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# Loutit District Library

Expanding Horizons. Enriching Minds.  
Engaging Community.

## Recurring Programs

### Friday Matinee

Every Friday at 2:00 PM  
March Movies: *On The Basis of Sex, Queen of Katwe, Suffragette, Belle, The Marvels*  
April Movies: *Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny, Devotion, A Haunting in Venice, The Creator*  
May Movies: *The Greatest Game Ever Played, Emma, The Art of Racing in the Rain, The Greatest Showman, Mr. Holmes*

### Coffee & Genealogy

March 21, April 18, and May 16 at 2:00 PM  
Join Jeanette Weiden for a cup of coffee and a casual conversation about genealogy.

### Coffee & Coloring

Second and Fourth Thursdays at 10:00 AM  
Reduce stress, increase mindfulness, and connect with others during a morning of coloring!

### LDL Book Club

Fourth Wednesday of the month at 2:00 PM  
March 27: *Dictionary of Lost Words*  
April 24: *The Firekeeper's Daughter*  
May 22: *American Daughter*

### Kanopy Film Club

Thursday, March 28 at 6:00 PM - *Love & Mercy*  
Thursday, April 18 at 6:00 PM - Film TBA  
Thursday, May 23 at 6:00 PM - Film TBA

### Silent Book Club

Second Wednesday of the Month at 6:00 PM.  
Combines the joy of reading with the pleasure of quiet, shared company at Odd Side Ales.

### GenChat

March 5 and May 7 at 6:30 PM  
Join others and talk genealogy!

### Speed Friending

Wednesday, March 6 at 6:00 PM  
Ladies ages 65+  
Thursday, April 4 at 7:00 PM  
Ladies ages 30s-40s  
Thursday, May 16 at 7:00 PM  
All Inclusive for guys, gals, and nonbinary pals

### Sunday Concert Series

Sunday, March 10 at 2:00 PM  
GOTAK (Central Park Place Mackinaw Ballroom)  
Sunday, April 21 at 2:00 PM  
The Boogie Woogie Kid  
Sunday, May 19 at 2:00 PM  
Jim Cooper

## Spring happenings at the library...



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Loutit District Library

407 Columbus Ave, Grand Haven MI 49417  
616.850.6900 [www.loutitlibrary.org](http://www.loutitlibrary.org)

## Open Hours

Mon-Thu ... 10 AM - 8 PM

Friday ..... 10 AM - 6 PM

Saturday ... 10 AM - 2 PM

Sunday ..... 1 PM - 4 PM

## In this issue:

Learn all about the FREE programming we offer for all ages, from fun to educational

Plan a STEM-themed Spring Break at Loutit

Explore all we have to offer in Local History and Genealogy

All this and more at [loutitlibrary.org!](http://loutitlibrary.org)



# Youth & Teen Events

# General & Adult Events

## After-School Yoga

Monthly on Fridays at 5:00 PM  
March 22, April 19, May 17  
Best for 2nd - 5th graders

## Sensory Movie Mornings

Monthly on Saturdays at 10:30 AM  
March 9: *Brave*  
April 6: *WALL-E*  
May 4: *Moana*  
All ages are welcome!

## LEGO Afternoon

Monthly on Wednesdays at 4:00 PM  
March 6, May 1  
Special Spring Break extended hours  
Ages 4 and up

## Tween Writing Club

Monthly on Wednesdays at 4:00 PM  
March 13, April 10, May 8  
Best for grades 4th-6th

## Freestyle Drop-In Crafts

Monthly on Wednesdays 3:30 - 5:00 PM  
March 20 - Flat Marble Magnets  
April 17 - Shrinky Dinks  
May 15 - Mandala Sun Catcher  
Best for those in 3rd-12th grades

## StoryWalk® at Stearns Creek Park: The Earth Gives More

April 15-21  
7:00 AM - 10:00 PM  
Your hike will take you along an approximately .5 mile long natural surface trail.  
All ages!

## Storytimes

Preschool Storytime - Tuesdays at 10:00 & 11:00 AM  
Library Littles Baby Storytime - Thursdays at 10:00 & 11:00 AM  
Saturday Family Storytime - March 16 at 11:00 AM

## Spring Break Events

### Solar Eclipse Explained with George Jaeger

Thursday, March 29 at 6:30 PM  
People who register will receive Eclipse glasses at the end of the program.  
A great program for all ages, kids, families, and adults!

### Kids Drop-In Crafternoon

Tuesday, April 2, 3:00 - 6:00 PM  
Supplies provided to create a Solar Eclipse Pinhole Viewer  
All Ages!

