

MCTV

837-3474.....www.midland-mi.org/mctv
Looking for a new hobby or a way to serve your community? Check out MCTV. Our next orientation/studio workshops will be held on the second Saturday of each month this fall: September 8 or October 13 from 10:00AM-1:00PM. The cost is \$45 which includes your first annual access user fee. Call 837-3474 for more information.

Stay tuned to MPS-TV 98 this fall to watch high school sports action produced by MCTV's volunteers who were inducted into the Midland County Sports Hall of Fame earlier this year. Check our website at www.midland-mi.org/mctv or the Sunday Midland Daily News for dates and times.

Many of the shows you can watch on the MCTV Network are also available online. Just go to MCTV's website shown above.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

837-3437.....fogadml@yahoo.com
Mark your calendars for the-

October Used Book Sale

Friday, October 12, 5:30PM-8:00PM

Friends' Members only (Memberships can be purchased or renewed at the door.)

Saturday, October 13, 10:00AM-4:00PM

Open to the public

Sunday, October 14, 1:00PM-3:30PM

Bag Day (Fill a grocery sized bag with books for one low price!)

If you are interested in volunteering to help with the book sale and are a current member of the Friends, please contact us at 837-3437 or fogadml@yahoo.com.

You can find more details and reminders by liking the Friends of the Library on Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/fogadml>.

MEZZANINE EXHIBITS

September.....Midland Watercolor Society
October.....Cultural Awareness Committee

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

Teen Time

FAB FRIDAYS

Grades 6-9

Library Lounge

No registration needed.

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

Friday, September 21, 6:00-8:00PM

Learn how to play Nertz—a fun, fast-paced card game!

Friday, October 19, 6:00-8:00PM

Make a monster corner bookmark and a magnet for your locker.

Friday, November 30, 6:00-8:00PM

Get in the holiday spirit! Grab some popcorn and watch *Elf* (PG).

PLOTS & PIZZA

Grades 6-9

Library Lounge

Registration required. Sign up at the Youth Services Desk or call 837-3466.

Plots & Pizza meets every other month.

Read one of the selected titles for the month, then join us for pizza and book discussion. Copies of the books are available at the Youth Services Desk.

Thursday, September 20, 6:00-7:00PM

Ruins of Gorlan by John Flanagan or *First Test* by Tamora Pierce.

Thursday, November 15, 6:00-7:00PM

Wrapped by Jennifer Bradbury or *Death Cloud* by Andy Lane.

BOOKS & BITES

Grades 9-12

Conference Room A

No registration needed.

High School students are invited to join the adult book discussion group for a special book discussion commemorating the 30th Anniversary of Banned Books Week. Stop by the Youth Services Desk to pick up a copy of the book.

Thursday, September 20, 7:00-8:00PM

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

We would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to the teens who help us each year to make the Summer Reading Program a success! An amazing 168 friendly, dependable, and enthusiastic teens registered and distributed prizes to approximately 4,500 summer readers. They also ushered movies and family events, assisted librarians with programs, and helped with our book cleaning project. We are lucky to have so many outstanding young people in our community!

The Teen Spot is on Facebook!



September/October
2012

Grace A. Dow Memorial

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LIBRARY Connection

Look inside for:

- * FAB FRIDAYS-TEENS
- * GAME NIGHT
- * COMPUTER CLASSES
- * NEW BOOK GROUP
- * KIDS HALLOWEEN PARTY

and more!



Find us on facebook!



LIBRARY CLOSINGS:

Monday, Sept. 3, Labor Day

Sunday hours resume Sept. 9.

Library Board Meetings:

Wednesday, Sept. 19, 7:00PM

Wednesday, Oct. 17, 7:00PM

Live on MGTV 96



Our virtual branch
is always open

CULTURAL AWARENESS MONTH IN MIDLAND!

This October, join the Midland Area Community Foundation's Cultural Awareness Committee and the Grace A. Dow Memorial Library in celebrating the many unique cultures we have in Midland. You're invited to a film festival, food festival, art exhibit and more. Plus, if you are a Midland student you can enter a film and/or art contest! For details visit www.midlandfoundation.org. Click on Projects/Cultural Awareness. Here's what the Library has planned.

