It's an exciting time at the Muskegon Area District Library as we embark on many new opportunities. We are geared up for a full schedule of great summer reading programs and entertainment for our community. We make reading and learning fun for our youth, and adults can enjoy activities that are planned both inside the library and at local venues in partnership with community organizations. Our talented staff looks forward to serving patrons with great enthusiasm—just ask us and we will assist—whether it’s with technology support, reader services, and research and reference assistance. Our Bookmobile is in full throttle bringing library services to outlying communities.

We want to wholeheartedly welcome the new Director, Ron Suszek II, who will bring outstanding leadership as we continue to fulfill our mission to provide learning resources and services to Muskegon County!
STRATEGIC PLAN 2022–2024 GOALS AND STRATEGIES

GOAL 1: Expand access and awareness to library resources
- Evaluate hours of operation and provide services for the community during accessible times
- Provide expanded delivery options for patrons
- Ensure that up-to-date technologies, Internet access and related assistance are available
- Increase marketing and expand outreach opportunities

GOAL 2: Update programs, resources, and spaces and materials
- Broaden and expand innovative program offerings for non-traditional patrons, teens, adults, or patrons experiencing barriers to library services
- Further the growth, accessibility, and awareness of digital materials
- Maintain clean, safe, and welcoming facilities and functional spaces
- Improve engagement of community partnerships, schools, and other library affiliates to provide additional programming space or specialized services

GOAL 3: Support equity, diversity, and inclusion
- Be intentional with staff training and professional development
- Aspire to represent and reflect our community internally, with purposeful hiring
- Review and evolve the collection to reflect community needs, including adding more English-learner materials and non-English materials
- Develop new or expand current programs for under-served or under-represented populations

Sign-up for Summer Reading
June 13–August 20
Join for your chance to win prizes for all ages, like Squishmallows, Lego, Michigan Adventures passes, themed baskets, gift cards, and more. To get started, go to madl.org/SummerReading and learn more about Beanstack, our mobile reading app. There, you can register everyone in the family, log your reading, and earn prizes. We have something for everyone: 6th grade and younger, 7th through 12th grade, and even adults!
CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS
Families welcome!

**Summer Reading begins June 13**
ALL MADL BRANCHES
Birth–6th grade
The Summer Reading Club is here! Join us for exciting programs and fantastic prizes.

### Movie Time
**Wednesdays, June 1–August 31**
1:00 pm
**Ravenna Branch**
Watch a family friendly movie every Wednesday. Snacks provided.

### Snacktivity
Wednesdays, June 1–August 31
3:00–6:00 pm
**Montague Branch**
Meet at the library for games, crafts, Lego and more every Wednesday. Snacks provided at this fun activity. Drop in anytime!

### Bow WOW Readers
Second and Fourth Wednesdays of the Month
June 8 & 22, July 13 & 27, August 10 & 24
12:30 pm
**Library for the Visually & Physically Disabled Branch**
Bow WOW Readers will visit twice a month for their read-aloud program that pairs people ages 6 and up with a trained therapy dog and handler from the Alliance of Therapy Dogs International for reading or some quality time. Register for a time slot on the madl.org calendar.

### Summer Kickoff Carnival
Saturday, June 11
11:30 am–2:00 pm
**North Muskegon Branch**
Celebrate the end of the school year and the beginning of the Summer Reading Program with our free all ages carnival. Enjoy a bounce house, slide, foam axe throwing, carnival games and prizes.

### Sing Song Yoga
Monday, June 13
2:00 pm
**Norton Shores Branch**
Yoga poses with movement and games for everyone. Parents will join in the fun to make it a full experience. Don’t forget to bring yoga mats or beach towels.

### Canning Lid Suncatchers
Monday, June 13
5:30 pm
**Egelston Branch**
Come hear a story and make unique canning lid suncatchers to hang in your window. Ages 6 and up. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

### Summer Lego Challenge
Thursday, June 16
2:00 pm
**North Muskegon Branch**
Back by popular demand—it’s our Lego challenge. Try one of our challenges or just have fun making your own design. We will provide all the Legos. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

### Story Trail Celebration
Thursday, June 16
4:00–6:00 pm
**Bethlehem Park, 421 W. Summit, Muskegon Heights**
Join us as we celebrate Juneteenth with the unveiling of a NEW permanent Story Trail exhibit installed at Bethlehem Park. The inaugural book “Opal Lee and What It Means to Be Free” will be encased, page by page, in a walking book experience that tells the true story of the grandmother of Juneteenth. Hotdogs will be served.

