

The Lyon Loop

News from the Lyon Township Public Library

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Cuddle up in front of the fire with a good book from your library!



What do chicks dig?



A big thank you to the Michigan Farm Bureau for bringing us this program for the 3rd year!

[Check out all the pictures and video of the chicks hatching at the library here!](#)

Follow them on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Tumblr!!!](#)

Savvy Social Security Planning



February 12, 6:15 pm

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[Click this link for more information and to register.](#)

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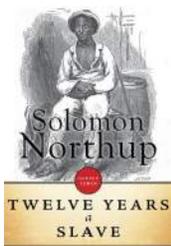
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Solomon Northrup's America (12 Years a Slave)

February 17, 6:30 pm

Presented by Roy E. Finkenbine

Northrup, a black man who was born free in New York, details his kidnapping in Washington, D.C., and subsequent sale into slavery. After having been kept in bondage for 12 years in Louisiana by various masters, Northrup was able to write



to friends and family in New York, who were in turn able to secure his release. Northup's account provides extensive details on the slave markets in Washington, D.C., and New Orleans and describes at length cotton and sugar cultivation on major plantations in Louisiana.

Roy E. Finkenbine is Professor of History and Director of the Black Abolitionist Archive at the University of Detroit Mercy. He specializes in African American history and the Civil War era. Among his publications are the five-volume Black Abolitionist Papers, 1830-1865 (1985-1992), Witness for Freedom: African American Voices on Race, Slavery, and Emancipation (1993), and Sources of the African American Past (1997, 2004). He frequently consults with local history museums and was recently reappointed by Gov. Snyder to the Michigan Freedom Trail Commission.

At present, he is writing a book tentatively titled Day of Reckoning; One Ex-Slave's Quest for Freedom, Citizenship, and Reparations. It was profiled in July 2012 in USA Today, the Washington Post, the London (England) Daily Mail, Huffington Post, and hundreds of other media outlets.

LTPL Grows!



Make a Terrarium or Dish Garden

February 7, 1:30 pm

Join us as we make terrariums and dish gardens from recycled materials. We will supply everything, but you can bring your own container if you prefer. This program is for teens aged 10 years and older.

[Please RSVP here.](#)

Seed Starting

February 26, 6:30 pm

It's time to think Spring! Pam Quackenbush will teach us all about the different kinds of seeds, treating seeds, growing seeds under lights, and much more!

LTPL Grows is an initiative that continues to build on our library's successful line-up of sustainable living programming. It began with our Seed Sharing Library, in which people can borrow seeds and grow them to produce food and then save seeds from their crops and return them to the library when the season is over.

This fall we debut our Demonstration Garden to the public. The garden plot was designed and built by **Matthew Deeds** as his Eagle Scout project.

LTPL Seed Sharing Library

Come in and "check out" some seeds from our new Seed Sharing Library! The LTPL Seed Sharing Library is a free program that lends seeds and encourages borrowers to return some seeds from their harvests to make the seed library self-sustaining. We are using our former card catalog to house and organize the seed collection.

[Click here for more information on our Seed Sharing Program!](#)

Genealogy News

Genealogy Book Club

February 12, 2:00 pm

Join us as we discuss

"Twelve Years a Slave" by Solomon Northrup. All are welcome!

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[Check out the complete listing of Genealogy Events here!](#)

Adult Events

[Book Discussion Group](#)

January 13, 7:00 pm

Join us as we discuss *"Kafka on the Shore" by Haruki Murakami*. All are welcome!

[Savvy Social Security Planning](#)

February 12, 6:15 pm

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Attend this Educational Workshop and you will learn the answers to these and more very important Social Security questions:

- Will Social Security be there for me?
- How much can I expect to receive?
- How can I maximize benefits and minimize taxes?
- Should I collect: Early? At "Full Retirement Age"? Or delay?

This workshop is a must to learn the basics of Social Security and strategies to maximize your benefits and minimize your taxes!

