

Adult Highlights

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS WINNERS



April saw the conclusion of the third annual Adult Battle of the Books competition. Nine teams competed for the championship and "Readers of the Year" title and trophies.

This year, our previous second-place team **Always the Bridesmaids** triumphed in a close finish over defending champions **The Chosen**. It was a tight competition and we hope a fun evening for all.

SUMMER READING

This year's **Build a Better World** summer reading program is well underway. There have been great prizes won, fun family programs to checkout, and of course, lots of reading opportunities. But it's not over yet! The program lasts until August 12. So if you haven't participated yet, stop in today and get all the details. A full description of our program, which accommodates readers of all ages, as well as a schedule of all the great programs and events still to come can be found online. Check out our many book displays, reading lists and activity suggestions to keep your summer in full swing.

25¢ DVD SPECIAL All fiction DVD titles check out for 25¢ in July and August. New titles are excluded from this promotion.

STARTING A BUSINESS

Community Room
 Wednesday, July 19, 6:00PM-8:00PM
 Thursday, September 14, 2:00PM-4:00PM
 Attend one of our "Starting a Business" seminar events. Co-sponsored by the Michigan Small Business Development Center.

BOOKS AND BITES

Program Room, Lower Level
 Thursday, September 21, 7:00PM
The Nest by Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney
 "Readers who devour quirky family dramas like **Where'd You Go, Bernadette** and **Be Frank With Me** won't want to miss this anticipated debut about a dysfunctional New York City family." —*BookPage*

FALL LECTURE SERIES: MODERN EXPLORERS

Take a journey with us during our Fall Modern Explorers Lecture Series.

On Thursday, September 14, we will be examining the future of the space program with Mike Murray of the Delta Planetarium.

We will then be treated to an underwater adventure to the site of the Lake Superior sinking of the famed "Edmund Fitzgerald" with diver and videographer, Ric Mixter on Thursday, October 5.

We will be looking at the future of genetic engineering, including its moral and ethical implications, during the Thursday, November 2 lecture.

All lectures are free and will be held in the Library Auditorium at 7:00PM. No registration is required

TABLET USERS ONE-TO-ONE HELP

Wednesday, September 20
 2:00PM-4:00PM
 Tablet beginners, sign up for a half-hour time slot to work one-to-one with a librarian.



LEGAL FORMS DATABASE

The Library provides access to the Gale Legal Forms database, which contains a wide selection of state-specific legal forms on popular legal topics. Drafted by attorneys and specific to Michigan, these forms cover such areas as bankruptcy, divorce, landlord/tenant, wills and trusts, real estate, and power of attorney. Forms can be printed or downloaded for free.

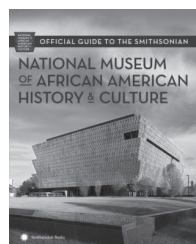
BUILD A BETTER WORLD

Be sure to participate in the Adult Summer Reading Program! For each book you read or listen to, fill out an entry form. Return entry forms to the Reference Desk or submit them online for a chance to win gift certificates from local businesses.

We also have a bonus challenge this year. Complete activities on the bonus card for a chance to win a grand prize at the end of the program.

Try one of these activities with your family to help you Build a Better World:

- Visit an art museum, a science museum or an aquarium with your family this summer.
- Build a birdhouse, go on a nature hike, or go camping to learn something new about nature and ecology.
- Participate in a yoga class, exercise, or take a bike ride to improve your inner self.
- Take in a community event like Tunes by the Tridge or Riverdays.
- Read a book about someone who worked to Build a Better World.

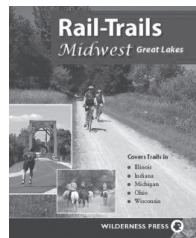
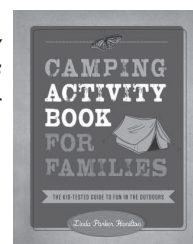


Official Guide to the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History & Culture

By Amy L. Arnold and Brian D. Conway

Camping Activity Book for Families

By Linda Parker Hamilton

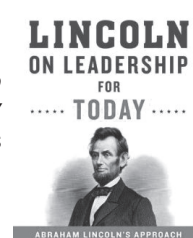


Rail-Trails Midwest Great Lakes

By the Rail-to-Trails Conservancy

Lincoln on Leadership for Today

By Donald T. Phillips



Yes You Can @ the Library!

