

LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



April 2024

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**4/7-4/13:
National
Library
Week!**



Visit the library during National Library Week to explore all the amazing resources and programs we have to offer! Stop by a service desk and pick up a library scavenger hunt sheet to win a prize!

BOOK TALK WITH MINNESOTA POET LAUREATE

GWEN WESTERMAN



**SATURDAY,
APRIL 13TH
6:00-7:30PM
AT LA CROSSE PUBLIC
LIBRARY'S MAIN HALL.**

Join the La Crosse Public Library and Minnesota Poet Laureate, Gwen Westerman, in a book talk event to celebrate National Poetry Month, National Library Week, and the Spotlight Collection of Turtle Island.

We will be raffling 30 free copies of Gwen's books for audience members. She will be signing books after her talk.

Registration is encouraged, but not required.

Main Library
800 Main Street
(608) 789-7100

Mon-Thurs 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Sunday 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

North Community Library
1552 Kane Street
(608) 789-7102

Tuesday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Wednesday 2 p.m.-6 p.m.
Thursday 2 p.m.-6 p.m.



**LA CROSSE
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

MONDAY MORNINGS AT MAIN

Lifelong Learning for Ages 50 and Better!

- 9:00 a.m
CHAIR FITNESS
- 9:30 a.m
COFFEE & SOCIALIZATION
- 10:00 a.m
PRESENTATION

April 1

Meet Brutus the Mini Pig
Election in Main Hall - meet in Auditorium

April 8

Celebrating 175 Years of Service with the FSPA
with Sister Mary Ann Gschwind

April 15

Estate Planning
with Attorney Katelyn Doyle, Johns, Flaherty & Collins, SC

Monday Mornings at Main is sponsored by the Gertrude Salzer Gordon Trust

April 22

Funeral Planning & Green Burials
with Bridgett Madden, Vosseteig Funeral Homes

April 29

Civil War Hijinks: Wisconsin Stories and Songs
with Judy Cook


MONDAY MORNINGS
AT MAIN
La Crosse Public Library
800 Main Street
La Crosse, WI | 608.789.7100

THEN AND NOW



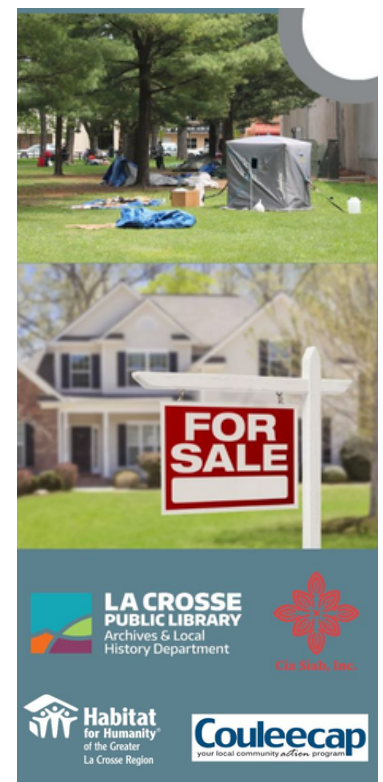
Housing Access, Insecurity, and Discrimination in La Crosse

Join Habitat for Humanity and fellow housing advocates for a workshop about housing in La Crosse, past and present. We will look to our local history to deepen our understanding of current issues. We will explore how histories of racism and inequity have shaped current housing disparities, and we will share clear action items that community members can take.

April 16 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

April 17 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Register at www.habitatlacrosse.org/events



CREATION SPACE + TOOL LIBRARY

CREATION SPACE

OPEN LAB HOURS

MON	3:00 PM-5:00 PM
TUE	1:00 PM-3:00 PM
WED	5:00 PM-6:30 PM
THUR	10:00 AM-12:00 PM
SAT	9:00 AM-12:00 PM



DOING SOME SPRING CLEANING?

Don't forget to check out the LPL Tool Library! We have lawn & garden tools, power tools, cleaning tools, and so much more! For more information, check out our tool library website.

USE THIS QR CODE TO ACCESS THE TOOL LIBRARY CATALOG!

MONEY SMART CLASSES

April is Financial Literacy Month!

Join us at the La Crosse Public Library this April to learn how to maintain smart money management habits for any age or financial stage of life!

- ✓ Estate Planning
April 15 | 10:00-11:00am with Attorney Katelyn Doyle, Johns, Flaherty & Collins, SC
- ✓ Don't Be Scammed: Senior Fraud Prevention
April 18 | 2:00-3:00pm with Sergeant Ryan Fitzgerald, La Crosse Police Department
- ✓ Finding YOUR Money Balance
April 18 | 5:30-6:30pm with Majel Hein, Marine Credit Union
- ✓ How to Teach Your Kids about Money*
April 23 | 5:30-6:30pm* with Majel Hein, Marine Credit Union
- ✓ Credit Awareness and Homebuying
April 25 | 5:30-6:30pm with Alex Volten, Consumer Credit Counseling Service

*While this class is intended for adults, we will be offering an activity for children of class attendees who need childcare in the same room as the presentation.



