- Wed., Dec. 10, 6:30 PM – Walker Temporary Library

Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) for Walker location information.

- Wed., Dec. 10, 6:30 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch
- Wed., Jan. 7, 6:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
- Thu., Jan. 8, 6:00 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch
- Sat., Jan. 10, 1:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch
- Thu., Jan. 15, 6:00 PM – Wyoming Branch
- Wed., Feb. 4, 6:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
- Thu., Feb. 5, 6:00 PM – Wyoming Branch
- Sat., Feb. 7, 1:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch
- Thu., Feb. 12, 6:00 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch
- Thu., Feb. 19, 6:00 PM – Wyoming Branch
- Tue., Feb. 24, 6:30 PM – Alto Branch

Down the Block and Through the Years in East Grand Rapids

Take a virtual trip down the streets of old East Grand Rapids via photos, ephemera and anecdotes. Whether you're new to East Grand Rapids or have lived here your entire life, enjoy discussing homes of interest and sharing memories of this beautiful, historic city. This Sustainable Neighbors series is presented in partnership with E-GRen and sponsored by the Friends of the EGR Library.

- Tue., Feb. 17, 6:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch

Fresh Pasta: From Dough to Dinner\*

Learn the art of pasta making from scratch in this hands-on class led by classically trained Chef Rawan. Using traditional Italian techniques, you'll master a variety of pasta shapes. Get ready to knead, roll and shape your way to delicious homemade pasta.

- Jan. 14, 6:30 PM – Walker Temporary Library

Visit [kdl.org/events](https://kdl.org/events) for Walker location information.

- Tue., Jan. 20, 6:30 PM – Grandville Branch
- Mon., Jan. 26, 6:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch
- Wed., Feb. 11, 6:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch
- Thu., Feb. 19, 6:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch
- Wed., Feb. 25, 6:30 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch

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## Hidden Lives, Living Legacies: Black Women of the Progressive Era

Join local historian and librarian Sophia Ward Brewer for a presentation highlighting the contributions of Black women during the Progressive Era, both nationally and in Grand Rapids. Weaving together stories, Brewer reveals how Black women's clubs laid the groundwork for social justice movements that continue to resonate today in our communities and the nation.

Tue., Jan. 20, 6:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch

Wed., Feb. 25, 6:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch

## Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament\*

Compete against teams of four people (teams can be formed either before or at the event) to solve identical jigsaw puzzles in the least amount of time. The speed event will begin 30 minutes after the beginning of the program. Refreshments will be provided, and you can bring puzzles with all pieces included to swap with other puzzle enthusiasts.

Sat., Feb. 14, 1:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

## Language Exchange / Intercambio

Practice your Spanish or English with librarian-facilitated conversations. Practicar su español o inglés con conversación facilitado por un bibliotecario.

Tue., Jan. 27, 6:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch

Tue., Feb. 24, 6:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch

## Lead-Free Living

If you have vintage dishes or cookware in your home, there's a chance those dishes might have lead in them. Learn more about the types of dishes likely to contain lead from an expert with the Kent County Health Department. Bring in an item to be tested with their x-ray fluorescence scanner to ensure safe serving in your home. *Brought to you by the Kent County Health Department.*

Thu., Jan. 29, 6:30 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)

Thu., Feb. 12, 6:30 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch

Thu., Feb. 19, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

## Learn to Sew: Make a Fabric Coaster\*

Do you have a sewing machine you want to learn to use? Bring it in and learn the basics. Have a machine and want to make the project? Come on in! Everyone will leave with a finished fabric coaster. No sewing experience necessary and a few machines will be available for use during the program.

Tue., Jan. 20, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch



## Olaudah Equiano: Formerly Enslaved Pioneer of Abolition

As a child, Olaudah Equiano was kidnapped and sold to slave traders. As an adult, he purchased his freedom, became a pioneer of the abolitionist cause and published a memoir. Join Dr. Eric M. Washington, Director of African and African Diaspora Studies at Calvin University, as he shares Equiano's story and how his life and work helped shape the abolition movement in England.

Thu., Jan. 29, 6:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch

Tue., Feb. 3, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

Wed., Feb. 25, 6:30 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch



## Open Craft Lab

Stop in and try something new or bring in your own project! New projects will be introduced monthly. All previous projects will be available while supplies last.

Mon., Dec. 1, 6:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch

Wed., Dec. 17, 6:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Mon., Jan. 5, 6:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch

Wed., Jan. 21, 6:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Thu., Jan. 22, 6:00 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch

Mon., Feb. 2, 6:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch

Wed., Feb. 18, 6:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Thu., Feb. 26, 6:00 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch

ADULTS (AGES 18 AND OLDER) Cont.

