

LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



March 2024

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Monday Mornings at Main
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**WE WILL BE
CLOSED
MARCH 31ST
FOR EASTER**



DEBUT OF THE

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES SPOTLIGHT COLLECTION OF TURTLE ISLAND

Sunday, March 3

**HISTORY OF
NATIVE AMERICAN
BOARDING SCHOOLS**



**A TALK BY
TRACY
LITTLEJOHN**

AUDITORIUM 2-3PM

**AND OPENING
RECEPTION**

**OF THE NEW
SPOTLIGHT COLLECTION**

FEATURING BOOKS FOR
ALL AGES BY INDIGENOUS
AUTHORS ACROSS
MULTIPLE GENRES.

2ND FLOOR 3-4PM

Be sure to also check out our Indigenous
Film Series! More info on the Adult
Programming page of the newsletter

PRESENTED BY:



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



Monday Mornings at Main Spring 2024 Schedule

March

March 4

**From Telemark to Tamarack:
Ski Jumping in Western
Wisconsin**

with local author Glenn Borreson

March 11

**Empowered Mind: Elevate Your
Brain Health**

with Kelsey Flock, Aging and
Disability Resource Center (ADRC)

March 18

"The Truth on the Water"

Book talk with local author Bobbi
Rathert

March 25

**Fins, Feathers, and Firebrands -
100 Years of Conservation on
the Upper Mississippi River
Refuge**

with Katherine Julian, Upper
Mississippi River National Wildlife &
Fish Refuge



**MONDAY
MORNINGS**

AT MAIN

La Crosse Public Library
800 Main Street
La Crosse, WI | 608.789.7100

April

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

April 22

**Funeral Planning & Green
Burials**

with Bridgett Madden, Vosseteig
Funeral Homes

April 29

**Civil War Hijinks: Wisconsin Stories
and Songs**

with Judy Cook

May

**Stay tuned for our May
Music series!**

*Lifelong Learning
for Ages 50 and
Better!*

**JOIN US IN
MAIN HALL
EACH MONDAY
FROM
FEBRUARY 5 -
APRIL 29:**

- **9:00AM
CHAIR FITNESS**
- **9:30AM
COFFEE &
SOCIALIZATION**
- **10:00AM
PRESENTATION**

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

CREATION SPACE/TOOL LIBRARY

CREATION SPACE

PROGRAMS

Wednesday, March 6

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, March 20

Brick It!

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Main Library - Creation Space

We'll bring the LEGO bricks - come ready to build and create!

Tuesday, March 26

Yarn Painting

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Main Library - Creation Space

Using yarn as our paintbrush, we'll create shapes and abstract designs to create a vibrant, textured piece of fiber art. Seating is limited; register via our [events calendar](#), emailing programteam@lacrosselibrary.org or by calling 608-789-7122.

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

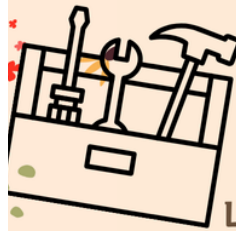
THUR 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

SAT 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Spring Home Maintenance

with Habitat for Humanity

Have you always wondered if you're doing the "right" steps to prep your home each season? Join us and experts from Habitat for Humanity for our seasonal maintenance classes.



Tuesday, March 12

5:30-6:30pm

Creation Space @

La Crosse Public Library



**LA CROSSE
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**Habitat
for Humanity®**
of the Greater
La Crosse Region

CHECK OUT OUR TOOL LIBRARY!

The Tool Library provides access to tools, home maintenance materials, and so much more.

For more information about what's available and how to check items out, see our [Tool Library website](#)

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



SCIENCE EXPLOSION

Tuesday, March 26
4:00 - 5:00 pm
Main Library

Calling all scientists!
Drop in for fun
experiments, projects,
and more.

Best for grades 3-6.



BEDTIME storytime

NORTH LIBRARY
THURSDAYS IN MARCH

5:30 - 6:00 PM

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



Little Library Detectives

TUESDAY, MARCH 19
5:00 - 6:00 PM
MAIN LIBRARY



Oh no! Someone huffed and
puffed and blew Little Pig's
house down! Can you guess
who? Help us solve this and
lots of other literary mysteries.
Best for ages 0-5.



