

# THE MUSKEGON AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



Serving 10 community branches in Muskegon County

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A community-wide library system providing services and programs to enrich our lives.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

An Update from Kelly Richards, Director

### OUR FUTURE IS BRIGHT!

We extend a heartfelt *THANK YOU!* to our community for its tremendous support to pass our millage. On August 2, Muskegon County residents voted on an operating millage renewal and increase. The 1.249 millage renews the operational funding for a 10 year period through 2025. The Muskegon Area District Library serves 20 local governmental units. We offer educational programs and services, on-line and in-branch materials, technology and friendly and knowledgeable staff.

The community showed its support by voting in favor of the millage. We are thrilled with the positive outcome and support. We know how much you value your libraries and we will continue to serve as a community anchor.

The MADL Board of Trustees congratulates all of the many, many groups, such as the Library's Friends, citizen's committee, patrons, business leaders, government officials, vendors, suppliers, neighbors, friends, community groups, faith-based and school organizations who showed their support.

This property tax millage provides 83% of the operating funds for extensive services offered at 10 community branches. With this millage renewal, MADL plans to enhance its services and programs in three strategic areas:

- Early Literacy Outreach
- Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
- Lifelong Learning Opportunities

We extend our sincere appreciation to all of our dedicated supporters who "Love Your Library!" We will continue to work hard to meet the needs of our community by providing extensive services and programs to enrich lives.



LOOK INSIDE TO FIND MORE GREAT PROGRAMS!



### ELEPHANT & PIGGIE TO VISIT IN OCTOBER

*Elephant and Piggie* is a book series for early readers by Mo Willems. The series, which debuted in 2007 with two books, is done in a comic book style, and features two friends: an elephant, Gerald, and a pig, Piggie. The books are written in conversational style with Piggie's words appearing in pink letter bubbles and Gerald's appearing in grey letter bubbles. The books often address issues of friendship. Two books in the series have been listed on *Time* magazine's Top 10 Children's Books of the Year: *Today I Will Fly* and *Elephants Cannot Dance!*



### Movies, Movies and more Movies – at your Library Branch...

Check out the wide variety of movie programs offered this fall at your local Library. Fun and entertaining events for children, teens and adults are planned for your enjoyment. Look for the movie icon in the program listings!

...or at Home!

Did you know you have access to nearly 14,000 DVDs with your MADL Library card? Last year, patrons from the community checked out close to 120,000 DVDs. See all we have to offer, including new releases, classics, television series and more at [madl.org](http://madl.org).



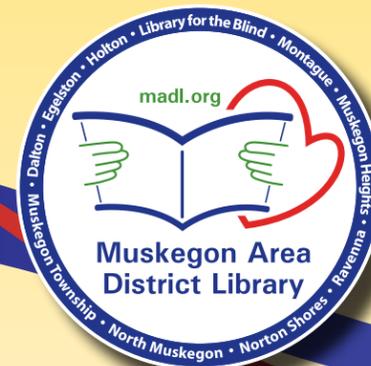
### State Librarian Randy Riley Visits MADL

State Librarian Randy Riley visited the Muskegon Area District Library on Wednesday, July 20. While here, he addressed the question, "Do we still need libraries?" He enthusiastically reported how communities love their libraries and how important they are in strengthening the community for its betterment. "Libraries have to be committed to being a key player in the community—they have to be embedded in their communities," he said.

You may have heard some people say, "Well, we can find everything on the internet." Riley explained, "The internet is a tool—it's not doing everything. It can't hold your hand, it can't direct you. That's what a good librarian can do—help you get the information you need."

Technology is a key element of what libraries offer their communities. Libraries are not just about books. They also provide great programs and services, learning and entertainment resources and equal access for all.

Randy also visited the Muskegon Heights, North Muskegon, Muskegon Township and Norton Shores branches. He witnessed first-hand the great value we bring to the community.



## Thank you!

Many thanks to Muskegon County residents for voting to pass the Muskegon Area District Library millage. Your support and dedication are greatly appreciated!

# CHILDRENS' programs

## Back to School I Spy

September 1 – September 30

### Norton Shores Branch

All through September, find all the backpacks hidden in the children's section and receive a small prize.

## Back to School Bash

Saturday, September 3

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

### Ravenna Branch

Whether you're dreading the first day of school or can't wait for it, stop by the Library for snacks and games with friends and say goodbye to summer vacation.

## After School Movies

Thursdays

3:15 pm

### North Muskegon Branch

Kids and teens are welcome to join us at the Library every Thursday while school is in session for a family-friendly movie. Popcorn will be provided while supplies last.