### Father’s Day Plaque
Saturday, June 18
11:00 am
**North Muskegon Branch**
Tell someone how much you love him by creating a special plaque. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

### Doughnuts with Dudes
Saturday, June 18
3:00 pm
**Norton Shores Branch**
Celebrate our dudes by toasting them with doughnuts at this special storytime. Enjoy refreshments while we read a story about fathers and all the special men in a kid’s life.
**Garden Explorers: Pollinators**
Friday, June 24
10:30 am
North Muskegon Branch
To kick off the branch’s new “Garden Explorers” series local beekeeper Kim Wood will help us learn about the role of pollinators, how they live among us, and how we can help them. View an observation hive of live honeybees and make your own Mason bee house to take home. Ages 5 and up. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

**Pearl Diving**
Monday, June 27
2:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Pearls are the only gemstone to come from a living creature. We are going to “dive” for our own pearls with which to create something special. Things are gonna get a little splashy.

**Week of July 4**
**Take It Make It: Dig It Up—Mermaids**
Available at all MADL Branches while supplies last.

**Garden Explorers: How Does Our Garden Grow?**
Friday, July 8
10:30 am
North Muskegon Branch
Come explore our sensory garden and learn what we can see, hear, taste, and smell. Kids will make their own hanging tomato plant to take home. Ages 5 and up. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

**Paleo Joe**
Monday, July 11
2:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Meet Paleo Joe. Mr. Joe is a real digger and will help us get acquainted with animals, plants, and creatures that have been extinct for millions of years. Ages 7 and up.

**Mini Tie Dye Tote Bags**
Monday, July 11
5:30 pm
Egelston Branch
We supply the tote bags and you design until your heart’s content with our markers. Wear old clothes or a smock. Ages 8 and up. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

**Into the Wild Scavenger Hunt and Storytime**
Wednesday, July 13
11:15 am
Holton Township Park
Join us in beautiful Holton Township Park (Syers Rd.) for a nature scavenger hunt and storytime. Bring your lunch to eat after the scavenger hunt. All ages welcome.

**Fish Fun**
Wednesday, July 13 and Wednesday, August 10
6:00 pm
Dalton Branch
Create a fishy craft and play some games. Be introduced to our favorite books about friendly fish, and ocean creatures. Ages 10 and younger. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

**Family Fun Night:**
**Oceans of Possibilities**
Thursday, July 14
6:00 pm
Montague Branch
Join us under-the-sea for a wild adventure at the library. Crafts, games, prizes and more!

**Oil Spill Cleanup**
Monday, July 18
2:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Ocean life is beautiful, but oil spills can pose a threat to ecosystems. Have fun with some hands-on experiments to see why oil spills are so damaging to our environment.

**Garden Explorers: Marvelous Monarchs**
Friday, July 22
10:30 am
North Muskegon Branch
Learn all about monarch butterflies and how they use our garden. Make your own butterfly habitat to take home so you can watch how caterpillars become butterflies. Ages 5 and up. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

**Percy Jackson Book Club Party**
Monday, July 25
2:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
You are invited to Camp Half Blood. Celebrate summer Percy Jackson style with all your demi god friends and go on a quest. Ages 8 and up.

**Shark Week Painting**
Monday, July 25
2:00 pm
North Muskegon Branch
It’s shark week! Celebrate one of the ocean’s most fierce creatures by making this shark painting with round sponge brushes. Ages 4 and up. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.
Need help registering on the madl.org calendar? Visit or call your local branch and we will help!

Beaded Suncatcher
Tuesday, July 26
10:00 am
North Muskegon Branch
It’s craft time at North Muskegon. Join Cathie as she shows you how to make a suncatcher out of beads and sticks that will light up your room. Ages 6 and up. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Holton Community Days Celebration
Saturday, July 30
10:00 am–1:00 pm
Holton Branch
See downtown Holton at its finest. Stop by the library for crafts, games, prizes, and more.

White Lake Chamber Music Festival Children’s Concert
Monday, August 1
10:30 am
Montague Branch
The White Lake Chamber Music Festival will present a special children’s concert at the Montague Branch Library. Cellist and educator, Erin Wang, will inspire children of all ages as they explore and discover the joy of music!

Oceans of Fun Trivia
Monday, August 1
2:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Show how much you know about the ocean. Engage in friendly competition while wearing your best pirate attire. Pirate hats provided; some assembly required.

