

NEW AND NOTABLE

February will be full of activities celebrating Black History Month, including presentations, a celebration with food and fellowship, and a community conversation about making Brookings an inclusive place to live (see pg. 5 insert).

In partnership with the Brookings Public Library, Brookings AARP Foundation TaxAide will be preparing federal income tax returns for low and moderate-income taxpayers beginning February 1, 2022. Call Brookings AARP Foundation TaxAide at 605-691-2230 to request an appointment. No walk-ins are permitted and all persons must wear masks and comply with CDC recommendations, according to Brookings AARP Foundation TaxAide requirements.

The next Friends of the Library Book Sale will run March 23-27 and we're looking for book donations to help make it happen! If you have books to donate, please make sure they're clean and in good condition before dropping them off at the Circulation Desk. As a reminder - we do not accept encyclopedias, textbooks, or old/vintage books. Thank you for supporting the Friends and the Brookings Public Library!

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Adult Fall/Winter Reading Program. We had 24 participants who collectively read a total of 360 books from October to January!

Featured Service: Creativebug



If you're feeling crafty, Creativebug can help! It offers thousands of craft and art tutorials and your library card gives you free access! <http://bit.ly/BPLCreative>

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ADULT ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Adult Book Clubs

We are offering our book clubs both in-person and online! We will meet in the Library's Cooper Room and links to the Zoom meetings can be found on the Library's website and Facebook. Books will be available to check out a month before the meeting takes place.

Fiction

Next meeting:

Tuesday, February 8 @ 6:30pm

Transcendent Kingdom by Yaa Gyasi



March Meeting: March 8
The Book of Lost Friends
by Lisa Wingate



February's Book Clubs are a part
of BPL's Black History Month
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Nonfiction

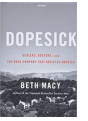
Next meeting:

Monday, February 28 @ 6:30pm

Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates



March Meeting: March 28
Dopesick by Beth Macy



Adult Craft Classes (RR)

Spend an evening getting creative at the Library! Space is limited, so please call the Library to register on or after the given registration date. If you've signed up and can't make it to the class, please let us know.



Faux Stained Glass (RESCHEDULED)
Wednesday, February 16 at 6:30pm
Registration Starts February 9



Cork Trivet
Tuesday, March 15 at 6:30pm
Registration Starts March 7

Adult Trivia Night

"A Year in Review"... try 3!

Friday, February 11 from 6-8:00pm

Put your mind to the test at 2021 themed trivia night. Ages 16 and up are invited to join. Popcorn is provided! Please contact the Library to register your team of 4 or fewer!

To-Go Spice of Life Club: Cinnamon (RR)

Participants will receive kits containing pre-measured spices, information, and a recipe to cook at home. This month's spice is Cinnamon and the kit will include a recipe for Natilla (Spanish Egg Custard)! Registration is required each month. Call the Library starting February 15 to sign up. Pick-up will be the week of February 22.



Financial Literacy Class

Thursday, February 3, 10, and 17 at 6:30pm

Kathy Haugan, from OutSource Projects, will lead this three-part course in-person and on Zoom. Each week will cover topics like budgeting and bill paying, credit and debt, and saving strategies. All sessions are sponsored by the SD Department of Labor and Regulation. Zoom links can be found on the Library's website calendar and Facebook.

Game Night

Friday, February 18 from 6-8:00pm

Join us for game night at Wooden Legs Brewing Company. We'll have games available to choose from or feel free to bring your own to play with a group. Check out our event on Facebook to RSVP.

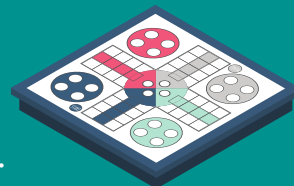


(RR) - registration required

Teen Scene

Teen Board Games

Canceled for February and will resume in March, depending on COVID case numbers.



Screen and Scribble

Thursday, February 17 @ 5:30pm in the Cooper Room
Join us for an afternoon movie with snacks and coloring!
We will be watching The War with Grandpa!



Anime Club

Wednesdays from 3:00-4:30pm
in the Cooper Room (canceled on Feb. 2)
Watch Anime, talk about Manga &
Anime with friends, and win great prizes!



Teen (RR) To-Go Craft

Register for a craft kit by
stopping into the Library, or
by calling/emailing Katie*
starting Monday, February 7.

Cat Bookmark



Puppetry Club Grades 5-12



Practices Monday, February 14 and
Tuesday, February 15 @ 6:00pm,
with show on Tuesday, February 15
@ 7:00pm in the Children's Activity
Room.

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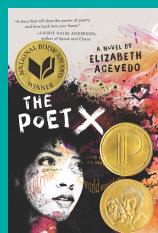


Pizza and Pages Book Club

Thursday, February 24 @ 6:30pm
in the Children's Activity Room

Our middle school and high school clubs have been
combined again. Discuss a book and have some
pizza at the Library! Here's what we'll be reading:

February (in the Children's Activity Room)



The Poet X
by Elizabeth Acevedo

March



Aristotle and Dante Discover
the Secrets of the Universe
by Benjamin Alire Saenz

Registration is required. Please email Katie* or stop into
the Library to reserve your spot when registration opens.

