

# THE LIBRARY CONNECTION

Grace A. Dow Memorial Library  
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Midland, MI 48640-2698  
A SERVICE OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND

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## GREATER MIDLAND COMMUNITY



### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Friday, April 6

Good Friday

Sunday, April 8

Easter Sunday

## LIBRARY INFORMATION

### Library Hours

Monday-Friday ..... 9 AM-9 PM  
Saturday ..... 10 AM-5 PM  
Sunday ..... 1 PM-5 PM

*Closed Sundays Memorial Day - Labor Day*

### Phone Numbers

Information .....837-3430  
Reference .....837-3449  
Check Out Desk .....837-3457  
On-Call/Renewals 24/7 .....835-3280  
Youth and Teen Services .....837-3466  
MCTV Network .....837-3474  
TDD .....837-3472  
Friends .....839-8159

### Web Access

[www.midland-mi.org/gracedowlibrary](http://www.midland-mi.org/gracedowlibrary)

### Email

[gadml@midland-mi.org](mailto:gadml@midland-mi.org)

### Library Director

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### TAX CORNER

AARP volunteers will be available to provide help locating tax forms on the following schedule:

**Saturday, February 3 to  
Monday, April 16**

Mondays ~ 9 AM-12 NOON and 2 PM-5 PM  
Wednesdays ~ 9 AM-12 NOON and 2 PM-5 PM  
Saturdays ~ 10 AM-5 PM

A computer is also available for printing forms from the State and Federal tax sites.

### EXHIBITS AND DISPLAYS

#### MEZZANINE GALLERY

March - Midland Public Schools Student Art Exhibit  
April - National Library Week Baseball Exhibit

#### LOWER LEVEL DISPLAY CASES

March - Epworth Preschool  
April - National Library Week Display



The Friends Annual Meeting is Thursday, May 23, 7 PM in the LIBRARY LOUNGE. An agenda will be posted on our website [www.friendsofthelibrarymidland.org](http://www.friendsofthelibrarymidland.org) closer to the meeting date.

A BIG Thank You to all 73 volunteers who donated over 185 hours to make the January Used Book Sale such a success. *We could not do it without our volunteers.*

Stop by *Cup and Chaucer* and receive 50¢ off any espresso drink. Monday-Friday 10 AM-5 PM



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## GRACE A. DOW MEMORIAL LIBRARY

A SERVICE OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND  
LOCATED IN DISCOVERY SQUARE

MARCH/APRIL 2007



### ON DISPLAY @ THE LIBRARY

During the month of March, the library will celebrate the genius of Frank Lloyd Wright with a display of books and other materials that explore the man and his vision. The Library will be showing the film, *Frank Lloyd Wright* by Ken Burns and Lynn Novick on **Sunday, March 11, 2 PM**. This 1998 film runs 153 minutes. We invite you to check out the display then head over to the Alden B. Dow Museum of Science and Art for the following exhibits.

*Hollyhock House and Olive Hill: Frank Lloyd Wright and Edmond Teske* - Now through April 15

*Shared Vision: Alden B. Dow and Frank Lloyd Wright* - Now through April 15

*Frank Lloyd Wright and the House Beautiful* - March 3-May 27

Enter a drawing for tickets donated by the Museum to the Frank Lloyd Wright exhibit. Visit the display for details.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

~ MELISSA BARNARD



MEET  
**STEPHANIE WILLIAMS**  
Circulation  
Services Supervisor

Please welcome the new face in the Circulation Department at the library. Stephanie Williams started on January 8, replacing Ron Suszek who was promoted to Supervisor of Adult Services.

Stephanie is not new to the library. She began her library career at Grace A. Dow Memorial Library in 2003 as an Associate Youth Services Librarian. Stephanie has a Bachelor's of Science Degree from the University of Michigan, MBA degree from Central Michigan University, and Library Science degree from Syracuse University.