Garden Stepping Stones
Thursday, August 4
10:00 am
North Muskegon Branch
Decorate a stepping stone to put in your garden using your hand or footprint or decorate it however you’d like. We will supply everything you need. Time slots available every half hour from 10:00–11:30 am. Call the library at 744-6080 to register for a time slot.

Garden Explorers: Composting
Friday, August 5
10:30 am
North Muskegon Branch
Learn how to make garden dirt a great place for plants to grow, and hear about composting and even wriggly worms. Then we’ll help you make your very own compost soda bottle or jar to take and start your own compost at home. Ages 5 and up. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Can You Survive?
Monday, August 8
2:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Test your ability to survive on a deserted island. Visit various stations to see if you can be the next member of “The Swiss Family Robinson.” Ages 6 and up.

3D Design and Print
Monday, August 8
2:00 pm
North Muskegon Branch
Jackie will show you the basics of using a 3D printer and help you design your own charm. Your 3D projects will be printed and available for pick up later in the week. Ages 7 and up. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Make It @ Montague: Sea Craft
Wednesday, August 10
3:00 pm
Montague Branch
Join Kristina to make a special craft. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Ocean Experiments
Friday, August 12
2:00 pm
North Muskegon Branch
Join Ms. Nancy to learn all about the ocean and its inhabitants. We’ll discover how a squid moves, why sharks don’t sink, how ocean currents work and more. Ages 5 and up. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Week of August 8
Take It Make It: Coral Reef
Available at all MADL Branches while supplies last.
Bermuda Triangle Escape Room
Monday, August 15
2:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
The Bermuda Triangle is a space where ships, planes, and people have allegedly gone missing. Try your luck at our Bermuda Triangle Escape Room and challenge yourself to make it through. Ages 7 and up.

Storytime at White River Light Station
Tuesday, August 16
11:00 am
Montague Branch
Join Ms. Heidi at the White River Light Station (6199 Murray Rd, Whitehall, MI 49461) for a special storytime with books, music, games and more. If raining, event will take place at the library.

Cosplay Party & Contest
Wednesday, August 17
2:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Be the wonder in the ocean. We invite you to come up with funny, clever, or realistic interpretations of oceanic characters. Compete for the chance to be the Best Dressed of the Ocean. All ages welcome.

Garden Explorers: Fairy Gardens
Friday, August 19
10:30 am
North Muskegon Branch
We’ll end our Garden Explorers series with a fairy-tale Storytime in our sensory garden. Then we’ll make a little garden that a fairy or dinosaur would love to live in. Supplies provided. Ages 5 and up. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Norton Shores 9th Annual Arts & Drafts Festival
Children’s Activities
Saturday, August 20
10:00 am–2:00 pm
Ross Park, Norton Shores, MI
The Muskegon Area District Library staff and the Friends of the Norton Shores Library team up to provide crafts, bouncy equipment and lots of fun for kids at the 9th Annual Arts & Drafts Festival. Stop by and see us! This event is free and open to the public.

Back to Hogwarts Celebration
Thursday, August 25
6:00 pm
North Muskegon Branch
After two years our back to Hogwarts celebration has returned! Celebrate the beginning of the school year Harry Potter style as we transform the library into Hogwarts. Get sorted into your house, attend potions class, duel your fellow wizards and more. Join us in the Hogwarts great hall for delicious snacks at our start-of-term feast. No witch, wizard, or muggle will want to miss this.

Storytime
Family Storytime
Mondays, June 13–August 15
6:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Learn valuable life lessons like empathy, sharing and kindness through stories. All ages welcome.

Montague Family Storytime
Tuesdays, June 14–August 16
11:00 am
Montague Branch
Family Storytime includes books, music, games, dancing, crafts and some special guests. Designed to reach children ages birth through elementary. Older siblings are welcome.

Baby Time
Every other Tuesday
June 14 and 28, July 12 and 26, August 9
9:30 am
Norton Shores Branch
Aimed exclusively at infants ages 0–18 months and their caregivers. Baby Time introduces babies to music, rhythm, and rhyme—all important pre-lingual and pre-literacy skills.

Holton Family Storytime
Wednesdays, June 15–August 17
11:15 am
Holton Branch
Family Storytime includes books, music, games, dancing, crafts and some special guests. Designed to reach children ages birth through elementary. Older siblings are welcome.

