

# LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



**April 2021**

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**Thank you for your continued support and patience. At this time we are not yet able to accept donations.**



## **AUTHOR TALK: Grief Reimagined**

with authors  
Catherine Tyink and  
Christine Kortbein



**Thursday, April 8**

6:30 P.M.–7:30 P.M.

*Online: Zoom*

***Registration Required***

Join us via Zoom as we welcome the authors of *Grief Reimagined: 50 Creative Strategies to Build Resilience* as they talk about grief and healing. Inspired by 50 true stories, this book explores how we can all teach ourselves to grieve more openly and expressively.

[Register online on our events calendar.](#)



### **Main Library**

800 Main Street  
(608) 789-7100

**Monday–Saturday** 10 A.M.–6 P.M.  
**Sunday** Closed

### **South Community Library**

1307 16th Street South  
(608) 789-7103

**Temporarily Closed**

### **North Community Library**

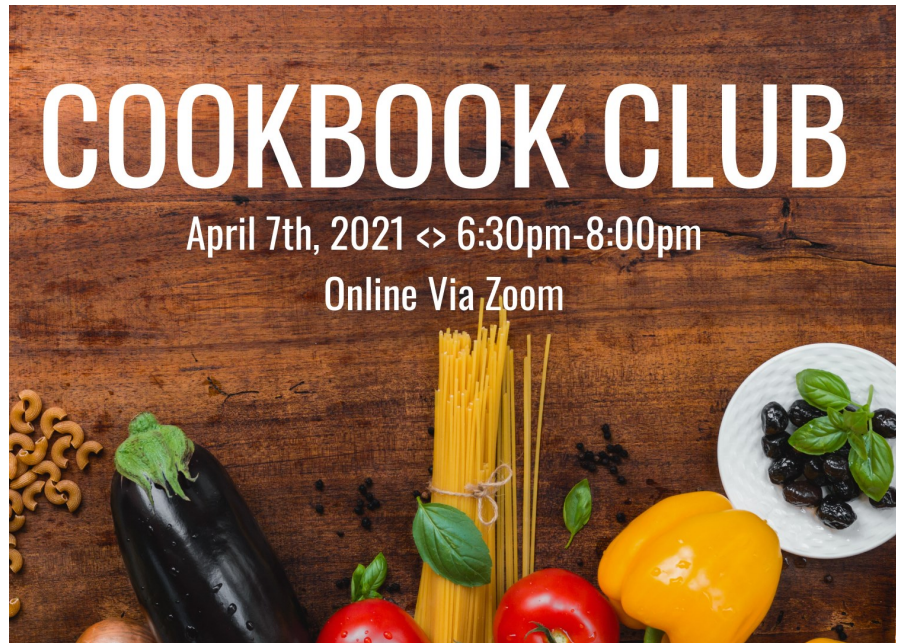
1552 Kane Street  
(608) 789-7102

**Temporarily Closed**

# COOKBOOK CLUB

The Cookbook Club will meet four times a year via Zoom to discuss cookbooks that share a common theme. Our theme for April will be **Travel**.

Since COVID is restricting travel, let's use cookbooks and food to travel without leaving home. Pick **any** cookbook you like, whether it's from a restaurant you love or a place you've always wanted to see, whatever appeals to you! If you need suggestions, Cookbook Club Book Bundles are available by the Circulation desk, check one out today!



We hope you'll make a few different recipes from your chosen book, and we'll come together to talk about what worked, what fell flat, and enjoy some of our creations together, even if only vicariously!