## Pajama Party

Monday, September 19

6:00 pm

### Egelston Branch

Happiness is... Pajamas + pizza + pillowcase craft. Come enjoy all three. (Stories too of course) The best part is you get to come in your PJs. Ages 3-10. Call 231-788-6477 to register.

## Game Night

Wednesday, September 21

4:00 – 6:00 pm

### Muskegon Heights Branch

Play a variety of games including The Game of Life, Operation, and other family-oriented games. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Friday, September 30

4:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Bring along a stuffed friend for an afternoon Storytime program and craft, then tuck in your friend for his or her sleepover. Saturday morning pick up your stuffed friend and find out what everyone was up to overnight. **Bring a stuffed friend you won't mind leaving at the Library overnight.** Ages 3 and up. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Find Elephant and Piggie

October 1 – October 31

### Norton Shores Branch

Elephant and Piggie are visiting the Library—find all their books' characters hiding in the children's section and receive a bookmark you can color.



## Creature Feature

Monday, October 17

3:30 pm

### Ravenna Branch

A classic comedy film with a bit of scare thrown in—the Library will be showing *The Ghost and Mr. Chicken*, starring Don Knotts, for audiences of all ages to enjoy. This G rated movie is approximately 90 minutes long.



## Creature Feature

Monday, October 24

3:30 pm

### Ravenna Branch

The movie *Casper* will be shown at the Library. This film is rated PG and runs for approximately 100 minutes.

## Halloween Party

Saturday, October 29

10:30 am

### North Muskegon Branch

There will be games, crafts, and tons of fun. Wear your Halloween costume and win a prize. This is a party for kids up to 12 years of age. Cider and donuts will be served. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

## All Hallow's Read

Saturday, October 29

2:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Fun activities, treats, and a book swap to finish. Please bring one gently used children's spooky or scary book to swap with another child (**bring a book that is ok to give away**). Costumes welcome. Call 231-780-8844 to register.



## Creature Feature

Monday, October 31

3:30 pm

### Ravenna Branch

Before you go trick-or-treating be sure to stop by the Library to catch an iconic Halloween movie—*Hocus Pocus*. Rated PG with a running time of 96 minutes, this film is great for all ages.

## Dino Search

November 1 – November 30

### Norton Shores Branch

Dinosaurs everywhere—spot all the hidden dinosaurs and get a dino of your own to decorate.

## Cast Your Vote

November 1 – November 30

### Egelston Branch

Which book is your favorite? During the month of November stop by the Egelston Branch to vote between two featured picture books. You could win a prize.

## Dinovember

Wednesday, November 16

4:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Dinosaur friends unite. Excavate fossils and build your own dino skeleton. Ages 5 and up. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## International Games Day

Saturday, November 19

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Come anytime to enjoy board and tabletop games. All ages are welcome to join the fun.

## Nerf Battle

Saturday, November 19

2:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Be part of an epic Nerf Battle with Joel Tacey. **Registration required – space limited.** Call 231-780-8844 to register.



## Magical Monday

Monday, November 21

3:30 pm

### Ravenna Branch

To celebrate the cinematic release of *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* we will have a showing of *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* along with Harry Potter inspired snacks and games. Muggles welcome.

## I Spy Table

December 1 – December 30

### Norton Shores Branch

Visit our I Spy table and see if you can find all the items on our list. Turn in your completed list for a sticker.

## Dory December

December 1 – December 30

### Ravenna Branch

All through the month of December kids ages 3–10 can come into the Library and "find" Dory. Six pictures of Dory will be hidden throughout the Library. Find them all to receive a prize.

## Holiday Party

Saturday, December 3

10:30 am

### North Muskegon Branch

Get in the holiday spirit with some games, crafts, and refreshments for kids 12 and under. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

## Christmas Minute to Win It

Tuesday, December 6

6:00 pm

### Egelston Branch

Think you have what it takes to be the Minute to Win It champion? Test your luck when you team up to compete in challenges against other teams. For ages 8 years and older. Call 231-788-6477 to register.



## Finding Dory

Tuesday, December 13

3:30 pm

### Ravenna Branch

Kids, teens, and adults are welcome to join us for a showing of *Finding Dory*.

## Harry Potter Party

Wednesday, December 14

4:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Join us for a fantastic celebration of Harry Potter. Enter to win a copy of the book *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them!* Ages 5 and up. Call 231-780-8844 to register.



## Family Film Series

Wednesday, December 21

2:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Join us for pop, popcorn, and the movie *Zootopia*.



## Family Film Series

Wednesday, December 28

2:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Join us for pop, popcorn, and the movie, *The Secret Life of Pets*.



