

# LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



**December 2020**

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

We will keep you updated as we move toward resuming those services.



## BOOK BUNDLES TO GO

**Need something new to read?  
In a hurry and not sure what to request? Try a Book Bundle To Go!**

Each bundle has 3-5 books grouped together by format, topic or genre for children, teens and adults! If you have a specific bundle request you can call us at 608-789-7128, print and drop off the form on the next page, or fill out a request online [here](#).

**Please Note: The library will be closed December 24 and 25 for Christmas and December 31 and January 1 for New Years**

### Main Library

800 Main Street  
(608) 789-7100

**Monday–Tuesday** 10 A.M.–6 P.M.  
**Wednesday** Closed  
**Thursday–Friday** 10 A.M.–6 P.M.  
**Saturday** 1 P.M.–5 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**

# BOOK BUNDLES!



Book Bundles are a service to help you get quick access to a variety of reading material for all ages. If you've missed browsing our book shelves, use Book Bundles to browse a sample from home. Book Bundles are 3–5 books grouped together by format, topic or genre. Please allow up to 72 hours for your request to be filled.

This form may be brought back to the La Crosse Public Library or you may also call the library to place your book bundle order at 608-789-7128. You will be contacted when your bundle is available for pickup. [You can also fill out the form online.](#)

## Book Bundle Request

\* Required Fields

\*Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Library Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\* We can contact you by email or phone, please provide at least one of these

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

What are some books or authors you've enjoyed?

What are some books or authors that you DIDN'T enjoy?

What are you looking for in your next book?

### Reading Preferences

- |  |  |                                     |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biography       | <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter Book (kids) | <input type="checkbox"/> Fantasy    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Gentle Reads        | <input type="checkbox"/> Mystery    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inspirational   | <input type="checkbox"/> Graphic Novel       | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Science Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Picture Book (kids) | <input type="checkbox"/> Romance    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____     |  |                                     |

### Would you prefer to avoid any of the following?

We will do our best to not include these items in your reading suggestions, but we cannot guarantee that our recommendations will meet these requests 100%

- |   |   |                                   |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Content | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Language | <input type="checkbox"/> Violence |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|

### Reading Level (choose all that apply)

- |                                |                               |                                |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Teen | <input type="checkbox"/> Child |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|

### Preferred Formats (choose all that apply)

- |                                      |                                    |                                     |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hardcover   | <input type="checkbox"/> Paperback | <input type="checkbox"/> Book on CD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large Print |                                    |                                     |

# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

## Music With Mr. Evan

**Tuesdays, December 1, 8, & 15**

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 now](#) to get the Zoom log-in information. **Best for children ages 0-5 and their adults.**



**Stop in during our open hours now through Dec 14 to pick up your fun weekly craft for kids! Some craft activities may require caregiver assistance.**



## Advent Calendar Book Bundle

Are you looking for a fun child-friendly Advent calendar for the holidays? Let the library help you! Give us a call at 608-789-7128 to request your bundle.

We're happy to pull 25 (or more!) books for your family to borrow. We can pick based on your child's interests, including some holiday favorites, and more! Wrapping not included.

# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING



## Dear Friend: LPL Pen Pal

Best for ages 0-18

Do you love getting mail?

Your librarians would love to  
be your Pen Pal!

Simply mail us a letter, place it in the dropbox, or bring it inside, and a librarian friend will write you back! Be sure to write your address on the envelope or your library card number, and we will get a letter and a fun surprise in the mail to you. You can address the envelope as:

**Library Pen Pal**  
**800 Main St.**  
**La Crosse, WI 54601**

## Dial-A-Story

**608-789-8191**

Each week hear a new story from  
your favorite librarians!



## Lego Challenge

**Thursday, December 3**

4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

*Online: Zoom*

*Registration Required*

It doesn't matter if you're a master builder or a complete rookie, this challenge is for you! We'll be doing a variety of mini-competitions ranging from tic-tac-toe to brain puzzles to charades so grab your Legos and let's have some fun!

[Register via our events calendar.](#)

## Teen Crafty Time: Sticky Notes

**Thursday, December 17**

4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

*Online: Zoom*

*Registration Required*

We'll be making a few holiday-themed crafts with one of our favorite things in the world—sticky notes! *Supplies can be picked up at the Main Library starting Monday, December 14 but are limited.*

[Register via our events calendar.](#)





## ADULT PROGRAMMING



## Thursday, December 3

6:30 P.M.—7:30 P.M.

*Online: Zoom – **Registration Required***

If we have not started decorating already, the Holidays are just around the corner - a time of joy and stress! Join us as we discuss tips to navigate the “new normal” this Holiday season, along with ways to practice wellbeing that really works for us. Register below to receive the Zoom link then stop by the La Crosse Public prior to the program to pick up your free Holiday Self-Care Kit! [Register online here.](#)



## Monday, December 7

6:30 P.M.—8:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom – **Registration Required**

From budgeting to negotiating, this class walks you through the car buying process so you get the best deal on the best car for you. Presented by Chaya Milchtein from Mechanic Shop Femme. [Register online](#) or by contacting Payge at 608-789-7145 or [prustad@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:prustad@lacrosselibrary.org).

