



THE MUSKEGON AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



Serving the community at 10 local branches.

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, Director

It's good news for our juveniles in Muskegon County. Public libraries across the nation continually examine how to best serve the community and eliminate barriers to access. That is also the case here at the Muskegon Area District Library. Beginning in September, we will eliminate overdue fines on juvenile materials. This means children and teens will no longer have to pay fines.

It is a common belief that library fines serve as an economic barrier that impedes access to library materials and services for the financially disadvantaged in our communities, particularly minors.

Now, young readers will no longer have to pay fines or be barred from checking out books from all branches at the Muskegon Area District Library due to late fees. This fines-free action coincides with back-to-school schedules and encourages reading for our youngest population, giving them better access to the library.

In the past, anyone with any account with more than \$10 in fines couldn't check out materials. Now young readers will only have to pay for lost or damaged materials. Overdue fines on juvenile materials make up less than .3% of MADL's overall budget.

White Lake Library and Hackley Public Library are also making this change. This will make it easier for hundreds of library users across Muskegon County.

We hope this change will improve early literacy and encourage patrons to return to the library. It is one of our goals to increase the school readiness of children in the Muskegon area. Our commitment to other early literacy initiatives continues with our new Muskegon Storyville development.



OPENS NOVEMBER

Muskegon Area District Library is bringing Muskegon Storyville to three local branches. Read the full story on the back page!

More New Services For You!



This new service brings you on-line searchable news. NewsBank® provides web-based access to tens of millions of articles and video clips from local, state, regional, national and international news sources. It includes years of archives, enabling patrons to look into subjects from the past and track trends or development from their origins.

NewsBank provides the full text of articles from *The Muskegon Chronicle* from 1997 to today and full-color page scans of *The Chronicle* from September 2018 to now.



Value Line® provides investment research and information along with analysis of 3,500 stocks, covering large, small and mid-cap companies, plus industry reports and other financial information. It is designed to specifically meet the highest needs of the professional investor.



madl.org

The Muskegon Area District Library has launched an improved website to better serve your needs. Besides the new mobile responsive design, the new site gives you the same great information and resources, but is more user friendly, easier to navigate and more visually attractive.



NOW OPEN ON SUNDAY

We are excited to extend our hours of operation this fall at the Norton Shores branch. Beginning in September through Labor Day, you can visit this branch from 1:00–5:00 pm.

SUMMER READING PROGRAMS ATTRACT THOUSANDS



Nearly 4,000 people attended our popular and entertaining Summer Reading programs. All reading goals set for our children, teens and adults were surpassed this year!

Children's Programs:

- Pirate Parties, STEM Robotics, Santa Visits 2
- Pete the Cat & Storytimes, Teen Finance 3

Adult Programs:

- Stretch & Move, Live Music, Resume Makeover 4
- Book Talks, Downton Abbey Tea Party, iSmile, Chronic Pain 5

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CHILDREN'S programs

Families welcome



Family Film Fun

Wednesdays, Sept. 4–Dec. 18
3:30 pm

Ravenna Branch

Watch a family friendly movie every Wednesday afternoon. Popcorn and juice provided. All ages welcome.



Family Movie Night

The first Wednesday of the month
4:30 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Stop by the library with the family for a movie and popcorn.

Sept. 4: *Show Dogs*

Oct. 2: *Goosebumps 2: Haunted Halloween*

Nov. 6: *Smallfoot*

Dec. 4: *The Grinch*



Balloon Slime

Monday, Sept. 9
4:30 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Ordinary slime? Not today! Learn how to make slime you can blow up like a balloon. Ages 6–13. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

Bookworms

Tuesdays, Sept. 10–Dec. 10
3:30 pm

Ravenna Branch

Join Miss Becca for a book club for K–4th graders. Meet each week for a big kid storytime and listen to a chapter or two of our read aloud selection with your friends.

Snacktivity

Wednesdays, Sept. 11–Dec. 11
3:00–6:00 pm

Montague Branch

Meet at the library for games, crafts, Lego® and more every Wednesday this fall. Snacks provided.