## Spanish for Kids with Ms. Catalina

Certified Montessori teacher Catalina Leo Escudero offers free classes in Spanish to children ages 3–6. Parents are encouraged to stay and participate with their children. Registration is required.

Mondays

September 12 through October 31

Time: 4:45 – 5:30 pm

### Montague Branch

Call 231-893-2675 to register.

Wednesdays

September 14 through November 2

4:30 – 5:15 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Santa and Mrs. Claus

Tuesday, December 6

4:30 pm

### Muskegon Heights Branch

Take your picture with Santa and Mrs. Claus and hear Mrs. Claus read a story. Holiday crafts and treats, too. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## Elephant & Piggie Live @ MADL

Come meet Mo Willem's beloved book characters Elephant and Piggie. Hear one of their hilarious stories, take a picture with them, and make a craft. Be sure to bring your camera. Share your pictures on our Muskegon Area District Library Facebook page.



Monday, October 3  
3:00 – 4:30 pm  
**Muskegon Township Branch**

Monday, October 3  
6:00 pm  
**Egelston Branch**

Tuesday, October 4  
4:30 pm  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**

Saturday, October 8  
10:30 am  
**North Muskegon**

Saturday, October 8  
2:00 pm  
**Norton Shores Branch**

Saturday, October 22  
10:30 am  
**Holton Branch**

Monday, October 24  
5:30 pm  
**Montague Branch**

Tuesday, October 25  
4:00 pm  
**Fruitport Branch**  
*Special location: 4845 Airline Road*

Wednesday, October 26  
3:30 pm  
**Ravenna Branch**

Thursday, October 27  
4:00 pm  
**Dalton Branch**

Saturday, October 15  
10:00 – 11:00 am  
**Muskegon Township Branch**

Monday, October 17  
4:00 – 6:00 pm  
**Dalton Branch**

Wednesday, October 19  
6:00 – 7:00 pm  
**Egelston Branch**

Wednesday, November 2  
3:00 – 5:00 pm  
**Ravenna Branch**

Saturday, November 19  
10:00 – 11:00 am  
**Muskegon Township Branch**

Monday, November 21  
4:00 – 6:00 pm  
**Dalton Branch**

Wednesday, November 30  
3:00 – 5:00 pm  
**Ravenna Branch**

Saturday, December 17  
10:00 – 11:00 am  
**Muskegon Township Branch**

Monday, December 19  
4:00 – 6:00 pm  
**Dalton Branch**

Wednesday, December 28  
11:00 am – 7:00 pm  
**Holton Branch**

### Bow Wow Readers

Bow Wow Readers is a read-aloud program that pairs kids with registered therapy dogs and handlers from the Muskegon Lakeshore Obedience Training Club. Share a book as you sit and read aloud to a furry friend and practice your reading skills with confidence. Registration required, and spots are limited. Kids age 5 and up will be scheduled for 15-minute time slots.



Tuesday, September 6  
4:30 – 5:30 pm  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
Call 231-739-6075 to register.

Tuesday, September 6  
6:15 – 7:00 pm  
**Fruitport Branch**  
Call 231-865-3461 to register.

Wednesday, September 14  
6:00 – 7:00 pm  
**Montague Branch**  
Call 231-893-2675 to register.

Tuesday, September 20  
6:15 – 7:15 pm  
**Norton Shores Branch**  
Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Tuesday, September 27  
6:15 – 7:15 pm  
**Egelston Branch**  
Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Tuesday, October 4  
6:15 – 7:00 pm  
**Ravenna Branch**  
Call 231-853-6975 to register.

Wednesday, October 12  
6:00 – 7:00 pm  
**Montague Branch**  
Call 231-893-2675 to register.

Tuesday, October 18  
6:15 – 7:15 pm  
**Norton Shores Branch**  
Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Tuesday, October 25  
6:15 – 7:15 pm  
**Egelston Branch**  
Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Tuesday, November 1  
6:15 – 7:00 pm  
**Muskegon Township Branch**  
Call 231-760-4329 to register.

Wednesday, November 9  
6:00 – 7:00 pm  
**Montague Branch**  
Call 231-893-2675 to register.

Tuesday, November 15  
6:15 – 7:15 pm  
**Norton Shores Branch**  
Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Tuesday, November 22  
6:15 – 7:15 pm  
**Egelston Branch**  
Call 231-788-6477 to register.

### Make Music @ MADL with KANA MUSIC

Join KANA MUSIC for a free music class designed for families with children ages 0–10 years old. Enjoy making music with instruments, singing, movement, stories and a musical instrument craft. Registration limited to 15 children and their parents or caregivers.

