

MCTV

837-3474 www.midland-mi.org/mctv
 Are you looking for a summer camp for your teenager? MCTV has a Summer Video Camp that's just right for teens. It's hands-on, held in the afternoon, and fun. Choose from one of two weeks:
 Monday, June 20 through Thursday, June 23
 OR
 Monday, July 18 through Thursday, July 21
 Kids ages 12-17 who are residents of Midland County are eligible. The cost is \$50.

Adults, we want you, too. Sign up for our regular training classes to learn how to use MCTV to communicate to our community. Come to MCTV's orientation/studio class on the second Saturday of the month, May 14 or June 11 from 10:00AM-1:00PM. The cost is \$20. Call 837-3474 for information.

Keep an eye on MGTV 96 when the weather is threatening this spring and summer. Watch for storm warnings and other community emergencies.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

837-3437 fogadml@yahoo.com
 Our Summer Sidewalk Used Book Sale is right around the corner! Mark your calendars!
 Friday, June 3, 6-8PM
 Friends' Members Only — memberships can be purchased or renewed at the door.
 Saturday, June 4, 10AM - 4PM
 Public welcome!
 Sunday, June 5, 10AM - 4PM
 \$5.00 Bag Day!
 If you are interested in volunteering at the Book Sale please contact us at 837-3437 or email us.
 If you are interested in becoming a member, please go to www.midland-mi.org/gracedowlibrary and click on the Friends of the Library link . . . then print out a Membership form!

MEZZANINE EXHIBITS

May.....Student Art Show
 June..... Pat Smith's MCFTA Art Class

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 24/7835-3280
 Youth and Teen Services.....837-3466
 TTY.....837-3472

Teen Time

TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM Get Around: Read!

Entering grades 6-12
 Pick up a reading log at the Youth Services Desk beginning June 6.
 Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library

VOLUNTEERS ORIENTATION SESSION

Grades 7-12
Registration required. Sign up at the Youth Services Desk or call 837-3466.
 Monday, June 13, 2PM or 6PM
 Tuesday, June 14, 2PM
 The library is looking for students to help with our Summer Reading Program. If you enjoy working with children, call now to register. Space is limited.

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (TAB)

Grades 6-12
 Thursday, May 5, 6-7PM
 Story Room
 Thursday, June 2, 6-7PM
 Story Room
 Whether you're looking for volunteer opportunities or simply want to share your thoughts about teen books and programming, TAB is a great way to get involved at the library.

PLOTS & PIZZA

Grades 6-9
Registration required. Sign up at the Youth Services Desk or call 837-3466.
 Monday, May 16, 6-7PM
 Library Lounge
 Read *Matched* by Ally Condie or *The Maze Runner* by James Dashner and join us for pizza and book discussion. Books are available at the Youth Services Desk.

MIDLAND BLOOMS

Grades 6-12
Registration required. Sign up at the Youth Services Desk or call 837-3466.
 Saturday, May 21, 8:15AM
 Help our Teen Advisory Board (TAB) plant flowers at the library! We will meet in the staff parking lot off Eastman Avenue.

CRAFT YOUR OWN ANGRY BIRDS

Grades 6-12
Registration required. Sign up at the Youth Services Desk or call 837-3466.
 Thursday, May 26, 6:30-8:00PM
 Library Lounge
 Here's your chance to make characters from this fun and addictive game out of yarn. Let the bird flinging begin!

YOGA

Grades 6-12
Registration required. Sign up at the Youth Services Desk or call 837-3466.
 Thursday, June 16, 2:00-3:30PM
 Library Lounge
 Join us for a 90 minute introductory Yoga session where we will work on movement and strength building as well as stillness and relaxation.

May/June
2011

Grace A. Dow Memorial

1710 W. St. Andrews Road
 Midland, MI 48640-2698
 989-837-3430

LIBRARY Connection

*MICHIGAN NOTABLE AUTHOR

*PARK & READ

*COMPUTER CLASSES

*SUMMER READING PROGRAMS

- *Crafty Thursdays
- *Baffling Bill
- *Story Times
- *Summer Movies
- *Brown Bag Book Club

*TEEN PROGRAMS

- *Volunteers
- *Midland Blooms and more!

LIBRARY CLOSINGS:

- Sundays beginning May 29 through Sept. 4
- Monday, May 30, Memorial Day

Library Board Meetings:
 No Meeting in May
 Wednesday, June 15, 2011
 City Hall Council Chambers



Our virtual branch
is always open

FROM THE DIRECTOR - Melissa Barnard

YOU SPOKE, WE HEARD – NO MORE STAMPING!

Complaints have been on the rise about the date due stickers placed on library materials. Many of you have expressed frustration that you are unable to read the description about the content of the materials because of the date due stickers.

Beginning July 5, 2011, we will no longer place stickers on library materials. Stamps and stamp pads will be removed from the check out and Youth Services areas.

Each patron checking out materials receives a receipt that lists the materials along with the due dates. Patrons are also encouraged to use the "My Account" feature on the library's website. After entering your barcode and pin number, click on "Items Out" for a listing and due dates. As always, please ask the library staff if you need assistance.

