

November & December 2019

@ The Livonia Public Library



» Upcoming Events

OCT. 28	Storytime Registration
NOV. 11	LIBRARY CLOSED
NOV. 21	Mug Meals
NOV. 21	Noontime Concert
NOV. 28-29	LIBRARY CLOSED
DEC. 5	Moon to Mars
DEC. 8	Merry & Bright
DEC. 17	Holiday Party
DEC. 19	Noontime Concert
DEC. 24-25	LIBRARY CLOSED
DEC. 31	LIBRARY CLOSED
JAN. 1	LIBRARY CLOSED

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STORYTIME PROGRAMS

Children's storytime and music programs are open to all children. All children younger than three years old must be accompanied by an adult (one child per adult), unless otherwise specified. Space is limited so register early!

Registration begins **Monday, October 28**. Register for storytimes in person or by phone.

BABY STORYTIME*

Ages 12 to 23 months with parent or loving caregiver. Songs, simple stories, and other activities that introduce our youngest patrons to the pleasures of the library. Registration required.

@ Civic Center:

Mondays, November 4–December 2 (no session November 11)
 Session 1 (12 to 17 months): 9:30-9:50 a.m.
 Session 2 (18 to 23 months): 10:30-10:50 a.m.

TODDLER STORYTIME*

Ages 24 to 36 months. Stories, fingerplays, and large movement activities for that terrific two in your life. Registration required.

@ Civic Center:

Thursdays, November 7 – December 5 (no session November 28)
 10:30-11 a.m.

@ Sandburg:

Wednesdays, November 6 – December 4
 *Drop-ins and siblings welcome.
 10:15-10:45 a.m.

@ Sandburg:

Thursdays, November 7 – December 5 (no session November 28)
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DROP IN STORYTIME

Ages 0-5. Stories, marches to musical instruments, fingerplays, and large-movement activities. Parents and siblings welcome to join in. No registration required.

@ Civic Center:

Thursdays, November 7 – December 5 (no session November 28)
 9:30-10 a.m.

BEDTIME STORYTIME

Ages 1-6. Join us for a relaxing, lullaby-inspired quiet evening storytime. Children are encouraged to come in their jammies! No registration required. Come when you can!

@ Civic Center:

Thursdays, November 7 – December 5 (no session November 28)
 6:30-7 p.m.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME*

Ages 3 to 5. Enjoy stories, songs, and more!
 Registration required.

@ Civic Center:

Tuesdays, November 5 – December 3
 10-10:30 a.m.

@ Sandburg:

Wednesdays, November 6 – December 4
 *Drop-ins and siblings welcome.
 11-11:30 a.m.

@ Sandburg:

Thursdays, November 7 – December 5 (no session November 28)
 *Drop-ins and siblings welcome.
 11-11:30 a.m.

MUSICAL MAYHEM*

All ages welcome. Fun with action songs, fingerplays, instruments, beanbags, parachute time, and a short story. Parents and siblings welcome to join in. Registration required. Drop-ins will be allowed if space permits.

@ Civic Center:

Wednesdays, November 6 – December 4
 10-10:30 a.m. AND 11-11:30 a.m.

DROP-IN PLAYDATE

All ages welcome. Missing storytime? We're having an informal play date! Grab your friends or come and meet some new ones! No registration required.

@ Sandburg:

Wednesday, October 30
 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

@ Sandburg:

Thursday, October 31
 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Registration for the Winter Storytime Session begins
Monday, January 6, 2020

*Registration required. Register by phone or in person at the Children's reference desk.

LEGOS IN LIVONIA!

Grades 5-8. We have LEGOs, and lots of them! Join us for LEGO Free Play in our Storytime Room. No registration required.

@ Civic Center:

Saturdays, November 9 and December 7
1-4 p.m.

DOMINO CLUB*

Grades 4-8. Meet new friends and improve your domino building skills and techniques. This Club will meet quarterly (February, May, August, and November). Registration required.

@ Civic Center:

Saturday, November 23
1-2:30 p.m.

CRAYONS, GLITTER, AND GLUE

Ages 3 to 6. Join us for stories and some messy art. Dress for a mess! No registration required.

@ Sandburg:

Wednesdays, December 11 and 18
10:30-11:15 a.m.

@ Sandburg:

Thursdays, December 12 and 19
10:30-11:15 a.m.