Mini Makers

Thursdays, Sept. 12–Dec. 12
3:30 pm

Ravenna Branch

Join a weekly craft time and make a simple project to take home. Ages 3–12 with their parents. Call 231-853-6975 to register.



Emergency Pillowcase

Monday, Sept. 16
6:00 pm

Dalton Branch

Learn about fire safety, making an escape plan, and design an emergency pillowcase from the American Red Cross West Michigan Chapter. Learn, practice, and share. All supplies provided. Ages 8–12. Call 231-828-4188 to register.

Kids BINGO

The third Saturday of the month
Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16
10:00–11:00 am

Dalton Branch

Play Bingo with us. Try this fun game of chance and test your luck. Winners will receive prizes. Ages 5–13. Call 231-828-4188 to register.

Lego® Club

The third Saturday of the month
Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16, Dec. 21
10:00 am–4:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Join us in making Lego® creations. Drop by anytime between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm. When your creation is finished, we will put it on display in the library for everyone to enjoy.



Slime-O-Rama

Saturday, Sept. 21
1:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Become a scientist and mix household ingredients to make unicorn and Fortnite Slurp Juice slime. Ages 4–12. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Pirate Party!

Arrrrrrr you ready for a great night of pirate fun? Come to the library for games, crafts, dress-up, music, food, and more.

Tuesday, Sept. 24

6:00 pm

Holton Branch

Thursday, Sept. 26

6:00 pm

Montague Branch

STEM Robotics, Sylvan Learning Center

Wednesday, Sept. 25

4:00–6:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

A robotics and STEM program presented by Sylvan Learning Center. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Lego® Night

The fourth Wednesday of the month
Sept. 25, Oct. 23, Nov. 27

5:00–6:30 pm

Dalton Branch

Build a Lego® creation by yourself or with other Lego® fans. Put your design on display in the library. Call 231-828-4188 to register.

Storywalk®

Oct. 8–12

Dalton Branch

Take a walk and enjoy a wonderful story along with some physical activity. This StoryWalk® is braille enhanced, so feel free to explore by touch! Ages 4–10 stop in the library after reading the story to enter a prize drawing.

Library Olympics

Go for the Gold in our Library Olympics. Compete in our version of javelin, discus and shot put, try to make it through our obstacle course, make crafts, and learn about how the Olympics started in Greece.

Tuesday, Oct. 8

6:00 pm

Holton Branch

Thursday, Oct. 10

6:00 pm

Montague Branch

Mom and Me Yoga

Saturday, Oct. 12

10:00 am

North Muskegon Branch

Bond with your 3- to 6-year-old child while you experience yoga together with certified yoga instructor Diana Springstead. Remember to bring two beach towels or yoga mats. Daddies, nannies, aunts and uncles are also welcome to attend. Call 231-744-6080 to register.



DIY Lava Lamp

Saturday, Oct. 19
1:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Learn how to make a lava lamp using simple household products with this fun science experiment. Ages 4 and up. Call 231-744-6080 to register.



FrankenToy Laboratory

Saturday, Oct. 19
2:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Have a monstrous good time building a strange new toy from old and broken toys. Bring two or more toys (action figures, dolls, stuffed animals—easy to take apart) and we will provide tools and supplies. No favorites or special toys. Ages 5–14. Call 231-780-8844 to register.



Spider Decor

Monday, Oct. 21
4:30 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Keep your Halloween spirit alive by making your own spider crawling in its web. Ages 6–13. Call 231-739-6075 to register.



Emergency Pillowcase

Tuesday, Oct. 22
6:00 pm

Egelston Branch

Learn about fire safety, making an escape plan, and design an emergency pillowcase from the American Red Cross West Michigan Charter. Learn, practice, and share. All supplies provided. Ages 8–12. Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Halloween Party

Saturday, Oct. 26

1:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Join us for games, crafts, and tons of fun at our annual Halloween Party. Wear your Halloween costume and you could win a prize. Snacks provided.

