

Library Connection

GRACE A. DOW MEMORIAL LIBRARY

1710 W St. Andrews Rd. Midland, MI 48640

Adult Highlights

NEW GRAPHIC NOVELS COLLECTION

We now have an adult graphic novel area located behind back issues of magazines. This collection fuses art and literature to create a more vibrant reading experience and will appeal to many of our patrons.

AUTHOR ALERTS

Get notified when the Library orders new titles by your favorite authors or performers!

Sign up for Author Alerts, to stay informed about new material by your favorite authors, actors, and musicians. Click on the Author Alerts link on our For Readers page and choose between email and text message delivery. Every time the Library adds a new title by one of your self-identified "alert" authors, you'll receive a message with a link to the library catalog to place a hold on the forthcoming material.

25¢ DVD SPECIAL

All NonFiction DVD titles checkout for 25¢ in September. New titles are excluded from this promotion.

STARTING A BUSINESS

Community Room
Thursday, September 1, 6:00PM-8:30PM
Wednesday, October 5, 2:00PM-4:30PM
Find out how to turn a skill into a successful business by attending one of our "Starting a Business" seminars.

BOOKS & BITES

The Book of Aron by Jim Shepard
Thursday, September 15, 7:00PM
"An immensely rewarding, shocking and beautiful book ... Shepard, who for years has been one of this country's greatest fiction writers, is as original here as he has ever been"—NPR

Circling the Sun by Paula McLain
Thursday, October 20, 7:00PM

"Captivating ... an intriguing window into the soul of a woman who refused to be tethered." —*Library Journal*

Book of Ages: The Life and Opinions of Jane Franklin By Jill Lepore
Thursday, November 17, 7:00PM

"This book is an important, inspiring portrait of a determined and faith-filled woman who just happened to be the sister of a big shot." —*Library Journal*

OUR FOUNDING FATHERS

Please join us September 22 as Ryan Petersen, Delta College, explains "**Who Were the Founding Fathers?**". While often viewed as a quarrelsome bunch, this group of lawyers, merchants, politicians, and military men were able to transcend their differences in order to forge a new nation.

One of the most well-known of the founders was Thomas Jefferson. Gregory Havrilcsak, UM-Flint, will explore "**Thomas Jefferson: Conflicts & Ambiguities**" on October 6. His talk will highlight Jefferson the statesman; the writer; the scientist; and the student of philosophy and his role in the formation of our country.

On November 3, we will be treated to a two-act play on the life of John and Abigail Adams, entitled "**My Dearest Friend**." Gem Theatrics will make history come alive with their first-person account of the lives and love between John and Abigail Adams.

Dr. Andrew Wehrman, CMU, in his presentation "**Alexander Hamilton: The Ten Dollar Founding Father**", shares the remarkable story of Hamilton's extraordinary life, with ties to the Broadway musical.

TECH TIP: Taking a Screen Shot

It can be useful to capture what you currently are seeing on your device or computer and save it as a picture.

For Android tablets and phones there are two possible methods:

1. Press the volume down and power buttons at the same time until the screen flashes white.
2. Press the home and power buttons at the same time until the screen flashes white. The image will show up in your Gallery or Photos app in a folder called Screenshots.

For iPad and iPhone:

Press the home and power buttons at the same time until the screen flashes white. The image will show up in your pictures.

For a Mac computer:

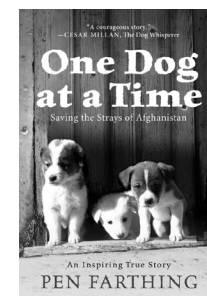
Press the Command + Shift + 3 keys at the same time and the image will show up as a file on your desktop.

For a Windows computer:

Press the PrtScrn key on the keyboard then paste into a document, Paint, or elsewhere. You can also use the Snipping Tool program on your Windows Vista and later computer.

