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MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2006

Library Closings

Monday, September 4
Labor Day



Sunday Hours

1-5 PM

Resume September 10

one book, one community on the same page



What if everyone read the same book? Beginning in October, community members are invited to read a wonderfully written, thought provoking story. You can share your ideas and comments with others at discussion group meetings at various locations around the community or online. The author will join us on Thursday, November 9 to speak about the book and answer questions.

The title of the book will be announced on Monday, October 9 at the Midland City Council meeting. Copies of the book will be available for check out at the library.

We hope that you will enjoy the "one book, one community on the same page" program and find the experience fun and rewarding. Watch for more information in the weeks ahead. Thank you for participating.

This program is generously supported by the Friends of the Library who are providing funding for printing, promotion, the author presentation, and other materials. The Friends' donation enhances this exciting event.

This program is also funded in part by the Michigan Humanities Council, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.



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

Information837-3430
Reference837-3449
Check Out Desk837-3457
On-Call/Renewals 24/7835-3280
Youth and Teen Services837-3466
MCTV Network837-3474
TDD837-3472
Friends839-8159

Web Access

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USED BOOK SALE

Friday, October 20

FRIENDS MEMBERS ONLY

PREVIEW SALE

Saturday, October 21

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Sunday, October 22

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, \$5 BAG DAY



Please see the Friends website for times

www.friendsofthelibrarymidland.org

Exhibits and Displays

Mezzanine Gallery

October - Midland Watercolor Society

Lower Level Display Cases

September - Little Forks Conservancy

October - UNICEF



Gourmet coffee?
Homemade cookies?
Cinnamon rolls?
Free WiFi?
At the

Cup and Chaucer Coffee Bar!

Our back-to-school hours are:

Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 7 PM

Saturday: 10AM - 2 PM

Sunday: 12-4 PM



October 14-15, 2006

Visit the Library!

HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

Halloween Party

The Happy Halloween Party will be held Tuesday, October 31 from 9 AM until 8:30 PM. There will be Trick or Treat Stations throughout the library.

Vikki Gasko will perform a Halloween Variety Show. Performances will be held at 9:30 and 11 AM in the Auditorium.

Costume parades will follow both shows and will be filmed by MCTV to be shown on channel MGTV5. (Dates and times of showings will be announced.)

A Halloween craft will be set up in the Youth Services Department. Cider and Donuts in the Lounge.

Note: This program is designed for young children. An adult should accompany children attending these events. Questions? Call the Youth Services Department at (989) 837-3466.



Friday, October 13
4 PM - 8:30 PM
For 3rd grade and up

"The End" is here... after twelve woeful tales of the Baudelaire orphans, Lemony Snicket releases *The Series of Unfortunate Events — Book 13: The End* on Friday, October 13.

To mark this sorry occasion, the library will be hosting its own "Very Unfortunate Event." If you have wasted many horrible hours reading this series of books, you probably won't be interested in attending an event where you do awful activities, make crummy crafts, and win boring prizes. If you are pathetic enough to attend, drop in anytime between 4 and 8:30 PM for a truly miserable time!



We will even be showing the terrible movie that was made about the first three books in the series — *Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events* in the Auditorium at 6 PM. (108 minutes, rated PG)

SPOTLIGHT ON...

HEALTH INFORMATION

Looking for health information? Check out our latest **circulating** collection of books called the Health Reference Series (Sourcebooks). You can easily spot the books in the **nonfiction stacks**, from call numbers 610 to 619, by their distinctive **red and white covers**. These books deal with a **wide range of diseases and disorders** e.g. Asthma, Cancer and Eye Care. They are clear, easy to use and written in non-technical language.



TEEN TIME

Teen Advisory Board

is back for a new year of program planning, book reviews and discussion! Join and have a say in Teen Services. Students in Grades 6-12 welcome. Meetings will be held **Saturday, September 9** and **October 14, 1 PM**. Library Lounge.



Pizza & Plots

Kick off the brand new Teen Book Discussion group for grades 6-8 by reading a previously banned title available at the YS Desk. Join us for pizza and great discussion. **Monday, September 25, 6-7 PM**. Call the Youth Services Desk 837-3466 to sign up beginning September 1 or drop by and pick up the reading list.