The Grace A. Dow Memorial Library now has a bike share station! In June, Zagster Bike Share stations were installed throughout the City. This project was sponsored by the Midland Area Community Foundation and Momentum Midland. For more information, visit www.zagster.com/midland.

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

July/August 2017

Library Connection

GRACE A. DOW MEMORIAL LIBRARY
 1710 W St. Andrews Rd. Midland, MI 48640

TOUCH-A-TRUCK

Library Parking Lot

Thursday, July 27, 9:30AM-11:30AM

Rain Date: Friday, July 28, 9:30AM-11:30AM

BEEP! BEEP! BEEP! Patching roads and nabbing criminals will have to wait! City vehicles are taking time off from their busy work day to come to Touch-A-Truck! Climb aboard mini vehicles in addition to the giant plow truck, garbage truck, and forestry cherry picker! Check out the big red fire truck, too! Don't miss this FREE event!

BUILDING WITH SLOAN MUSEUM

This summer's focus is building and Sloan Museum will be visiting the library on August 10 to lead some fun building projects. In **Under Construction**, children ages 4 to 8 will use a variety of materials to build the tallest tower and learn how to follow a blueprint to build structures with blocks. Everyone will make a "building box" to take home. Youth ages 8 to 12 will wire electrical circuits to power lightbulbs and buzzers. Space is limited and registration is required. See the library website or the Summer Reading Flyer for session times and sign up information.

PLOTS AND PIZZA

Plots and Pizza is back and we are kicking it off with a movie night! Please join us on Wednesday, August 2, from 5:30PM-8:00PM to watch the movie **Middle School the Worst Years of My Life** (PG), adapted from James Patterson's bestselling book, eat pizza, and discuss the book. This program is open to students in grades 6-9. Registration is required.

THANK YOU FRIENDS!

The Battle of the Books, First Grade Tours, Adult Book Discussion Group, eBook/eAudiobook collection, spring programming, and the Summer Reading Program. This is the list of the programs and services that the Friends of the Library supported this last year. In addition, the Auditorium front stage curtain will be replaced thanks to a donation from the Friends. We are so fortunate to have such a dedicated group of volunteers who work very hard to make these contributions to the Library. Thank you to our extraordinary Friends!

CONSTRUCTION AT THE LIBRARY

Thank you for your patience as work continues on the fascia renovation. The new look will reflect the original design envisioned by Alden B. Dow. We are excited to watch as the metal fascia is removed and is replaced with textured glass panels. The project is funded with grants from the Alden and Vada Dow Family Foundations and The Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation.

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NEW SERVICE

Do you need to send a document by email? We now offer free scanning at the print/copy station located by the public computers on first floor.

Instead of faxing, use this service to email your documents directly to your intended recipient. It is easy and staff are available to assist you.

This service is available during Library open hours.

LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT

Stephanie Andreasen was appointed to a three-year term on the Library Board at a recent City Council meeting. Stephanie's interests include youth services and promoting the Library. We welcome her and look forward to her involvement on the Board.



Library Closings

Closed Sundays until Sunday, September 10
 Tuesday, July 4
 Independence Day
 Monday, September 4
 Labor Day

Board Meetings

City Council Chambers
 Wednesday, August 16
 7:00PM

No Meeting in July

Look Inside For:

- Movie Nights
- Lego Robotics
- Fall Lecture Series



Kids' Corner



SUMMER READING PROGRAM

June 12–August 12
It's not too late to join our Summer Reading Program! The last day to pick up a log in time to complete all four prize levels is Saturday, July 15, and the last day to pick up a log and still be able to reach the first level is Saturday, August 5.

MOVE & GROOVE

Story Room **Auditorium**
All ages welcome; designed for ages 2–6
Thursdays, 10:00AM and 11:00AM
July 6, 13, 20

You and your child can dance and sing in this fun program filled with action songs and movement activities.

