

LET IT SNOW

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 KDL branch when the program begins.



Programs, events, classes and library scenes may be photographed or videotaped for library promotional purposes. Notify library staff if you prefer not to be photographed.



Cascade Township Branch Hours

| SUN* | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1:00 to 5:00 | 9:30 to 8:00 | 9:30 to 8:00 | 9:30 to 8:00 | 9:30 to 8:00 | 9:30 to 6:00 | 9:30 to 5:00 |

*Closed Sundays during summer (Memorial Day - Labor Day)

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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**Cascade Township
Branch**

2870 Jacksmith Ave. SE

CASCADE TOWNSHIP BRANCH

For All Ages

Ready for Reindeer!

Wednesday, Dec. 1, 4:00 PM

Traveling all the way from the North Pole (via Rooftop Landing Reindeer Farms), live reindeer will be visiting the library.

Dress warmly and don't forget the camera!



For Young Children (ages 0-5)

Winter Playdate with Bright Beginnings

Wednesday, Dec. 15, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Celebrate winter fun with a station-style playdate. Enjoy process art and simple activities with your preschoolers, toddlers and babies as we play with our friends from Bright Beginnings.



Bright Beginnings

Friday, Jan. 21, 10:00 AM

Friday, Feb. 18, 10:00 AM

Join KISD Bright Beginnings for a morning of crafts, rhymes, songs and more! **For ages 0-5 with a parent or guardian.**

Babytime

Mondays, Jan. 3 – Feb. 28, 10:00 AM

No program Monday, Jan. 17

Delight and engage your baby with songs, a story and playtime. Get to know other families and help your baby develop listening and language skills. **For babies from birth to 18 months with a caregiver.**

Storytime

Tuesdays, Jan. 4 – Feb. 22, 10:00 AM

Thursdays, Jan. 6 – Feb. 24, 10:00 AM

Nurture your child's love of books and build early literacy skills through stories, rhymes, music and movement.



Yoga Storytime

Wednesdays, Jan. 5 – Feb. 23, 10:00 AM

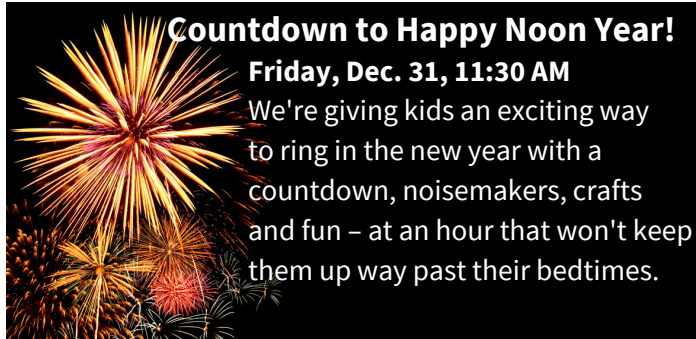
Enjoy stories and songs, while practicing simple yoga poses and movements. Please dress in comfortable clothing. A limited number of mats will be available.

Dance with Me!

Fridays, Jan. 7 - Feb. 25, 11:00 AM

No program Fridays, Jan. 21 and Feb. 18

Even the littlest of kids can dance! Learn to dance together while baby wearing in this beginner program for caregivers. Toddlers and older siblings are welcome to dance along.



Countdown to Happy Noon Year!

Friday, Dec. 31, 11:30 AM

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.

Meet the Sled Dogs

Thursday, Jan. 27, 4:00 PM

Tun-Dra Kennels owners will bring a team of sled dogs with their mushing equipment and talk about the Iditarod. Families can meet the dogs and take pictures with them. Dress warmly and don't forget the camera!



For Adults (18+), School Age (ages 5-10), & Teens (ages 11-17)

Co-op Craft Lab

Monday, Dec. 13, 6:30 PM

Monday, Jan. 24, 6:30 PM

Monday, Feb. 7, 6:30 PM

Create together! Drop-in for an open craft session, featuring a new craft each month for you to create and take home! Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult 18 or older. Family participation encouraged.



For School Age (ages 5-10)

KDL Lab Experience

Thursdays, 4:00 PM

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

Allow children to think creatively, tinker, explore and collaborate while engaging in facilitated, hands-on activities based on STEM concepts.