The Back Page

October is the American Humane Association's Adopt-A-Dog Month. Every year, over 3.9 million dogs are placed in animal shelters nationwide. Often, these are loving, loyal, perfectly adoptable companion K-9s who just need a second chance. Check out these great reads to find out just how meaningful and satisfying pet adoption can be.

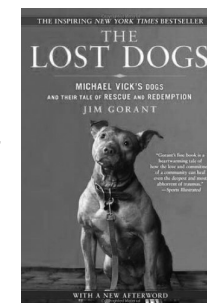


One Dog at a Time: Saving the Strays of Afghanistan

by Pen Farthing
Royal Marine Farthing is stationed in a remote outpost in Afghanistan when he starts rescuing the area's displaced and neglected dogs. Drawn by the struggles of dogs in the most dire of situations, Farthing and his soldiers begin to better understand their own situation as young men in a dangerous and often violent war. What emerges in **One Dog at a Time** is a story of hope and compassion—for the dogs that are ultimately rescued, of course, but also for everyone caught in the horrors of war.

The Lost Dogs: Michael Vick's Dogs and Their Tale of Rescue and Redemption

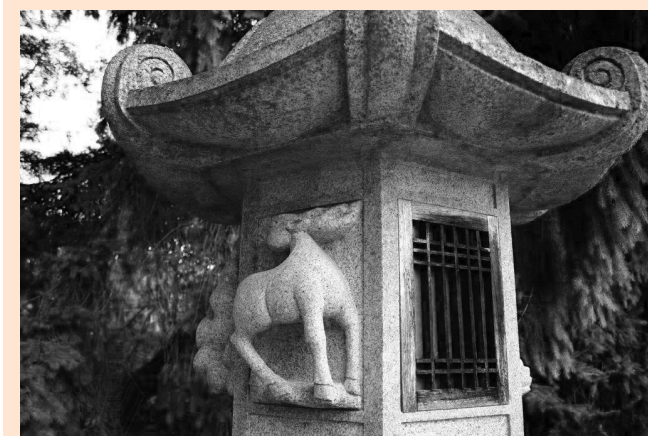
by Jim Gorant
When the NFL's Michael Vick was indicted for running a brutal dogfighting ring, over 50 dogs were removed from his kennel. Mostly Pit Bulls, these dogs were almost certainly headed for euthanasia before a court order forced Vick to pay a hefty sum to his former dogs for their rehabilitation. Almost all of the dogs rescued were discovered to be non-aggressive animals seeking human kindness and attention. **The Lost Dogs** is part courtroom drama, part animal rights literature—and all about the enduring bond that exists between humans and dogs.



Some other excellent dog tales to check out:

Pit Bull: the Battle over an American Icon by Bronwen Dickey

Inside of a Dog: What Dogs See, Smell and Know by Alexandra Horowitz



Yes You Can @ the Library!

This is the Kasuga Lantern, one of three lanterns in the Japanese Garden at the Library. This September marks the 25th anniversary of the dedication of the garden. It was a gift from Midland's Sister City of Handa, Japan. The Quiet Room overlooks the Japanese Garden.

Phone Numbers

Renewals 24/7 835-3280
Information 837-3430
Reference 837-3449
Check Out Desk 837-3457
Youth and Teen Services 837-3466
MCTV 837-3474

Hours

Monday-Friday 9:30AM-8:30PM
Saturday 10:00AM-5:00PM
Sunday 1:00PM-5:00PM

Closed Sundays:
Memorial Day-Labor Day

Our eBranch is always open

OUR FOUNDING FATHERS

Please join us for our free fall lecture series, "Our Founding Fathers," which will explore the lives and legacies of our earliest American citizens.

September 22 Ryan Petersen (Delta College)
Who Were the Founders?

October 6 Gregory Havrilcsak (UM-Flint)
Thomas Jefferson: Conflicts & Ambiguities

November 3 Gem Theatrics
My Dearest Friend A play about John & Abigail Adams

December 1 Dr. Andrew Wehrman (CMU)
Alexander Hamilton

Programs begin at 7:00PM in the Library Auditorium.
See Adult Highlights inside for details.