Celebrate Teen Read Week!

Sunday, October 15 kicks off Teen Read Week with an Anime and Manga blast! Anime movies and events from **1-5 PM**. Come dressed as your favorite Anime or Manga character and win a prize! AUDITORIUM.

Teen Read Week Author Visit

Teen Author Alex Flinn will make an appearance thanks to the Friends of the Library. Book signing in the Teen Spot **Thursday, October 19, 3:30-4:30 PM**

Teen Spook Night -The Spooks Return!

Friday, October 27, 7-8:30 PM in the Library Lounge. *Ghouls* in Grades 6-12 are invited to join us for Halloween fun. Prizes for the best costumes, games, refreshments, and lots of ghoulish fun.



KIDS' CORNER

A Very Unfortunate Event Friday, October 13, 4-8:30 PM (See front page for details!)

Family Read Program

Attend the Family Read Program on **Thursday, October 26 from 7-8 PM**. Participants will listen to the beginning of the story *My Father's Dragon* by Ruth Stiles Gannett, have a dessert, and enjoy some fun activities. Then families can take copies of the book home to read together. Registration for the program begins October 1. Sign up at the Youth Services Desk.



ALL ABOARD FOR MORE STORY TIME FUN!

More fun is in store for story time lovers of all ages. No more waiting a month for your age group to meet. Beginning the week of September 11 we are chock-full of story time magic, so check the schedule below and get on board. All sessions will run for 6 weeks.

CIRCLE TIME

Tuesdays - 7 PM

Sept 12, 19, 26, Oct 3, 10, 17

Wednesdays - 9:15 & 10:30 AM

Sept 13, 20, 27, Oct 4, 11, 18

Thursdays - 9:15 AM

Sept 14, 21, 28, Oct 5, 12, 19

LISTENERS PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Mondays - 1 PM

Sept 11, 18, 25, Oct 2, 9, 16

Thursdays - 10:30 AM

Sept 14, 21, 28, Oct 5, 12, 19

BABY TIME

Tuesdays - 1 PM

Sept 12, 19, 26, Oct 3, 10, 17

TODDLER TIME

Mondays - 6:30 PM

Sept 11, 18, 25, Oct 2, 9, 16

Tuesdays - 9:30 & 10:30 AM

Sept 12, 19, 26, Oct 3, 10, 17

Crafty Readers (Grades K-3)

Join us in the Library Lounge for stories, crafts, and a snack!

Creepy Crawly Creatures

Tuesday, September 12, 4:15-5 PM and 6:30-7:15 PM

Wednesday, September 13, 4:15-5 PM

Children Around the World -

Cosponsored with UNICEF

Tuesday, October 10, 4:15-5 PM and 6:30-7:15 PM

Wednesday, October 11, 4:15-5 PM

Registration begins the first of the month.

Brown Bag Book Club (Grades 4 & 5)

Book discussion and activity group. Bring your dinner - we'll provide dessert and a drink. Lounge.



Williwaw! by Tom Bodett

Tuesday, September 26, 5:30-6:30 PM

Running Out of Time by Margaret Haddix

Tuesday, October 24, 5:30-6:30 PM

Registration begins the first of the month.

COMPUTER CLASSES FOR KIDS

Beyond the Internet

What is a database and why would you use one instead of the Internet? Find out in this class for students in 4th grade or higher. Parents invited too!

Registration required, beginning September 1.

Tuesday, September 12, 4:15-5 PM

Wednesday, September 13, 4:15-5 PM

Cyber Scavenger Hunt

Five different scavenger hunt sheets... three questions each. Students in grades 4-8 are invited to drop in between **4 and 7 PM** on **Thursday, September 21** to the computer lab in Conference Room C. *Do as many sheets as you want - a small prize for each one you complete!*

FOR ADULTS

"GENE" EALOGY

October 28, 2006, 1-3 PM

Library Auditorium

Learn how you can use DNA as a tool to solve your genealogical puzzles. Roberta Estes was an early adopter of using DNA for genealogy. Come hear her stories and learn how you can use DNA as a tool in your genealogy research. Presented in cooperation with the Midland Genealogical Society.