Paint & Pop\*

An instructional beginner paint program for adults. Get your creativity flowing!

Tue., Feb. 10, 6:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch

Paper Quilling\*

Create beautiful designs by rolling and shaping colorful strips of paper into seasonal designs or get your creativity flowing and design your own unique art.

Thu., Dec. 4, 6:00 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch  
Thu., Dec. 4, 6:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch  
Mon., Dec. 8, 1:00 PM – Spencer Twp. Branch  
Wed., Dec. 10, 6:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch  
Thu., Dec. 11, 6:30 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)  
Mon., Dec. 15, 6:30 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch  
Thu., Jan. 8, 6:30 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch  
Tue., Jan. 20, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
Mon., Jan. 26, 6:30 PM – Walker Temporary Library  
Tue., Jan. 27, 6:30 PM – Alto Branch  
Wed., Jan. 28, 6:30 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch  
Tue., Feb. 17, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Tue., Feb. 24, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch



Polymer Clay Jewelry\*

Try out our clay tips and tricks to create your own, hand-made clay piece to take home and bake with easy, provided instructions.

Mon., Jan. 12, 6:30 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
Tue., Feb. 3, 6:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
Wed., Feb. 11, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
Thu., Feb. 19, 6:30 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch  
Thu., Feb. 26, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch

Retro Arcade

This is a free play day of your favorite arcade games.

Fri., Jan. 16, 6:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
Sat., Jan. 17, 10:00 AM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

Sketching without Fear\*

Capture the world around you in this sketching class. You'll learn essential techniques, from form to shading, in a supportive and creative environment. All skill levels welcome, especially beginners.

Thu., Jan. 8, 6:30 PM – Spencer Twp. Branch  
Thu., Jan. 15, 6:30 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)  
Thu., Jan. 29, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
Tue., Feb. 10, 6:30 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
Tue., Feb. 17, 6:30 PM – Alto Branch



The Forgotten War of WWII: The CBI Theater's Hidden Impact

When most people think of World War II, they picture the beaches of Normandy or the island battles of the Pacific. But deep in the jungles of Burma, a hidden war raged – one filled with daring OSS agents, grueling survival and the quiet courage of missionaries caught in the crossfire. This program brings to life the dramatic true events of the CBI (China-Burma-India) Theater, exploring how ordinary people became unlikely heroes in one of history's most complex and dangerous conflicts and gave rise to modern special forces tactics.

Thu., Jan. 8, 6:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch  
Wed., Jan. 14, 6:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch  
Wed., Jan. 21, 6:30 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch  
Mon., Feb. 9, 6:30 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
Thu., Feb. 19, 6:30 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch  
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## The Victorian Lady at Christmas

Learn what it took to live and dress as a woman from the 1890s, focusing on the Christmas traditions and customs that would have influenced the clothing of Victorian ladies. Step back in time through a display of beautiful, antique fashions.

Thu., Dec. 4, 6:30 PM – Byron Twp. Branch  
 Mon., Dec. 8, 6:30 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Thu., Dec. 11, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Dec. 18, 6:30 PM – Grandville Branch

## The World of Bonsai

Explore the fascinating world of bonsai and the techniques and traditions of miniature trees. Learn the history of these living masterpieces and see the bonsai trees – including one that's 250 years old. Includes a Q&A on how to get started in this ancient horticultural tradition.

Tue., Jan. 13, 6:30 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 15, 6:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch  
 Tue., Jan. 20, 6:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 5, 6:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch  
 Wed., Feb. 11, 6:30 PM – Walker Temporary Library

! Visit [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) for Walker location information.

Thu., Feb. 12, 6:30 PM – Spencer Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Feb. 18, 6:30 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 26, 6:30 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)

## Those Magical Dames: A History of Women in Magic

Meet six women whose magic excited and entertained crowds from the 19th to 21st centuries and who proved that, while we often consider magic to be a male-dominated field, women can be the conjurers and not just the beautiful assistants.

Thu., Jan. 15, 6:30 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch  
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 Tue., Jan. 20, 6:30 PM – Alto Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 12, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch



## Trivia Night @ KDL

Enjoy themed rounds of trivia and brain games created by Matt of Here's Your Host! Each show features questions covering general knowledge and pop culture topics with fun audio and visual clues. The game will be played in teams (up to four members) so come with friends or join a team on the spot.