MADL at the Muskegon Farmers Market
Third Saturday of the month
June 18, July 16, August 20
11:30 am
Muskegon Farmers Market
242 W. Western
Join us at the Farmers Market for stories, songs, and more.

Storytime at the Village
Fourth Saturday of the month
June 25, July 23, August 27
11:00 am
Montague Branch
Join Ms. Heidi at the Montague Artisan Market Village (8660 Water St, Montague, MI 49437) for a special Storytime with books, music, games and more. If raining, events will take place at the library.
**Summer Reading Fun Everywhere**

**JOHN BALL TRAVELING ZOO**
The Zoo is coming to you! Join us for a live animal show.

**Monday, June 13**
10:30 am  Montague Branch
1:00 pm  Holton Branch
3:00 pm  Dalton Branch

**Tuesday, June 14**
10:30 am  Ravenna Branch
1:00 pm  Egelston Branch
3:00 pm  Muskegon Heights Branch

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10:30 am  North Muskegon Branch
1:00 pm  Muskegon Township Branch
3:00 pm  Norton Shores Branch

**MACIEK THE MAGICIAN**
Get ready for a high-energy show filled with unbelievable magic.

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3:00 pm  Dalton Branch

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**MUSIC WITH RICK KELLEY**
Get ready for a highly interactive one-man band music show with Mona Shores graduate, Rick Kelley.

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10:30 am  Montague Branch
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3:00 pm  Dalton Branch

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3:00 pm  Norton Shores Branch

**COULD YOU BE SUBMARINER?**
USS Silversides staff will be here with submarine facts and history while you learn what it takes to live on a submarine. Kids in attendance will receive a free ticket to Jumping Joe Day at the USS Silversides Submarine Museum.

**Monday, June 27**
10:30 am  Montague Branch
1:00 pm  Holton Branch
3:00 pm  Dalton Branch

**Tuesday, June 28**
10:30 am  Ravenna Branch
1:00 pm  Egelston Branch
3:00 pm  Muskegon Heights Branch

**Wednesday, June 29**
10:30 am  North Muskegon Branch
1:00 pm  Muskegon Township Branch
3:00 pm  Norton Shores Branch

**WET AND WILD ANIMALS**
Join the Outdoor Discovery Center of Holland to see live Michigan animals that can be found near rivers and lakes.

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10:30 am  Montague Branch
1:00 pm  Holton Branch
3:00 pm  Dalton Branch

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10:30 am  Ravenna Branch
1:00 pm  Egelston Branch
3:00 pm  Muskegon Heights Branch

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10:30 am  North Muskegon Branch
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**OCEAN COMMOTION**
It's time for some hands-on STEAM fun with MADL staff.

**Monday, July 18**
10:30 am  Montague Branch
1:00 pm  Holton Branch
3:00 pm  Dalton Branch

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*Muskegon Township programs will be held in the Orchard View Community Education gym at 1765 Ada Avenue.*
MiLibrary Quest: Treasures of the Deep
June 15–July 30
Hey Teens! MiLibraryQuest begins on June 15. Start at madl.org/teenquest, visit other library web pages across the state of Michigan, find clues and solve a puzzle by July 30 for a chance to win a $25 Meijer gift card. Ages 11–18 eligible.

Summer Reading begins June 13
ALL MADL BRANCHES
Grades 7–12
Summer reading is for big kids too. Join now to win fabulous prizes.

Teen Video Game Time
Thursdays, June 2–August 25
1:00 pm
Ravenna Branch
Hang out and play Nintendo Switch party games. Snacks provided.

Marbled Mugs
Thursday, June 16
4:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Dip a mug into a colored mixture to make a one-of-a-kind mug with a marbled ocean or coastline scene.

Make It @ Montague: Mermaid Money
Wednesday, June 29
3:00 pm
Montague Branch
Learn how to make this cute and colorful “money” using simple items. Register at madl.org/calendar.

Intro to the VR with the Oculus Quest
Thursday, July 14
1:00–2:30 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Learn about virtual reality (VR) using the Oculus Quest in this hands-on session for teens. Explore family-friendly apps including travel, art, and space along with multiplayer apps such as ping pong or mini-golf.