Consumer
Credit
Counseling
Service
You're not alone.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

STORYTIMES

STORYTIME (all ages)
WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM
LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY - MAIN

BOUNCING BABIES
(birth-9 months)
WEDNESDAYS
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM
LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY - MAIN

SATURDAY STORYTIME
(all ages)
SATURDAYS
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM
LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY - MAIN



STORYLAND:
WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE

TUESDAY, APRIL 16
5:30 - 6:30 PM
MAIN LIBRARY

LET THE WILD RUMPUS START! JOIN US FOR
AN INTERACTIVE STORY ADVENTURE AND
HELP US BRING ONE OF OUR MOST
BELOVED BOOKS TO LIFE.
BEST FOR AGES 0-6.



BEDTIME storytime

NORTH LIBRARY
THURSDAYS IN APRIL
5:30 - 6:00 PM




DESIGNED FOR ALL AGES, WEAR YOUR
PJS AND JOIN US FOR SOME BEDTIME
STORIES AND SONGS!



**ESCAPE FROM
MR. LEMONCELLO'S
LIBRARY**

Thursday, April 11
4:00 - 5:00 pm
Main Library

Calling all Mr. Lemoncello fans!
Join us for an afternoon of
codes, games and crafts based
upon the popular book series.
Best for grades 3-6.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Mondays in April

Maker Mondays

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

Creation Space

Come explore, create, and invent during open lab time in the Creation Space! Best for grades K-5.

Wednesdays in April

After School Club

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

North Library

Join us after school as we play, create, and have fun at the North Library. Best for grades 1-6.

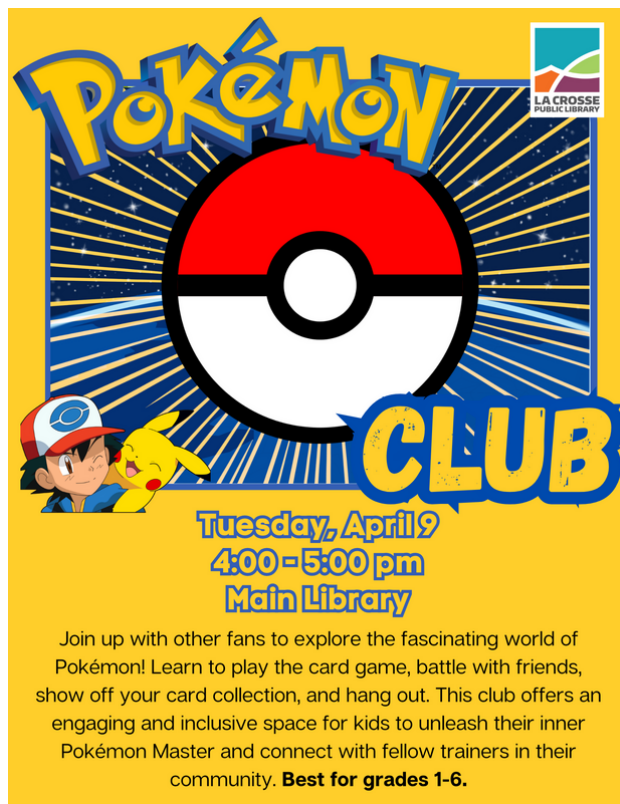
Friday, April 19

Creation Space Special Session: Comics

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

POW! Have an idea for the next great comic book? Let your imagination soar while creating your own comic or zine! Best for grades 1-6.



TEEN PROGRAMMING

Thursday, April 4

Pride in the Panels

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

Calling all graphic novel fans! Join us every month in our safe and welcoming space as we build community while exploring the panels of LGBTQ+ themed graphic novels! All are welcome. For grades 6-12.

Saturday, April 13

Period Party

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

Let's celebrate! We will be crafting, snacking, and learning about menstruation with our partners from Planned Parenthood.

Best for ages 9-18. All genders welcome.



Monday, April 8 and Monday, April 22

Tween/Teen D&D

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

Immerse yourself in a world of magic, monsters, and epic adventures as you play with fellow adventurers. Whether you're a seasoned hero or a curious newcomer, join us and forge unforgettable tales in the realms of D&D! Best for grades 5-12.

CLASSES

TECH HELP TECH OFFICE HOURS

La Crosse Public Library - Main

MONDAYS THURSDAYS
12:00 P.M.—2:00 P.M. 2:00 P.M.—4:00 P.M.

TECH DROP-IN

La Crosse Public Library -
North Branch

Thursdays, April 4 & 11
3:00 P.M.—5:00 P.M.

TECH HELP AT CCC

Community Connections Center
1407 St. Andrew Street

Wednesdays, April 10 & 24
11:00 A.M.—12:00 P.M.
Please make an appointment by
calling the Park and Rec's office:
608-789-7533



2ND FLOOR
CREATION
SPACE

CLOUD STORAGE

APRIL 17TH
11:00–12:00PM



Learn more about cloud storage platforms
(iCloud, Google Drive, OneDrive) in this class.
We will talk about the benefits and drawbacks
of online cloud storage and backing-up your
devices. No device necessary.