[Register online through our online calendar](#)

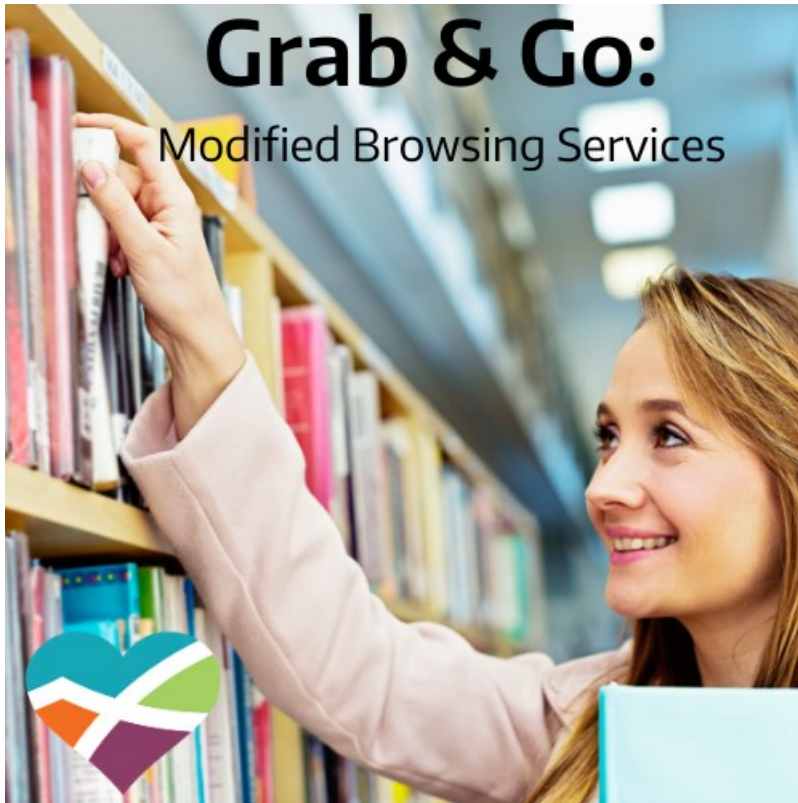
## SENIOR MEMORY KITS

The La Crosse Public Library is pleased to offer Senior Connections Memory Kits for community members with Alzheimer's or dementia-related diseases and their loved ones. Each kit has a theme and contains books, DVDS and suggested activities intended to spark joy, stimulate conversations and provide respite for caregivers. Memory Kits are located on the first floor of the Main Library (across from the Lucky Day Collection) and can be checked out for a three-week period with one renewal.





# GRAB & GO BROWSING



We can accommodate short in-person visits for intentional browsing of materials. We have limited occupancy based on community health metrics and guidelines. If the library meets its capacity limit, you may be asked to wait outside until other patrons have departed. All visitors are required to wear face coverings.

**For more information on our Grab & Go services, check our [website](#)**

## Grab & Go Services are currently available at our Main St library and include:

- **Intentional browsing.** You will be able to browse the shelves on both floors for items.
- **Self pick-up of holds.** Stop in and get your holds from the hold shelf as you did before. Then, check them out at the self-checks or from the circulation desk.
- **Returns.** Please continue to use the dropbox outside the south (parking lot) entrance. Returned materials will remain in quarantine for at least 48 hours.
- **Computer use.** You no longer need to make an appointment to use the computers.
- **Printing/Copying/Scanning** services available on both floors.
- The North (Main St) doors will remain closed. Please use the South (parking lot) entrance.
- Youth Services is offering book bundles and regular youth reference and readers advisory services at their service desk or via phone or email. Call 608-789-7128 or email [yservicesstaff@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:yservicesstaff@lacrosselibrary.org)
- The Archives and Local History department will continue to accept reference services requests via phone, email, or mail. Appointments can now be scheduled to use archival collections and reading room materials. Only one visitor can use the reading room at a time. Call 608-789-7136 or email [archives@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:archives@lacrosselibrary.org).
- Adult Services will continue to accept reference services requests via phone, email, chat or mail. One-on-One appointments can be scheduled by calling 608-789-7122 or by emailing [refdesk@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:refdesk@lacrosselibrary.org).

# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

## Storytime Shorts

All Ages

**Mondays**

2:30 P.M. – 2:45 P.M.

**Fridays**

9:30 A.M. – 9:45 A.M.