Ocean in a Bottle
Friday, July 15
2:00 pm
Dalton Branch
Come to the library to create an Ocean in a Bottle to take home, or give as a gift. Sooth away your summer days. Space limited to 10. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Animal Seashell Ornaments
Friday, July 15
3:00 pm
North Muskegon Branch
Make these super cute animal ornaments out of seashells. You can even add a jewelry spoon and make your creation into a necklace. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Make It @ Montague: Sailor’s Knot Bracelet
Wednesday, July 20
3:00 pm
Montague Branch
Make a bracelet using special sailor’s knots. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Zines: Telling Your Story
Thursday, July 21
4:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
What in the world is a ZINE? Join us and learn the interesting history of zines, how to make them, and what you can do with them once you have created one. Writers, artists, poets, anyone can make a zine. We supply the tolls, you bring the creativity.

Watermelon Picture Creation
Monday, August 8
5:30 pm
Egelston Branch
Create a sweet summer craft using buttons and hot glue to make a watermelon picture. Adult required to assist with hot glue gun. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Lost at Sea
Thursday, August 18
4:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
When your ship sinks, you hitch a ride on a life raft and use a box of emergency supplies to stay alive. Work together to decide what’s most valuable. Who will survive?

Eraser Stamped Tote Bags
Tuesday, August 23
3:00 pm
North Muskegon Branch
Design your own custom tote bag using only pencils and paint. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Make It @ MADL: Duct Tape Book Bag
The possibilities are endless when you make a book bag using Duct Tape. Materials provided. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Thursday, June 30
1:00 pm
Egelston Branch
4:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Friday, July 1
1:00 pm
Holton Branch
Thursday, July 7
1:00 pm
LVPD
4:30 pm
Muskegon Heights Branch
Thursday, July 14
1:00 pm
Ravenna Branch
3:30 pm
Muskegon Township Branch
Thursday, July 21
1:00 pm
North Muskegon Branch
Friday, July 29
2:00 pm
Dalton Branch
Wednesday, August 17
3:00 pm
Montague Branch
ADULT PROGRAMS

Summer Reading begins June 13
ALL MADL BRANCHES
Adults can join and win prizes too.

Tiny Art Show
June 1–June 17
North Muskegon Branch

Show your love for art by participating in our tiny art show. Kits with a small canvas, paint and brush will be available at the North Muskegon Branch while supplies last. Pick up a kit between June 1 and 17, paint your masterpiece, and return it to the library by June 20. Art will be displayed through June 30 and patrons can vote for their favorite. A winner will be selected in each age group (kids/teens/adults) to receive a prize. Our people’s choice winners will receive a prize too.

Michigan Notable Book Author Visit: John Wemlinger
Wednesday, June 8
6:00 pm
North Muskegon Branch
2022 Michigan Notable Book Author John Wemlinger will join us to discuss his book, The Cut. The book centers around Alvin Price and Lydia Cockrum who literally bump into one another in the summer of 1870 and fall in love. Coming from vastly different backgrounds, their relationship encounters struggle amid the feuding farmers and powerful lumber industry in Manistee, Michigan. Limited copies will be available for checkout. Books will also be available for purchase at the event. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Expungement Workshop Series
Friday, June 10
Monday, July 11
2:00 pm
Muskegon Heights Branch
If a prior criminal conviction prevents you from finding a job or starting a career, this workshop could help. Learn more about how the Clean Slate Act helps expunge records so that you can legally state you’ve never been convicted or arrested for that crime on job, school, and housing applications. Expungement can help you find full-time employment and create financial stability. West Michigan Works will help with the steps needed to file a Set Aside Application. Space limited to 25. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

Pigeon Creek Shakespeare Co. presents: Blue-Eyed Hag by Jim Lair Beard
Friday, June 17
7:30 pm
North Muskegon Branch
A prequel to Shakespeare’s The Tempest, which tells the story of what happened on Prospero’s Island before Prospero’s arrival. The script features warring kingdoms, dark magic, mysterious transformations, and slapstick comedy, all woven together in a story that you will love whether you know The Tempest or not. Tickets can be purchased at www.pcshakespeare.com.

Collage Crafts
Third Monday of the month
June 20, July 18, August 15
1:00 pm
Library for the Visually & Physically Disabled Branch
Come make a bold collage project with Sax. All materials will be provided. All ages welcome. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

MADL at Juneteenth Community Celebration
Sunday, June 19
2:00–6:00 pm
Mona Lake Park, Muskegon Heights
Join us at the third Annual Juneteenth Community Celebration at Mona Lake Park. Fireworks, food trucks, live bands, bounce houses, and neighbors make this family-friendly event one you won’t want to miss! Visit MADL’s table and make a Juneteenth craft.
**Beginner Crochet**
Ashley will teach basic crochet stitches—chain stitch, single crochet, double crochet, etc. Get started on a small project and explore some techniques like making shapes and granny squares. Class includes a crochet hook and enough yarn to make a small class project. Attend one or both sessions. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.