APPLES OF THE GREAT LAKES BAY REGION

Wednesday, October 26, 7:00PM
Library Auditorium

Have you visited the Farmer's Market and marveled at the many different types of apples we enjoy in this area? Would you like to taste one of these apples? Come to this presentation by Terence Moore, and learn about the best of both old and new varieties of apples that are grown in the Great Lakes Bay Region, both for eating out-of-hand and for baking. The program will also include an opportunity to taste dozens of varieties and take home a sample of eating and baking apples grown in the Moore Orchards.

BEING MORTAL

Sunday, October 23, 4:00PM
Library Auditorium

During October, in partnership with the Midland Area Community Foundation Cultural Awareness Committee and MidMichigan Health Center, we will be celebrating Cultural Awareness Month. The theme this year is "World Health Issues and Cultural Considerations." The PBS documentary "Being Mortal" based on the book by the same name by Dr. Atul Gawande will be shown, followed by a panel discussion and Q & A. The film is sponsored by the Hospice Foundation of America. Copies of the book are available for check out.

CELEBRATING OUR FRIENDS

During National Friends of the Library Week, October 16-22, we would like to recognize our Friends of the Library for their support. Did you know that the Friends plan, organize, and run three used book sales each year? Did you know that the Friends have donated over \$780,000 to the Library since they were formed in May 1973? Did you know that they maintain a used book sale area in the Library? Join the Friends!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN PARTY

Our annual Happy Halloween Party for babies, toddlers and preschoolers will take place from 9:30AM-3:00PM on Monday, October 31. See Kids' Corner inside for details.

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INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

Book displays in Youth Services and Reference from September 1-September 25 will recognize this annual day of peace. Creative 360 will be holding a family celebration on Sunday, September 25, 1:00PM-4:00PM. Go to www.becreative360.org for more information.

LIBRARY CARDS

September is **National Library Card Sign-Up Month**. Kids signing up for their first library card will receive a new Snoopy-themed card. Encourage your friends and new neighbors to get a library card. Come to the Library or go to the Library's display at the Farmers Market on Saturday, September 17 by the Tridge.



Library Closings

Monday, September 5
Labor Day

Sunday, September 11
Sunday Hours Resume
1:00PM-5:00PM

Board Meetings

No meeting in September

City Council Chambers
Wednesday, October 19
7:00PM

Look Inside For:

- Author Alerts
- Computer Classes
- Battle of the Books



Kids' Corner

YOUTH EVENTS CALENDAR

Be sure to check out the Youth Events Calendar for a complete listing of all of our programming for children and teens. The calendar is available online or at the Library.



BATTLE OF THE BOOKS KICK-OFF

EN GARDE! 4TH AND 5TH GRADE READERS: Mark your calendar for the kickoff of the 2016-2017 Battle of the Books program, Saturday, November 12 at 10:00AM and 2:00PM in the Library Auditorium. Kirby Larson, author of *Duke*, is our guest speaker.

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS MANAGER OVERVIEW MEETING

Library Auditorium
Saturday, October 22, 10:30AM

Parents, teachers, and other volunteers interested in supporting a highly regarded and well-loved reading program are invited to an overview meeting on managing teams for Battle of the Books. A panel of current and past years' Battle team managers will share their methods of success and then we'll give the audience an opportunity to get their questions answered.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN PARTY

Monday, October 31

Join us for our annual Happy Halloween Party! You and your little one can come in costume to dance along at one of our Halloween-themed Move & Groove sessions and then join the Halloween parade. There will be snacks, coloring and trick-or-treat stations too!