*Online: YouTube*

Get a quick dose of story time, with these short and sweet sessions. One book, one song, a flannel story. This storytime will be presented on [YouTube](#).

## Family Storytime

All Ages

**Thursdays**

**April 1– April 29**

10:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

*Online: YouTube*

Join us for fun books, songs, and rhymes in this storytime for all ages! This storytime will be presented live on [Youtube](#).



## Pajama Storytime

**Thursday, April 15**

6:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

*Online: YouTube*

Snuggle up, get cozy, and pop on those pajamas for a special evening storytime. Join us on the library's [YouTube page](#)

## Music With Mr. Evan

**Tuesdays, April 6–20**

10:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

*Online: Zoom*

**Registration Required**



Join us for an energetic half hour of music with Mr. Evan. We'll sing, laugh, and be extra silly! [Register online](#) to get the Zoom log-in information. **Best for children ages 0-5 and their adults.**

## Kids and Caregivers Book Club: Black Lives Matter

**Thursday, April 22**

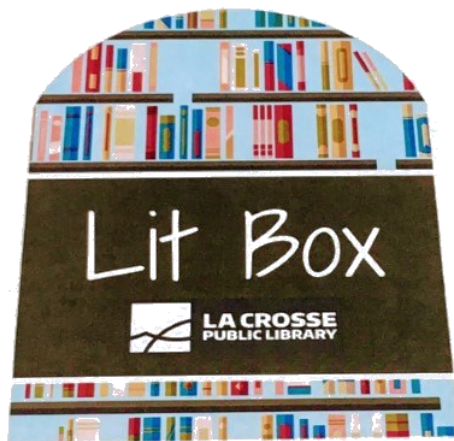
4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

*Online: Zoom*

**Registration Required**

Join us via Zoom for a kid and caregiver book club meetings focused on titles by Black authors about Black kids. Each month we will read and discuss the books and talk about how they relate to our community or current events. [Register online.](#)

# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING



**FOR GRADES 4-12.** Looking for your next great read? Let us help! Each month, sign-up for a new Lit Box which will include two or three library materials based on your preferences--as well as some goodies--packaged and ready for you to pick-up in one convenient box. Sign-up for a new box at the beginning of each month, and we'll notify you when it is available for pick-up. Please allow up to two business days for your request to be filled. The form to request a box can be found on our website at <https://www.lacrosselibrary.org/children-teens/lit-boxes>

Questions? Please email [yservicesstaff@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:yservicesstaff@lacrosselibrary.org) or call 608-789-7128.



Did you welcome a new baby in the last year? This group is open to anyone providing care for a baby. We will gather on Zoom each week to listen to a guest speaker and chat with one another. We will get to know each other each week and learn from valuable community partners!

April 1: Pelvic Floor Health with Jill O'Brien

April 8: Basic Child CPR & First Aid with Mayo Clinic

April 15: Bebop & Bundles offering Music Together with Kat Skemp Moran

April 22: Hike it Baby! with Laura Miller

April 29: Sleep Routines with Mike Scott from the Parenting Place

[Register online on our events calendar](#)

## April Fool's Day Scavenger Hunt

**Thursday April, 1**

4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

*Online: Zoom*

*Registration Required*

All sorts of shenanigans occur on April Fool's Day and this year is no different! We'll have a list of absurd items for you to find along with some fun twists to our gameplay. Join us for an afternoon of ridiculous fun! **For grades 6-12.**

[Register via our events calendar.](#)



# TECHNOLOGY

## Classes

The library is partnering with Parks and Recreation to move our technology classes in-person and online. Registration is required. To register for these classes, please call the South Side Neighborhood Center (SSNC) at 608-789-8298.

### Thursday, April 15

**11:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.**

#### **Books and Audio Apps**

*Black River Beach*  
*Neighborhood Center*

We'll cover the library's vast ebook and audiobook collection and also talk about other popular apps that offer free and cheap downloads.

