



Special Needs Matinees

Join us for a family and sensory friendly movie one Sunday a month at 1:15 pm in the Brecon Room. Newcomers are always welcome.

- January 8—The Smurfs
- February 12—Happy Feet 2
- March 11—Puss in Boots
- May 13—The Muppets
- June 10—Judy Moody and the Not Bummer Summer



Happy New Year from the Director!

Many of us start the year with resolutions on diets, exercise, or other behavior changes. How about resolving to visit the library regularly and explore new offerings? We're all comfortable with what we know, but there is so much more to discover! Let me suggest 5 things that might be new to you.

- Specialized online databases such as Ancestry.com or Consumer Reports. Research your family tree or shop for the best appliances or eBook readers.
- Don't have time to sit and read? Find your favorite author in a different format. Download an audiobook, or check out a Playaway or book on CD. Listen to your choices while driving, walking, or cleaning.

Adult Internet Classes

Classes held in the Computer Room. Registration is required; call 429-5450 or sign up at the Reference Desk.

Introduction to the Internet

- Thursday, January 19, 6:30-7:30 pm
 - Thursday, March 22, 6:30-7:30 pm
- Learn basic Internet search methods. No Internet experience required, but you should be comfortable using a mouse. Registration required.

Download Digital Media

- Tuesday, January 24, 7-8 pm
 - Friday, February 3, 10-11 am
- Learn how to check out and download free eBooks and audiobooks on a computer, a Nook, a Kindle, and an MP3 player with *Download Destination*. Registration required.

Internet Practice Workshop

- Thursday, January 26, 6:30-7:30 pm
 - Thursday, March 29, 6:30-7:30 pm
- Review and practice your Internet search skills. Learn some Google tips. Introduction to the Internet or similar experience and registration are required.

- Movies! They're free! There are over 7,000 titles to choose from, and you can use your library card to check out up to 5 DVDs for 7 days.
- Curious about Saline's past? Check out the digital photos collections on the library's website for great historical photos.
- I can't quit with 5; I'm going to have to add some extras! Did you know that we have a MEETING ROOM available for public use? Ask at the front desk for more information. ART! Did you know that the library has monthly exhibits by local artists? And finally, we're here to HELP you. Our best moments are when we can help people find what they're looking for. Please ask. Happy Discoveries!

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Gatherings

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library

Library Hours

Monday-Thursday 9 am—9 pm
Friday-Saturday 10 am—5 pm
Sunday 1—5 pm

Holiday Closings

April 8, May 26-28

Corner Book Shop

Saline's only used book shop! The Corner Book Shop, established and run by the Friends of Saline District Library and located within the library, features great inventory and even better prices. Hours are posted monthly at both library entrances and at salinelibrary.org/friends/calendar. For additional bargains, visit the Bag Sales, held on the 2nd Saturday of every month from 10 am-2 pm.

Donations of gently used books, games, CDs, and DVDs are gratefully accepted. New volunteers are always welcome, so consider becoming a Friend of the Library!

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Reading in the 21st century



Read animated stories

TumbleBooks is a fantastic online resource for animated, talking picture books, and many titles are iPad compatible. TumbleReadables also has early readers, chapter books, teen fiction, and classics. Listen to the book as you read along! Access this service from our Youth web pages.

Download free music

Books aren't the only media that can be downloaded with your library card. Download and keep up to 3 free and legal MP3 songs per week with Freegal Music. Choose from hundreds of thousands of popular songs in more than 100 genres.

Read a book

Technology is wonderful, but sometimes a book is even better. The library has more than 95,000 books to choose from. Whatever format you prefer, the library has it. Check it out and keep on reading!

There are more ways than ever before to enjoy a good book. Whether you want to download an eBook, listen to an audiobook, or read a paperback, the library has something for you!

Download a book

Saline residents can check out and download free eBooks on an eReader such as a Kindle or a Nook with Download Destination.

If you prefer to listen to a book, a great selection of audiobooks is also available. All you need is a library card, a pin number, and an Internet connection.

