

PROGRAMS | WINTER 2021-2022



We are pleased to present Let It Snow for adults and teens.

Our winter reading program returns with a collectible mug for completers. Read a minimum of six books between January 3 and March 31 to receive the 2022 Let It Snow ceramic 15 oz. mug.

Participants who finish an additional four titles are entered into a drawing to win an iPad, an experience or other prizes. Participate online at kdl.org/snow or pick up a printed form at any



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Alto Branch Hours

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
-	9:30 to 1:30	12:00 to 8:00	12:00 to 8:00	12:00 to 6:00	9:30 to 6:00	9:30 to 1:30

Closed: Christmas Eve, Friday, Dec. 24 Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25 New Year's Eve*, Friday, Dec. 31 *All branches close at 5:00 PM

New Year's Day, Saturday, Jan. 1 Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, Jan. 17

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For All Ages

Winter Wonder Stories Monday, Dec. 6, 10:30 AM Monday, Dec. 13, 10:30 AM Get cozy while listening to seasonal stories then create fun, winter-themed crafts.



SnowFest Craft Time! Monday, Dec. 20, 10:30 AM

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



Heart to Heart Craft Party Saturday, Feb. 5, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM*

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





Borrowed Words Tuesday, January 18, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Patrons will be using recycled books and blocking out portions of text to create new short stories and poetry which they can then share with the group.

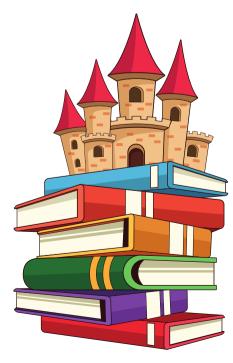
For Young Children (ages 0-5)

Family Storytime Mondays, Jan. 10 - Feb. 28, 10:30 AM

No program Monday, Jan. 17

Read and sing together as a family. Enjoy stories, music, movement and rhymes that develop early literacy skills.





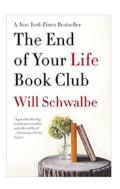
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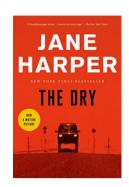
For Adults (18+)

All Aboard! Book Club

Thursdays, 10:30 AM

Join in on fun, informal discussions of great books.





Dec. 9,The End of Your Life Book Club
by Will Schwalbe

Jan. 13, *The Dry*by Jane Harper







Scrabble for Seniors Fridays, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Dec. 10, Jan. 14 & 28 and Feb. 11 & 25

Sit down and enjoy a word game, unplugged, with other fans. All ages and skill levels welcome!



For Adults (18+) Continued



Michigan Mushrooms Thursday, Jan. 27, 6:30 PM

Local amateur mycologist and forager Andrew Mateskon will discuss mushrooms of Michigan, as well as mushroom biology, lifecycle, edibility, dangers and related social phenomena such as Mycophobia. Participate in a Q&A session and get a close-up look at a display of dried or fresh mushrooms.



Watercolors Thursday, Feb. 17, 6:30 PM

Lions & Rabbits will guide learning about color mixing, creating color schemes and wet blending. Please bring a work shirt to protect your clothing. **Registration required.**

WINTER SPECIALS



Lights! Camera! Action!

All Kent County teens, grades 6-12, are invited to enter Kent District Library's 12th annual Teen Filmmaking Contest.

Deadline for film submission is Friday,

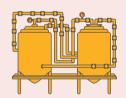
Jan. 21. Selected films will be screened at Celebration Cinema GR North.

Saturday, Feb. 26, 10:30 AM to 2:00 PM 2121 Celebration Dr. NE, Grand Rapids

KDaLe programs and events are for adults 21 and older.

KDaLe Brewery Tours

Tour the inner workings of your favorite local breweries. Go to **kdl.org/kdale** for times and locations.



KDaLe Home Brewing Competition Register by Jan. 24 at kdl.org/kdale

If you think your home brew has what it takes to be crowned champion, here's your chance! Enter our 5th annual "Book Inspired Brewing" competition to see how your beer stacks up. Beer submissions must be delivered by Monday, Feb. 28. Complete rules are at kdl.org/kdale.

KDaLe Tap Takeover | Horrocks Market Friday, Feb. 4, 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Join us at Horrocks Market as we celebrate the 6th year of KDaLe with a special KDaLe tap takeover. Beer City Brewers from all over the area took us up on the challenge to create their own book inspired beer. Sample all of these great new local brews and meet a few of the brewers who created them. **4455 Breton Road SE, Kentwood**.

KDaLe Quest Guide

Attend KDaLe programs, visit our brewery partners and win prizes! Pick up your KDaLe Quest Guide at any KDL branch and begin working towards earning a KDaLe pint glass and chances at more prizes.



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Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays,

Dec. 1-16, Jan. 4-27 and

Feb. 1-24, 4:00 PM

Wimee's Words sparks imagination and inspires creative thinking with interactive wordplay, songs and stories; celebrates the diversity of languages and cultures; showcases technology that invites creativity and much more! **For families.**



Elementary Graphic Novel Book Club* Mondays, Dec. 6 & 27, Jan. 10 & 24

and Feb. 7 & 21, 6:30 PM

If you love to read and discover new books, join us for our Graphic Novel Book Club! For selected titles and to sign up for book club meetings, visit kdl.org/events.

For school-age children.

Elementary Book Talks

Mondays, Dec. 13, Jan. 3 & 31 and Feb. 14 & 28,6:30 PM Looking for your next great read? Tune in for expert recommendations from KDL youth staff. We'll tell you all about our favorite new books, including graphic novels, nonfiction, picture books, chapter books and more! For school-age children.

Real Grown-ups Read YA | Book Discussion* Tuesdays, 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Dec. 21, *Dash & Lily's Book of Dares* by Rachel Cohn and David Levithan

Jan. 18, A Song Below Water by Bethany Morrow

Feb. 15, Muse by Brittany Cavallaro

Calling all grown-ups who'd rather read books "for young adults!" There's no shame in checking out teen reads in this group. **For adults.**

What We're Learning | Tile Work

Watch this virtual workshop with Home Repair Services of Kent County; then come to a hands-on session later. Learn how to become an expert in measuring, cutting and laying tile to make a beautiful backsplash or re-cover a floor. **For adults.**

*All online book clubs require pre-registration

An email address is required for registration and instructions for how to join on Zoom. This program will be monitored by KDL staff and you will have the option of joining with or without video. Parents are encouraged to read book reviews of each week's chosen title in advance to determine if the book is one their child will enjoy. Zoom and the Zoom logo are trademarks of Zoom Video Communications, Inc.