**North Muskegon Branch**
Mondays, June 20, July 18, and August 15
5:30 pm

**Egelston Branch**
Tuesdays, July 19 and August 23
2:00 pm

**Cycle With MADL**
Monday, June 20
6:30 pm

**Start/End: Muskegon Farmers Market, 242 W. Western Ave.**
Join the local bicycle group, Roll On Muskegon, at the Muskegon Farmers Market for a leisurely, family-friendly bicycle ride through neighborhoods and a stop at Bethlehem Park in Muskegon Heights, where MADL will present a short history of the park’s new Story Trail exhibit that tells the story of Juneteenth. Wheels turn at 6:30 pm.

**Juneteenth 101: What Is It? And Why Is It Important?**
Wednesday, June 22
7:00 pm
**Norton Shores Branch**
Join a panel discussion facilitated by Mary Higgenbottom-Johnson of MADL, featuring Michelle Lloyd Paige of Calvin University, Nick Budimir of Muskegon Community College, and Muskegon’s own Jon Covington, as they provide a presentation on the history and significance of Juneteenth. Register at madl.org/calendar.

**Photography Basics: Take Better Photos**
Thursday, June 23
6:00 pm
**Montague Branch**
Join professional photographer, Beth Buelow, and learn how to capture your memories in new and interesting ways. We’ll spend time on basic camera settings (Point-and-Shoot, DSLR or Mirrorless; phone cameras welcome; settings discussion will be for digital, DSLR-type cameras, but all other info will apply) to help you get the best image for the subject and light. Learn tips on how to see the world with a photographic eye, and you’ll practice on subjects indoors and out.

**Succulent Wreath**
Saturday, June 25
11:00 am
**North Muskegon Branch**
Join Cathie Krol and learn how to make a living wreath step by step using succulents and moss. This fun DIY project is sure to make a statement on your front door. A materials fee of $20 is due at time of registration. Space is limited to 15 participants. Visit the library or call 744-6080 to register.

**The Secret Bellydancers**
Tuesday, June 28
6:00 pm
**North Muskegon Branch**
Join us for a performance by Muskegon’s very own Secret Bellydancers—a performance group specializing in the fun of belly dance! The colorful ‘Contemporary World Fusion Bellydance’ group uses the traditional veil, sword, tambourine, cane, and finger cymbals. They will also dance contemporary styles including wings, silk fan veils, candelabra, Bollywood, and tribal fusion. Their colorful costumes and unique style demonstrate their joy in dance. Don’t miss this special event. Light refreshments provided.

**Zines: Telling Your Story**
Tuesday, July 5
6:00 pm
**North Muskegon Branch**
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**MADL at the Movies on Deck**
Friday, July 8
After sunset
560 Mart St, Muskegon, MI 49440
Join MADL in partnership with the USS LST 393’s Movies On Deck series for an incredible outdoor movie experience on the deck of this WWII vessel. Watch for more details about this super hero feature film.
**Tech Talks: Facebook 101**
Monday, July 11
3:00 pm
**Dalton Branch**
Get comfortable with Facebook as you learn about privacy settings, sharing, uploading, and more. Bring your Facebook login and password so you can follow along in your own account. Register at madl.org/calendar or call 231-828-4188 to register.

**History Roll Bike Tour**
Wednesday, July 13
6:00 pm
**Whitehall City Hall, 405 E. Colby St.**
Take a “slow roll” history tour of the White Lake Area. Meet at the Whitehall City Hall parking lot at 6:00 pm, ride to the Montague Branch Library then on to the Franklin Hotel and Sawyers Brewing Company. Anyone can join this fun and informative History Roll.

**Cycle with MADL**
Monday, July 18
6:30 pm
**Start/End: Muskegon Farmers Market, 242 W. Western Ave.**
Join the local bicycle group, Roll On Muskegon, for a leisurely, family-friendly bicycle ride through neighborhoods and a stop at the Muskegon Heights Library Branch, where MADL will present this fascinating history of the branch Library Building. This ride starts and ends at the Muskegon Farmers Market. Wheels turn at 6:30 pm.