- At **Books & Bites** on Thursday, October 18, the staff will lead a discussion about *Tiny Sunbirds, Far Away* by Christie Watson. The program begins at 7:00PM in Conference Room A. "Confronting issues of race, class, and religion, this work ponders idealistic ignorance in a way that is reminiscent of Chinua Achebe's *No Longer at Ease*. Watson's story will appeal to readers of African and literary fiction." *Library Journal*
- UNICEF and Youth Services will co-sponsor a **Brown Bag Book Club** discussion about *A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park on Monday, October 29, from 5:30-6:30PM in the Library Lounge.
- In October, you can check out for FREE, any foreign film from the Library's collection. More details under **Adult Highlights** inside.

READ! PLAY! BUILD!

Nominate our Library for the Read! Play! Build! Project. The most nominated library will receive \$5,000 for books and supplies while the top 200 receive a special LEGO DUPLO Read! Play! Build! Kit. You can vote once per day. The deadline for voting is October 1st. Go to the Library's website to link to online voting: www.midland-mi.org/gracedowlibrary.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN PARTY

Wednesday, October 31

Celebrate at our annual Happy Halloween Party. Details in **Kids' Corner**.

THE CIVIL WAR: 150 YEARS LATER

Michigan Women in the Civil War

Thursday, Nov. 8, 7:00PM

Library Auditorium

Join Michigan Notable Author Jack Dempsey, as he discusses his book *Michigan and the Civil War: A Great and Bloody Sacrifice*. Dempsey, vice chair of the Michigan Historical Commission and board chair of the Michigan History Foundation, will focus on the many contributions Michigan women made during the war. Ranging from illegally serving in uniform to keeping the family farm afloat, Michigan women were pivotal to the State's key role in the Union victory. Copies of Dempsey's book will be available for purchase and signing after the event.

PARKING LOT PROGRESS

We appreciate your patience during the resurfacing of the parking lot. The improved lot provides for safer driving and walking. The project was made possible through grants from The Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation and the Rollin M. Gerstacker Foundation. We are thankful for their support.

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HAPPY HALLOWEEN PARTY

Wednesday, October 31
Celebrate Halloween at our annual Happy Halloween Party. Trick or Treat Stations, a craft, and a snack will be available from 9:30AM to 3:00PM. Join us for music and dancing at one of our Move & Groove sessions to get in the Halloween spirit before participating in a filmed Halloween parade.

9:30AM-3:00PM

Trick or Treat Stations
Throughout the Library

Halloween Craft
In Youth Services

Cider and Donuts
In the Lounge

Move & Groove (Ages 0-6)
Story Room
9:45AM, 10:30AM, 11:15AM and 1:30PM

Halloween Parades
Youth Services
10:05-10:25AM
10:50-11:10AM
11:35-11:55AM
1:50-2:10PM
Filmed by MCTV and shown on channel MGTV 96.



ENGARDE!

*4th and 5th Graders
Mark your calendar!*

Battle of the Books Kickoff!

Auditorium
Saturday, November 10
10:00AM and 2:00PM
John Ritter, author of *The Desperado Who Stole Baseball*, is our guest speaker.

BROWN BAG BOOK CLUB

4th-5th Graders
Library Lounge
Call 837-3466 to register.
Bring your dinner and join us for a book discussion and a fun activity. We'll provide dessert and a drink! Copies of the selected titles are available at the Youth Services Desk.

World According to Humphrey
by Betty Birney
Registration begins September 1.
Monday, September 24, 5:30-6:30PM

A Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park
Co-sponsored with UNICEF
Registration begins October 1.
Monday, October 29, 5:30-6:30PM

Kids' Corner

FALL STORY TIMES

Story Room
Baby Time (For babies who are not yet walking)
Tuesdays, 1:00 & 2:30PM
September 11, 18, 25, October 2, 9
Young infants and their parents will share books, songs, music, bounces, and rhymes followed by social time for babies to play and adults to chat.

