

LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



March 2021

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Share your thoughts on energy for La Crosse's Climate Action Plan

The City of La Crosse is kicking off a Climate Action Plan and we want your input on how you think about and use energy. Your responses will help us craft goals and strategies for our action plan to engage the La Crosse community to reduce their carbon footprint. All responses will remain anonymous and the survey should only take 10-15 minutes. Spread the word and follow this link to complete the survey by March 5th

<https://arccg.is/1SXaub>



The La Crosse Arts Board asked area artists to use their talents and vision to capture “The Moment” with two-dimensional works of art that reflect on the major issues of 2020: COVID-19, racial injustice, political division, and climate change.

The artwork will be on display at the La Crosse Public Library– Main Branch location beginning March 8.

Finalists:

Luke Achterberg
Scott Cheek
Lori Ehlke
Ashton Hall
Tim Hammond

Abby Johnson
Jacqueline Olson
Tommy Orrico
Dylan Overhouse
Seth Polfus

Colleen Shore
Marcia G. Thompson
Tiana Traffas

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

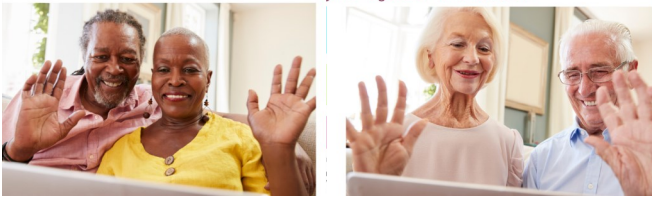
Temporarily Closed

North Community Library

1552 Kane Street
(608) 789-7102

Temporarily Closed

MONDAY MORNINGS AT MAIN



Mondays, 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

Online: Zoom

Registration Required

Register on our [events calendar](#),
by emailing hmiller@lacrosselibrary.org,
or by calling Heather at 608-789-7125.
Login early (9:30) to enjoy social time
before the start of the program!

**You will be sent the meeting information
the morning of the event.**

*Monday Mornings at Main is funded through a
grant from the Gert Salzer Gordon Trust.*

March

- 1 **Odd Wisconsin** presented by Michael Edmonds
- 8 **Exploring the Genius of Beethoven** presented by Maestro Alexander Platt
- 15 **Staying as Safe as You Can: Online Security & Privacy** presented by Lindsay Schmitt
- 22 **Nutrition Lessons from The Blue Zones** presented by Jordan Murray, Riverside Corporate Wellness
- 29 **Joyful Living** presented by Mayo Clinic Health Systems

Join us each Monday for lifelong learning for
ages 50 and better!

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 & BOOK BUNDLES



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. Not ready to browse on your own yet or just not sure what to read? Try a book bundle!

Book Bundles are a service to help you get quick access to a variety of reading material for all ages. They are 3–5 books grouped together by format, topic or genre. Please allow up to 72 hours for your request to be filled.

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

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%

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Content | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Language | <input type="checkbox"/> Violence |
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Reading Level (choose all that apply)

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Teen | <input type="checkbox"/> Child |
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Preferred Formats (choose all that apply)

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

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Storytime Shorts

All Ages

Mondays

4:00 P.M. – 4:15 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

Tuesdays and Thursdays

March 2– March 30

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](#).



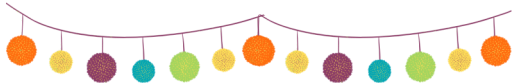
Craft-a-Palooza

Monday, March 29

11 A.M.

Online: YouTube and Facebook

Craft to be determined. A how-to video will be posted to both the library's [Facebook](#) and [YouTube page](#)



Kids and Caregivers Book Club:

Black Lives Matter

Thursday, March 25

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.](#)

Mini + Me Yoga with Palm + Pine

Fridays, March 12-26

10:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

Online: Zoom

Registration Required

Spend a special 30 minutes bonding, playing and practicing yoga with your mini! This class will support your little one's development in body, mind and emotional awareness through song and dance and learning about yoga in a fun, interactive way! Special needs welcome!

Intended for 6-months to 6-years-old kids and their caregivers. [Register on the events calendar](#)



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**



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!

March 4: Occupational Therapy with Laura Kish from Wonderland Therapy

March 11: TBD

March 18: TBD

March 25: TBD

[Register online on
our events calendar](#)

Murder Mystery Escape Room

March, February 4

4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

Online: Zoom

Registration Required

You are an amateur detective and are attending a party when there is a murder. The body had obviously been moved when it was discovered and now you have sequestered all of the suspects in the ballroom and the household staff in the kitchen. You must discover the identity of the murderer, where it happened and with what weapon in order to escape the mansion! **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, March 4, 6:00 P.M.–7:00 P.M.

How to use Zoom—Virtual

Online: Zoom

Learn how to make a free Zoom account, schedule and invite people to meetings, and use various features like chatting, sharing your screen, and recording.

Thursday, March 11, 11:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.

Facebook Privacy and Security—Virtual

Online: Zoom

We'll go through Facebook's account settings and explain the important ones to know about.

Thursday, March 18, 1:00 P.M.–2:00 P.M.

Facebook Privacy and Security

Black River Beach Neighborhood Center

We'll go through Facebook's account settings and explain the important ones to know about.

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, March 11

Thursday, March 25

Thursday, April 8

Thursday, April 22



Thursday, March 25, 6:00 P.M.–7:00 P.M.

Tech Help Drop In: Zoom Edition

Online: Zoom

Have questions you'd like to ask but would prefer to stay socially distanced? We'll do our best to answer your tech questions during this Zoom session. To register call the South Side Neighborhood Center at 608-789-8298.

Computer Access Inside the Library

**Access to computer
and printing services
will be available:**

Monday—Saturday: 10 A.M.—6 P.M.



ADULT PROGRAMMING

Tuesday, March 9

Storytime for Adults: Failure is Impossible

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](#)

Saturday, March 13

Chapters: The Secret, Book & Scone Society

10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M.

Online: Zoom

Registration Required

Join in our Chapters book discussion of *The Secret, Book & Scone Society* by Ellery Adams. [Register online](#), by emailing lschoen@lacrosselibrary.org, or calling 608-789-7130.

Thursday, March 18

Mindful Makers: Vision Boards

7:00 P.M.–8:00 P.M.

Online: Zoom

Registration Required

Join us for Mindful Makers, a new program series integrating creativity with mind and body wellness. During this session, we'll embrace the change of a new season of awe and wonder and creatively cast our visions for the future. Craft supplies will be provided and registration is required to participate in this online program. [Register Online](#), or by calling or emailing Heather at 608-789-7125 or hmillers@lacrosselibrary.org

Thursday, March 25

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 hmillers@lacrosselibrary.org, or 608-789-7125.

Sunday, March 28

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](#)

STORYTELLING WITH FOOD

HUSHPUPPIES & HANDPIES

**Tues,
March 16**

6:30 P.M.



WITH CHEF
ADRIAN LIPSCOMBE



**LA CROSSE
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Food is who we are, where we come from, and our recipes tell a story...

Join locally renowned Chef, City Planner and Entrepreneur Adrian Lipscombe as she cooks live from her home kitchen and shares the heritage of Hush Puppies and Hand Pies. [Register online](#), or by calling or emailing Heather at 608-789-7125 or hmillers@lacrosselibrary.org



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Friends of the La Crosse Public Library

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La Crosse, WI 54601

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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

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La Crosse, WI 54601