**MADL Thursday Night Music Club Special Summer Concert with Silverado**
Thursday, July 21
7:00 pm
**Norton Shores Branch**
Bring a friend or the whole family and join your fellow music lovers for a free live concert. It’s hot fun in the summertime with Muskegon’s own country-western favorite.

**Author Meet and Greet**
Saturday, July 30
10:00 am–1:00 pm
**Holton Branch**
Meet and greet with local authors who will sign books and have their works available to purchase. This event is part of Holton Community Days downtown celebration.

**Pigeon Creek Shakespeare Co. presents: William Shakespeare’s Love’s Labour’s Lost**
Saturday, July 30
7:30 pm
**North Muskegon Branch**
This production of Shakespeare’s unconventional, bittersweet comedy includes original music composed especially for the production. David Taylor Little, who is also the playwright of our Arlo Whittaker mystery radio plays, directs this musical adaptation inspired by songs of the 1920s. Tickets can be purchased at www.pcshakespeare.com.

**Kitten Yoga**
Saturday, August 20
11:00 am
**North Muskegon Branch**
Are you ready for some adorable kitten head bonks during downward-facing dog? Join us for a fun 40-minute yoga class with… kittens. Heaven Can Wait Animal Haven and their fuzzy friends will be joining us in the Walker Community Center for this unique event. Learn all about this local rescue while getting your yoga on. All kittens at the event will be up for adoption. Children 7+ may attend if accompanied by a guardian. Space is limited. Visit the library or call 744-6080 to register.

**3D Design and Print**
Monday, August 22
6:00 pm
**North Muskegon Branch**
Learn the basics of 3D design using TinkerCAD and design your own key chain charm. 3D projects will be printed and available for pickup later in the week. Registration required on the madl.org calendar.
Summer Book Talks
Wednesdays
7:00 pm

Montague Branch
June 15  Ross Richardson: Michigan Mysteries
June 22  Jim Bolone and Dave McVeigh (2022 Michigan Notable Author): The Dock Porter: A Mackinaw Island Novel
June 29  David Hardin (2022 Michigan Notable Author and part of the Library of Michigan Notable Author Tour): Standpipe: Delivering Water in Flint
July 20  John Wemlinger (2022 Michigan Notable Author): The Cut
July 27  Jim Townsend speaking about the book Getting to the Heart of the Matter: My 36 Years in the Senate by Carl Levin

Senior Navigation Services
Are you over age 60? If you need help finding a primary care physician, applying for benefits (veterans, food stamps, Medicaid), paying for medications, obtaining durable medical equipment, financial assistance for hospital bill payment, utility assistance and food or housing, the Senior Navigator from the Health Project HUB can help with answering questions and linking you to services. No registration required—just drop in.

Montague Branch
Second Tuesday of the month
1:00–3:00 pm

Dalton Branch
Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month
1:00–3:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch
Third Wednesday of the month
1:00–3:00 pm

Muskegon Township Branch
First and Third Friday of the month
10:00 am–12:00 pm

Ravenna Branch
First and Third Friday of the month
1:00–3:00 pm

Holton
Second Friday of the month
1:00–3:00 pm

Egelston Branch
Second Thursday of the month
1:00–3:00 pm

LVDP
Second Friday of the month
10:00–12:00 pm

MAD(L) Crafters
The MAD(L) Crafters is a craft club for ages 18 and up. Crafter extraordinaire Char Little provides the supplies and the expertise. Space is limited. Registration required on the madl.org calendar

MAD(L) Crafters
Second Tuesday of the month
1:00–3:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch
Monday, June 6
6:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch
Wednesday, June 29
6:30 pm

Moss Bird Nest
Construct a decorative moss bird’s nest that brings nature inside your home.

Moss Bird Nest
Second Friday of the month
5:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch
Wednesday, July 27
6:30 pm

Black-Eyed Susan Wall Hanging
Celebrate the waning days of summer by creating Black-Eyed Susans against a wooden fence backdrop.

Black-Eyed Susan Wall Hanging
Second Monday of the month
5:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch
Wednesday, August 24
6:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch
Monday, August 29
6:00 pm

Americana Centerpiece
Create adorable fabric charm balls and Rustic stars for a summery Americana table centerpiece (basket not included).

Americana Centerpiece
Third Monday of the month
1:00–3:00 pm
LET’S TALK ABOUT BOOKS
Community book lovers meet once a month at the Library to discuss the book selection of the month. Visit your Library for copies of the featured books. Newcomers always welcome. No registration required.