Along with greeting the children and parents who have participated in the children's programs in the Youth Services area, Stephanie looks forward to meeting other library users at the check out desk.

WHO donates hours of their personal time to help with programs and services at the library?

WHO contributes their expertise to enhance library services?

WHO comes regardless of the weather?

WHO greets library users with a smile and is always ready to help?



### LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS!

Library Board, Teen Advisory Board, Friends' Board and Book Sale Volunteers, Genealogy Room Volunteers, AARP Members, Volunteers, LITE and Battle of the Books Volunteers.

**THANK YOU and HAPPY VOLUNTEER WEEK, APRIL 15-21!**

## Get in the Game @ Your Library

### National Library Week 2007

April 15<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>

It's **GAME TIME** at the Grace A Dow Memorial Library. Join us for a week of exciting events. The Starting Line-Up includes:

*Tea & Games*

*Cooking for the Game*

*Baseball in Michigan - Yesterday and Today*

*Be an Artist on MCTV*

*DDR is Coming!*

*Baseball & Books for Kids*

Stay tuned for more information!

Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library.



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# SPOTLIGHT ON...

A new computer is now available in the Library's Local History/Genealogy Room for those who are interested in researching family histories. This



computer is customized for genealogy research and provides access to many online genealogy sources, including **Ancestry Library Edition** and **HeritageQuest Online**. There is no time limit on this computer, although it is hoped that people would be aware of others who may be waiting. Printing is available.

Please ask the Reference Desk staff if you need assistance.

## Celebrate! March is Reading Month

Join us for lots of fun as author **Jim Aylesworth** tells us his stories with generous doses of loud sounds, rhythms and rhymes.

**March 6, 7 PM**  
Library Story Room

A Family Event in Cooperation with Midland Schools.

# KIDS' CORNER

## BATTLE OF THE BOOKS CHAMPIONSHIP BATTLE AND RECEPTION

Everyone is invited to attend the Championship Battle that will be held on **Thursday, March 8** at **4:30 PM** in the Library Auditorium. Join us afterwards for a reception in the Library Lounge as we celebrate all our 2007 Battle teams!



**Thanks** to everyone who helped make Battle of the Books a success! The Friends of the Library purchased t-shirts for every participant; Carpenter, Cook, Eastlawn and Siebert Schools allowed use of their gyms for Written Battles; countless parents and teachers helped students study and organized teams; and of course, the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students who read the 20 books on our list, worked together in teams and hopefully had a great time answering our questions! *We couldn't have done it without you!*

## Story Times (All are held in the Story Room.)

### BABY TIME

Tuesdays at 1 PM: **March 6, 13, 20, April 3, 10, 17, 24**

### TODDLER TIME

Mondays at 6:30 PM: **March 5, 12, 19, April 2, 9, 16, 23**

Tuesdays at 9:30 & 10:30 AM: **March 6, 13, 20, April 3, 10, 17, 24**

### CIRCLE TIME

Tuesdays at 7 PM: **April 3, 10, 17, 24**

Wednesdays at 9:30 & 10:30 AM: **April 4, 11, 18, 25**

Thursdays at 9:30 & 10:30 AM: **April 5, 12, 19, 26**

### LISTENERS PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Mondays at 10 AM & 1 PM: **April 2, 9, 16, 23**

Thursdays at 7 PM: **April 5, 12, 19, 26**



**CRAFTY READERS** (Grades K-3)  
Join us in the Library Lounge for stories, crafts, and a snack!  
*Registration begins the first of the month.*

### HOORAY FOR READING!

**Tuesday, March 13** at 4:15-5 PM  
and 6:30-7:15 PM

**Wednesday, March 14** at 4:15-5 PM

### FROM BUG TO BUTTERFLY

**Tuesday, April 10** at 4:15-5 PM  
and 6:30-7:15 PM

**Wednesday, April 11** at 4:15-5 PM

### BROWN BAG BOOK CLUB (Grades 4-6)

Pack a dinner and join us in the Library Lounge for dessert, discussion, and fun!  
*Registration begins the first of the month.*

### *The Boy Who Saved Baseball*

by John H. Ritter

**Tuesday, March 20** at 5:30 PM

No Brown Bag Book Club in April or May.