Toddler (Walking babies to 24 months)
Tuesdays, 9:45 & 10:45AM
September 11, 18, 25, October 2, 9
Our more mobile baby program contains books, rhymes, fingerplays, songs, and puppets followed by play time for babies and social time for adults.

Circle Time (Ages 2 - 3)
Tuesdays, 7:00PM
September 11, 18, 25, October 2, 9

Wednesdays, 9:45 & 10:45AM
September 12, 19, 26, October 3, 10

Thursdays, 9:45 & 10:45AM
September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 11
You and your child are active participants in this 30 minute program filled with stories, fingerplays, puppets, songs and get-up-and-move activities.

Stories & More (Ages 4 and up)
Fridays, 2:30PM
September 14, 21, 28, October 5, 12
Preschoolers have fun with engaging stories told through books, puppets, flannel boards, and rhymes while they build their pre-reading skills. The program will conclude with a simple craft for preschoolers and their caregivers to complete together.

CELEBRATING FAMILIES

A Family Story Time

For families with young children ages 2-8.
Story Room

Tuesday, October 16, 7:00PM
Wednesday, October 17, 10:00AM
The library joins with Shelter House of Midland County to bring you this special story time.
Apple pie will be served, provided by Big Boy.

CRAFTY READERS

K-3rd Grade
Library Lounge
Call 837-3466 to register.
Join us for stories, snacks and a craft.

Something's Fishy
Registration begins September 1.
Monday, September 10
4:15 - 5:00PM and
6:30 - 7:15PM
Tuesday, September 11
4:15 - 5:00PM

Get in the swim of things with some fishy stories and make a fishbowl craft!

"Come into my Parlor..."
Registration begins October 1.
Monday, October 8

4:15 - 5:00PM and
6:30 - 7:15PM
Tuesday, October 9
4:15 - 5:00PM

...said the spider to the fly". And if you come to Crafty Readers you'll hear this story and make a spiderweb craft.

CHILDREN'S BOOK CHARACTERS ON DISPLAY

Where's Waldo? He's hanging out with over 150 other plush friends from children's literature in our display cases outside Youth Services. There are lots of old friends to see, like Winnie-the-Pooh and Peter Rabbit, as well as many new faces to discover. Find their stories, and many others, in the collection of books that are located in front of the display cases for convenient checkout.

FEATURED DATABASE

Opposing Viewpoints

Have a homework assignment to take a side on a debatable topic? Check out Opposing Viewpoints, available online from home or school or in the Library. This next-generation portal offers a range of perspectives on important issues. Users will find up-to-date, referenced sources including expert-selected articles, video streams, podcasts, images and maps. The range of views will enable you to draw your own conclusions and support them with national and global news sources. To Access Opposing Viewpoints;

- Go to the Library homepage.
- Click on Teen Services.
- Click on Homework Help.
- Scroll Down and Click on Opposing Viewpoints.
- Put in your 14 digit Library barcode.

Adult Highlights

—COMPUTER CLASSES—

Call the Reference Desk at 837-3449 or register in person.

Computer Lab, unless otherwise noted.

SEPTEMBER CLASSES

Registration begins Tues. Sept. 4.

Beginning Computing

This series of three classes acquaints the user with the basics of operating a Windows 7 computer. Sign up for all three.

Thursdays, September 13, 20, 27
2:30PM

- 1. Introduction to Computers/Using the Mouse**—for people with no computer experience.
- 2. Introduction to Windows 7**—how to use your Windows 7 computer.
- 3. Files, Folders & Storage**—how to organize your filing system.

Introduction to Word

Tuesday, September 11, 2:30PM OR

Tuesday, September 18, 2:30PM
Learn how to use the ribbon, create, save, and print documents, highlight, copy and paste text, and more.

Picasa Digital Photos

Tuesday, September 18, 7:00PM
Learn to use Google's powerful and free software to organize, edit, and share your digital photos.

OCTOBER COMPUTER CLASSES

Registration begins Monday October 1.