Watch for Muskegon Storyvilles opening in November at three MADL Branches: Montague, Muskegon Heights, and Norton Shores.

International Games Week

Nov. 3–9

All MADL Branches

MADL will join over a thousand libraries around the world during International Games Week to bring our communities together to read, learn and play. Enjoy tabletop and board games at all MADL Branches during the week of Nov. 3–9.

Videogame Freeplay

Wednesday, Nov. 6

3:30–5:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Celebrate ALL games with us this week! Multiple consoles and multiplayer options. Play a game and enjoy a snack. Ages 5–18. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

RPGs for Families: Imaginative Story Play

Saturday, Nov. 9

2:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Kids can learn literacy and math skills from roleplaying and storytelling games, but what age-appropriate options are out there? Learn about roleplaying games that your whole family can share. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Frozen Party!

Tuesday, Nov. 12

6:00 pm

Holton Branch

Get ready for *Frozen 2* with the library's Frozen Party. Join us for crafts, games, trivia, snacks and more. Come in costume to be entered into our costume contest for cool prizes.



Thanksgiving Craft Time

Wednesday, Nov. 13

4:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Show your Thanksgiving spirit by joining us to make pom-pom turkeys and beaded Indian corn. Ages 4 and up. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Lego® Club: Rocket Racers

Wednesday, Nov. 13

4:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

We have a launcher, we have a track—all we need are some car builders. How fast can your Lego® car go? Ages 5–18. Call 231-780-8844 to register.



Mini Airplanes

Monday, Nov. 18

4:30 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Join us and make your own mini wooden airplanes. Ages 6–13. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

Frozen Party!

Thursday, Nov. 21
6:00 pm

Montague Branch

Get ready for *Frozen 2* with the library's Frozen Party. Join us for crafts, games, trivia, snacks, and more. Come in costume to be entered into our costume contest for cool prizes.



Build-an-Ornament

Wednesday, Dec. 4
4:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Each child gets a clear plastic ornament to fill and decorate. Supplies provided. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Christmas in Holton

Wednesday, Dec. 4

6:00 pm

Holton Branch

Start the holidays off right with a visit to downtown Holton for this fun, family event. Come to the library to meet Santa, do a craft and enjoy treats. Also, join the community in a tree lighting and singing in the park across from the library.



Puzzle Ornaments

Monday, Dec. 9

4:30 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

The holiday spirit is in the air and what better way to celebrate it than by making a festive ornament out of puzzle pieces. Ages 4–13. Call 231-739-6075 to register.



Holiday Gift Craft Station

Saturday, Dec. 14

12:00–3:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Need to make the perfect present for mom, dad, or another person who is special to you? Come to the library and visit our crafting stations to create gifts for your loved ones. We'll help you wrap them when you're done. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Winter Break Lego® Challenge

Take the Lego® Challenge—join building competitions, create new Lego® mini designs, and more! All ages welcome.

Thursday, Dec. 26

2:00–5:00 pm

Montague Branch

Friday, Dec. 27

2:00–5:00 pm

Holton Branch

Let the Holidays Begin with Santa

Start your holiday season with stories, crafts and a visit with Santa. Be sure to bring your cameras for this great photo opportunity.

Tuesday, Dec. 3

4:30 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Wednesday, Dec. 4

6:00 pm

Holton Branch

Saturday, Dec. 7

11:00 am

Egelston Branch

Saturday, Dec. 7

11:30 am

North Muskegon Branch

Saturday, Dec. 7

2:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Monday, Dec. 9

10:45 am

Muskegon Township Branch

Monday, Dec. 9

6:00 pm

Montague Branch

Thursday Dec. 12

4:00 pm

Dalton Branch

Saturday, Dec. 14

10:30 am

Ravenna Branch



Bow Wow Readers

Bow Wow Readers is a once-a-month read-aloud program that pairs kids ages 5 and up with trained therapy dogs and handlers from the Muskegon Lakeshore Obedience Training Club or from the Alliance of Therapy Dogs. These dogs are great listeners who love to hear a good story.