## ATTENTION YOUNG ARTISTS

The Library invites children, preschool age-5<sup>th</sup> grade, to create butterfly art for display in the Youth Services area in conjunction with the *Butterflies in Bloom Festival* at Dow Gardens. Let your imagination soar! Choice of media is unlimited - collages, paintings, drawings, mobiles, sculptures, and class murals are all gladly accepted! Deliver your art piece to Youth Services by March 12.

Call 837-3466 for additional information.

### BUTTERFLY ART EXHIBIT

Visit the Youth Services Department to see the artwork, create a Make & Take Butterfly Craft, and check out a book about butterflies!

**March 12-April 30**

<b>Monday, March 26</b>	10 AM	<i>A Bug's Life</i> (G, 95 min.)
	2 PM	<i>How to Eat Fried Worms</i> (PG, 98 min.)
<b>Tuesday, March 27</b>	10 AM	<i>Curious George</i> (G, 88 min.)
<b>Wednesday, March 28</b>	10 AM	<i>Little Mermaid</i> (G, 83 min.)
	2 PM	<i>Over the Hedge</i> (PG, 83 min.)
<b>Thursday, March 29</b>	10 AM	<i>Toy Story</i> (G, 81 min.)
	2 PM	<i>Shrek</i> (PG, 92 min.)
<b>Friday, March 30</b>	10 AM	<i>Toy Story 2</i> (G, 95 min.)
	2 PM	<i>Shrek 2</i> (PG, 92 min.)

Spring Break Movies for Kids



## LIBRARY BOARD ASKS DID YOU KNOW?

Come in to the Cup and Chaucer for a delicious cappuccino, a cup of chai tea, or a yummy smoothie. Stay awhile as you visit with friends or bring your laptop to use our wireless access. You could also enjoy browsing with your covered drink in designated areas of the library.

The Cup and Chaucer is open Monday through Friday from 10-5 and remains staffed by very conscientious and dedicated employees of the Arnold Center. Check out their menu on the Library's website for prices and selection. *Stop in and enjoy!*

### Library Board Meetings

**Wednesdays, 7 PM, MARCH 21 AND APRIL 18** City Hall Council Chambers

# FOR ADULTS



## WHAT KILLED GRANDPA?

**YOUR FAMILY HEALTH HISTORY**  
Learn how to use information about your ancestors' health to decrease your risk of chronic disease.

**Mary Teachout**, Genomics Educator for the Michigan Department of Community Health will show how to create a family health history and interpret health information from times past. Co-sponsored with the Midland Genealogical Society. **Wednesday, March 21, 7 PM**  
Library Auditorium

Conference Room A  
7 PM

Books and Bites

Join Us!

**March 15**

Mrs. Kimble

by Jennifer Haigh

**April 19**

Sweetheart Season

by Karen Joy Fowler

## FREE HANDS-ON COMPUTER CLASSES

The computer Lab is provided by the Midwestern Michigan Library Cooperative. Class size is limited. Registration is required. Register in person or by calling 837-3449 beginning April 15. All classes held in Conference Room C.

### ONLINE INVESTMENT RESEARCH

**Tuesday, May 8, 10 AM-12 NOON**

Online Value Line and Morningstar.

Mouse and internet experience required.

### INTRODUCTION TO THE MOUSE & WINDOWS

**Wednesday, May 9, 9:30-11 AM**

### BASIC LIBRARY CATALOG

**Thursday, May 10, 9:30-10:30 AM**

**Tuesday, May 22, 2:30-3:30 PM**

### USING ONLINE GENEALOGY RESOURCES

**Saturday, May 12, 10:30-12:30 PM**

Ancestry Library Edition and HeritageQuest Online. Mouse and internet experience required.

