Sixteen-year-old Odile is an awkward, quiet girl vying for a coveted seat on the Conseil. If she earns the position, she’ll decide who may cross her town’s heavily guarded borders. On the other side, it’s the same valley, the same town—except to the east, the town is twenty years ahead in time. To the west, it’s twenty years behind. The towns repeat in an endless sequence across the wilderness. When Odile recognizes two visitors she wasn’t supposed to see, she realizes that the parents of her friend Edme have been escorted across the border from the future, on a mourning tour, to view their son while he’s still alive in Odile’s present. Edme—who is brilliant, funny, and the only person to truly see Odile—is about to die.

Shannon Reed, a longtime teacher and lifelong reader, gets it. With one simple goal in mind, she makes the case that we should read for pleasure above all else. In this whip-smart, laugh-out-loud-funny collection, Reed shares surprising stories from her life as a reader and the poignant ways in which books have impacted her students.
NEW YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

STAFF PICK: JENNY

WELCOME TO WONDERLAND:
HOME SWEET MOTEL by CHRIS GRABENSTEIN

This is a humorous and fast paced title that will appeal to the adolescent readers in your house! Centered around a family operated motel in Florida, the Wilke family finds themselves caught in the middle of a jewel heist from years past. Discovering that two elderly robbers have shown up to recover the stolen goods that have been stashed in the Wonderland for years, P.T. and Gloria partner with his grandfather to find the jewels and receive the reward money in an attempt to save their bankrupt family business. This title has aspects that will appeal to a broad range of readers and interests.

Welcome to Wonderland is able to blend enough mystery, humor, and suspense to grab the attention young readers, while setting the stage for the additional titles in this series of four!

TEEN PROGRAMMING

SPECIAL EVENTS

PARENT TEEN CRAFT NIGHT:
Friday, Feb. 2nd, 5-6pm, ages 10+
Teens are invited to bring their parents and guardians for some FREE crafting fun. All supplies provided. This month we’re creating a couple of Valentine themed crafts.

DAY AT HOGWARTS:
Saturday, Feb. 17th, 12-2pm, all ages
Join us for a day at Hogwarts and see the library transformed. Find crafts, the Sorting Hat, games, and wizardry. Dress up as your favorite wizarding character and be entered into a prize drawing!

TWEEN D&D ONE SHOT:
Saturday, Mar. 2nd, 11am-2:30pm, ages 10-14
Tweens! Try our Dungeons & Dragons one-shot campaign. SIGN UP REQUIRED: Email teens@cadillaclibrary.org or call 775-6541 - space is limited. Sign up opens February 3rd. No previous knowledge needed.

REGULAR EVENTS

TEEN TUESDAYS:
Tuesdays, 3-5pm, grades 6-12
Find the weekly schedule on our website and Facebook.

D&D CLUB: 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month, 4-6:30pm, grades 9-12
Experience needed - email teens@cadillaclibrary.org for more information and to sign up for our current waitlist.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

SPECIAL EVENTS

LIFE SIZE KANDY KINGDOM:
Saturday, Feb. 10th, 11am-2pm, families welcome
Games will begin when enough players are present. There may be a short wait before the start of a new game.

REGULAR EVENTS

READING DRAGONS & FRIENDS:
September - April, Grades K-8
Read books, collect cards, and play with friends. Find more information on our website or in the Children’s Room.

TRAVELING STORYTIME @ THE SALVATION ARMY:
Monday, Feb. 5th, 12pm, ages 0-5
12:00 - Lunch provided by The Salvation Army. Storytime following lunch. This program is a collaboration brought to you by: The Cadillac Library & Great Start Collaborative. Meets first Monday of the month.

LEGO CLUB: Mondays 4-5pm, ages 4+
Make new friends and build incredible creations.

ARTSY FARTSY CRAFTERS:
Tuesdays in January & February, 4-5pm, ages 8+
Learn new skills, make cool things, & meet creative people!

FAMILY STORYTIME:
Wednesdays, 10:30am, ages 0-5
Music, movement, stories, and playtime.
BRANCH HAPPENINGS -

MANTON

READING DRAGONS AND FRIENDS:
It's not too late to sign your K-8th aged child up for this fun reading incentive program. Kids track their reading and earn collectible creature cards.

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LEGO HOUR:
Mondays, 4-5pm, ages 3-12
Free-build or try one of our challenges. We will display your cool creations for the week, and whichever creation wins the most patron votes will get a prize button!

BASIC TECH HELP:
Fridays from 2-4pm
Drop in with your basic technology questions. Need help navigating the internet, smart phones, laptops, tablets, social media, Libby, hoopla, or Goodreads? We would love to try to help! First come, first served.

TRUE CRIME TRIVIA NIGHT:
Wednesday, Feb. 21st at 6pm, ages 16+
What better to celebrate ValenCrimes Month than testing your knowledge during the library's After Hours True Crime Trivia Night? Each individual is their own team. The winner will take home a cloth library bag filled with true crime goodies. No sign up needed!

YOUTH BOOK CLUB:
Saturday, Feb. 24th at 1pm, ages 16+
UNDER ONE ROOF is taking the form of a youth book club for the winter! Join us every other Saturday to read and discuss a book together. Sign up and we'll order you a copy of this month's book, The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate and Patricia Castelao. Sign up through February 10th.