Monday, September 19  
5:00 pm  
**Montague Branch**  
Call 231-893-2675 to register.

Monday, September 26  
5:00 pm  
**Egelston Branch**  
Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Monday, October 3  
5:00 pm  
**Ravenna Branch**  
Call 231-853-6975 to register.

Tuesday, October 11  
11:00 am  
**Fruitport Branch**  
Call 231-865-3461 to register.

Monday, October 17  
5:00 pm  
**Muskegon Township Branch**  
Call 231-760-4329 to register.

Monday, October 24  
4:30 pm  
**Norton Shores Branch**  
Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Tuesday, November 1  
11:00 am  
**North Muskegon Branch**  
Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Tuesday, November 1  
4:30 pm  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
Call 231-739-6075 to register.

Monday, November 7  
5:00 pm  
**Dalton Branch**  
Call 231-828-4188 to register.

Monday, November 14  
5:00 pm  
**Holton Branch**  
Call 231-821-0268 to register.

# September 12 – December 9 Storytime



### Baby Time

Aimed exclusively at infants ages 0 to 18 months and their caregivers. Baby Time introduces babies to music, rhythm, and rhyme—all important pre-lingual and pre-literacy skills.

### Tiny Tots

Tiny Tots is a special story time for children 0 to 36 months with their caregivers. Little ones will enjoy books, games, songs, and other age-appropriate story related activities.

### Toddler Time

Created for 2- and young 3-year-old toddlers and their caregivers, Toddler Time includes books, fingerplays, music, crafts, movement, pre-reading games and more.

### Preschool Storytime

Preschool Storytime is geared toward 3- to 5-year-old children and their families. This program will engage children in books, fingerplays, music, crafts, movement, pre-reading games & more.

### MONDAYS

**Egelston Branch:** 9:30 – 10:15 am  
PRESCHOOL  
**Egelston Branch:** 11:15 – 11:45 am  
TINY TOTS  
**Muskegon Township Branch:** 1:00 – 1:45 pm  
PRESCHOOL

### TUESDAYS

**Ravenna Branch:** 9:30 – 10:15 am  
PRESCHOOL  
**Norton Shores Branch:** 10:30 – 11:15 am  
TODDLER  
**Holton Branch:** 11:15 – 11:45 am  
TINY TOTS

### WEDNESDAYS

**Dalton Branch:** 9:00 – 9:45 am  
PRESCHOOL  
**Norton Shores Branch:** 10:30 – 11:15 am  
PRESCHOOL  
**North Muskegon Branch:** 11:15 – 11:45 am  
TINY TOTS  
**Montague Branch:** 1:00 – 1:45 pm  
PRESCHOOL

### THURSDAYS

**Fruitport Branch:** 10:00 – 10:45 am  
PRESCHOOL  
**Fruitport Branch:** 11:15 – 11:45 am  
TINY TOTS

### FRIDAYS

**North Muskegon Branch:** 9:30 – 10:15 am  
PRESCHOOL

### FIRST AND THIRD FRIDAYS

**Norton Shores Branch:** 10:30 – 11:15 am  
BABY TIME

## LEGO CLUB



Join fellow LEGO fans and show us your skills. Build alone or with

friends to make a masterpiece for display in the Library. We provide the LEGOs, YOU provide the creativity. No experience needed to join the fun.

Wednesdays  
September 7 – December 14  
3:00-5:00 pm  
**Montague Branch**

Saturday, September 17  
10:00 – 11:00 am  
**Muskegon Township Branch**

Saturday, September 17  
2:00 – 3:00 pm  
**Norton Shores Branch**

Monday, September 19  
4:00 – 6:00 pm  
**Dalton Branch**

Wednesday, September 21  
3:00 – 5:00 pm  
**Ravenna Branch**

Wednesday, October 12  
3:00 – 5:00 pm  
**Ravenna Branch**

# Teen programs

## Teen Club

Join us for fun teen activities! Call 231-780-8844 or check the online calendar at [www.madl.org](http://www.madl.org) for more details. And, *of course*, there will be snacks.

## Back to School Yoga

Tuesday, September 20  
3:30 pm

## Norton Shores Branch

Stressed over the new school year? Come stretch it out and learn some relaxation techniques.

## Find Bill Cypher

October 1 – October 31

## Norton Shores Branch

The villain from *Gravity Falls* has snuck into the Library—find all the Bill images and decode his messages for a secret surprise.

## Creature Shop: Intro to Basic Plushies

Tuesday, October 18  
3:30 pm

## Norton Shores Branch

Make your own plushies (stuffed creatures) and learn some basic sewing stitches. If you want to make a plushie based on a character, bring your own fleece fabric and poly stuffing—otherwise we'll provide materials.