FAMILY FUN NIGHTS

Story Room **Auditorium**
Families with children ages 2–6, older siblings welcome
Mondays at 7:00PM
July 3 – **Tunes & Tales** with UpBeat Music Academy
July 10 – **Music for Munchkins** with Michele Spitz
Story Room **Mezzanine**
July 17 – **Move and Groove** with Miss Jenny
July 24 – **Music for Munchkins** with Michele Spitz

YOUTH SERVICES CALENDAR

To see a complete listing of all of our programs for children and teens, check out the Youth Services Program Calendar, available on the Library website or in the Library.

CATCH THE RHYTHM OF READING

Auditorium
Tuesday, July 11, 7:00PM
The Spoon Man is ready with another rousing spoon-playing performance, featuring fun-filled sing-alongs, comedy, and plenty of audience participation.

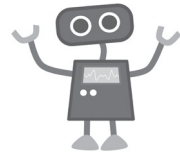


BROWN BAG BOOK CLUB MOVIE NIGHT

Story Room **Location to be determined**
Entering Grades 4–6
Wednesday, July 12, 5:30PM–8:00PM
"HUMAN BEANS is not really believing GIANTS is THEY?"
Read **The BFG** by Roald Dahl and get set for a squiffwaglin' good time! Pack a dinner—in a brown bag, of course—and join us for a book discussion followed by the movie. Popcorn and frobscottle provided for all chidlers! Pick up a copy of the book at the Youth Services Desk.
Register at the Youth Services Desk, or by calling 837-3466.

WeDo LEGO ROBOTICS

Story Room
Ages 5–8 years
Tuesday, August 1
10:00AM–12:00PM and 2:00PM–4:00PM
Thursday, August 3, 10:00AM–12:00PM



Lego Robotics provide a great introduction to the basics of programming. Participants will build a Lego model that includes a motor and motion sensors and then use drag-and-drop icons to program the model to move and respond.

Space is limited. Registration is required and begins July 1. Register at the Youth Services Desk or by calling 989-837-3466.

ALL ABOARD DISCOVERY DEPOT!

Story Room
August 12–26
Summertime means Farmer's Market fun at the Library. Join us in the Story Room where you and your little one can fill up baskets with play produce and checkout at the register. Enjoy a variety of early learning activities including puzzles, Duplo blocks and more, aimed for children birth to Kindergarten. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Discovery Depot will be open for business the following hours:
Monday–Friday 9:30AM–7:30PM
Saturday 10:00AM–4:00PM
Sundays Closed

FREE SUMMER MOVIES FOR KIDS

Auditorium
For Preschool & Early Elementary (Rated G)
Wednesdays at 10:00AM

July 5	Rio 2	101 min.
July 12	Super Buddies	81 min.
July 19	Curious George: Back to the Jungle 3	81 min.
July 26	Peppa Pig: Sun, Sea, and Snow (Not Rated)	61 min.
August 2	Land Before Time XIV	82 min.
August 9	Great Mouse Detective: Mystery in the Mist	74 min.

For Upper Elementary (Rated PG)
Fridays at 2:00PM

July 7	Sing	108 min.
July 14	Moana	107 min.
July 21	The Jungle Book (2016)	105 min.
July 28	Kubo and the Two Strings	102 min.
August 4	The Lego Batman Movie	114 min.
August 11	The Secret Life of Pets	87 min.

Adult Computer Classes



Classes are free of charge and take place in the Library Computer Lab on the lower level. Stop by the Reference Desk or call 837-3449 to register. Registration begins Monday, August 28.

September Computer Classes

MICROSOFT OFFICE
Microsoft Word
Thursday, September 7, 2:00PM
Microsoft Excel
Tuesday, September 12, 6:30PM
Thursday, September 14, 2:00PM
Microsoft PowerPoint
Thursday, September 21, 2:00PM
Microsoft Publisher
Thursday, September 28, 2:00PM

COMPUTER BASICS
Using the Mouse and Internet 101
Monday, September 11, 10:00AM
Introduction to Windows 10
Monday, September 18, 10:00AM
Windows: Files and Folders
Monday, September 25, 10:00AM
Evaluating Online News Sources
Tuesday, September 26, 10:00AM
Tablet Users One-to-One Help
Wednesday, September 20
2:00PM–4:00PM

October Computer Classes

COMPUTER BASICS
Using the Mouse and Internet 101
Tuesday, October 3, 10:00AM
Introduction to Windows 10
Tuesday, October 10, 10:00AM
Doing More with Windows 10
Tuesday, October 17, 10:00AM
10 Ways to Stay Safe Online
Tuesday, October 24, 10:00AM
GOOGLE RESOURCES
Get to Know Your Chromebook
Thursday, October 5, 2:00PM
Get Started with Gmail
Thursday, October 12, 2:00PM
Get Started with Google Calendar
Thursday, October 19, 2:00PM
Get Started with Google Docs & Drive
Thursday, October 26, 2:00PM

For descriptions of fall computer classes, visit our website.