Eliminating the date due stickers will save staff time and resources but more importantly will better serve our users. Thank you for your cooperation.

STEPPING UP, STEPPING DOWN

Tami Johnson and Marilyn Soules, both residents of Midland, stepped up when there were vacancies on the Library Board. After serving 3-year and 6-year terms respectively, they have decided to step down and encourage others to become involved on the Board.

Tami served as Library Board Vice-Chair for two years. Marilyn served as Library Board Chair for two years and as representative to the Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative for three years. Our thanks are extended to Tami and Marilyn for their years of service to the library and the community.



The strange object on the left is called a Quick Response Code. Using the barcode scanner on your smart phone, simply scan the object to be transported to the Library's website. Be sure to sign up for the e-edition of The Library Connection.

www.midland-mi.org/gracedowlibrary

STORYTIMES

Baby Time (Babies not yet walking)

Tuesdays, 1:00 and 2:30PM

June 14, 21, 28

An introduction to books, songs, music, bounces, and rhymes with social time for babies to play and adults to visit.

Toddler Time

(Walking babies to 24 months)

Tuesdays, 9:45 and 10:45AM

June 14, 21, 28

This active baby program includes books, rhymes, music and more.

Circle Time (Ages 2 to 3)

Wednesdays, 9:45 and 10:45AM

June 15, 22, 29

Thursdays, 9:45 and 10:45AM

June 16, 23, 30

You and your child are active participants with stories, fingerplays, puppets, songs and get-up and move activities.

Ready, Sit, Read! (Ages 4 and up)

Mondays, 10:30AM and 2:00PM

June 13, 20, 27

Independent listeners can experience children's literature through picture books, flannel boards, stories, puppets, and rhymes.

CRAFTY READERS

K-3rd Graders

Anansi Does The Impossible! You can too!

Call 837-3466 beginning May 1 to register.

Monday, May 9

4:15-5PM & 6:30-7:15PM

Tuesday, May 10

4:15-5PM

Library Lounge

Act out the Anansi story! Make a Spider Bracelet! Enjoy a snack!

BROWN BAG BOOK CLUB MOVIE NIGHT

Students Entering Grades 4-6

Call 837-3466 beginning June 1 to register.

Wednesday, June 22, 5:30-8PM

Library Lounge

Read *How to Train Your Dragon* by Cressida Cowell. Pack a dinner and join us for discussion, dessert, and a movie! Decide which you liked better – the book or the movie.

Copies of the book are available at the Youth Services Desk.

CRAFTY THURSDAYS

Thursdays, June 16 - August 11

9:30AM - 8:00PM

Youth Services Area

Come and create beautiful crafts featuring many different cultures.

Kids' Corner

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

May 2-8

Hey Bookworms! Stop in the library during National Children's Book Week and pick up a bookmark created by Jeff Kinney and join our Children's Book Week Wall.

SUMMER READING FUN!

ONE WORLD, MANY STORIES

Pick up a reading log and join our Summer Reading Program to earn fun prizes! JUNE 6 - AUGUST 13

All Infants-5th Graders Welcome!
Call Youth Services at 837-3466 or visit our webpage

www.midland-mi.org/gracedowlibrary for more information.

Summer Reading is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

"MAGIC AROUND THE WORLD" WITH BAFFLING BILL

Tuesday, June 21, 6:30PM, also 7:30PM Auditorium

Baffling Bill and his magical rabbit, Gus, will perform magic from around the world to promote global harmony and reading. Get ready for plenty of laughs, amazement, and audience participation.

HARRY POTTER HOOPLA

Thursday, July 14, 10:00AM- 7:00PM Youth Services Area

Join our celebration of Harry's final movie. Dress up as your favorite character or an ordinary muggle and enjoy an eventful day with Quidditch matches, Move and Groove, a scavenger hunt, crafts, games, prizes, and snacks. Activities for all ages! *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows - Part 1* will be shown at 2:00PM **in Blu-ray**.

Movie goers will have a chance to win a pair of passes to *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows - Part 2*.

DISCOVERY SQUARE CAMP

For ages 8 - 11

Monday - Friday, August 8-12

9:00AM to 4:00PM

Tuition for each session: \$175

Call Discovery Square Camp to register at 989-832-8543 or register online at www.discoverysquare.org. A limited number of scholarships are available.

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY

Saturday, May 7, 10:00AM - 5:00PM

Drop in to Youth Services and pick up a free comic book – titles for early readers to teens. Choose from a great collection of your favorite characters: Mickey Mouse, Sonic the Hedgehog, Avatar, Thor, Star Wars and many more. Available while supplies last.

SUMMER MOVIES

Wednesday Movies

Intended for preschool through early elementary children. All animated, G-rated films.

June 15 10AM Cars, 116 min.

June 22 10AM Tinker Bell: The Great Fairy Rescue, 77 min.

June 29 10AM Little Polar Bear, 78 min.