### Thursday, April 22

**6:00 P.M.–7:00 P.M.**

#### **Books and Audio Apps–Virtual**

*Online: Zoom*

We'll cover the library's vast ebook and audiobook collection and also talk about other popular apps that offer free and cheap downloads.

### Thursday, April 29

**6:00 P.M.–7:00 P.M.**

#### **What to do with Digital Pictures–Virtual**

*Online: Zoom*

Learn different ways to get your digital pictures printed, turned into photo albums, and more. We'll also cover different ways to back up your digital pictures.

## TECH HELP DROP-IN



Located Offsite:  
St Andrews Center  
1407 St. Andrew Street

**11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

Thursdays Bi-Weekly

MARCH 11TH - APRIL 22ND

Thursday, April 8  
Thursday, April 22



## Computer Access Inside the Library

Access to computer  
and printing services  
will be available:

Monday–Saturday: 10 A.M.–6 P.M.





# ADULT PROGRAMMING

**Saturday, April 10**

**Chapters:  
Paris is Always a Good Idea**

10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M.

Online: Zoom

**Registration Required**

Join in our Chapters book discussion of *Paris is Always a Good Idea* by Jenn McKinlay. [Register online](#), by emailing [lschoen@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:lschoen@lacrosselibrary.org), or calling 608-789-7130.

**Tuesday, April 13**

**Storytime for Adults:  
I Got 99 Problems But a Book Ain't One**

6:30 P.M.–7:30 P.M.

Online: Zoom

**Registration Required**

Join to hear short stories, book excerpts and poems read by library staff as well as some community guests. Why should kids have all the fun? [Register online](#)

**Thursday, April 15**

**Mindful Makers:  
Book Art**

7:00 P.M.–8:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom

**Registration Required**

Need a little motivation to start a new art project or participate in mindful activities? Join us for Mindful Makers, a program series integrating creativity with mind and body wellness. During this session, we'll embrace upcycling as we repurpose outdated books to create a personalized book stack and book flower. While our hands are busy creating, we'll open up our minds as we're joined by local community health professionals who will share tips on maintaining mindfulness. Craft supplies will be provided. [Register online](#), or by calling or emailing Heather at 608-789-7125 or [hmliller@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:hmliller@lacrosselibrary.org)

**Thursday, April 22**

**B.Y.O.B. Bring Your Own Book (Club)**

7:00 P.M.–8:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom

**Registration Required**

B.Y.O.B. (Club) is a non-traditional book club for adults. Instead of reading a predetermined title, participants meet online to share what they're currently reading. Whether you can't wait to talk up your new favorite title or just want to listen to the conversation, all are welcome to join! [Register online](#), or by emailing or calling Heather at [hmliller@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:hmliller@lacrosselibrary.org), or 608-789-7125.

**Sunday, April 25**

**History Club Monthly Meeting**

2:00 P.M.–3:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom

**Registration Required**

History Club is a forum for exploring La Crosse's history. Our goal is to collectively build, share, and preserve knowledge about our community's past. Functioning like a book club, the club leaders will announce biweekly activities and then facilitate a meeting on the last Sunday of every month to allow attendees to share thoughts, ideas, and experiences. [Register online](#)

## IDENTITY THEFT: Protect and Prevent



Monday, April 5th, 2021  
6:30pm - 7:30pm



Identity theft continues to be the fastest growing crime in the United States. The more you learn about it, the less vulnerable you are. The Wisconsin Bureau of Consumer Protection will explain the different types of identity theft, how to recognize it and how to prevent it – including information about Fraud Alerts and Security Freezes. Receive tips for safeguarding personal information and how to spot the red flags of a scam.

Jeff Kersten is the Agency Liaison for the Bureau of Consumer Protection within the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. As the Agency Liaison, Jeff travels around the state to educate the public, businesses and law enforcement on privacy protection, data security, identity theft, and other areas of consumer protection. Jeff has over 12 years of experience as a police officer and is a prior Consumer Protection Investigator for the Bureau of Consumer Protection. [Register on our events calendar.](#)



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## 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