The first Tuesday of the month
Sept. 3, Oct. 1, Nov. 5
6:30–7:00 pm

Ravenna Branch

Call 231-853-6975 to register

The second Tuesday of the month
Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10
4:00–5:00 pm

Dalton Branch

Call 231-828-4188 to register.

The third Tuesday of the month
Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19
6:30–7:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

The fourth Tuesday of the month
Sept. 24, Oct. 22, Nov. 26
6:30–7:45 pm

Egelston Branch

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Tuesday, Oct. 1

4:30–5:15 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Call 231-739-6075 to register.

September 9 – December 13

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

A special storytime for children 0 to 36 months with a caregiver. Little ones will enjoy books, games, songs, and other age-appropriate story-related activities.

Toddler Time

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

Preschool Storytime

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, and more.

Family Time

Designed to reach children ages birth through elementary, Family Time includes elements of Preschool Storytime, Toddler Time, and Tiny Tots.

Pajama Time

Come in your pajamas to a Family Storytime with songs, crafts, books, dancing, and more.

Watch for special iSmile Muskegon storytimes at your branch in partnership with Muskegon Oral Health Coalition in October.

Mondays

Egelston Branch
9:30–10:15 am Family
Muskegon Township Branch
10:45–11:30 am Family

Tuesdays

Ravenna Branch
9:45–10:30 am Family
Norton Shores Branch
10:30–11:15 am Toddler
Holton Branch
11:00–11:45 am Family

Wednesdays

Dalton Branch
9:15–10:00 am Family
Egelston Branch
9:45–10:15 am Tiny Tots
Norton Shores Branch
10:30–11:15 am Preschool
Montague Branch
11:00–11:45 am Family
Muskegon Heights Branch
11:30am–12:00 pm Tiny Tots

Fridays

North Muskegon Branch
10:00–10:30 am Tiny Tots
North Muskegon Branch
11:15 am–12:00 pm Preschool

First and Third Fridays

Norton Shores Branch
10:30–11:15 am Baby Time

Last Monday

Norton Shores Branch
6:30–7:15 pm Pajama Time

Pete the Cat Live @ Storytime

Meet Pete the Cat at one of our regularly scheduled Storytime programs. Be sure to bring your camera and share your pictures with us on our Muskegon Area District Library Facebook Page.

Friday, Sept. 27
10:30 am
North Muskegon

Tuesday, Oct. 1
9:45 am
Ravenna Branch

Wednesday, Oct. 2
9:15 am
Dalton Branch

Wednesday, Oct. 2
11:00 am
Montague Branch

Monday, Oct. 28
9:30 am
Egelston Branch

Monday, Oct. 28
10:45 am
Muskegon Township Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 29
11:00 am
Holton Branch

Wednesday, Oct. 30
10:30 am
Norton Shores Branch

Wednesday, Oct. 30
12:00 pm
Muskegon Heights Branch



Pete the Cat Live @ MADL

Meet beloved book character Pete the Cat. Hear Pete the Cat stories read aloud, take a picture with him, and make a craft. Be sure to bring your camera and share your pictures with us on our Muskegon Area District Library Facebook Page.

Monday, Sept. 30
6:00 pm
Montague Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 1
3:00 pm
Ravenna Branch

Thursday, Oct. 3
4:00 pm
Dalton Branch

Saturday, Oct. 5
11:00 am
Egelston Branch

Monday, Oct. 28
4:30 pm
Muskegon Heights Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 29
4:30 pm
Muskegon Township Branch

Wednesday, Oct. 30
4:00 pm
Norton Shores Branch

Thursday, Oct. 31
6:00 pm
Holton Branch

Saturday, Nov. 2
11:00 am
North Muskegon Branch

Teen programs

Ages 11-18



Back to School

Thursday, Sept. 12
4:30 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Do you need something to keep your pens and pencils all in one place? Make a pencil case with us. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

Teen Finance: College Prep

Tuesday, Sept. 17
4:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Paying for school requires a proactive approach from students and parents. Community Choice Credit Union will guide us through the ins and outs of financing higher education. Call 231-780-8844 to register.