[Click here to register!](#)

Family Events

[Preschool Storytime](#)

Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 10:30 am.

Join Miss Mary for stories, songs and fun! Siblings and parents are welcome.

[Poem Yoga for Kids](#)

February 3 & 17, 10:30 am

Jennie Juda leads a fun filled class of Yoga for Preschool age children, including poem reading and coloring exercises.

[Make a Terrarium](#)

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[Legos @ the Library](#)

February 19, 1:30 pm

Unleash your imagination at the library! We'll supply the Legos, you supply the creativity. Bring your friends!

Families and teens are welcome too!

Neighborhood Library Association

The Neighborhood Library Association (NLA) is a group of five area libraries (**Lyon Township Public Library, Northville District Library, Novi Public Library, Salem-South Lyon District Library and Wixom Public Library**) all working together in a supportive partnership with a goal of bringing community members together. Each month a variety of programs will be featured from a few of the Libraries to engage and entertain our communities!

Upcoming events include:

[Wixom Public Library](#)

Glass Etching

Thursday, February 6 at 6:00 pm

This program is part of the monthly DIY series where we invite you to learn a new do-it-yourself skill. All supplies are provided. [Register at wixomlibrary.org](#)

[Novi Public Library](#)

Forensic Art: Capturing the Living, Identifying the Dead

Tuesday, February 10, 7-8:30pm

Detective Sarah Krebs is an experienced forensic artist who creates both drawings and 3-D recreations. She has had recent news coverage of her successes solving cases in Detroit and will discuss identifying, locating missing persons, victims, criminals and much more. [Register at novilibrary.org](#).

[Salem South Lyon District Library](#)

DIA Presentation: Diego Rivera & Frida Kahlo in Detroit

Saturday, February 21 at 3:00 pm

All ages are welcome to come and explore the tumultuous and highly productive year renowned Mexican artists Diego Rivera and Frida Kahlo spent in Detroit, a pivotal turning point in each artist's career. Between April 1932 and March 1933, Rivera created one of his most accomplished mural cycles - Detroit Industry - on the four walls of the DIA courtyard. At the same time, largely unnoticed, Kahlo developed her now celebrated artistic identity. From March 15 - July 12, 2015 the DIA will be showcasing a special exhibit of the works Rivera and Kahlo created before, during and after this time. Join us for preview of this new exhibit and evolution of each artist's career. Presented by the Detroit Institute of Arts. Please register at [ssidl.info/events](#) or at [248-437-6431](tel:248-437-6431)

Tai Chi!

Wednesdays at 6:00 pm.

Classes are free! For ages 40 and up, please bring your own exercise mat. Registration is required, please check the calendar for program dates.

[click here to register.](#)

Computer Classes

One-on-one Instruction

Are you new to computing, or just need some one-on-one help? You may schedule individual sessions with our Computer Technician to help answer your questions!

[Click here to schedule a session.](#)

Michigan Activity Pass

The "Michigan Activity Pass presented by The Library Network" program is a partnership between Michigan's nearly 400 public libraries and 60 arts and cultural organizations. The program is designed to enhance the learning experience for people of all ages through books and other library materials, and to provide reduced cost or complimentary access to arts and cultural organizations across the state of Michigan, from Monroe to Mackinaw City to Marquette, and all points in between.

[Click here](#) for more information about the MAP program and participating partners.

Tickets and More!

Check out the Detroit Zoo's new Tickets & More program! Purchase discounted zoo tickets, memberships and dining. [Click here for more details.](#)

Enjoy a Cup of Coffee at the Library!

Price: \$1.00/cup

Help yourself to a cup of coffee during your next visit to the library! Our new Keurig machine is located next to the Circulation Desk, with several flavors of coffee and cocoa for your enjoyment. Coffee is \$1/cup and money can be placed in the container under the coffee maker.

Adopt a Book!