Adult Wellness Classes

Stay fit with these beginner-friendly chair wellness classes,
brought to you by the La Crosse Public Library!

Chair Fitness

Community Connections Center

10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays:
April 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30

To register, call: 608 789-7533



Chair fitness also offered Monday mornings at
La Crosse Public Library at 9 a.m., prior to
Monday Mornings at Main

Chair Yoga

La Crosse Public Library
10:00 AM 1st and 3rd Thursday

April 4 & 18

No Registration Required



QIGONG



Wednesday,
April 10
11:30 a.m.

La Crosse Public
Library - Main

Join us for this free adult class that uses gentle
exercises to improve joint mobility, balance and
posture, and calm the mind. Comfortable clothes are
recommended. Registration is optional and drop-ins are
welcome.

YOGA FOR ALL

Saturday, April 13

10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

La Crosse Public
Library - Main



Join us for this free community adult yoga class that
offers gentle body movement for all abilities and walks
of life! Registration is optional and drop-ins are
welcome.

ADULT PROGRAMMING

Wednesday, April 3

Knit and Needle

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Main Library - Creation Space

Bring your knitting, crochet, or embroidery projects and craft alongside other fiber art enthusiasts!

Wednesday, April 10

Chapters - The Little French Bridal Shop

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

Trustees Rm

Registration Required

Chapters is the La Crosse Public Library's monthly book discussion group featuring popular fiction covering a variety of genres. This month we'll discuss *The Little French Bridal Shop* by Jennifer Duppe.

Register via our [events calendar](#), emailing lschoen@lacrosselibrary.org or by calling Laura at 608-789-7130.

Thursday, April 11

Crafting Bows and Arrows with Stone-Age Tools

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

Join Mississippi Valley Conservancy to learn how retired doctor David Van Dyke crafts traditional bows and arrows from materials gathered from his land in Vernon County.

This presentation is part of Mississippi Valley Conservancy's Linked to the Land educational series. [Register on our calendar.](#)

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Sunday, April 14

Sunday Matinee: The Color Purple

1:30 PM - 3:45 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

Join us on the second Sunday of each month for a screening of a recently released film! Movies will be shown in the Auditorium on the large projection screen and closed captioning is provided. Free popcorn!

Tuesday, April 16

BookTok Bingo

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

608 Brewing Company

83 Copeland Ave

Join us as we partner with 608 Brewing Company to celebrate all the best books on BookTok! A free event, with a book prize for every bingo.

Tuesday, April 16

Storytime for Adults: Road Trip

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Turtle Stack Brewery

125 2nd St

Join us to hear your favorite local librarians and performers read some of our favorite short stories and essays at Turtle Stack Brewery. This month's theme focuses on being outside. For ages 21+ only. Caution: stories may include adult content.

Wednesday, April 24

History Club

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Archives

Explore our city's layered history! On the 1st & 3rd Fridays, we'll publish two activities about our community's past then, we'll meet to discuss what we learned and how it applies to our own modern lives. For more information, visit our [events calendar](#).

**WHEN THE SKY
TURNS DARK**

**UNDERSTANDING HOW, WHEN, AND WHY
ECLIPSES HAPPEN**

SUNDAY, APRIL 7 | 2:00 PM
MAIN HALL | LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY

WITH JONATHAN REBELSKY OF UW-MADISON
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

BADGER TALKS

ECLIPSE-VIEWING GLASSES AVAILABLE AT EVENT

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

SPRING BOOK SALE

THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

2 PM - 5 PM

MEMBERS NIGHT - NEW
MEMBERS WELCOME!

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

9 AM - 1 PM

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

BOOKSHOP HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,
and Friday

10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Wednesday

12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

Saturday

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Sunday

2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.



Support Friends of the La Crosse Public Library by:

- Donating Materials
- Becoming a Volunteer
- Purchasing a Membership

For more information, call
the First Floor Bookshop at
(608) 789-7149 or visit
our website:

[lacrosselibrary.org/about/
friends](http://lacrosselibrary.org/about/friends)

MONDAY MORNING BOOK SALES

Friends of the
La Crosse Public Library

BASEMENT BOOKSTORE

La Crosse Public Library
800 Main Street

**OPEN EVERY MONDAY
9 A.M.-12 P.M.**

Over 10,000 books,
magazines, CDs, DVDs,
and Audiobooks
All items \$1 or less

Friends of the La Crosse Public Library Membership Form

Please join or renew your annual support!

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Enclosed is my tax-deductible contribution:

☐ New

☐ Individual: \$10

☐ Check (payable to Friends of the La Crosse Public Library)

☐ Renewal

☐ Family: \$25

☐ Cash

☐ Gold: \$50 (converts to Lifetime upon 10 yearly renewals)

I'd like to receive my newsletter via:

☐ Lifetime: \$500

☐ Email (saves Friends \$5 year/member!)

☐ Special gift: _____ (please indicate amount)

☐ U.S. Mail

Contact me to volunteer:

☐ Book shop

☐ Sorting books

☐ Special events

Please return to:

Friends of the La Crosse Public Library
800 Main Street
La Crosse, WI 54601