SCAVENGER HUNTS

All ages welcome. Can you find all of the special characters hidden across the children's room? Find all 6 of them, tell a librarian, and get a special prize to take home!

@ Civic Center:

November Hunt: Peanuts Characters
December Hunt: Sesame Street

1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN*

It's easy to participate in this FREE program which encourages parents to read 1,000 books with their Preschoolers. Mark off the books you have read on your reading log. When you reach 100, show us your log to receive your prize and your new reading log. As children reach their milestones, their names will be displayed in the Livonia Public Libraries on our walls of fame. Come in and sign up today! You will get your log when you register, or you can download the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten iPhone App.



**MERRY & BRIGHT:
HOLIDAY PARADE AND TREE LIGHTING**
All ages welcome. Holiday Celebration Parade— Santa Claus Comes to Town! Join us along the parade route (Stark to Lyndon to Farmington to City Hall) ending at City Hall where Santa and Mrs. Claus will light the City's Tree. After the tree lighting, stroll over to the Robert and Janet Bennett Civic Center Library for crafts, refreshments, a special performance, and a visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

@ Civic Center:
Sunday, December 8
4-8 p.m.

CRAFTS @ THE HOLIDAY PARADE AND TREE LIGHTING
Ages 2 -12. Join us after the Holiday Parade and Tree Lighting for some holiday crafts (materials and instructions provided by the library). Adult supervision required.

@ Civic Center:
Sunday, December 8
5-8:00 p.m.

HOLIDAY CRAFTS—ART ALA CARTE
Ages 2 -12. Drop in and make some festive holiday crafts (materials provided by the library). Adult supervision required.

@ Civic Center:
December 10-30
During normal library hours

HOLIDAY PARTY
All ages welcome. Join us for a fun family evening of running model trains, creating holiday crafts, yummy treats, giveaways and a special meet-and-greet from 6-7 p.m. with Princess Elsa and Olaf from Frozen!

@ Sandburg:
Tuesday, December 17
5:30-7:30 p.m.

*Registration required. Register by phone (734) 466-2493, or in person at the Children's reference desk.

TEEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Join our Teen Advisory Committee and offer input to Teen Service Librarians on our Teen collections and programs. Interested Teens can come to our meetings at 6 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month in the Bennett Civic Center branch meeting rooms. Volunteer credits available.

@ Civic Center:

Thursdays, November 7 and December 5
6-7 p.m.

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

Join the exciting adventure led by our experienced Dungeon Master. Character sheets will be provided, but feel free to bring your own. All experience levels are welcome!

@ Civic Center:

Mondays, November 18 and December 16
5:30-8:30 p.m.



GIRLS WHO CODE CLUB*

Grades 6-12. Girls (including those who identify as girls) are invited to join our weekly Girls Who Code Club running September 21-December 14. Learn computer coding, graphics, and website development! The Club meets in the 3rd floor conference Room. Please contact Ny Derry at nyderry@gmail.com for more information. Online registration required. *Participants must bring their own laptop.*

@ Civic Center:

Saturdays, September 21-December 14
High School students: 1-2 p.m.
Middle School students: 2-3 p.m.



WATERCOLOR LEAF ART

Grades 7-12. Learn to make a beautiful piece of fall-inspired watercolor art. All supplies will be provided. No registration required.

@ Civic Center:

Thursday, November 14
7-8:30 p.m.

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Calling all Otaku! Starting February 2020, we will be starting an Otaku club at the Bennett Civic Center Library! Email Noelle Lomas (nlomas@livoniapubliclibrary.org) with your suggestions for Anime, Japanese snacks, or crafts.

Please check our website to confirm program dates and times.

Mug Meals



MUG MEALS*

Grades 7-12. Learn how to make an entire day's meals using a mug and a microwave in this series. Participants are required to bring one extra-large microwavable mug. Please register for the option you would like to make (1 meal per person).

Dessert*

In our Dessert Edition, participants will make microwave Rice Krispie treats or chocolate peanut butter cake. Registration required beginning Monday, October 21.

@ Civic Center:

Thursday, November 21
7-8:30 p.m.

TEEN VOLUNTEERS*

The Teen Volunteer program is designed to give teens an opportunity to earn community service credit as well as to provide a "real world" working experience so they can begin building a work history.