## Short Films & Chill

Tuesday, November 15  
3:30 pm

## Norton Shores Branch

We're going to watch animated shorts (first come, first choice). Optional: Bring a set of earbuds you want to customize with embroidery floss, friendship-bracelet style.

## Quick Crafts

Tuesday, December 20  
3:30 pm

## Norton Shores Branch

Need a quick gift or a chance to unwind? Still working on your plushie? Come craft with us – make jewelry or keyrings or something new.

## Movie Pop Quiz

Every week in December a different movie quote will be posted at the MADL Branch Libraries and also on our Facebook page. If you guess the movie quote correctly, your name will be entered in a drawing for a refillable Wesco popcorn bucket filled with goodies. You can make your guess and enter once per week. OPEN TO ALL AGES.

# Adult programs

## Make a DIY Cheese Tray

Saturday, September 10  
11:00 am – 1:00 pm

## Muskegon Heights Branch

Make a chalkboard cheese serving tray. Materials provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register.



## From Page to Screen

Saturday, September 10  
1:30 pm

## Norton Shores Branch

*Rebecca* by Daphne DuMaurier. Release date of 1940. Directed by Alfred Hitchcock; starring Laurence Olivier, Joan Fontaine. A self-conscious bride is tormented by the memory of her husband's dead first wife.



## 'Girls Night In' Movie Night

Wednesday, September 14  
6:00 – 8:00 pm

## Muskegon Heights Branch

*Fire and Ice*. Release date 2001. Starring Lark Voorhies and Kadeem Hardison. The host of a late night talk show falls in love with the daughter of a Georgia politician. Part of the BET Arabesque series and is an NAACP Image Award nominee. Snacks provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## Create.A.Frame Studio Canvas

Saturday, September 17  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm

## Fruitport Branch

### Special Location: 4845 Airline Road



Paint your own canvas. Prepaid sign-up is \$12. \$5 will be reimbursed at class to the first 20 paid registrants by the Friends of the

Fruitport Library. Cash only registration at the Fruitport Branch. This program is for teens and adults. Visit the Fruitport Branch at 47 Park Street to register.

## Tips on Saving Money & Energy At Home

Monday, September 19  
6:30 pm

## Norton Shores Branch

Saving energy at home is easy. Learn about time-tested tips you can do around your home to help save energy and money. DTE Energy customers can also get started with several energy-efficiency programs offering FREE energy saving products. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Walker Memorial Library

Tuesday, September 20  
6:30 pm

## North Muskegon Branch

Join us to find out what the Friends are doing. The meeting is followed by an open reception with refreshments. There will be a presentation of the 8th Annual Friend of the Year Award and the Teen Volunteer of the Year Award.

## Pet Care Tips and Tricks

Thursday, September 29  
7:00 pm

## Dalton Branch

Dr. Karyn Houser from Glenpark Animal Hospital in Muskegon will share animal preventative health care that can help you save money. Dr. Houser will also talk briefly about general animal noise phobias – fireworks, hunting season noises, etc. There will be a short question and answer period at the end.



## MADL Thursday Night Music Club:

### Matthew Ball: The

### Boogie Woogie Kid

Thursday, September 29  
7:00 pm

## Norton Shores Branch

Matthew performs classic ragtime, boogie-woogie and blues piano favorites from the swingin' era of the 20s 30s and 40s that capture the spirit and tradition of celebrated American piano masters.

## Live @the Library:

### Froncek and Friends

Tuesday, October 4  
6:30 pm

## North Muskegon Branch

In a word—JAZZ. Legendary local drummer Tim Froncek and two of his jazzmeister friends bring the best of the genre to the Community Center stage.

## Banish and Ban and Read Freely

Wednesday, October 5  
6:30 pm

## North Muskegon Branch

Concerned community members will exercise the right to intellectual freedom by reading aloud from books that are banned or challenged in libraries and school districts across the nation. Show your support by coming to listen; you might be surprised to find that a book you love has been under attack. Refreshments will be served.

## Computer Helpdesk LIVE!

Tuesday, October 11  
6:00 – 7:30pm

## Norton Shores Branch

Get basic help from staff with eBook devices, email, digital photos and all things computer. Make sure to bring the device you are having problems with. Call 231-780-8844 to register.



