

Fremont Area District Library Press Release

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Michigan Notable Author, Harry Potter Day, Fandom Day, and More at Fremont Library

The Fremont Area District Library is planning to host several fun and educational events in May for the whole family. These events are FREE, as always.

Michigan Notable Author Daniel Clark will present his book, *Listening to Workers: Oral Histories of Metro Detroit Autoworkers in the 1950s*. Using interviews and archival research, *Listening to Workers* uncovers the personal and often overlooked lives of Detroit-area autoworkers in the 1950s. The book explores the complexities of their experiences, addressing issues like poverty, divorce, workplace dangers, and personal struggles, challenging the notion of the 1950s as a time of widespread prosperity. Offering a humanizing perspective, it presents workers as multidimensional individuals, with rich, personal stories that go beyond traditional labor history. Daniel Clark will be at the library on Tuesday, May 27th at 7:00 for this presentation.

Harry Potter Day is on Friday, May 2nd, and to celebrate we will show a Harry Potter movie in the Community Room at 3:30 p.m. See our Facebook page to vote on which movie we show! Themed snacks will be provided and we'll have some Harry Potter decorations around the library. Attendees are welcome (not required) to dress up in Harry Potter clothing or costumes.

Fandom Day is on Saturday, May 3rd, and to celebrate we'll show a **Star Wars** movie in the Community Room at 1:00 p.m. See our Facebook page to vote on which movie we show! Themed snacks will be provided and attendees are welcome to dress up in Star Wars (or Star Trek) clothing or costumes.

Read to a Dog (REGISTRATION REQUIRED): Call us at 231-928-0249 to sign up for a time slot. We'll have a furry friend from Geno Dog Adventures for kids to read to at the library! Get some fun, relaxed reading practice and share a story with a dog! For ages 12 and under on Saturday, May 24th from 1:00-5:00 p.m. in the Children's Department.

More Children's Events: Domino Club for ages 8-13 (REGISTRATION REQUIRED) will take place in the Community Room on Thursday, May 1st from 4:00-5:30 p.m. Call 231-928-0249 to register. A children's **Afternoon Movie** will be shown on Thursday, May 22nd at 4:00 p.m. Check back for details on the title, but snacks will be served, and all are welcome! **Saturday Storytime** will take place on May 31st at 11:00 a.m. For children birth to age 5. Featuring songs, rhymes, lapsits, fingerplays, stories, movies, and crafts. Siblings and parents can share this fun storytime together!

Fit for Life Exercise Class will meet at 12:00 p.m. on May 12th, 14th, 16th, 19th, 21st, & 28th. Fit for Life is a functional movement class designed to move the whole body through a series of seated and standing exercises that will increase strength, muscular endurance, balance and flexibility. Class is low impact and great for ALL levels of fitness who are interested in working on their health.

(NEW!) Truth Be Told Book Group: Join us for the first meeting of Truth Be Told, our new non-fiction book group! Our first book is *Radium Girls* by Kate Moore, and there are copies available at our front desk to check out. We'll meet by the south fireplace to discuss on Tuesday, May 13th at 4:00 p.m., and please feel free to come even if you haven't read the book yet! New patrons always welcome. For more info, email edekkinga@fremontlibrary.net.

Books & Bites Book Group: Enjoy a morning feast of literature and pastries! This book group combines the joy of reading with the delight of indulging in breakfast treats. This month's book is *Orphan Collector* by Ellen Marie Wiseman, and copies are available to check out at our front desk. We'll meet by the south fireplace to discuss on Wednesday, May 14th at 10:00 a.m., and please feel free to come even if you haven't read the book yet! New patrons always welcome. For more info, email jroseberry@fremontlibrary.net.

Sunscreen Day is on Tuesday, May 27th. Get ready for summer by visiting the library! At each desk we'll have sample-sized packets of sunscreen for you, along with information about how to keep yourself safe in the sun this summer.

Newaygo County Poetry Event: The public is welcome to attend to hear the poetry of those in our community! You need not have entered the contest to attend. The top poets of each age group will be asked to read their poems, and the winners of each group will be announced at this event on Wednesday, May 28th at 6:30 p.m. The deadline to enter the contest is Friday, May 16th at 5:00 p.m. Please see the library's website for more info.

For more information about any of these events, please contact the library at 231-924-3480 or visit www.fremontlibrary.net.