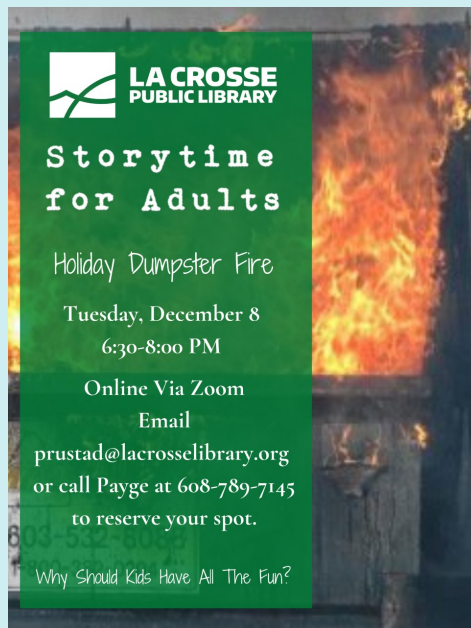
## Tuesday, December 8

6:30 P.M.—8:00 P.M.

*Online: Zoom*

## Registration Required

Join us virtually to hear short stories, book excerpts and poems read by library staff as well as some of our best previous community guests Register by contacting Payge at [prustad@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:prustad@lacrosselibrary.org) or 608-789-7145.



**Thursday, December 10**

## Bizarre History of Wisconsin

7:00 P.M.—8:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom-**Registration Required**

Chad Lewis showcases over 100 bizarre newspaper stories from WI that have not been seen in over 100 years. This program provides a time portal back to the state's early days when it was filled with strange deaths, ghosts, sea serpents, peculiar people, medical anomalies, oddities, psychic phenomena, and UFOs. [Register online](#) or by contacting Payge at 608-789-7145 or [prustad@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:prustad@lacrosselibrary.org).

**Tuesday, December 15**

## Enduring Families Project Screening

6:30 P.M.—8:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom-**Registration Required**

We invite you to join us for an evening with the Enduring Families Project as they debut their next two videos. Begun as a bus tour in 2018, this important and growing theatre project brings to life the stories of early African Americans who lived in La Crosse from its beginnings.

The program will begin with the two newly completed videos, filmed using local historical homes as a backdrop to lend historic authenticity to the telling of the stories followed by a panel discussion with the project leads. This event will be held via Zoom. You will be sent the meeting information the week of the event. [Register online](#) or contact Payge at 608-789-7145 or [prustad@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:prustad@lacrosselibrary.org).

**Thursday, December 17**

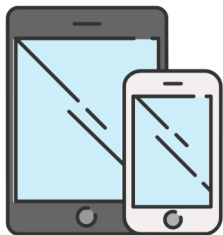
## B.Y.O.B. Bring Your Own Book (Club)

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 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 contact Heather at 608-789-7125 or [hmillers@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:hmillers@lacrosselibrary.org).

# TECHNOLOGY



## New Device Drop-In

11:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.

**Thursday, December 3**  
**Thursday, December 17**

1407 St. Andrew Street

Did you recently get a new phone or tablet? Have some questions about it? We will be here to help figure out some answers. Please make sure your device is charged and that you have your passwords handy. **\*Note:** this is located offsite, at the St. Andrew Street Center.

## Computer Access Inside the Library

**Scheduled access to computer and printing services will be available:**

**Monday & Tuesday: 10 A.M.–1 P.M. and 3–6 P.M.**

**Thursday & Friday: 10 A.M.–1 P.M. and 3–6 P.M.**

**Saturday: 1–5 P.M.**

This access is by appointment only. Patrons can make those appointments by calling 608-789-7122 or emailing [refdesk@lacrosselibrary.org](mailto:refdesk@lacrosselibrary.org)



## Virtual Classes

The library is partnering with Parks and Recreation to move our in-person classes online. To register for these classes, please call the South Side Neighborhood Center (SSNC) at 608-789-8298. Once we have a registration list, library staff will email out the Zoom webinar link.

**Thursday, December 3, 12:00 P.M.–1:00 P.M.**

### Health and Fitness Apps

*Online: Zoom*

**Registration Required**

We will share some of our favorite ways to track our health and fitness. We are hoping you have a few to share, too!

**Tuesday, December 15, 10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M.**

### Book and Audiobook Apps

*Online: Zoom*

**Registration Required**

We will cover the library's vast e-book and audiobook collection and also talk about other popular apps that offer free and cheap downloads.

## 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

☐ Renewal

☐ Family: \$25

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

☐ Lifetime: \$500

☐ Special gift: \_\_\_\_\_ (please indicate amount)

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

☐ Cash

I'd like to receive my newsletter via:

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

☐ 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