## 'Girls Night In' Movie Night

Wednesday, October 12  
6:00 – 8:00 pm

## Muskegon Heights Branch

*Masquerade*. Release date 2001. Starring Cress Williams, Kellita Smith and Simbi Khali. Watch the movie and make your own masquerade mask. After moving to LA, a young woman starts a romance with a man she met on the internet. Trouble brews when she discovers that a friend is also attracted to him. Part of the BET Arabesque series. Refreshments and materials provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## MADL Thursday Night Music Club: Brother Big Sister

Thursday, October 13  
7:00 pm

## Norton Shores Branch

Bring a friend or the whole family and join your fellow music lovers for free live concerts. This brother and sister duo from Northern Michigan covers the music spectrum with entrancing harmonies, ingenious musical arrangements and an original acoustic sound that makes each performance an experience.



## From Page to Screen

Saturday, October 15  
1:30 pm

## Norton Shores Branch

*Mystic River* by Dennis LeHane. Release date 2003. Directed by Clint Eastwood; starring Sean Penn, Tim Robbins, and Kevin Bacon. With a childhood tragedy that overshadowed their lives, three men are reunited by circumstance when one has a family tragedy.

## Computer Helpdesk LIVE!

Thursday, October 20  
2:30 – 4:00pm

## Norton Shores Branch

Get basic help from staff with eBook devices, email, digital photos and all things computer. Make sure to bring the device you are having problems with. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Book Signing Event for the West Michigan Authors Group

Saturday, October 22  
11:00 am – 2:00 pm

## Muskegon Heights Branch

Local West Michigan authors will be on hand to sell and sign copies of their books.



## From Page to Screen

Tuesday, October 25  
5:30 pm

## North Muskegon Branch

See the movie *Mystic River* to coincide with the MCC Dennis Lahane author visit. Popcorn will be provided.

### Live @the Library: Quintessance

Tuesday, November 1  
6:30 pm

#### North Muskegon Branch

Muskegon's premier woodwind quintet, comprised of music educators, teachers, performers, and a Blue Lake Public Radio announcer, will perform at an evening of classical music.



### MADL Thursday Night Music Club: The Carl Webb Band

Thursday,  
November 3  
7:00 pm

#### Norton Shores Branch

Enjoy unique arrangements of rock, country, folk, Latin, jazz and blues from one of Muskegon's most versatile groups.

### Muskegon County WWII Veterans Project

Thursday, November 3  
7:00 pm

#### Dalton Branch



Richard Mullally will share stories from brave WWII heroes from Muskegon County. Learn about his passion to find every Muskegon County WWII Veteran and preserve their name and photo for future generations. Bring names and contact information for WWII veterans living and deceased from Muskegon County to be included in his project.

### From Page to Screen

Saturday, November 5  
1:30 pm

#### Norton Shores Branch

*Washington Square* by Henry James. Film title: *The Heiress*. Release date 1949. Directed by William Wyler; starring Olivia de Havilland. A young, naive woman falls for a handsome young man who her emotionally abusive father suspects is a fortune hunter.

### 'Girls Night In' Movie Night

Wednesday, November 16  
6:00 – 8:00 pm

#### Muskegon Heights Branch

*All About You*. Release date 2001 Starring Renee Goldsberry, Lisa Raye McCoy & Terron Brooks. Two people run from the pain of their broken past. When they discover each other, they find themselves at a crossroads where the only thing that stands between them and a second chance is each other. Refreshments and craft supplies provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

### Learn to Sew

Saturday, November 19  
11:00 am to 1:00 pm

#### Muskegon Heights Branch

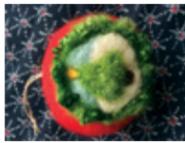
Come and learn some of the basics of sewing. Attendees will learn how to do basic stitches by hand with a brief introduction to simple sewing machines. Materials provided. This program is for teens and adults. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

### Needle Felted Ornament Class

Saturday, December 3  
12:30 pm

#### Dalton Branch

Explore the art of needle felting, a quick and easy way to add embellishment to plain felted knitting. Create your own unique ornament using wool fibers and a special felting needle. In addition to the ornament everyone will receive a needle and felting foam to continue at home. Call 231-828-4188 to register.



### Live @the Library:

#### Cosmopolitan Male Singers

Tuesday, December 6  
6:30 pm

#### North Muskegon Branch

Affectionately known as the Cosmops, one of Muskegon's oldest singing groups ushers in the holiday season.

### MADL Thursday Night Music Club: The West Michigan Symphony Children's Choir

Thursday, December 8  
7:00 pm

#### Norton Shores Branch



Let the amazing voices of these talented local young singers get your holiday season off to a festive start.

### From Page to Screen

Saturday, December 10  
1:30 pm

#### Norton Shores Branch

*Nobody's Fool* by Richard Russo. Release date 1994. Directed by Robert Benton; starring Paul Newman, Bruce Willis, and Jessica Tandy. Sully's long-forgotten son and family have moved back to town, forcing Sully, a rascally ne'er-do-well approaching retirement age, into unfamiliar family responsibilities.