Career Corner

Monday, February 28 @ 6:00pm
in the Cooper Room

This program allows
teens to explore
careers to prepare
them for life after
high school.



Learn about how local real estate
agent, Shane Andersen, used
social media to promote his
business throughout the
pandemic. Pizza will be provided.

(RR) - registration required

*- Katie's email is kburggraff@cityofbrookings-sd.gov

KID'S CORNER

Storytime

Mondays at 10:00am in the Children's Activity Room

This program features traditional books, songs, and crafts paired with apps, video clips, and more. No registration is required.

No Storytime on February 21.



Music Makers (RR)

Come join the fun as caregivers and their kids dance and sing in this rhythm and movement class geared to age 5 and under.

Sessions are offered Mondays at 10:45am (session is full) & 11:30am. Registration is required.

No Music Makers on February 21.



Kid's STEAM Night

Tuesday, February 22 at 6:00pm

Kid's STEAM night is an opportunity for families to explore science, math, engineering, art, and technology concepts through fun and exciting activities. It also



allows parents to have an opportunity to actively participate in their children's learning and encourages positive attitudes toward math, art, and the sciences. Themes and activities vary monthly and no registration required!



Puppet Show

Tuesday, February 15 at 7:00pm in the Children's Activity Room



Come watch a fun puppet show suitable for all ages!

If your child is 5th grade or older and would like to be a puppeteer, please contact the Children's Department to get on our Puppeteer Remind list.

Early Literacy Calendar

Looking for some fun activities to do with your child? Stop by the Library to pick up your copy of our new Early Literacy Calendar. Find them in front of the Children's Department office.



Prairie Pasque Award

Did you know that the state of South Dakota has three different reading awards for children's literature? The Prairie Pasque Award is for students in grades 4-5. This award is a "Kid's Choice" award. After each book a student reads, they can vote on how much they liked the book. We will be featuring the nominees over the next few weeks. Check one out and cast your vote at bit.ly/bplpasque.

(RR) - registration required

BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENTS

All program details are subject to change. Events will be in-person and streamed on Zoom unless otherwise stated.

VIRTUAL MOVIE SCREENING: 13TH

February 3 at 5:30pm

Join us on Zoom to watch and discuss Ava DuVernay's documentary, which explores the history of racial inequality in the United States, focusing on the fact that the nation's prisons are disproportionately filled with African-Americans.



Find the Zoom link to the screening on the Library's website or Facebook page.

CONNECTING COMMUNITIES TALK WITH LAWRENCE DIGGS

February 9 at 6:30pm

Diggs' program presents ways to lower the resistance to meeting and interacting with people and will introduce ways to bring communities together.



NEGRO LEAGUES BASEBALL TALK WITH PHIL DIXON

February 22 at 6:00pm

Author and baseball historian Phil Dixon will discuss the Negro Leagues teams of the area and the greater Midwest.



BYSTANDER TO UPSTANDER INTERVENTION TRAINING

February 8 at 6:00pm

This 60-minute introduction teaches attendees to respond in safe and impactful ways to acts of discrimination and hate



"BETTY BLAIR, HOMESTEADER EXTRAORDINAIRE" HISTORICAL REENACTMENT WITH JOYCE JEFFERSON

February 15 at 6:30pm

Learn about African American homesteaders from a first-hand account by Mary Elizabeth "Betty" Blair, whose family homesteaded, scouted land, and settled there in 1882.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION

February 24 at 6:00pm

Celebrate Black history and culture with activities, soul food, presentations, and more.

This event is free to the public and all ages are welcome!

Co-sponsored by the SDSU Black Student Alliance.



"MORE THAN A MONTH" COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

March 1 at 6:00pm

Gather with members of the Brookings community to discuss what we have learned from the topics addressed throughout the month of February and how we can apply that knowledge to be better neighbors and make Brookings a more inclusive place to live.

Co-sponsored by the Brookings Human Rights Commission

These events are made possible through grant funds provided by Libraries Transforming Communities: Focus on Small and Rural Libraries, an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) in collaboration with the Association for Rural & Small Libraries (ARSL).





February 2022



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

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			5-7:00pm Drop-In Tech Help	5:30pm Virtual Movie Screening** 6:30pm Financial Lit. Class (Budgeting and Bill Paying)		
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20	21 CLOSED for Presidents' Day	22 6:00pm Kid's STEAM Night 6:00pm Phil Dixon Presentation** Trivia Sign Up Begins	23 3pm Anime Club 5-7 Drop-In Tech Help	24 6:00pm Black History Month Celebration** 6:30 Pizza and Pages (RR)**	25	26
27	28 10am Story Time 10:45am Music Makers (RR) 11:30am Music Makers (RR) 6:00pm Career Corner 6:30pm Nonfiction Book Club**	March 1 6:00pm "More Than a Month" Community Conversation**				

Green-Teen Activities

Blue-Adult Activities

Red- Kids Activities

Orange- All Ages Activities

(RR)-Registration Required

*Library Board meetings are open to the public

**Black History Month Event

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