Tuesday Evening Book Club
Third Tuesday of the month
6:30 pm
North Muskegon Branch
June 21: The Recipe Box by Viola Shipman
July 19: The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman
August 16: The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper by Phaedra Patrick

Holton Book Club
Fourth Tuesday of the month
6:00–7:00 pm
Holton Branch
June 28, July 26, August 23

Dalton Book Club
Fourth Wednesday of the month
6:00 pm
Dalton Branch
June 22: Barefoot Season by Susan Mallery
July 27: The Pull of the Stars by Emma Donaghy
August 24: An Amish Surprise by Shelley Shepherd Gray

Book Discussion Group
First Thursday of the month
10:30 am
Norton Shores Branch
June 2: White Ivy by Susie Yang
July 7: My Antonia by Willa Cather
August 4: The 100 Years of Margot and Lenni by Hamnet by Marianne Cronin

MADL adopts Ellison Die Cutter from MAISD
There’s a new addition at the Library for the Visually and Physically Disabled, the Ellison Die Cutter. It can quickly and easily cut pre-made shapes into paper. You can choose from a wide variety of shapes, including sets of full alphabets. Users bring their own materials to make things like posters, scrapbooking pieces, and so much more. This machine is an excellent tool for educators of all kinds to use for free. For more information, call the LVPD, 737-6310. To use the die cutter, visit us at 4845 Airline Road.

USED BOOK SALES
Muskegon Township Branch
Friday, June 3: 9:00 am–4:00 pm
Ravenna Branch
Friday, June 3–Saturday, June 11 [regular open hours]
Montague Branch
Saturday, July 2: 9:00 am–2:00 pm
Monday, July 4: 9:00 am–2:00 pm
Holton Branch
Friday, July 29: 2:00–7:00 pm
Saturday, July 30: 10:00 am–4:00 pm
North Muskegon Branch
Saturday, August 13
9:30 am–3:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Friday, October 7: 9:00 am–5:00 pm
Saturday, October 8: 9:00 am–3:30 pm
Holton Branch Renovation

The Holton Branch is MADL’s most recent renovated branch. The space has been completely reconfigured and is almost unrecognizable. With new shelving, paint, furniture, flooring, and an open layout, patrons can enjoy more space to lounge as well as a larger collection of materials. Natural light now floods the library and provides a relaxing atmosphere for both patrons and staff. If you find yourself in the Holton area, this is a must-see.
The Muskegon Area District Library (MADL) is expanding library service into Laketon Township. It is located within the Reeths-Puffer administrative offices at 991 W. Giles Road. In partnership with Reeths-Puffer schools, MADL will offer full library services with access to computers, books, DVDs, video games, hotspots and more. The Laketon Township Branch will be open two days per week. MADL is looking forward to serving this area of Muskegon County!

HUMANS OF MUSKEGON

We have joined in the international effort to bring ‘humans’ to tell their stories in person, and where you can check the ‘human books’ out during a program this fall. Volunteers will share their experiences of prejudice or stereotypes to encourage a deeper understanding among members of our community. Oral histories of volunteers will also be recorded. More information can be found on our website, madl.org/humans_of_muskegon

DO YOU WANT TO TELL YOUR STORY?

Have you turned your hardship into hope? Interested in volunteering? We would love to hear from you. Complete an application on our website www.madl.org/humans_of_muskegon/index.php

A Ravenna Storyville is underway and will include characteristics of the Ravenna community, including agricultural, medical and environmental elements. “Bulldog Acres,” a custom designed early literacy village, is being created for children 0–5 and their caregivers, to help children prepare for kindergarten. It will include support for early literacy practices by focusing on playing, reading, singing, talking, and writing, and will also feature STEAM concepts. It will be a place where children can have fun and let their imaginations run wild.
Thank you Sponsors!

Partners

Our program partners support our mission by enriching our connection to our diverse communities. Partners include Community enCompass, Muskegon Area Intermediate School District, Michigan Works, Read early. Read often. Roll on Muskegon, and Muskegon County Senior Millage.

Muskegon Area District Library Board of Directors

The Muskegon Area District Library holds regular meetings at 4:00 pm on the third Monday of each month. Visit madl.org to see the meeting schedule and a list of Board members.

You Can Help

Strong libraries help build strong communities. Your investment in our library is an investment in the lifelong learning of our residents and of future generations. If you would like to donate on-line to our Foundation, please visit madl.org, or contact the Director of Finance for more information.