The Adopt-a-Book program provides an excellent opportunity to honor individuals, family members, or friends with a commemorative bookplate. You could also have a bookplate stating that you are the one who made purchase of the book possible, or you can remain anonymous.

Your contribution of \$25 allows the library to purchase a book to help in our continuing quest to develop an outstanding library collection that meets the needs of the Lyon Township community.

All Adopt-a-Book donations are tax deductible!

[For more information on the Adopt-a-Book program, click here!](#)

Friends of the Library Book Bags are Here!

Please help support LTPL by purchasing one of our fantastic bags!

They are only \$5 and proceeds go towards helping the library purchase new books, programming, magazine subscriptions, summer reading and more!

Run don't walk!

Download books from the Library!

The Lyon Township Public Library provides downloadable audio and ebooks for customers, thanks to the generosity of the **Friends of the Library!**

[Download a book to your Nook, Sony eReader, Kindle & other devices here!](#)

Books are available to be "checked out" for a two week period, from our library website, anytime and anywhere you have internet access! Titles will automatically expire at the end of the lending period and will be deleted from your device. You will never have late fees!

[For more information on supported devices, downloading books and more, click here!](#)

Laptop checkout is here!

Laptops will be available for use within the library building for a two hour period. They are preconfigured with Microsoft Office Professional suite of products, and have wireless access to the internet and to library printers.

Adopt a Magazine at the Library

The Lyon Township Public Library offers over 100 magazines in a wide range of topics for all age groups. We are grateful for the support of local residents and businesses to help offset the cost of providing these resources through the Adopt-a-Magazine Program.

To adopt a magazine, inquire at the Library Circulation Desk or [click here](#) to download an adoption form. Sponsors may remain anonymous, or we will place a label on every issue of an adopted magazine, recognizing the sponsor if desired.

Thank you to the many individuals and organizations who have already chosen to become sponsors, including:

- **Brostrom Physical Therapy**
- **Four Seasons Garden Club of South Lyon**
- **New Hudson Pharmacy**
- **Friends of the Lyon Township Public Library**
- **South Lyon Family Doctors**
- **Lyon Area Rotary Club**
- **Sawasdee 2 Thai Restaurant**
- **Spark Plugs Auto Club**
- **Tanglewood**
- **Mary Pat Freund**
- **Janet Davio**
- **Chris Doozan**
- **Amy Deeds**
- **John Hicks**
- **Jeff & Irene Provost**
- **Pam Quackenbush**
- **Karolyn Tiefenbach**
- **Michelle Fields**
- **Tom & Mary Kelly**
- **Cathy Cottone**

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You can now use PayPal to pay for:

- Library fines
- DVD rentals
- Copies
- Printing

Just login to your eLibrary account and click on "Bills" to view your outstanding balance. Click on the button to pay bills and you will be directed to the PayPal site. If you don't have a PayPal account, you can quickly create one with your email address and a valid credit card.

You must have a balance of \$5.00 or greater to use PayPal.

[Click here to access your library account!](#)

Job Search Help

Looking for a new job? The Library offers many resources to help you with your Job Search.

John D. Simmons Career Center

Visit our specialized selection of books for choosing a career, changing careers, job hunting, resumes, aptitude test preparation and more!

The Library's Career computer contains special programs to help you prepare resumes, search for job opportunities, and research new careers.

Click on these links to find more useful information to help you with your job search:

- [MeL Aptitude Practice Tests](#)
- [Michigan Talent Bank](#)
- [Indeed.com Job Search Engine](#)
- [The Riley Guide](#)

Did You Know?

- We are open on Sundays until Memorial Day weekend?
- You can scan documents and email them at the library? Ask a staff member to show you how!
- You can print from anywhere to the library! You can use your wireless device to print at the library, or upload files from home! Click [here](#) to find out more!

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Library Hours:

Monday-Thursday 10:00am-8:00pm
Friday & Saturday 12:00-5:00pm
Sunday* 12:00-4:00pm

*The Library is closed on Sundays, Memorial Day - Labor Day.

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