Teen volunteers are scheduled for 2 hours a week and generally perform the following tasks: maintain tidiness of library shelves, assist with program preparations, assist librarians during programs, assist with library collection assessment (weeding), and other special projects as assigned. If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out the form at livonialibrary.info/support/#volunteering. Contact Noelle Lomas, Teen Services Librarian, at (734) 466-2485 or nlomas@livoniapubliclibrary.org for more info.

@ Civic Center:

By appointment only

HARRY POTTER CLUB



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Recommended for ages 11 and up

Join us for the EIGHTH year of Harry Potter Club! We are going to have a magical year filled with Quidditch, feasts, crafts, and fun! Get sorted into a Hogwarts House and compete for the House Cup! The first term begins September 5 and runs through December 12. We meet Thursdays from 5-6 p.m. in the meeting rooms at the Bennett Civic Center Library.

@ Civic Center:

Thursdays, beginning September 5
5-6 p.m.



save the date ————— 

HARRY POTTER CLUB ANNUAL YULE BALL

Ages 11 and up. Harry Potter Club members are invited to a night of "well-mannered frivolity" complete with scavenger hunts, gnome tossing, crafts, dancing, refreshments, and more! Come dressed to impress in finery or cosplay. No registration required. Doors for this after-hours event open at 6:45 p.m.

@ Civic Center:

Saturday, January 4, 2020
7-10 p.m.

HOLIDAY CARDBMAKING*

Add a personal touch to your holiday plans by constructing your own beautiful handmade cards! Registration required beginning Tuesday, October 15.

@ Civic Center:

Tuesday, November 5
6:30-8 p.m.

MARBLE MUGS *

Join us for a tutorial on how to make marbled mugs! Participants may bring their own white or pale-colored mug, or use the ones provided. Registration required (please register for ONE session only) beginning Sunday, October 13. Register online or call (734) 421-6600 or (248) 893-4010.

@ Sandburg:

Wednesday, November 13 (session I)
2-3 p.m.

@ Sandburg:

Thursday, November 14 (session II)
3-4 p.m.

FOSTER CARE IN MICHIGAN

Steven Able of the Judson Center will discuss the shortage of foster and adoptive homes in Michigan, and will provide information about resources available to foster and adoptive families in the community.

@ Civic Center:

Thursday, November 14
7-8:30 p.m.

HOLIDAY CARDBMAKING WORKSHOP*

Learn how to create beautiful home-made greeting cards! Materials and supplies provided. There is no cost but registration is required.

@ Sandburg:

Thursday, November 14
12:30-2 p.m.

PUZZLE ART*

Join us for a night of creating with puzzle pieces. Come make a beautiful piece of art work with loose puzzle pieces. Registration required beginning Friday, October 18.

@ Civic Center:

Monday, November 18
7-8 p.m.

FINANCIAL AND ESTATE PLANNING FOR BABY BOOMERS AND THEIR PARENTS

Baby boomers are often caught in the middle of planning their own retirement while worrying about their parents. Ken Bloom will discuss the importance of both baby boomers and their parents having proper financial and estate plans in place as they age.

@ Civic Center:

Wednesday, November 20
7-8:30 p.m.

COMPUTER INSTRUCTION

Our staff can assist you with computer and eReader basics.



E-READER INSTRUCTION*

We provide one-on-one instruction on using your tablet/nook/kindle/iPad to checkout and download books from our eBook collections. This service is for Livonia residents only since you need to have a valid Livonia library card to check out our eBooks.

@ Civic Center:

By appointment only

ONE-ON-ONE TUTORING*

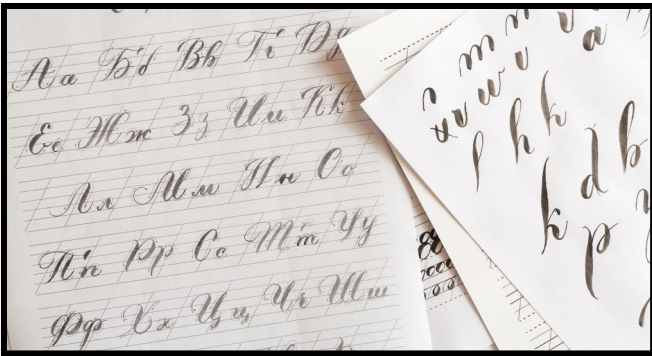
Need help with computer basics, e-mail, word processing, or other computer-related topics? One-on-one tutoring sessions are available. Call the Civic Center Adult Reference Desk at 734-466-2490 for available dates and times. Registration is required.