### BASIC INTERNET SEARCHING

**Wednesday, May 16, 2:30-3:30 PM**

### TRAVEL RESOURCES ON THE WEB

**Tuesday, May 22, 6:15-7:15 PM**

Discover great internet and library resources to help you plan your next vacation.

### WESTLAW ONLINE

**Wednesday, May 23, 7-8 PM**

Legal research training.



## FREE CLASSIC MOVIES

Celebrating John Wayne's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday

2 PM - Library Auditorium

March 13 - *Horse Soldiers*

March 27 - *True Grit*

April 10 - *Quiet Man*

April 24 - *She Wore a Yellow Ribbon*

## BABY BOOMER HEALTH & FITNESS DAY!

Learn from the MIDMICHIGAN MEDICAL CENTER-MIDLAND experts on **Saturday, May 5**, Library Lounge.

**Noon-2 PM**

Tricia Ruth, R.D., Dietician along with a fitness specialist will discuss nutrition, healthy food choices, and physical fitness.

Cholesterol  
saturated fats  
Salt  
Sugar  
Calories



**2:30-4:30 PM**

Dr. Christopher Hough, Gerontologist, and Dr. Kerry Pierce, Psychiatrist, will address physical and mental health issues facing baby boomers.

Pick up a guide to health resources at the library. *Enjoy a healthy snack!*

## SPRING WRITERS EVENT

### CREATIVE WRITING PROCESS FOR WRITERS

Dr. C. Vincent Samarco, Professor of English, SVSU

**Saturday, May 12, 10 AM-12 NOON**

Library Auditorium

No charge, but since seating is limited, registration is

required. Please contact the Reference Desk, starting April 15, at 837-3449.

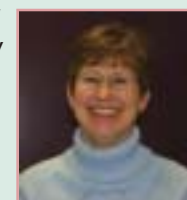


## MCTV NETWORK

You're invited to enroll in MCTV's next training class on **Saturday, March 10, 10 AM-1 PM**. The cost is \$20. After you complete training, you can submit programs and take part in television production for a \$25 annual access user fee.

Tune in to MGTV 5 in April as City Council and City staff review the proposed budget for the next fiscal year. It will be presented to Council on Monday, April 9 and will be reviewed on Mondays, April 16 and April 30.

Please welcome new Office Assistant **Judy MacDonald** to MCTV's staff. She replaces Brandi Pfohl who was recently promoted to Library Secretary.



For information about MCTV go to the website: [www.midland-mi.org](http://www.midland-mi.org). Look under **Services/Other Services** or call 837-3474.

# TEEN TIME

**PLOTS & PIZZA:** Like to read, eat pizza and talk about books? Sign up in Youth Services and pick up a copy of the current teen selection—*Belle Prater's Boy* by Ruth White. Grades 6-8. **Monday, March 19** in the Library Lounge at **6 PM**. Sign-up begins March 1.

**LIBERATE YOUR INNER MUSE!** Entries for the annual Teen Poetry Contest will be taken through the month of March. Winners will be announced and rewarded at Café Muse, April 26. Open to students grades 6-12. Pick up an official entry blank in Youth Services or online at the TeenSpot. [www.midland-mi.org/gracedowlibrary/teen/teenspot.html](http://www.midland-mi.org/gracedowlibrary/teen/teenspot.html)

**CAFÉ MUSE:** Annual Teen Poetry winners are showcased at this popular open mic night. Join us for an evening of coffee house atmosphere, refreshments and poetry. **Thursday, April 26** at **7 PM**. Grades 6-12.

**TEEN ADVISORY BOARD:** Get on board and have a say in Teen Services! Students in Grades 6-12 welcome. Meetings held the second Saturday of each month. **1 PM** in the Library Lounge. **March 10** is the annual book buying trip to Barnes & Noble; regular meeting **April 14**.