### Third Annual Ugly Sweater Contest

Wednesday, December 14  
9:00 am-8:00 pm

#### Norton Shores Branch

Voting for the ugliest holiday sweater worn by a Norton Shores Branch staff member could win you a \$25 Meijer gift card. Stop by anytime all day long and choose your favorite. Voting is open to ages 12 and up.

### BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Community book lovers meet once a month at the Library to discuss the book selection for that month. Visit your Library for copies of the featured books. Newcomers always welcome. No registration required.

### Thursday Morning Book Discussion Group

The first Thursday of each month  
10:30 am

#### Norton Shores Branch

September 1: *Brooklyn* by Colm Toibin  
October 6: *Mystic River* by Dennis LeHane  
November 3: *East of Eden* by John Steinbeck  
December 1: *The Muralist* by Barbara Shapiro

### Tuesday Morning Book Club

The first Tuesday of each month  
10:00 am

#### North Muskegon Branch

September 6: *The Scent of Sake* by Joyce Lebra-Chapman  
October 4: *Mystic River* by Dennis LeHane  
November 1: *Me Before You* by Jojo Moyes  
December 6: *Don't Stop the Carnival* by Herman Wouk

### Tuesday Evening Book Club

The third Tuesday of each month  
6:30 pm

#### North Muskegon Branch

September 20: *The Scent of Sake* by Joyce Lebra-Chapman  
October 18: *Mystic River* by Dennis LeHane  
November 15: *Me Before You* by Jojo Moyes  
December 20: *Don't Stop the Carnival* by Herman Wouk

### MAD(L) Crafter programs for Adults

The MAD(L) Crafters is a craft club for adults. Jamie Jewell, crafter extraordinaire, provides the supplies and the expertise.

### Beaded Tassel Necklace

Make a trendy tassel necklace that will liven up your fall wardrobe. Supplies will be provided.

Wednesday, September 14  
6:00 pm

#### North Muskegon Branch

Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Wednesday, September 28  
6:30 pm

#### Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

### The Sweater (turned) Pumpkin

This fun upcycle project will turn an old sweater into an elegant pumpkin. This will be a perfect addition to your fall decor. Sweaters will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own to use if you have a favorite you want to recycle.



Wednesday, Oct 5  
6:00 pm

#### Egelston Branch

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Wednesday, October 12  
6:00 pm

#### North Muskegon Branch

Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Wednesday, October 19  
6:30 pm

#### Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

### Appliqued Jersey Scarf

There's definitely a chill in the November air, so why not make your own scarf to see you through the end of fall? Learn a simple hand sewing applique technique in this program.

Wednesday, November 2  
6:00 pm

#### North Muskegon Branch

Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Wednesday, November 9  
6:00pm

#### Egelston Branch

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Wednesday, November 16  
6:30 pm

#### Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

### Winter Scene Glass Candle Holder



This pretty hand painted votive can be displayed

well past the holiday season. Discover painting on glass in this program.

Wednesday, December 7  
6:00 pm

#### North Muskegon Branch

Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Wednesday, December 14  
6:30 pm

#### Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

### SPREAD THE JOY OF READING

### Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

Featuring  
talking  
books!

Curious about the services and materials made available by MADL's Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped? Sheila Miller, LBPH Librarian, will be on hand to showcase resources, demonstrate equipment and answer questions. Refreshments will be provided.

Wednesday, November 30  
2:00 pm

#### Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Thursday, December 1  
2:00 pm

#### Egelston Branch

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Friday, December 2  
2:00 pm

#### Montague Branch

Call 231-893-2675 to register.



## Music for Everyone

Freegal® is a free music service from your Library. All you need is your Muskegon Area District Library card number and your audio device. Freegal offers access to about 8 million songs, including Sony Music's catalog of legendary artists, and over 15,000 music videos from popular artists. In total the collection is comprised of music from over 28,000 labels with music that originates from over 100 countries. There is no software to download. There is a free app for Android and Apple devices. Visit [madl.org](http://madl.org) to access Freegal 24/7.



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## Muskegon Heights Branch Library—A Gem in the Community

The Muskegon Heights Branch Library is located at 2808 Sanford Street in Muskegon Heights, the "City of Friendly People." The branch is housed in what was once the Muskegon Heights train terminal for the Grand Trunk Railroad. The Grand Trunk Railroad traveled on the 52-mile-long Muskegon Shore train tracks. During the 1930s, it had over 75,000 railroad cars travel to and from Muskegon each year. Passenger service was discontinued in 1970.