GENEALOGY AND LOCAL HISTORY OPEN HOUSE

Volunteers and library staff will be available to assist researchers in the Genealogy and Local History Room, **10 AM-12 NOON**, the day of the program.

Join Us!



September 21

Women of the Silk

by Gail Tsukiyama

October 19

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Title to be announced October 9.

SMALL BUSINESS STARTUP SEMINAR

Thursdays, September 7 & October 5

6-8:30 PM Library Lounge. Free and open to the public.

Classic Movies in the Afternoon

Thin Man Series

2 PM in the Library Auditorium

September 12 - *The Thin Man* (1934)

September 26 - *After The Thin Man* (1936)

October 10 - *Another Thin Man* (1939)

October 24 - *Shadow of the Thin Man* (1941)



COMPUTER PROGRAMS

BOOK LOVER'S WEBSITES

Learn how to locate book reviews and discussion guides, where to look for suggestions on what to read next, and how to discover the order of titles in a book series.

Prerequisite: Mouse and web browsing familiarity preferred.

Tuesday, September 12, 7 PM

Conference Room C

HANDS-ON LEGAL RESEARCH TRAINING



Westlaw® Online covers MI law, court decisions, rules of court and administrative regulations.

Thursday, September 28, 7 PM

Conference Room C

DEVELOP TEST TAKING SKILLS

Try out an online practice test before taking the real thing. Learn how to create an account and get started. Tests are timed and graded. This is a great opportunity to develop test taking skills. Tests include:

*ASVAB

*SAT

*ACT

*GED

*Civil Service

*Police and Fire

*Postal Worker

*Corrections

*EMT

*Nursing

Prerequisite: Mouse and web browsing familiarity preferred.

Monday, September 25, 4-8 PM

Conference Room C

COMPUTER CLASS SCHEDULE

Introduction to Mouse & Windows:

Wed - September 6, 7 PM

Fri - September 8, 2:30 PM

Mon - September 11, 9:30 AM

Basic Internet Searching:

Fri - September 8, 9:30 AM

Mon - September 11, 7 PM

Using the Library Catalog:

Fri - September 15, 2:30 PM

Wed - September 20, 7 PM

Advanced Catalog:

Mon - September 18, 7 PM

Fri - September 22, 2:30 PM

Yahoo Email Open House:

Wed - September 13 from 5:30-8:30 PM

Advanced Yahoo Email: YAHOO EMAIL ACCOUNT REQUIRED.

Tues - September 26, 7 PM

Wed - September 27, 2:30 PM

Call the Reference Desk 837-3449 for reservations.

MCTV NETWORK

NEW! "Friends of MCTV." Help raise money to purchase equipment and support MCTV's operational costs. Watch the MCTV 15 message board for more information or call 837-3474 about joining.

Do you want to help promote your church or non-profit organization?

Come down to MCTV's studio for training this fall. Take our orientation/studio training class on Saturday, September 16 or Saturday, October 14, 10 AM-1 PM. The cost is \$10. Call 837-3474 for more information.

MCTV's program schedule can be found in the following places: Midland Daily News Sunday TV Time, TV Guide On-Line and www.midland-mi.org.

Cable Access Advisory Commission Meetings

Wednesday, September 13, 7 PM,

City Hall Council Chambers

Wednesday, October 11, 7 PM,

City Hall Council Chambers

LIBRARY BOARD - "FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION"



QUESTION: Why use email notification?

ANSWER: Would you like to receive notice sooner that your requested material is ready to be picked up or that you have an overdue item? Email notification will notify you several days earlier than those sent by mail. To change your account to email notification, call the Checkout Desk, at 837-3457. For your convenience, your account is always accessible on the library's website. Click on **My Account** for items out, holds, and outstanding charges.

Library Board Meetings

Wednesday, September 20, 7 PM, City Hall Council Chambers

Wednesday, October 18, 7 PM, City Hall Council Chambers