ADULT PROGRAMMING

SPECIAL EVENTS

COLLAGE NIGHT @ ROASTED CAFE:
Friday, Feb. 9th, 5-7pm, ages 16+
Join the Cadillac Library at Roasted Cafe for a night crafting! Stop in and see where the provided materials take you. Not sure what to make or how to collage? We'll have examples!

SARAH J. MAAS PARTY @ THE GREENHOUSE:
Monday, Feb. 26th, 6pm, ages 16+
Celebrate the release of the newest Sarah J. Maas book with us and Horizon Books! If you haven't read the Crescent City series, join us anyway in geeking out about the rest of her book series and the new romantasy genre. Feel free to dress up as if you're entering one of Maas's fictional worlds!

BOOKISH ROMANCE NOVELS

REGULAR EVENTS

ADULT BOOK BAGS:
Pick up Thursday, Feb. 15th, after 3pm
Fill out the form on the events page on our website - we'll curate a bag of library books and bookish goodies for you!

BOOK TALKS - FACEBOOK LIVE BOOK CLUB:
Thursday, Feb. 8th, 7:15pm
This month, we're buddy reading the historical fantasy duology Divine Rivals & Ruthless Vows by Rebecca Ross.

ADULT WRITING GROUP:
Thursdays Feb. 8th & 22nd, 5:00pm
Are you looking for a friendly group of people to encourage and improve your writing skills? Join us!

BOOKS & BOOZE - BOOK CLUB @ THE GREENHOUSE - WILLOW/PRIMOS:
Monday, Feb. 12th, 6:30-8:00pm, Ages 21+
Join us and Horizon Books in our open book club. This month we're discussing The Mystery of Mrs. Christie by Marie Benedict.

HISTORY SPEAKERS SERIES - MYSTERY PROGRAM PRESENTED BY RICHARD SHULTS:
Tuesday, Feb. 13th, 6pm
The library is co-hosting this series with the Wexford Historical Society and Cadillac Michigan Historical Tours.

TATTERED PAGES - HISTORICAL FICTION BOOK CLUB:
Tuesday, Feb. 13th, 5pm
Discussing I Must Betray You by Ruta Sepetys.

STAFF PICK:
AMY

WHAT THE DEAD KNOW
by BARBARA BUTCHER

I could not put this down, and that's rare for me while reading non-fiction! From beginning to end, it's filled with interesting stories from Butcher's career and some absorbing information about the process of investigating a death. She went in-depth with her experience in the aftermath of September 11th. It was very well written and it gives you so much insight in the ways of the criminal and investigative minds work. The author really has a knack for story telling even though this was non-fiction and I hope that she continues to write in the future. She could venture into fiction likes the author, Tess Gerritsen!
GENEROUS EARLY LITERACY DONATION

The Cadillac Wexford Public Library has received $5,000 toward early literacy. We are so grateful to the Kiwanis Club of Cadillac and the Great Starts Cooperative for their generous donations! The money will be used to expand our selection of circulating literacy kits at our Cadillac, Manton and Mesick locations, replace and expand our early literacy programming supplies, and support our new traveling storyline. Literacy kits and storyline are two fun and easy ways families can practice vital early literacy skills. Thank you again to these fine organizations for helping us grow better readers every day!

- Tracy Logan, Library Director

BOOK CLUB CORNER

Winter weather is perfect for curling up with a good book. It’s especially satisfying to find a book that begs for discussion. Here are some of the new sets that Book Clubs registered with CWPL can add to their TBR (to be read) lists:

**The Covenant of Water** by Abraham Verghese: a stunning and magisterial epic of love, faith, and medicine, set in Kerala, South India, following three generations of a family seeking the answers to a strange secret.

**The Housemaid** by Freida McFadden: an addictive psychological thriller with a jaw-dropping twist that’s burning up Instagram and TikTok.

**The Personal Librarian** by Marie Benedict: remarkable novel about J. P. Morgan’s personal librarian, Belle da Costa Greene, the Black American woman who was forced to hide her true identity and pass as white in order to leave a lasting legacy that enriched our nation.

Ask your Book Club’s contact person to get on the waiting list for these popular titles. They can request book sets by emailing bookclub@cadillaclibrary.org or calling the library.

Please remember: Book Club sets of books MUST BE RETURNED AS A COMPLETE SET. We will no longer be accepting individual book returns of book club titles. If you check out a set with 8 books, please return all books in that set at the same time.

Did you know the library has its own book clubs that you can join?

**Book Talks**, 02/08: Our open group will discuss *Divine Rivals* & *Ruthless Vows* by Rebecca Ross on Facebook Live. When two young rival journalists find love through a magical connection, they must face the depths of hell, in a war among gods, to seal their fate forever.

**Books & Booze**, 02/12: Join the group we run partnering with Horizon Books this month as we read the *The Mystery of Mrs. Christie* by Marie Benedict, the untold story of Agatha Christie’s mysterious eleven day disappearance. Meets at The Greenhouse, Willow/Primos.

**Tattered Pages**, 02/13: Our historical fiction book club meets at the library for fun discussion and paper crafting. We’re reading *I Must Betray You* by Ruta Sepetys, a gut-wrenching, startling window into communist Romania and the citizen spy network that devastated a nation.

Happy Reading! -Erin, Collection Manager
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