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Youth Activities

All programs are free and require advance registration. Please see the Youth Programs Brochure available in the library and online for details.

Preschool Storytimes

Babies (under 24 months), 2s & 3s, 4s & 5s, and Family Storytimes.

- Winter: January 15-February 24. 6 weeks. In-person registration begins Monday, January 2.
- Spring: March 11-April 27. 6 weeks. In-person registration begins Monday, February 27.

Kaleidoscope

A story and craft program for grades 1-5, held from 4:15-5:15 pm.



Pennies for Your Piggy Bank

February 29 & March 1. Register in person starting Monday, February 13.

Bead Buddies

May 1 & 2. Register in person starting Monday, April 16.

Thursday Book Groups

(Books are available in advance)

Chapter Champs

Elementary readers up through 4th grade meet from 4:15-5 pm on Thursdays, January 12, February 9, March 8, April 12, May 10.

Pageturners

Readers in grades 5 & up meet from 4:15-5 pm on Thursdays, January 19, February 16, March 15, April 19, May 17.

Family Science & Reading

Ann Arbor Exhibit Museum of Natural History staff present free parent/child workshops at the library on Saturdays at 3 pm, January 14, February 11, March 10. See Youth Brochure for registration dates.

Readers Bee

Thursday, January 26, 7-7:45 pm. Teams of book-lovers grades 4 & up meet head-to-head to identify books by one paragraph. Prizes! Registration begins Monday, January 9.



February is Family Reading Month

Take the Family Reading Challenge: pick up your Reading Bingo card starting January 23. Your family has 4 weeks to get 5-in-a-row and win books!

The Man from R.E.P.T.I.L.E

Thursday, February 2, 6:30-7:30 pm. Kindergarten and up. Learn fascinating reptile facts and meet live reptiles! Registration begins January 23.

Community Ed Junior Theater Sneak Preview

Get a taste of this year's musical production, "The Wizard of Oz." Watch for details.

Make-and-Take Week

Help us with spring cleaning! Make and take leftover storytime crafts during the week of April 1-7. No registration—drop in anytime.

National Library Week: Bingo for Books

Tuesday, April 10 or Wednesday, April 11, 4:15-5 pm. Students in grades 2-6 play Bingo to win books! In-person registration begins March 26.



Music by the Kerfuffles

Thursday, April 26, 7-7:45 pm. Bring the entire family for a great evening of musical fun. Registration begins Monday, April 9.

Just for Teens

Teen programs are for grades 6-12 unless otherwise noted and are held in the Brecon Room. Please sign up at the Reference Desk or call 429-5450.

Pizza & Pages

Teen book group meets one Thursday a month from 2:50-3:30 pm in the Brecon Room. Ages 12+. Books are available at the reference desk.

- January 12—*Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children*
- February 9—*Dingo*
- March 8—*The Hunger Games*
- April 12—*Across the Universe*
- May 10—*Half Brother*
- June 7—*Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist*

Found Item Crafting

Tuesday, January 17, 3-4 pm. Based on the wickedly awesome photographs in the book *Miss Peregrine's Home For Peculiar Children* (see Pizza & Pages above), we will create special photo albums and more with items that have been "found" in local thrift and antique stores. Bring up to 8 3"x5" photos to feature in your album. Registration required.



Wii Café for Teens

Wednesday, February 1, 3-4:30 pm. Wii, snacks, and more! Play *Super Smash Bros. Brawl*, *Wii Sports*, and other games. Registration required.

Mardi Gras Extravaganza

Tuesday, February 21, 3 pm. There's no better party than a Mardi Gras party! Join us for a rollicking afternoon of Cajun and Creole cuisine, make outrageous masks, and win beads at trivia. We'll finish the day with a homemade King Cake and crown the winner of the "lucky baby token" as SDL's Mardi Gras Royale. Registration required.

Anime Afternoons

Wednesdays on February 29, March 28, April 25 from 3-4:30 pm. Drop in for anime (PG-13) and munchies!