Glitter Monogram Magnet

Wednesday, Sept. 18
3:30 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Personalize your school locker with your very own glitter monogram magnet. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Family Game Night at the Library

The last Monday of the month
Sept. 30, Oct. 28, Nov. 25, Dec. 30
5:00–7:00 pm

Ravenna Branch

Want to try new or different board games? Join us as we partner with the Muskegon Area Gamers and The Gaming Annex. Game selection will vary, but could include games such as Ticket to Ride, Settlers of Catan, and Pandemic. Ages 7 and up.



Princess or Superhero Button Art

Saturday, Oct. 5
1:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Make a work of art using colorful buttons. We will have superhero and princess templates or you can bring your own ideas to create your masterpiece. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Teen FabLab with the MCC FabLab

Tuesday, Oct. 15
4:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Explore and try some of the amazing technology available through Muskegon Community College's FabLab. Call 231-780-8844 to register.



Spooky Ghosts

Thursday, Oct. 17
4:30 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Make your own frightening ghosts to hang anywhere. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

Teens' Guide to Game Mastering

Tuesday, Nov. 5
4:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Many people try out tabletop roleplaying games but there are never enough Game Masters to go around. If you've thought about running a game, stop by and get a quick overview. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Videogame Freeplay

Wednesday, Nov. 6
3:30–5:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Celebrate ALL games with us this week! Multiple consoles and multiplayer options. Play a game and enjoy a snack. Call 231-780-8844 to register.



Make A Gnome

Wednesday, Nov. 6
6:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Make an adorable DIY gnome with a pair of socks and other inexpensive items. This easy craft can be completed in less than half an hour. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

NaNoWriMo for Newbies

Tuesday, Nov. 19
4:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Learn about National Novel Writing Month and give it a try. Call 231-780-8844 to register.



Winter Mini Canvas

Wednesday, Dec. 4
4:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Make an adorable mouse on a mini canvas. Space limited. Call 231-744-6080 to register.



DIY Snowflakes

Thursday, Dec. 12
4:30 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Join us and to make your own snowflake. Call 231-739-6075 to register.



DIY Ugly Holiday Shirts

Tuesday, Dec. 17
4:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Bring your own t-shirt or sweatshirt—holiday-themed or not—we're going to make them ugly. We provide the supplies. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Escape Box Challenge: Harry Potter & the Quidditch Quest

Peeves has stolen the Quidditch golden snitch so all Quidditch practices and games have been suspended until it has been recovered. As members of your team, can you find the snitch in time to save the Quidditch season? Perfect fun for the entire family.

Tuesday, Oct. 29
6:30 pm
Norton Shores Branch
Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Thursday, Oct. 31
3:00 pm
Library for the Visually and Physically Disabled
Call 231-737-6310 to register.

Monday, Nov. 4
3:00 pm
Muskegon Township Branch
Call 231-760-4329 to register.

Tuesday, Nov. 5
6:00 pm
Holton Branch
Call 231-821-0268 to register.

Thursday, Nov. 7
6:00 pm
Montague Branch
Call 231-893-2675 to register.

Saturday, Nov. 9
1:00 pm
North Muskegon Branch
Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Thursday, Nov. 14
4:00 pm
Ravenna Branch
Call 231-853-6975 to register.

Tuesday, Nov. 19
4:30 pm
Muskegon Heights Branch
Call 231-739-6075 to register.

Thursday, Nov. 21
4:00 pm
Dalton Branch
Call 231-828-4188 to register.

Tuesday, Nov. 26
6:00 pm
Egelston Branch
Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Adult programs

Aromatherapy Meditation for Seniors

The first Wednesday of the month
Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4
10:00 am

Ravenna Branch

Join us once a month as we learn how to use both aromatherapy and meditation for inner peace.