Friday Movies

Intended for elementary through middle school audiences. All PG Rated films.

June 10 2PM The Spiderwick Chronicles, 101 min.

June 17 2PM Yogi Bear, 80 min.

June 24 2PM Tangled, 100 min.

Harry Potter Movie Extravaganza

In **Blu-ray** on the big screen!

Win a pair of passes to *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows-Pt 2!*

Drawings for passes will be held at each movie.

Thurs. July 7, 2:00PM
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, PG, 152 min.

Fri. July 8, 2:00PM
Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets, PG, 161 min.

Sat. July 9, 2:00PM
Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban, PG, 142 min.

Mon. July 11, 2:00PM
Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire, PG-13, 157 min.

Tues. July 12, 2:00PM
Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix, PG-13, 139 min.

Wed. July 13, 2:00PM
Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince, PG, 153 min.

Thurs. July 14, 2:00PM
Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows – Part 1, PG-13, 146 min.

YS Collection Move

We've made a few changes in the children's area to create room for some growing collections. If you need help finding your favorite items, just stop and ask at the children's desk. We'll be happy to show you their new locations.

Adult Highlights

NOVEL DESTINATIONS: Adult Summer Reading Program

June 6 - August 13

We are celebrating this year's theme by recognizing the many journeys and new experiences made possible through film and literature.

Joining our Adult Summer Reading Program is easy and rewarding! Read a book, complete an entry form and register to win one of our many weekly drawings. Prizes include gift certificates to some of Midland's finest businesses, including: Peel'n Pare, Heather 'n Holly, Great Lakes Ice Cream Company and more. Entry forms are available at the Reference Desk and on our website. Visit our homepage; under "Summer Reading Programs" click "Adults".

Exploring the World Through Film

Be sure to catch these thought provoking films on the big screen and in High Definition. Each movie is an adaptation of a highly acclaimed novel, memoir or play and features characters on a life changing journey.

Library Auditorium

Wednesday June 22 7:00PM

Everything Is Illuminated, PG-13

Wednesday June 29 7:00PM

No Country For Old Men, R

Wednesday July 6 7:00PM

In Bruges, R

Wednesday July 20 7:00PM

Motorcycle Diaries, R

VOICES: Extraordinary Women of Midland County

April 30 - October 29, 2011

Doan History Center; Admission

Be sure to plan a visit to the History Center to view this unique exhibit of remarkable women whose lives helped shape our community. Learn about the library's history through the women who took us from the first library in 1900 to the present. This exhibit will inspire you.

BOOKS AND BITES

Our season concludes with these absorbing, international tales.

Conference Room A

Right of Thirst : A Novel

By Frank Huyler

Thursday, May 19, 7:00PM

Cutting for Stone: A Novel

By Abraham Verghese

Thursday, June 16, 7:00PM

CLASSIC MOVIE

Library Auditorium; Free

Great Love Stories Chosen by the American Film Institute

The Lady Eve (1941)

Tuesday, May 10, 2:00PM

PARK AND READ IS BACK!

For the last two years, the Park & Read program has been a huge success, with a 10% participation rate in 2009 and a 26% participation rate in 2010 – that's nearly 10,000 people who were able to enjoy Michigan's state parks for free!

The Grace A. Dow Memorial Library, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and the Library of Michigan are again hosting Park and Read. Park and Read is a free program for library card holders to "check-out" a one-day pass to any State Park. The program runs from around Memorial Day through October 1, 2011.

Passes will be available at the check out desk and are valid for seven days. They can be redeemed for one resident daily motor vehicle permit at a Michigan State Park or recreation area. The library has a limited number of passes available on a first-come basis.

EXPLORING YOUR COMPUTER SKILLS

Sign up begins Tuesday, May 31 at the Reference Desk or by calling 837-3449

Class size is limited. The computer lab is located on the lower level across from MCTV.

Mouse and basic computer skills are required for these classes.

Introduction to Microsoft Windows 7

Wednesday, June 8, 2:30PM

Tuesday, June 14, 10:00AM

Learn to use the basic features of Microsoft Windows 7.

Files, Folders, and Storage

Friday, June 10, 10:00AM

Learn how to create files and folders, use external storage devices, and back up your important data.

Introduction to Microsoft Word 2010

Thursday, June 16, 2:30PM

Tuesday, July 12, 10:00AM

Learn how to use the ribbon, create, save, and print documents, highlight, copy & paste text, and check spelling.

Picasa Digital Photos

Monday, June 20, 2:30PM

Monday, June 27, 7:00PM

Organize & edit your digital photos online with Google's powerful and free software.

Word with Bling!

Thursday, July 21, 2:30PM

Learn how to use clip art, tables, WordArt, shapes, symbols, borders & color to add PIZZAZ to your documents.

Using Ancestry Library Edition

Wednesday, June 15, 10:00AM

Learn tips and tricks of using Ancestry Library Edition for genealogical research.

Using Heritage Quest Online

Wednesday, June 22, 10:00AM

Learn tips & tricks of using Heritage Quest Online for genealogical research.