@ Civic Center:

By appointment only

Did you log 100 books in 2019 for the **100 Books** challenge? Then keep an eye on your inbox for an invite to our recognition reception in January 2020!

Please check our website to confirm program dates and times.



CALLIGRAPHY BASICS WITH WINK COVINTREE*

Learn all about the tools and basic calligraphy techniques just in time for holiday greeting cards and crafts in this free program. Registration required beginning Friday, November 1.

@ Civic Center:
Tuesday, December 3
7-8:30 p.m.

FROM THE MOON TO MARS

NASA Solar System Ambassador, Jennifer Ayala, will talk about plans for the Orion spacecraft and new SLS rocket that will take humans farther into space than they have ever gone before.

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Thursday, December 5
7-8 p.m.

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Join us every month for a special concert that will entertain audiences of all ages. All concerts take place in the Bennett Civic Center Library Atrium, begin at 12:15 p.m., and are free to attend. Bring your brown bag lunch and enjoy the show. Co-sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission.



HARMONYTOWN CHORUS, Thursday, November 21

These longtime performers look forward to this concert almost as much as the audience!

SILVER STRINGS DULCIMER SOCIETY, Thursday, December 19

Strings are playing in the Atrium...Jack Frost nipping at your nose... Holiday music being played by the group...And folks dressed up like Eskimos... Everybody knows the Silver Strings are playing today...For kids from one to ninety-two...Although it's been said many times many ways... The Dulcimers are here for you!



BOOK CLUBS

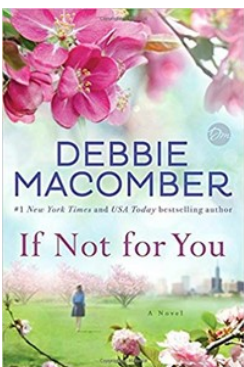
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POSITIVE PAGES BOOK GROUP

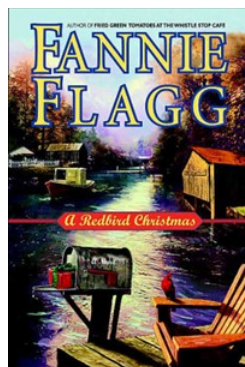
Tired of gloomy weather and bad news? Join us for a new Book Group featuring gentler reads. For more information, contact Librarian Mable Doot at 734-466-2484.

THURSDAY AFTEROON BOOK CLUB

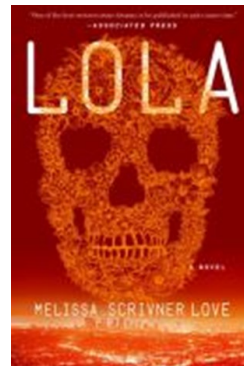
Discussion is led by Librarian Kristy Chase. For more information call Kristy at (734) 466-2156.



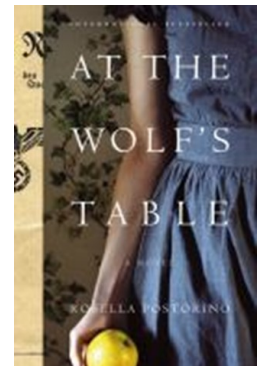
@ Civic Center:
Tuesday, November 5
If Not for You
by Debbie Macomber
10 a.m to 12 p.m.



@ Civic Center:
Tuesday, December 3
A Redbird Christmas
by Fannie Flagg
10 a.m to 12 p.m.



@ Civic Center:
Thursday, November 21
Lola
by Melissa Scrivner Love
1-2:30 p.m.



@ Civic Center:
Thursday, December 19
At the Wolf's Table
by Rosella Postorino
1-2:30 p.m.



All movies are free and no registration is required. Films are subject to change. Contact the Library to confirm titles.