Craft Clutch

Fridays, Sept. 6–Dec. 27
1:00 pm

Muskegon Township Branch

Bring your own craft supplies and chat with other crafters while working on your project.

Stretch and Move

Stretch and Move consists of chair exercises that have been researched and designed by specialists to help you age gracefully. Exercises will include weights, seated Zumba, and more. The class is designed for older adults, particularly those who have balance issues, physical limitations or chronic conditions such as arthritis and osteoporosis. Call AgeWell Services at 231-733-8643 to register.

Fridays, Sept. 6–Dec. 13
1:00 pm

Holtan Branch

Fridays, Sept. 6–Dec. 13
3:00 pm

Ravenna Branch

Trivia Night

Tuesdays, Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 5, Dec. 10
6:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Are you a Wise Guy? A Smarty Pants? Go head to head against others and prove it. Refreshments will be served and prizes will be awarded. Test your knowledge and exercise your mind. Open to anyone 16 and up. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

MADL 101

The second Tuesday of the month
Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10
6:30 pm

The third Friday of the month
Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15, Dec. 20
9:15 am

Norton Shores Branch

Did you just get your yellow MADL library card? You can drop in to one of these sessions for an overview of the free services and resources your library card provides. The power of your library card is priceless.



Make It @ Montague: Garden Stones

Wednesday, Sept. 11
6:00 pm

Montague Branch

Make a homemade garden stone—a great way to personalize and dress up your garden!



Genealogy Club

The second Wednesday of the month
Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11
6:00 pm

Ravenna Branch

The Genealogy Club meets monthly to do computer searches, use ancestry.com, and swap local history tales with friends.

RootTalk

The second Thursday of the month
Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14, Dec. 12
10:00 am–1:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Stop by the drop-in genealogy help desk, where librarian Alison Purgiel will be on hand to answer questions on library and online resources for doing genealogy research, as well as offering advice on particular issues or “brick walls.”

Chair Yoga for Seniors

Thursday, Sept. 12
10:00 am

North Muskegon Branch

Join certified yoga instructor Diana Springstead for this gentle form of yoga that is practiced while sitting on a chair. Chair yoga deepens flexibility and strengthens personal body awareness. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Artist Alley

Friday, Sept. 13
1:00 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Join us for some relaxing music, snacks, and art. We'll have coloring pages or you can bring your own sketchpad. Ages 18 and up. Call 231-739-6075 to register.



Descriptive Movie: The Green Book

Wednesday, Sept. 18
1:00 pm

Library for the Visually & Physically Disabled Branch

Sit back and relax as we watch *The Green Book* with additional *audio* content that describes what's happening on screen. Light refreshments provided.

West Michigan Works!: Resume Makeover

Thursday, Sept. 19
2:00 pm

Dalton Branch

Get prepared by creating or updating your resume. We'll help you put your best foot forward. Call 231-828-4188 to register.

MADL Thursday Night Music Club presents Legal Rehab

Thursday, Sept. 19
7:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

This locally based combo shares beautiful acoustic music with an impressive mix of folk, rock, and Irish tones.

Intro to Essential Oils

Monday, Sept. 23
6:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Have you been curious about essential oils? Come sample, learn, and take charge of your families' health. In this class you will learn how to use essential oils, why quality matters and how they can benefit you and your family. Make an essential oil roller to take home. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

American Sign Language 2

Tuesdays, Sept. 24–Nov. 12
5:30–7:30 pm

Ravenna Branch

Build on your American Sign Language experience with an eight-week ASL2 class from Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services. Call 231-853-6975 to sign up and obtain current class costs.

Euchre Night

The fourth Tuesday of the month
Sept. 24, Oct. 22, Nov. 26
6:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Are you a hardcore euchre player? Have you only played once? Do you want to know what on earth euchre is? Come join us and we'll teach you how to play and provide some competition for more experienced players. Open to anyone 16+. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

City of the Dead Sneak Peak

Wednesday, Sept. 25
7:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

City of the Dead celebrates Muskegon's history by bringing famous “residents” of Evergreen Cemetery to life at the actual cemetery—enjoy a preview at the library of this 10th annual family friendly event.