Fantasy Festival

Tuesday, Dec. 28, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Explore a world of fantasy fun for the whole family. Make your own potent potion, plant a magic bean to take home and much more!



Kids Zone

Tuesdays, Jan. 4 – Feb. 22, 3:00 PM

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.

Book Explorers

Thursdays, 2:00 PM

Jan. 13 & 27; Feb. 10 & 24

Together we'll explore the style and variety of illustrations in children's picture books. After a reading and discussion, let's create an art project inspired by the book!



For Teens (ages 11-17)

Teen Cram Night

Sunday, Dec. 12, 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Finish that big project or prepare for a test, while having the library all to yourselves and enjoying pizza and pop. Bring your assignments, study partners and your brain.

Anti-Valentine's Day Bash

Monday, Feb. 14, 4:00 PM

If candy hearts and flowers make you gag, bring your disdain for the holiday to the Library and bash it with us!



For Adults (18+)

KDL Book Club at Mary Free Bed YMCA

Mondays, 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at Mary Free Bed YMCA

Join in on fun, informal discussions of great books.

Dec. 20, *The Last Mrs. Parrish* by Liv Constantine

Jan. 10, *All Adults Here* by Emma Straub

Feb. 21, *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah

For Adults (18+) Continued

Tech Help Group

Friday, Dec. 3 – Feb. 25, 10:00 AM

No program Friday, Dec. 24 and 31

Stop in to ask tech questions and share with others.

Librarians will be on hand to answer basic questions about your devices. We recommend bringing your device and any relevant email addresses and passwords.



In Good Taste | Cookbook Club

Thursdays, 6:30 PM

Join in on fun, informal discussions of great books.

Dec. 9: Share favorite family or traditional holiday recipes.

Jan. 13: Let's explore Central American cooking! Make a recipe from the COOKING INTL section of the library, or your favorite online source!

Feb. 10: Spices! What's your favorite spice or flavor you just can't get enough of? Share a dish that features it.



Be Kind to Your Mind

Tuesday, Dec. 14, 6:30 PM

During the Be Kind to Your Mind workshop we will learn the importance of self-compassion for your thinking and how to "de-fuse" harsh thinking. We will also practice mindful attention to our thoughts and learn the power of acceptance and gratitude to relieve stress.

Friends of the Cascade Twp. Library Book Club

Mondays, 10:00 AM

Join in on fun, informal discussions of great books.

Dec. 20, *Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman

Jan. 24, *The Heartbeat of Wounded Knee* by David Treuer

Feb. 21, *Leave the World Behind* by Rumaan Alam

Fandom Fun Trivia | Animated Movies

Tuesday, Jan. 18, 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

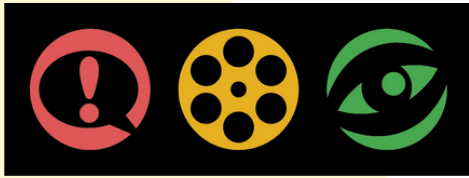
Team up with friends, roommates or family because trivia is back with Matt Eickhoff of Here's Your Host, LLC. The game will include 4-5 rounds of themed trivia, specially created for this event. Check out HeresYourHost.com for more info.

Disappearance of Flight 2501

Tuesday, Feb. 8, 6:30 PM

On June 23, 1950, Northwest Airlines Flight 2501, a DC-4 with 58 souls on board, disappeared over Lake Michigan. Shredded human remains washing up on the beaches of West Michigan served as evidence of the country's worst commercial aviation disaster. The wreck was never located and the cause of the accident was never determined. Learn more about this Michigan mystery with Author Valerie Van Heest.

WINTER SPECIALS



KENT COUNTY TEEN FILM FESTIVAL

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.

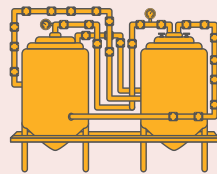
Saturday, Feb. 26, 10:30 AM to 2:00 PM
2121 Celebration Dr. NE, Grand Rapids



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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WIMEE'S WORDS®

**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.