### LEGO Afternoon

Wednesday, April 3, 2:00 PM - 5:30 PM  
For ages four and up

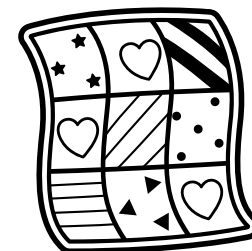
### Tech Take Apart

Thursday, April 4 at 2:00 PM  
Do you like to explore how things work? Are you interested in learning about technology? Do you love tearing things apart? Now is your chance to open up all sorts of old tech to see what's inside! Designed for those in grades 4th-12th.



## NEW Teen Volunteer Council

Sunday, March 24 at 2:00 PM  
Help create the new Teen Volunteer Council! You'll decide if this group will develop teen programs, spread the word about the library, assist with events for other ages, style the teen room, or other activities!  
Open to 7-12th graders.



## Quilt-Hop is Here!

Friday, March 1 - Sunday, March 31, in the Library's Upper Level Atrium  
March is National Quilting Month! Enjoy a month-long celebration of quilts, quilters, and quilting established more than 30 years ago. Your local libraries are celebrating with quilting events, displays, books, and more! Don't forget to 'hop' around to other participating libraries to check out local quilters' works.

### Rescuing Antique and Vintage Quilts

Tuesday, March 5 at 2:00 PM  
Discover the enchanting world of Crazy Victorian Embroidery Stitches, a unique and intricate style.

### Community Sew-In

Monday, March 18 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Work on your own project or contribute to the "Wonky Donkey" community outreach project.

### Adventures of a Beginning Quilter

Thursday, March 14 at 2:00 PM  
Embark on a quilting journey with Laura Marcus-Nolanas as she shares her story of starting as a hesitant beginner.

### Make and Take: Basket Quilt Blocks

Tuesday, March 26 at 2:00 PM  
Learn the art of crafting a charming quilt block featuring delightful basket designs.

### Ottawa County Parks: A Grand River

Thursday, March 7 at 6:00 PM  
Learn about the river as we explore the lower reaches in Ottawa County through our county parks along the Grand River Greenway.

### Hidden Figures - Women in Economics

Wednesday, March 27 at 6:00 PM

### DIY Series

Monday, April 8 at 6:00 PM: Book Folding - Butterfly  
Wednesday, May 15 at 6:00 PM: Hammered Flower Art  
Registration begins one week before program date.

### Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, March 11 from 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Monday, May 13 from 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

### SAAA Safe Eclipse Viewing

Thursday, April 4 at 6:00 PM  
The Shoreline Amateur Astronomical Association will inform on how to safely enjoy the solar eclipse.

### Birdhouse Building Basics

Saturday, March 23 at 11:00 AM

### OAIS Audubon Society

Thursday, March 19 at 6:00 PM - Outdoor Discovery Center/Conservation Services  
Thursday, April 16 at 6:00 PM - Kirtland's Warbler Overview and Future

### Star Wars Film Festival

Thursday, May 2 at 10:30 AM  
We will be screening the *Star Wars* prequel films in preparation for our Star Wars Trivia Night!

### TriviaNights at Odd Side Ales

Thursday, April 25 at 7:00 PM - Marvel  
Thursday, May 2 at 7:00 PM - Star Wars

### History Hounds Series

Monday, March 25 at 6:30 PM: Women Soldiers in the Civil War  
Monday, April 29 at 6:30 PM: The Wolves of Isle Royale  
Monday, May 20 at 6:30 PM: Mackinac's Island House Hotel

### Jigsaw Puzzle Contest

Sunday, March 17 at 1:30 PM  
Sunday, April 14 at 1:30 PM  
This is a team contest - each team can have from 1-4 members. Teams may arrive when the library opens to claim their table space and strategize.

### LDL Technology Help

During a one-hour session, staff are dedicated to empowering you with hands-on, one-on-one learning, which allows for a more personalized experience. Appointments available throughout the month.

## Local History

### Research without the Law Degree

Thursday, March 7 at 2:00 PM  
Learn how to use court records for genealogy research.

### Michigan Places in the "Green Book"

Thursday, March 21 at 6:30 PM  
Christine Byron will give an overview of the history of the Green Book and focus on places in Michigan that were listed in the travel guide.

### How To Do Comprehensive Genealogy Research

Thursday, May 16 at 6:00 PM

### Searching for Patty Hearst

Thursday, May 30 at 6:00 PM  
Join Roger Rapoport highlighting his newest novel.

To learn more about or register for programs, visit [loutitlibrary.org/calendar](http://loutitlibrary.org/calendar)

## Summer Reading Sign-Ups Start May 13!

Get ready for another summer of adventures! Our Grand Adventure Summer Reading Challenge will be back in full swing this June. More great prizes and challenges will be coming your way soon!