Movies at the Library

The last Monday of the month
Sept. 30, Oct. 28, Nov. 25, Dec. 30
4:00 pm

Muskegon Township Branch

Come to the library and enjoy a movie. Call 231-760-4329 to register.

Family Game Night at the Library

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Live at the Library: Jim Cooper Trio

Tuesday, Oct. 1
6:30 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Enjoy a free concert with Master vibraphonist Jim Cooper leading a trio of exceptional jazz artists, including Robin Connell on keyboard and Tim Froncek on drums.

Psyche's Garden: Beginnings

Wednesdays, Oct. 2–Nov. 6
10:30–11:45 am

North Muskegon Branch

This 6-week mini-course offers an introduction to the emergence of the first evidence of human communication. We will look at ways in which symbol-making has shaped and reflected the course of human development. These communications demonstrate ongoing universal themes that continue to influence and connect individuals and cultures today. A fee of \$10 for all six classes is due at the time of registration. Space limited. Call 231-744-6080 to register.



No-Sew Burlap Pumpkins

Wednesday, Oct. 9
6:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Spruce up your fall table with these adorable no-sew burlap pumpkins. Space limited. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Legacy Planning Workshop

Wednesday, Oct. 9
6:00 pm

Ravenna Branch

End-of-life planning for families of all ages taught by local lawyer Adam Sheridan.



Make It @ Montague: Beach in a Jar

Wednesday, Oct. 9
6:00 pm

Montague Branch

Enjoy a little bit of summer all year around with this cute beach in a jar.



Watercolor Workshop with Lori McElrath-Eslick

Wednesday, Oct. 16
6:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Muskegon artist, Lori McElrath-Eslick, will lead a class for adults in how to paint using watercolors. Come ready to have fun and take home a fall-themed painting. A \$10 materials fee is due at the time of registration. Space limited. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

West Michigan Works!: Introduction to Interviewing

Thursday, Oct. 17
2:00 pm

Dalton Branch

Get prepared by sharpening your interview skills and more. Use your new skills and confidence to compete in the global economy. Call 231-828-4188 to register.

MADL Thursday Night Music Club presents Box On

Thursday, Oct. 17
7:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

A dynamic family polka band brings youth, excitement and energy to this favorite musical genre.

West Michigan Works!: Resume Makeover

Friday, October 18
3:00–5:00 pm

Ravenna Branch

Take your resume to the next level. This two-hour open lab is designed to help you improve your existing resume. Tips and suggestions will be offered to help make your resume stand out.

Drop In Downloads

Friday, Oct. 18
1:00–2:00 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Drop in for assistance in downloading MADL's digital materials to your smartphone or tablet.

Once Upon a Murder Mystery

Friday, Oct. 18
6:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Once upon a time, the enchanted realm was peaceful until it fell under the control of the evil Queen Black. She has shocked all of the territories by calling them together to sign a peace treaty. Join us in the enchanted forest for an evening of food and fun as you and other attendees try to determine if Queen Black really wants peace or if things are about to turn deadly. Cost is \$10 per person and includes food/beverages. Register at the library where you will be assigned a storybook character. Ages 16+. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Easy Steps to Memoir Writing

Tuesday, Oct. 22
6:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch

October is Family History Month. Do you want to tell your story but don't know how to start? Try an easy way local author Ron Robotham calls *Five Faces of My Life*. Pick five key pictures from your life story, write a paragraph about each, and you will have a memoir. Call 231-780-8844 to register.



Craft N Chat: Lace Earrings

Wednesday, Oct. 23
6:00 pm

Ravenna Branch

Get to know new friends and fellow crafters while you make a pair of lace earrings. Supplies are provided. Space limited. Call 231-853-6975 to register.

MADL Thursday Night Music Club presents 126th Army Band

Thursday, Nov. TBA
7:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

A small ensemble of the “Governor's Own” 126th Army Band of the Michigan National Guard shares the sound that makes them one of the nation's premier military music organizations.