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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Mondays in March

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 March

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.

Monday, March 4

Creation Space Special Session: Beadtastic

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

What can you make with beads beside jewelry? We'll have some fun ideas for you! Best for grades K-5.

Tuesday, March 12

Pokémon Club

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

Join up with other fans to explore the fascinating world of Pokémon! Learn to play the card game, battle with friends, show off your card collection, and hang out. This club offers an engaging and inclusive space for kids to unleash their inner Pokémon Master and connect with fellow trainers in their community. Best for grades 1-6.

Friday, March 29

Creation Space Special Session: Open Lab

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

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

TEEN PROGRAMMING

Friday, March 1

First Friday: Could You Survive a Dystopia?

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

You've read the books so now it's time to test your survival skills and see if you'd make it to the end (or not)! The parking lot doors will open at 5:45 pm and will close promptly at 6pm so do not be late! For grades 6-12.

Thursday, March 7

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.



Monday, March 11 and Monday, March 25

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

TECHNOLOGY OFFICE HOURS

La Crosse Public Library - Main

MONDAYS
12:00 P.M.—2:00 P.M.

THURSDAYS
2:00 P.M.—4:00 P.M.

TECH DROP IN

Community Connections
Center
1407 St. Andrew Street

Wednesdays, March 13 & 27
11:00 A.M.—12:00 P.M.



OVERDRIVE/LIBBY HOOPLA

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20TH
AT 11:00 A.M.**

La Crosse Public Library, 800 Main St

Looking for some help setting up
OverDrive/Libby so you can effortlessly
read or listen to books on your device?
Join this class with your device to become
an expert in OverDrive/Libby and Hoopla!

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 AM on Tuesdays:
March 5, 12, 19 and 26

To register, call: 608 789-7533



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

Chair Yoga

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

March 7 & 21

No Registration Required



QIGONG



Wednesday,
March 13
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, March 9

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

Saturday, March 9

Chapters - Closer by Sea

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

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 *Closer by Sea* by Perry Chafe.

Seating is limited and you can register via our [events calendar](#), emailing lschoen@lacrosselibrary.org or by calling Laura at 608-789-7130.

Sunday, March 10

Sunday Matinee: Wonka

1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

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

Tuesday, March 12

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.

Wednesday, March 13

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1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

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Tuesday, March 19

Storytime for Adults: That's What She Said

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 women writers for Women's History Month. For ages 21+ only. Caution: stories may include adult content.

Saturday, March 23

All About Seeds & Seed Swap

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

La Crosse Public Library - Main

All About Seeds: 10am - 11am

Are you interested in learning about: 1.) The seeds you plant? 2.) How to start seeds for tomatoes, peppers, cabbage, kale, etc.? Or 3.) How to save seeds from your vegetable garden? Join gardener and seed enthusiast Bjorn Bergman for an introduction to all things vegetable seeds. Bjorn will talk about the history of vegetable seeds, the why and how to save seeds, how to start seeds at home PLUS answer your seed questions.

Seed Swap: 11am -12pm

Following the talk, join us for a seed swap! Please label seeds with identifying information. No seeds? No problem! Everyone is welcome to join the seed swap and pick up seeds from local seed savers and community organizations like the Kane Street Garden!

About the presenter: Bjorn Bergman is passionate about growing food and eating seasonally. Each growing season his family keeps a large garden at their home in Viroqua and they love spending time preserving the harvest by drying, canning, freezing, and fermenting. Since 2011, he has been obsessed with learning about and practicing seed saving. Bjorn loves sharing his passion for and knowledge about sustainable living with others.

INDIGENOUS FILM SERIES

Thursday, March 14

The Wellbriety Journey to Forgiveness

Thursday, May 16

M.M.I.W. Film (TBA)

Thursday, July 18

Flags of Our Fathers

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

**La Crosse Public
Library's Auditorium**

Join us for these movie screenings and discussions following the films to learn about today's Indigenous peoples through movies, media, and dialogue.

These events are in partnership between the Ho-Chunk Nation Youth & Learning Center at the La Crosse Nj Tąņj Hocira (Three Rivers House), UW Extension La Crosse County, and the La Crosse Public Library.



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

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

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

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All items \$1 or less

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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