**INTERNATIONAL FILM SERIES
(FORMERLY FILM MOVEMENT SERIES)**

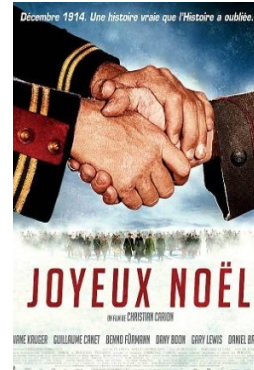
Join us each month to watch a contemporary or classic foreign film. All films are previewed and selected by a librarian, and will be shown with English subtitles. Due to their sometimes mature themes and content, these films are recommended for adult audiences (sorry, no food or drink allowed).

SATURDAY CINEMA

All ages welcome; young children must be accompanied by an adult. Join us every month for a free G or PG-rated film (sorry, no food or drink allowed).



@ Civic Center:
Saturday, December 14
2:30 p.m.
Wonder Park (PG)
85 minutes



@ Civic Center:
Monday, December 16
6:30 p.m.
Joyeux Noel (2005)
France, 116 minutes

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES

Each month enjoy a different classic film (sorry, no food or drink allowed).



@ Civic Center:
Wednesday, December 11
2 p.m.
It Happened on 5th Avenue (1947)
116 minutes

There will be limited movie showings this fall due to the auditorium renovation at the Bennett Civic Center Library. We are working hard to improve the space for our community. Our sincerest thanks for your patience and support during this time.



*Merry
-&-
Bright*

HOLIDAY PARADE AND TREE LIGHTING

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4-8 p.m.**

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In Memory of Janet Bennett

1930 – 2019

Former Livonia First Lady Janet Bennett, wife of the late Mayor Robert Bennett, passed away Sunday, September 29th.

Janet and Robert Bennett were longtime volunteers across our community, leading efforts that supported Greenmead, the Civic Center Library, and the Livonia Symphony Orchestra. In recognition of their lifetime of work, Robert and Janet Bennett were awarded Livonia First Citizen honors. The Civic Center Library was dedicated as The Robert and Janet Bennett Civic Center Library on Aug. 28, 2017.



All Livonia Libraries will be closed:

November 11
 November 28-29
*Libraries will close at 5 p.m.
 on Wednesday, November 27*
 December 24-25 and
 December 31-January 1



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EXHIBITS

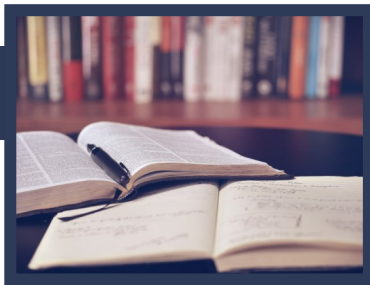


The Livonia Arts Commission maintains a one thousand square foot art gallery on the second floor at Civic Center Library. Call Community Resources at (734) 466-2540 for exhibit information.



NOVEMBER 2019	"The Collective"
DECEMBER 2019	Jim Aho, photography

Check your local branch for other rotating exhibits.



MEMORIAL AND COMMEMORATIVE DONATIONS

A gift to the Livonia Public Library's collection is a unique and special way to pay tribute to friends and family. For more information go to livoniapubliclibrary.org and click on **Donations**.

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING DONORS ...

Kathleen Monroe

IN MEMORY OF ...

Mary and Maurie Wildt
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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Library are an active group of volunteers with over 800 members. The mission of the Friends is to provide support for the services and programs of the Livonia Public Library.



THE FRIENDS USED BOOK STORE

The Used Book Store was opened by the Friends in June 2006. The store is run completely by volunteers and stocked with donations from the community.

The Friends Book Store at the Bennett Civic Center Library is open on:

Mon: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Tue & Wed: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Thur & Sat: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Book Store phone: (734) 466-2495

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LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING DATES

4 p.m.

Monday, November 18 Alfred Noble Library
Monday, December 16 Bennett Civic Center Library

ROBERT AND JANET BENNETT

CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY

32777 Five Mile Road
(734) 466-2491

Mon - Thurs: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Fri & Sat: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sun*: 1-5 p.m.

*(during the school year)

CARL SANDBURG LIBRARY

30100 Seven Mile Road
(248) 893-4010

Tue: 12-8 p.m.

Thurs: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

ALFRED NOBLE LIBRARY

32901 Plymouth Road
(734) 421-6600

Due to a building problem, Alfred Noble Library will be closed until further notice.

VEST POCKET LIBRARY

15218 Farmington Road
(734) 466-2559

Mon - Fri: 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



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