Hunger Games

Wednesday, March 21, 3-4 pm. Celebrate the *Hunger Games* trilogy by Suzanne Collins and the upcoming movie release with trivia, activities, and crafts. Registration required.



Greek Mythology

Wednesday, April 18, 4-5 pm. Percy Jackson fans take note! Come to an exciting program on Greek gods and myths with amazing artifacts by the Kelsey Museum of Archaeology. Grades 5 & up. Registration required.

Spa Creations

Tuesday, May 8, 3-4 pm. Join us for a relaxing day at the SDL spa. We will have different mud masks, scrubs, and aromatherapy to sample, as well as "make it and take it" sugar scrubs (great for a Mother's Day gift) and healthy, but yummy, spa cuisine. Treat yourself! Registration required.

Cake Popping

Wednesday, May 23, 3-4 pm. What's better than cake? Tiny cakes on a stick! Learn how to create this fun and tasty little snack to eat and share. Registration required.



BollyFit Belly (for females 13—adult)

Sunday, May 6, 2 pm, Brecon Room. Have you ever wondered about Belly dance or the choreographed moves from Bollywood films? BollyFit Belly is an exciting creation that fuses Bollywood with Middle Eastern dance styles. It is everything you love about BollyFit plus a core focus on strengthening the abs in a fun and natural way, with the fluidity, grace and strength of "belly dancing". No experience necessary! Registration required.

Adult Programs

If registration is required, please stop by the Reference Desk or call 429-5450.

Wednesday Book Group

Meets at 7 pm in the Brecon Room; newcomers are always welcome.

- January 11: *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein
- February 8: *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese
- March 14: *Let's Take the Long Way Home* by Gail Caldwell
- April 11: *Why My Third Husband Will Be a Dog or My Nest Isn't Empty, It Just Has More Closet Space* by Lisa Scottoline
- May 9: *The Tiger's Wife* by Tea Obreht



Winter Nesters Reading Program for Older Adults

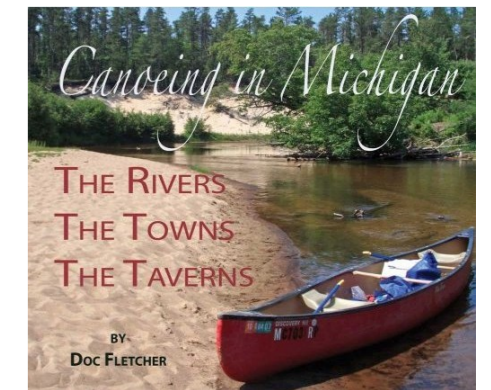
January 18-March 14. So, you're not a snow bird this year? The library and Saline Area Senior Center are teaming up again for a great Michigan winter. Register at the Senior Center, 7190 Maple Road, 429-9274; read 5 books; and pick up a prize at the library. A tea and raffle will be held at the Senior Center on March 14 at 9 am.

Movie Showing: The Long Walk Home

Tuesday, February 7, 6:30-8:30 pm, Brecon Room. If you liked *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett, you won't want to miss this film (PG) featuring Cissy Spacek and Whoopi Goldberg. We'll serve refreshments and invite your comments. Registration required.

Washtenaw Literacy

Monday, March 5, 7 pm, Brecon Room. You can make a difference! Learn how you can support literacy through tutoring with Washtenaw Literacy. Find out more by attending a one-hour information session; email info@washtenawliteracy.org or call 734-879-1320 to register.



Paddling Michigan's Hidden Beauty

Thursday, March 15, 7 pm, Brecon Room. PBS-featured Michigan author Doc Fletcher will present a photographic journey down Michigan rivers, sharing fun experiences and the history of riverside towns. At the end of the program there will be a drawing for a free day canoe or kayak trip, donated by various canoe and kayak liveries, and Doc will sign and sell his books. Registration required.



In Full Bloom: Flowers and Plants in Art

Sunday, April 22, 2 pm, Brecon Room. Celebrate spring by joining a representative from the Detroit Institute of Arts Speakers Bureau on a tour across continents and through history to discover the special meaning behind flowers and plants and their use in art. Registration required.