Tabletop Game News

Wednesday, Nov. 6
6:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch

It's International Games Week: the perfect time to find out what's new in the tabletop game world. Neiel Sumilhig of Muskegon gaming store Griffin's Rest will share a sampling of hot new board games, including a chance to play one of them.

Chair Yoga for Seniors

Thursday, Nov. 7
10:00 am

North Muskegon Branch

Join certified yoga instructor Diana Springstead for this gentle form of yoga that is practiced while sitting on a chair. Chair yoga deepens flexibility and strengthens personal body awareness. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Live at the Library: Two Unstrung

Tuesday, Nov. 12
6:30 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Hannah and Rebekah Krohl on fiddle and guitar present an evening of toe-tapping bluegrass and Americana music. Light refreshments provided.



Descriptive Movie: The Shack

Wednesday, Nov. 13
1:00 pm

Library for the Visually & Physically Disabled Branch

Sit back and relax as we watch *The Shack* with additional *audio* content that describes what's happening on screen. Enjoy light refreshments.



Make It @ Montague: Decorative Votive Candle

Wednesday, Nov. 13
6:00 pm

Montague Branch

Create a glittering glass votive, perfect for the holidays—or anytime!



Artist Alley

Friday, Nov. 15
1:00 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Join us for some relaxing music, snacks, and art. We'll have coloring pages or you can bring your own sketchpad. Ages 18 and up. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

Lakeshore Camera Club Photography Show and Competition

Saturday, Nov. 16
1:00–5:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

The Norton Shores Branch Library is pleased to host the Lakeshore Camera Club of Muskegon's Bi-annual Show and Competition. Discover local photographic talent, meet the photographers and vote for your favorite to win. There will be refreshments to enjoy, a photo booth, prints to purchase for holiday gift giving and more.

NaNoWriMo: Family Stories into Fiction

Monday, Nov. 18
7:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

To celebrate National Novel Writing Month local writer Fred Sanderlin, author of *Journey to Little Rock*, shares how turning family memories into fiction can be the spark that gets you started on your creative writing journey. No registration required.

Sin City Scoop

Wednesday, Nov. 20
7:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Pick up tips and tricks for making your next Las Vegas trip the best ever from Vegas veteran Lou Gifford. He will share insider information on attractions, hotels, casinos, and more from the new fourth edition of his guidebook, *Las Vegas—Your Way*. Copies will be available for purchase.

Edmund Fitzgerald: The Stories, the Song

Michigan Historical Society author and storyteller, Mike Fornes, will share stories of the crewmembers, their families, and a doomed ship in one of the worst storms in Great Lakes history. He will also discuss and perform Gordon Lightfoot's hit song, *The Wreck of The Edmund Fitzgerald*.

Wednesday, Nov. 20
6:30 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Thursday, Nov. 21
7:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Small Business Saturday, Nov. 30
MADL is partnering with the Muskegon Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce for Small Business Saturday. Stop by any MADL Branch to get your Shop Small swag before hitting local businesses.

Small Business Saturday Fair

Saturday, Nov. 30
10:00 am–4:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Kick off your holiday shopping by supporting local entrepreneurs and ensure your hard-earned dollars stay local. We'll have free coffee and donuts, a fabulous door prize, and an array of local vendors sure to make your shopping easy.

Live at the Library: Mike Snell

Tuesday, Dec. 3
6:30 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Pop? Rock? Folk? Mike Snell will sing everyone's favorites embellished with his guitar. Light refreshments provided.



Make It @ Montague: Snow Globe Scene

Wednesday, Dec. 11
6:00 pm

Montague Branch

Make a charming snow globe—pretty perched in any corner, mantle or bookshelf.

MADL Thursday Night Music Club presents Picó & Chown

Thursday, Dec. 12
7:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Enjoy the rich vocals and smooth piano of Miriam Picó and David Chown as they share old standards, pop, rock, and blues classics, and original music, along with a few of your holiday favorites.

Drop in Downloads

Friday, