



Teen Newsletter

FOR TEENS, ABOUT TEENS

DECEMBER 2018

Upcoming Events

LTRC voting continues!

12/5: Kokusaika
4 PM
Gonzales

12/13: Teen Iron Chef:
Dessert Battle
4 PM
Dutchtown

12/18: Teen Iron Chef:
Dessert Battle
6 PM
Galvez

12/20: Teen Iron Chef:
Dessert Battle
4 PM
Gonzales

12/20: Board Games
4:30 PM
APSO Hickley M.
Waguespack
Center—
Donaldsonville

12/22: Teen Iron Chef:
Dessert Battle
10 AM
Donaldsonville

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Kokusaika

Japanese Culture Club for Teens

December 25th is not a national holiday in Japan, but the Japanese are great lovers of festivals and celebrations. So it's no surprise that they began celebrating our western holiday of Christmas, which they refer to as Kurisumasu. Join us on Wednesday, December 5 at 4 PM in Gonzales, and get in the holiday spirit with us by making your own snow globe. Don't like crafting? Don't worry. We'll also have Wii U available if you'd like to just game instead.

Kokusaika is Japanese for "internationalization," and that's what this club is all about. If you're interested in cosplay, anime, manga, gaming, etc., then this Japanese cultural club for teens is for you! Open to all teens ages 12-18. Cosplay is welcome. Call the library in Gonzales for more information.



Do you have what it takes to become the first APL Teen Iron Chef? This is your time to shine and let your creative juices flow. Reinvent our secret ingredient into a signature dish using a variety of ingredients. Let's find out how creative you can be. Allez cuisine!

The competition will be held at all locations on the following dates and times: Thursday, December 13 at 4 PM in Dutchtown; Tuesday, December 18 at 6 PM in Galvez; Thursday, December 20 at 4 PM in Gonzales; and

Saturday, December 22 at 10 AM in Donaldsonville. Open to all teens in grades 6 and up. Call your local library location for more information.

LOCATIONS

Gonzales

708 S. Irma Blvd.
Gonzales, LA 70737
(225) 647-3955

Galvez

40300 Hwy. 42
Prairieville, LA 70769
(225) 622-3339

Donaldsonville

500 Mississippi St.
Donaldsonville, LA 70346
(225) 473-8052

Dutchtown

13278 Hwy. 73
Geismar, LA 70734
(225) 673-8699

Online:

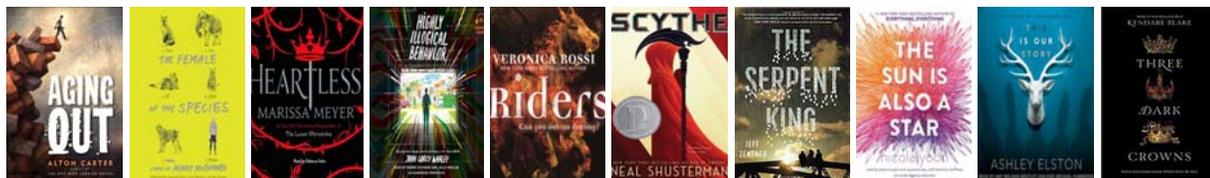
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VOTING CONTINUES THROUGH JANUARY 26, 2019!



Calling all teens! Voice your opinion on your favorite book at Ascension Parish Library by casting your vote in the Louisiana Teen Readers' Choice Award (LTRC). LTRC was established by the State Library of Louisiana to find out which books you like best. Ten titles have been nominated at the 9th-12th grade reading level. The list includes popular books by award-winning authors, and we want to know which is your favorite! Teens who wish to vote must read at least two of the nominated titles for their grade level before voting. Votes must be submitted no later than January 26, 2019. Call or visit your local library location for more information.

The nominated titles for the 2018-2019 Louisiana Teen Reader's Choice Award are:





BOARD GAMES

Ascension Parish Library is happy to partner with the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office to present Board Games at the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office Hickley M. Waguespack Center in Donaldsonville, located at 1201 Maginnis Street, on Thursday, December 20 at 4:30 PM.

Do you ever wonder what the world was like before gaming systems were invented? Before WiiU? And before Xbox? Take a step back into the past for a crazy afternoon of fun!

If you don't have your own library card, we'll be happy to sign you up for one during our visit. Anyone over the age of 14 can register for an adult library card, but you will need to provide a photo ID. (High School IDs are fine.) Children 13 and younger will need a parental signature to receive a card.

Designed for teens, but everyone is welcome. Call (225) 473-8052 for more information.



What Light
by Jay Asher
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Sierra's family runs a Christmas tree farm in Oregon—it's a bucolic setting for a girl to grow

up in, except that every year, they pack up and move to California to set up their Christmas tree lot for the season. So Sierra lives two lives: her life in Oregon and her life at Christmas. And leaving one always means missing the other. Until this particular Christmas, when Sierra meets Caleb, and one life eclipses the other.

By reputation, Caleb is not your perfect guy: years ago, he made an enormous mistake and has been paying for it ever since. But Sierra sees beyond Caleb's past and becomes determined to help him find forgiveness and, maybe, redemption. As disapproval, misconceptions, and suspicions swirl around them, Caleb and Sierra discover the one thing that transcends all else: true love.



Did you know ...

Clement Clarke Moore, a 19th century author and classics professor, wrote *'Twas the Night Before Christmas* for his family to celebrate Christmas in 1922, but never intended for it to be made public. A close friend of Moore's sent the poem to the *Sentinel* newspaper, where it was published anonymously and became a huge hit. Moore denied authoring it for nearly 15 years.



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