The building was designed by architect Robert J. West and erected in 1953 by the Muskegon Construction Company. Basil P. O'Grady was the mayor of Muskegon Heights at that time.

It is a small branch with a lot of heart, located about one block from the downtown section of Muskegon Heights where many businesses and shops once bustled with activity. Today the Library remains one of the gems of its community.

### How many people visit daily?

On average, approximately 200 patrons visit daily—mostly adults—many of them to use the nine computers. It is divided into two sections, one for adults and one for children. It also has a community room where many of the branch programs are held.



### Unique Features

While not a museum, it proudly houses several art pieces by local artist Rita Miller, who has provided eight wood sculptures, including one of two full-sized statues entitled *Moses*, which are a tribute to Harriett Tubman. On the rear of the building is an outdoor mural entitled *Books* which was painted by a former employee.

### New Children's Computers

In addition to nine computer stations primarily used by adults and teens, there are two AWE computer stations, one Early Literacy Station for use by children ages of two to eight, and one AfterSchool Edge for children ages six to 12. The latter was provided to this branch through a \$3,000 grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation.

### What do patrons like about this branch?

Some of the things that patrons like most are the privacy shields at the computer stations and the new urban genre book display. This display makes the books more prominent and has increased the circulation of those authors because they are easier to find. Patrons enjoy the increased number of programs for both children and adults now being offered.

### The Community Room

Another popular feature is the community room. It was updated in the past year with audio/visual equipment and a sound bar, as well as new tables and chairs purchased from grants obtained by the Heights Branch "Friends" group. The room is used on a weekly basis by Read Muskegon counselors, Omega Psi Phi fraternity, the "Old Timers" and Baker Street Block Club. A former Library employee, Major Stewart, a prominent accountant and pastor, had his book signing here for a large crowd of family, old teachers and friends. Recently, the "Young Men" Mentoring group held a program with 80 people in attendance. The room is used often by various individuals and community groups and is scheduled for use on a "first come, first served" basis.

Despite its small size, the Muskegon Heights Branch Library has a rich history and contributes much to the betterment of the community.

### ADMINISTRATION AND LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

4845 Airline Road, Muskegon  
231-737-6248  
Mon – Fri 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

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3175 Fifth Street, Twin Lake  
828-4188  
Mon & Wed 9:00 am – 7:00 pm  
Tue, Thu & Fri 9:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Sat 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

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231-788-6477  
Mon, Tue & Wed 9:30 am – 8:00 pm  
Thu, Fri & Sat 9:30 am – 5:00 pm

### FRUITPORT BRANCH

47 Park Street, Fruitport  
231-865-3461  
Mon & Tue 11:00 am – 7:00 pm  
Wed, Thu & Fri 10:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Sat 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

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231-821-0268  
Mon, Tue & Wed 10:30 am – 7:00 pm  
Fri 10:30 am – 5:00 pm  
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8778 Ferry Street, Montague  
231-893-2675  
Mon, Tue & Wed 9:30 am – 7:00 pm  
Fri 9:30 am – 5:00 pm  
Sat 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

### MUSKEGON HEIGHTS BRANCH

2808 Sanford Street, Muskegon Heights  
231-739-6075  
Mon, Tue, Thu & Fri 10:00 am – 6:00 pm  
Wed 10:00 am – 8:00 pm  
Sat 10:00 – 3:00 pm

### MUSKEGON TOWNSHIP BRANCH

1765 Ada Avenue, Muskegon  
231-760-4329  
Mon, Tue & Wed 10:30 am – 7:00 pm  
Fri 10:30 am – 5:00 pm  
Sat 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

### NORTH MUSKEGON BRANCH "Walker Memorial"

1522 Ruddiman Drive, North Muskegon  
231-744-6080  
Mon, Tue, & Wed 9:30 am – 8:00 pm  
Thu, Fri & Sat 9:30 am – 5:00 pm

### NORTON SHORES BRANCH "Jacob O. Funkhouser"

705 Seminole Road, Norton Shores  
231-780-8844  
Mon, Tue & Wed 9:00 am – 8:00 pm  
Thu, Fri & Sat 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

### RAVENNA BRANCH

12278 Stafford Street, Ravenna  
231-853-6975  
Mon, Tue & Wed 9:30 am – 7:00 pm  
Fri 9:30 am – 5:00 pm  
Sat 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

## Muskegon Area District Library Board of Directors

The Muskegon Area District Library holds regular meetings at 4:00 pm on the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings are held at various branch locations. Visit [madl.org](http://madl.org) to see the meeting schedule.

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