Wed., Jan. 21, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch  
 Wed., Feb. 18, 6:30 PM – Grandville Branch

## True Crime Analysis

Dig beneath the headlines and join us to discuss a historic true crime case from around the world. We'll examine unanswered questions, challenge assumptions and explore the impact of these cases.

Thu., Dec. 11, 6:30 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 8, 6:30 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch  
 Thu., Jan. 8, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch  
 Thu., Feb. 12, 6:30 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

## Visible Mending: Mend with Style\*

Don't toss your clothes, mend them with style! Bring in your woven clothing, such as jeans, and learn how to reclaim your "ruined" piece using fabric patches and Sashiko style mending. No sewing machine required!

Tue., Feb. 10, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

# BOOKMOBILE VISITS



**Stop by the Bookmobile to register for a library card, pick up program information and check out the latest books, movies, music and more to enjoy at home.**

**Please note: Bookmobile events may be canceled due to weather conditions. Check [kdl.org/events](http://kdl.org/events) or call 616.784.2007 for the latest updates before attending. Your safety is our priority!**

## Bookmobile Visit | York Creek Apartments

**650 York Creek Dr. NW, Comstock Park, MI 49321**

Bookmobile will be parked at the York Creek playground.

Mondays from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Dec. 1      Feb. 2  
Dec. 15    Feb. 16  
Jan. 5



## Bookmobile Lobby Stop | Wyoming Senior Center

**2380 De Hoop Ave. SW, Wyoming, MI 49509**

Tuesdays from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

Dec. 2      Jan. 20  
Dec. 16    Feb. 3  
Jan. 6      Feb. 17



## Bookmobile Visit | Godfrey Lee ECC

**961 Joosten St. SW, Wyoming, MI 49509**

Tuesdays from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM

Dec. 2      Jan. 13      Feb. 10  
Dec. 9      Jan. 20      Feb. 17  
Dec. 16    Jan. 27      Feb. 24  
Jan. 6      Feb. 3



## Bookmobile Visit | North Kent Connect

**10075 Northland Dr. NE, Rockford, MI 49341**

Bookmobile will be parked by the Food Pantry entrance.

Wednesdays from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Dec. 3  
Jan. 7  
Feb. 4



## Bookmobile Visit | Woodfield Apartments

**860 Woodfield East Dr. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49508**

Bookmobile will be parked near the Community Center.

Wednesdays from 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM

Dec. 3  
Feb. 4



## Bookmobile Visit | Kingsbury Apartments

**730 North Center Ct. NW, Walker, MI 49544**

Bookmobile will be parked by the playground and Community Center.

Mondays from 3:00 PM to 3:30 PM

Dec. 8  
Jan. 12  
Feb. 9



## Bookmobile Visit | Grattan Twp. Express Library

**12050 Old Belding Road, Belding, MI 48809**

Tuesdays from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Dec. 9  
Jan. 13  
Feb. 10



## Bookmobile Visit | Brookside Village

**3130 Slater Ave. SE, Kentwood, MI 49512**

Bookmobile will be parked at the main office.

Wednesdays from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

Dec. 10  
Jan. 14  
Feb. 11



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**Bookmobile Visit | Cutler Estates**  
6471 Division Ave. S, Grand Rapids, MI 49548

Thursdays from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

Dec. 11  
Jan. 8  
Feb. 12



**Bookmobile Visit | STREAMS**  
280 60th St. SE Suite 100, Grand Rapids, MI 49548

Mondays from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Jan. 19  
Feb. 16



**Bookmobile Visit | Tamarisk Apartments**  
Bookmobile will be parked near the front officer.

Wednesdays from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Dec. 17  
Jan. 21  
Feb. 18



**Bookmobile Visit | UCOM**  
1311 Chicago Dr. SW, Wyoming, MI 49509

Tuesdays from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Jan. 27  
Feb. 24



**Bookmobile Visit | Grand Village**  
6500 Division Ave. S, Grand Rapids, MI 49548  
Bookmobile will be parked near the main office.

Wednesdays from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

Dec. 17  
Jan. 21  
Feb. 18



**Bookmobile Visit | Appletree Estates**  
1061 Wilson Ave. NW, Walker, MI 49534

Wednesdays from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

Jan. 28  
Feb. 25



**Bookmobile Visit | Genesis East Apartments**  
4366 Walnut Hills Dr. SE, Kentwood, MI 49512

Mondays from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM

Dec. 22  
Jan. 26  
Feb. 23



**Bookmobile Visit | Genesis Woods Apartments**  
4341 Genesis Ct. SW, Grandville, MI 49418

Mondays from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Dec. 22  
Jan. 26  
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