

Grace A. Dow Memorial

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LIBRARY Connection

THE NEW YEAR BRINGS A NEW LOOK

The Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation has awarded the Library a \$3 million grant to fund infrastructure and interior improvements. Plans include replacing the aging heating and cooling system with an energy efficient system. The new interior design will reflect the original color palette of architect Alden B. Dow. These colors will be evident in the new carpeting and furniture.

The restrooms in the Library Lounge and outside of the Auditorium will be updated to be handicap accessible. The Library lobby will be redesigned to accommodate new patron self check-out stations.

The various projects will be done in phases throughout 2013. We appreciate your patience during "construction" as areas of the Library may not be accessible at all times. We look forward to our new look and are excited to provide our community with these wonderful enhancements to this beautiful building. Our thanks to the Foundation for their generous gift to the Library.

AUDITORIUM RENOVATION

The Library Auditorium will undergo some improvements in January and February. New seats and carpeting will be installed and wheelchair accessibility will be improved. The Library is working with the architectural firm Archiverde Design to make these changes. They were made possible with a \$150,000 donation from the Friends of the Grace A. Dow Memorial Library. The Auditorium is used by the library for programs and is available for rent by businesses, non-profits, and individuals.

EBOOK ONLINE SURVEY

It has been an entire year since we began offering access to OverDrive eBooks. During this time, we have added over 1300 titles and checked out around 10,000 eBooks! Our collection continues to grow and improve, as new titles are added weekly. To help us build the best collection possible, we need your help. Please take a few minutes to complete our eBook survey. A link to the online survey can be found on our website throughout January. The feedback you provide helps us better understand who uses our collection and what we can do to make the experience even better.

EATING FOR HEALTH LECTURE SERIES

Many of us think that we should eat in a more healthy fashion. But what if we actually learned to do that? What would the effects be on our health and well-being? Come join us as we explore our relationship with food in a series of lectures and presentations over the next several months.

Kickoff lecture

Wednesday, February 13, 7:00PM, Library Auditorium, Free.
We will welcome two dynamic speakers: Ann Hoffman, Clinical Dietician from Covenant HealthCare, who will address "Eating for Disease Prevention" and Dr. Jennifer Morse, MidMichigan Medical Center, who will discuss "Eating for Weight Loss."

Other upcoming "Eating for Health" series presentations include:

March 13, 2013	7:00PM	Eating Local
March 20, 2013	7:00PM	Movie: <i>Forks Over Knives</i>
April 17, 2013	2:00PM	Annual Library Tea
May 15, 2013	7:00PM	Growing Your Own Food
June 12, 2013	7:00PM	Childhood Obesity
July 10, 2013	7:00PM	Food Preservation and Canning

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- * Battle of the Books
- * Discovery Depot
- * Computer Classes
- * DVD Geek Event
- * Free Movies

and more!



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LIBRARY CLOSINGS:
Tuesday, Jan. 1, New Year's Day

LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS:
Wednesday, Jan. 16, 7:00PM
Wednesday, Feb. 20, 7:00PM

Live on MGTV 96



Our eBranch
is always open

Teen Time

FAB FRIDAYS

Grades 6-9
Library Lounge
No registration needed.
Friday, January 11, 6:00-8:00PM
Friday, February 8, 6:00-8:00PM

Bring your friends and hang out at the Library! Activities will vary and may include: crafts, board games, movies, and more.

CRAM NIGHT 2013

Grades 9-12
Auditorium Entrance
Sunday, January 20, 5:30-8:00PM

Are you ready for exams? Bring your notes, your brain, and your friends to our "teens only" study night at the Library. Need more information? Call 837-3466.

PLOTS & PIZZA

Grades 6-9
Library Lounge
Registration required. Sign up at the Youth Services Desk or call 837-3466.
Thursday, January 31, 6:00 -7:00PM
The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien

Plots & Pizza meets every other month.
Read the selected title for the month, then join us for pizza and book discussion. Copies of the book are available at the Youth Services Desk.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Teen Spot is now on Facebook.



You can find us at:
Teen Spot at Grace A. Dow Library
"Like" us to receive updates on
Teen activities.

Whatdoyougeek?

You'll have opportunities in January and February to tell the Library what you "geek":

Kids Day at the Mall

Saturday, January 19, 10:00AM-4:00PM, Midland Mall.

Friends of the Library Used Book Sale

Saturday-Sunday, February 23 & 24, at the Library.
At both events, we'll take your picture, post it in the Library and on our Facebook page.

MCTV

837-3474.....www.midland-mi.org/mctv
If you're new to Midland and want to get more involved in our community, MCTV is a great place to get started. Attend one of our orientation/studio workshops offered on the second Saturday of the month:

January 12, 10AM-1PM or
February 9, 10AM-1PM.

The cost is \$45 which includes training and MCTV's annual access user fee. Please register in advance. Call 837-3474.

Snow day? You can find out by tuning to MGTV 96 for information about school closings, storm warnings, or other emergencies.

Congrats to MCTV's major award winners at "Honors Night." Tom Ryden received the Edith Doil Community Award while First United Methodist Church was honored with the Rosemarie Byers Community Voice Award.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

837-3437.....fogadml@yahoo.com

February Used book Sale

Save the date for our next book sale!

Friday, February 22, 5:30-8:00PM
Friends' members only. Memberships may be purchased or renewed at the door.

Saturday, February 23, 10:00AM-4:00PM
Open to the public.

Sunday, February 24, 1:00PM-3:30PM
Bag day! Fill a grocery sized bag for \$6.

Used books are always available
in our ongoing sale
located by the
Cup and Chaucer!

CUP & CHAUCER COFFEE BAR

Hours:.....Monday-Friday, 10:00AM-5:00PM
Snacks and drinks are also available during Library hours via machine.

LIBRARY INFORMATION

Hours
Monday-Friday.....9:30AM-8:30PM
Saturday.....10:00AM-5:00PM
Sunday.....1:00PM-5:00PM
Closed Sundays: Memorial Day-Labor Day

Phone Numbers

Information837-3430
Reference837-3449
Check Out Desk.....837-3457
On-Call/Renewals 24/7 835-3280
Youth and Teen Services..... 837-3466
TTY.....837-3472