Picasa Digital Photos

Thursday, October 4, 7:00PM OR
Monday, October 8, 2:30PM
Learn to use Google's powerful and free software to organize, edit, and share your digital photos.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel

Thursday, October 11, 2:30PM
Learn basic skills for cell entry and manipulation, formatting techniques, sheet tabs, and basic formula creation.

Creating Mailing Lists and Labels

Thursday, October 18, 2:30PM
Learn how to create mailing lists and print labels.

Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint

Monday, October 22, 2:30PM OR
Thursday, October 25, 7:00PM
Use the ribbon to create slides, add images and text, animate objects, view

and print presentations, and work with themes and SmartArt.

Word with Bling! Holiday Edition

Wednesday, October 24, 7:00PM OR
Thursday, October 25, 2:30PM
Learn how to use clip art, tables, Word-Art, shapes, borders, and colors to add PIZZAZ to your holiday documents.

—COMPUTER— DEMONSTRATIONS

Library Lounge

No registration required.

Downloadable Audiobooks

Wednesday, September 12, 7:00PM
Learn about the Library's downloadable collections and how to access, download, and transfer online audiobooks.

Picasa Digital Photos

Monday, September 17, 2:00PM
Learn to use Google's powerful and free software to organize, edit, and share your digital photos.

Using Price It! Antiques & Collectibles Online Database

Tuesday, September 25, 7:00PM
Learn more about the ultimate online resource for pricing today's potential treasures.

Social Networking Today

Tuesday, October 16, 7:00PM
Library Lounge
There is more to online communities than just Facebook! Find new ways to express yourself.

Personalize it! Beyond Monograms

Thursday, November 1, 7:00PM
Explore websites where you can design custom gifts for your loved ones - or yourself - from food to fabric.

FOREIGN FILMS GO FREE IN OCTOBER

The Library has an excellent collection of world cinema titles to choose from. Get mesmerized by a martial arts masterpiece like *Ip Man* or become captivated by an actor in a career-defining performance like Marion Cotillard in *La Vie en Rose*. The possibilities are as diverse as our collection.

SMALL BUSINESS START-UP SEMINAR

Library Lounge
Thursday, Sept. 6, 6:00-8:00PM
Thursday, Oct. 4, 6:00-8:00PM

GAME NIGHT

NEW!

Library Lounge
Friday, September 28, 6:00PM
Friday, October 26, 6:00PM
Meet other local gamers and try out a selection of modern and classic board and card games. We'll have a selection of games including Settlers of Catan, Bang!, Apples to Apples, Shadows over Camelot and more; feel free to bring along games from your own collection. (Here's your chance to break out that game that takes 6 players!)

ANYTIME, ANYWHERE BOOK GROUP

NEW!

- an online book discussion
Beginning in September, the Library will sponsor an online book discussion group. Each month, several short stories or a novel will be selected. Throughout the month, Library staff will post discussion questions on a new blog. Readers are welcome to post comments to questions or submit their own questions. In September, we will discuss three stories in the *20 Under 40* collection from the *New Yorker* magazine. The titles are posted on the Anywhere, Anywhere blog on the Library webpage. In October, we will discuss the Pulitzer Prize winning novel, *A Visit from the Goon Squad* by Jennifer Egan. Extra copies of the books are available at the Library.

BOOKS & BITES

Conference Room A
Celebrate the 30th Anniversary of *Banned Books Week* with *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*
By Sherman Alexie
Thursday, September 20, 7:00PM
Tiny Sunbirds, Far Away
By Christie Watson
Thursday, October 18, 7:00PM
The Call
By Yannick Murphy
Thursday, November 15, 7:00PM

CLASSIC MOVIES IN THE AFTERNOON

Library Auditorium
2:00PM, FREE
Fall 2012 - Bing Crosby Series
Road to Morocco (1942)
Tuesday, September 11
Road to Rio (1947)
Tuesday, September 25
Road to Bali (1952)
Tuesday, October 9
Going My Way (1944)
Tuesday, October 23