



THE MUSKEGON AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



Serving the community at 10 local branches.

OUR MISSION: The Muskegon Area District Library connects a diverse community to resources and services that educate, inform, enrich and entertain.

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FROM THE DIRECTOR

An Update from Kelly Richards

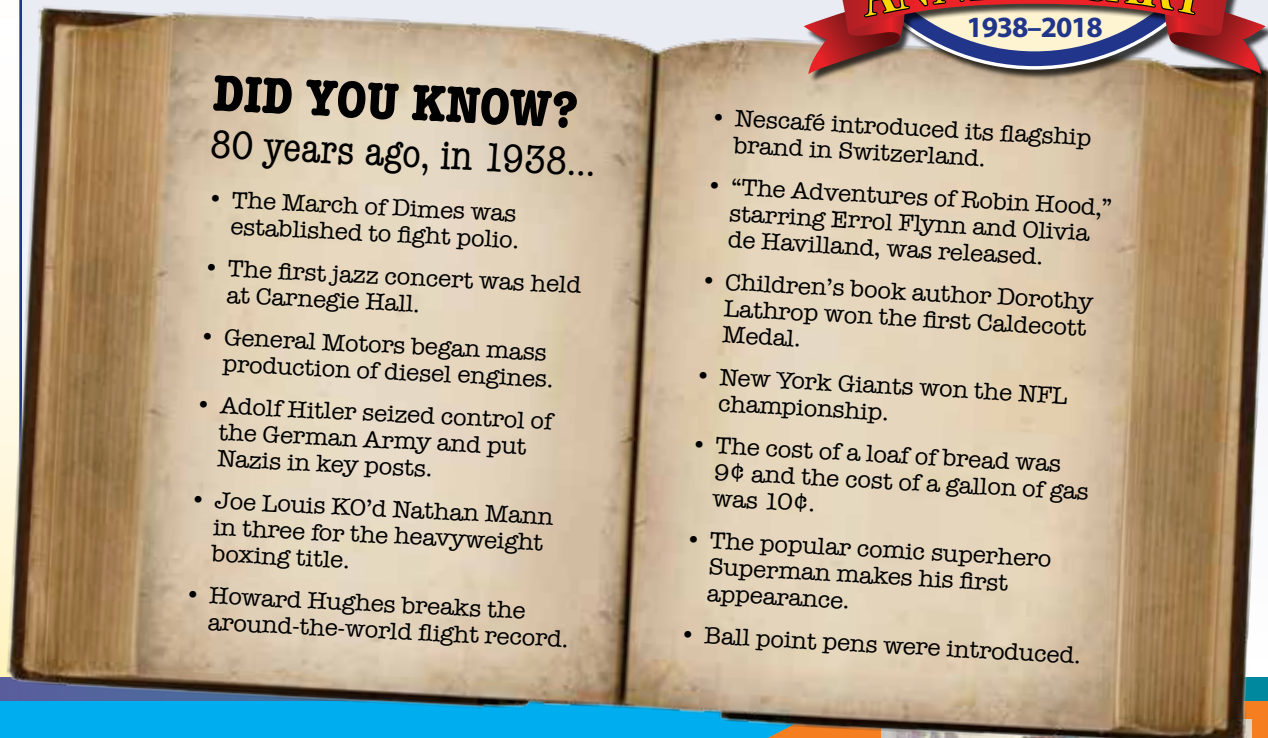
Connecting with new partners and organizations is an ongoing effort to bring you new educational and entertaining programs. We are mindful of creating new opportunities to meet the goals in our strategic plan. Our branch libraries are well known as the community's local gathering place.

We have had great attendance at some new popular programs, like the Attorney General's Consumer Education Office offered Home Repair, In-Home Care and Online Safety. Other recent partnership programs include animal education with DNR Hoffmaster State Park and MSU Extension Office offerings on Camping & Cooking, and Jamming in the Kitchen.

We are excited about new offerings this fall—HealthWest will present Suicide Prevention Training; our local Arthritis Foundation will offer Stretch and Move; and the Michigan Great Lakes Alzheimer's Association will hold programs on memory loss, dementia and Alzheimer's disease.

We provide an active and engaging environment for our attendees, and with our partners share a mutual interest in creating a welcoming and friendly place. We will continue to offer relevant, community-focused programs to enhance the lives of all residents.

In 1938, the need for library service was so great that the Muskegon County Library was formed under Michigan Public Act 183 of 1917 with the assistance of the State Library and the Muskegon County Board of Supervisors. In 2005, the Muskegon County Library became the Muskegon Area District Library and now serves the area with ten community branches.



DID YOU KNOW? 80 years ago, in 1938...

- The March of Dimes was established to fight polio.
- The first jazz concert was held at Carnegie Hall.
- General Motors began mass production of diesel engines.
- Adolf Hitler seized control of the German Army and put Nazis in key posts.
- Joe Louis KO'd Nathan Mann in three for the heavyweight boxing title.
- Howard Hughes breaks the around-the-world flight record.
- Nescafé introduced its flagship brand in Switzerland.
- "The Adventures of Robin Hood," starring Errol Flynn and Olivia de Havilland, was released.
- Children's book author Dorothy Lathrop won the first Caldecott Medal.
- New York Giants won the NFL championship.
- The cost of a loaf of bread was 9¢ and the cost of a gallon of gas was 10¢.
- The popular comic superhero Superman makes his first appearance.
- Ball point pens were introduced.