Friends of the Library

837-3437.....fogadml@yahoo.com
Thank you to everyone who helped to make our June book sale one for the record books! Did you know that it takes 50 volunteers just to staff our book sales? We appreciate that we have so many friends willing to step up and help out! Please mark your calendars for our next sale: October 13–15, 2017.

Remember that you can fill all your summer reading needs at the Re-Tale Market, located in the Library AV room. At the Annual Meeting, the Friends Board elected the following officers:
President: Kathy Rasette
Vice President: Allison McDonald
Secretary: Anne Southworth
Treasurer: Angela Halliwell
Assistant Treasurer: Brenda Schupska
In addition the Friends Board welcomed a new at-large member, Louwrens van der Leij, and said goodbye to Elissa Thomson and Nancy Humphrey, whose terms expired. If you'd like to become more active in the Friends, give us a call, send us an email, or find us on facebook at facebook.com/fogadml to find out how.

MCTV

837-3474 ... cityofmidlandmi.gov/mctv
The MCTV Network is comprised of four channels: two Public Access channels, a Midland Public Schools channel, and a Midland Government TV channel. MCTV can be found in the County of Midland on Charter Communications channels 188–191, and in the Midland, Saginaw, Bay City, and Flint areas on AT&T U-Verse channel 99. Channel 191, Community Voices, is the Public Access channel open to all City of Midland residents and non-profit organizations. Programs are of local interest and non-commercial. Channel 190 is MPS-TV. This channel is dedicated to Midland Public schools information and events. Channel 189, Community Messages, is the public bulletin board. Here you can post non-commercial messages, fundraisers, community events, or even editorials. Channel 188 is Midland Government Television. Watch programs on local, state, and national affairs. Find information on City services by watching MGTV News daily.

Teen Time

For teen events that require registration, please call 837-3466 or sign up at the Youth Services Desk.



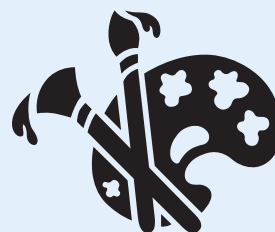
TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM

June 12–August 12

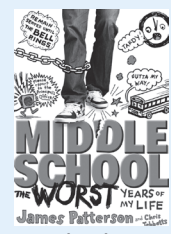
Students entering grades 6–12
The Teen Summer Reading Program is underway! Don't forget to finish your reading/listening requirements and collect your prizes! The final day to pick up summer reading prizes is August 12. Summer Reading is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library

PAINTERLY POTTERY

Community Room
Location to be determined
Grades 6 and up
Tuesday, July 18, 6:30PM
Registration is required. Space is limited.
Select from a variety of shapes, sizes, and colors of mosaic tiles to design a beautiful creation to take home.



Teen Time



PLOTS & PIZZA MOVIE NIGHT

Community Room
Location to be determined
Grades 6–9
Wednesday, August 2, 5:30PM–8:00PM
Registration is required.

"Imaginative quiet teenager Rafe Katchadorian is tired of his middle school's obsession with the rules at the expense of any and all creativity. Desperate to shake things up, Rafe and his best friends have come up with a plan: break every single rule in the school and let the students run wild." —imdb.com
Read **Middle School the Worst Years of My Life**, then join us for pizza and a viewing of the movie adapted from James Patterson's bestselling book. We will have a brief discussion following the movie. Copies of the book will be available at the Youth Services Desk.

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEENS!

HIGH-FIVE to the friendly, enthusiastic teens in the orange shirts that you see around the Library this summer! Each day, 15–20 teens are volunteering their time to help us carry out fun and exciting activities in Youth Services. We are so fortunate to have so many outstanding young adults in our community. THANK YOU, TEENS, FOR ALL YOU DO TO HELP US!