Trick or Treat Stations

Throughout the Library
9:30AM-3:00PM

Snack

Community Room
9:30AM-3:00PM

Move & Groove

Story Room
9:45AM, 10:30AM, 11:15AM and 1:30PM

Halloween Parades

Youth Services Area
10:05AM-10:25AM, 10:50AM-11:10AM,
11:35AM-11:55AM, and 1:50PM-2:10PM

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Kids' Corner

CHAT & CHEW BOOK CLUB

Grades 4-5

Wednesday, September 28
4:15PM-5:30PM

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

4th & 5th GRADERS! WE WANT YOU FOR CHAT & CHEW BOOK CLUB! Do you like to read? Do you like to eat snacks? Do you like to chat and have fun? If so, join us after school to chat about books and chew on some awesome snacks (and ideas).

Have you ever imagined what it would be like to live in the largest family home in the United States? A home with more than 250 rooms and 175,000 square feet!

Read *Serafina and the Black Cloak* by Robert Beatty and explore the Biltmore Estate with Serafina and Braeden, the young nephew of the Vanderbilts.



Filled with history, mystery, and magic, this book will transport you to a time and place too unbelievable to be real. Once there, you must figure out what truly is real ... Copies of the book will be available at the Youth Services Desk.

LITTLE LISTENERS

Ages 2-3

Register at 837-3466 or the Youth Services Desk. Each month requires separate registration for the 3-week session.

Join us for a NEW program combining a traditional storytime with early literacy skills. *Little Listeners* includes a book, a flannel board story, songs and early literacy activities. These small group sessions will last for 3-weeks building on the skills from the previous week.

September: At the Zoo

Wednesdays 9:45AM-10:05AM
September 7, 14, 21

Thursdays 9:45AM-10:05AM
September 8, 15, 22

October: Under the Sea

Wednesdays 9:45AM-10:05AM
October 5, 12, 19

Thursdays 9:45AM-10:05AM
October 6, 13, 20

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

For families with children ages 2-6
Mondays, 7:00PM

September 12, 19; October 3, 10, 17

Start the week off with an evening of fun for your family. Come enjoy great books, puppets shows, flannel board stories, songs, action rhymes, and a craft-to-go.



Adult Computer Classes

Classes take place in the Library Computer Lab on the lower level. Stop by the Reference Desk or call 837-3449 to register starting September 1.

For descriptions of all fall Computer Classes, visit our website.

GETTING STARTED WITH COMPUTERS

Classes begin at 10:00AM

Mouse & Internet Basics

Thursday, September 8
Thursday, November 3

Introduction to Windows 10

Thursday, September 15
Thursday, November 10

Files and Folders

Thursday, September 22
Thursday, November 17

Web Search Strategies

Thursday, September 29

WEBPAGE CODING BOOTCAMP

(open to Grades 9+)

Coding Boot Camp: HTML5
Wednesday, October 5, 6:30PM

Coding Boot Camp: CSS
Wednesday, October 12, 6:30PM
Must have taken HTML5 class or be knowledgeable of HTML5.

Coding Boot Camp: Java
Wednesday, October 19, 6:30PM
*Must know HTML5.
CSS strongly recommended.*

LIBRARY AND INTERNET CLASSES

(open to Grades 9+)
Social Media for the Perplexed
Wednesday, September 14, 6:30PM

Library Resources
Thursday, October 6, 10:00AM

Reference USA for Business
Thursday, October 13, 10:00AM

MICROSOFT OFFICE

Classes begin at 10:00AM

Intro to Word
Tuesday, September 13

Excel
Tuesday, September 20

PowerPoint
Tuesday, September 27

Publisher
Tuesday, October 4

More PowerPoint
Tuesday, October 11

Word: Photos & Fonts
Tuesday, October 18

Word: Using Tables
Tuesday, October 25

More Excel
Tuesday, November 1

Word: Mail Merge
Tuesday, November 15

Teen Time

TEEN READ WEEK

Grades 6-12
October 9-15

Celebrate Teen Read Week at the Library! Stop by the Teen Spot to try your hand at identifying scrambled book covers. Also, try to identify the protagonist and the book from which they came from a bio-poem.