September 10–September 22 at all MADL branches

Got fines? To celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month and help the hungry in our community, MADL will collect Food for Fines. For each donated non-expired can, we will waive \$1 up to \$25 in MADL fines. Although fine forgiveness doesn't apply to lost/damaged items or collection agency fees, it does apply to the \$2 replacement library card fee. Gather up some canned goods and head to any MADL branch. Get ready to use your library card again. All canned goods collected will be given to our partner food banks: Love INC and The Salvation Army.

Summer 'Rocked' at MADL



DNR naturalist from Hoffmaster State Park visited Montague children and talked about fur bearing animals in Michigan.



Using stencils and paint, children created their own 'rocking' t-shirts at the Muskegon Heights Branch.



Children and moms enjoyed a 'Make It @ MADL: Guitar Pick Fun' and learned how to make a necklace, zipper pull or keychain at the Montague Branch Library.

Hundreds of children, family members, teens and adults enjoyed a full line-up of weekly summer programs. In addition to our 'Libraries Rock' Summer Reading program, many entertaining and educational programs were held during our busiest time of the year.

The Summer Reading program encourages children, youth and families to read, helps children maintain their reading skills and also helps foster a love of reading. Access to books and library programs during the summer results in more reading and improved reading skills for continued lifelong learning.



New this year, MADL partnered with the West Michigan Symphony and offered an instrument petting zoo. This hands-on musical instrument education program brought brass, string, woodwind and percussion alive and encouraged youngsters to try their musical abilities.

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Dalton Branch Library— By the Lakes



Located in Twin Lake, the Dalton branch is one of our northern branches located off M-120. It has a population of 1,720 residents, and covers an area just under three miles, with 320 acres of water, which provides many summer and winter sports activities. North Lake, West Lake, Twin Lake, Middle Lake and Fox Lake are all part of Dalton Township.

This branch opened in March 1959, as the eighth library in the system. Originally it was housed in a building on the school grounds that also held a lunchroom and third grade classrooms. It moved to its present location in April, 1964. Previously the area was served by the county library bookmobile. Its hours of operation have increased from 12 to 47 hours per week.

If you are a child attending Twin Lake Elementary, you know that the Dalton Township Branch of the Muskegon Area District Library is annexed to the school building. Reeths-Puffer School District students know that this is their local library, where they can find books, movies and a place for adventure.

Since 1969, Storytimes have been held once a week during the school year. Because of the close proximity to classrooms, classes plan regular ongoing trips to the library.

The area served by the library is largely within Dalton Township, with a section to the east in Cedar Creek Township. Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, Gerber Scout and the Owasippe Scout Reservations, and the very popular Michigan's Adventure are also located in Dalton Township.

In 2017, there were over 30,000 visits to this branch, and 3,139 people attended 116 programs. A wide array of programs are offered including crafts, educational, and entertaining options.



Library users know that their MADL library card provides them with more items than what can be seen on the shelves. Patrons can download many free items to their devices like audio and e-books, have fun with music, movies and television shows, and even learn a foreign language. High demand items at the Dalton Branch include juvenile and adult fiction books as well as magazines.

The Dalton Book Club holds monthly meetings where the group reads the same book and participates in lively discussions. Also, the Twin Lake Historical Society uses the building for their monthly meetings and to store their collection of local historical information.

The Dalton Branch strives to be a place to meet with others, to learn new things, to attend great programs, and most importantly, to be inspired.



You Can Help

If you would like to support the Library with a monetary donation, you may do so through The Muskegon Area District Library Foundation Fund held at the Community Foundation for Muskegon County, <https://cffmc.org/give/give-now/> or contact Brenda Hall, Director of Finance for more information.

ADMINISTRATION AND LIBRARY FOR THE VISUALLY & PHYSICALLY DISABLED

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

DALTON BRANCH

3175 Fifth Street, Twin Lake
231-828-4188
Mon & Wed, 9:00 am – 7:00 pm
Tue, Thu, & Fri, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Sat, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

EGELSTON BRANCH

5428 E. Apple Avenue, Muskegon
231-788-6477
Mon, Tue, & Wed, 9:30 am – 8:00 pm
Thu, Fri, & Sat, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm

HOLTON BRANCH

8776 Holton–Duck Lake Road, Holton
231-821-0268
Mon, Tue, & Wed, 10:30 am – 7:00 pm
Fri, 10:30 am – 5:00 pm
Sat, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

MONTAGUE BRANCH

8778 Ferry Street, Montague
231-893-2675
Mon, Tue, & Wed, 9:30 am – 7:00 pm
Thu, 12:00 – 5:00 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
Thu, 12:00 – 5:00 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 Monday of each month. Visit madl.org to see the meeting schedule and Board members.

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