Looking for a good book to read? Pick up a booklist and read one of the titles nominated for the Teens' Top Ten Award. If you're lucky, you may even get caught reading at the Library. Come and see how Youth Services librarians reward teens who read.



THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

Each summer, our library and the community benefits from the generous amount

of time our teen volunteers donate during the Summer Reading Program.

Our gratitude goes out to the 150 exceptional young adults who handed out prizes and encouragement to readers, assisted at programs, prepped crafts, read Seuss stories, and cleaned books. Summer wouldn't be the same without them.

YOUNG ADULT LIBRARY SERVICES ASSOCIATION TEENS' TOP TEN

YALSA's Teens' Top Ten is an annual list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books from the past year. Teens are encouraged to read the nominees before the national Teens' Top Ten vote, which will take place August 15-October 15, at www.ala.org/yalsa/teenstopten. The complete list of nominated titles is available in the Teen Spot and online.



Teen Time

WEBPAGE CODING BOOT CAMP

Library Computer Lab
Grades 9 and up

Registration Required. Sign up beginning September 1 by stopping by the Reference Desk or calling 989-837-3466.

Coding Boot Camp: HTML5

Wednesday, October 5, 6:30PM

We'll cover how to make a webpage, how to format text, and how to link pages to build a website.

Coding Boot Camp: CSS

Wednesday, October 12, 6:30PM

Learn to make webpages visually appealing and functionally navigable. We'll cover basic web graphics, formatting, and menu construction.

Must have taken HTML5 class or be knowledgeable of HTML5.

Coding Boot Camp: Java

Wednesday, October 19, 6:30PM

Learn how to make webpages functional. We'll cover basic animation, interactive content, and web forms.

Must know HTML5. CSS strongly recommended.

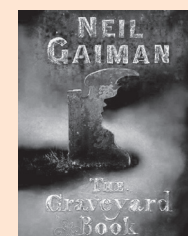
SNACK & YAK TEEN BOOK CLUB

Grades 6-9

Wednesday, October 26 4:00PM-5:00PM

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

This October Snack & Yak will be back! Are you hungry? For books? For snacks? For stimulating conversation? If so, join us after school to snack and yak about books. Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be raised by wolves like Mowgli from *The Jungle Book*? Well, what if you were raised by ghosts?



Read *The Graveyard Book* by Neil Gaiman and find out if the graveyard is as nurturing as the jungle...

Copies of the book will be available at the Youth Services Desk.

Friends of the Library

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

Mark your calendars for the October used book sale! The book sale will be held in the Library Auditorium and Mezzanine. Cash or checks only please.

Friday, October 14, 5:30PM-8:00PM
Members only. Memberships can be purchased or renewed at the door.

Saturday, October 15, 10:00AM-4:00PM
Open to the public.

Sunday, October 16, 1:00PM-3:30PM
Bag Day! Fill a grocery-sized bag for \$6.

Remember, you can always visit our ongoing used book sale located in the Library AV room.

For more information on the Friends, or how you can help, follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/fogadml

Mezzanine Exhibits

September:
Midland Water Media Society

MCTV

837-3474 ... cityofmidlandmi.gov/mctv

Spread the word about special events and the services provided by your non-profit organization. Apply to appear on "Community FOCUS" produced by the Friends of MCTV. This monthly program features four segments, each focusing on a different organization. To apply, go to the Friends page on MCTV's website. "Community FOCUS" is shown on MCTV 191 on Charter and Channel 99-Community Voices on U-verse.

Your organization can also produce its own show each month. Learn how by attending MCTV's Orientation/Studio workshop. It will be held September 10 or October 8 from 10:00AM-1:00PM. The cost is \$45 which includes your first annual access user fee.

Our annual night to recognize our access users will be held at Creative 360 on Bayliss Street. "Honors Night" is scheduled for Thursday, November 17 at 6:30PM. The public is invited.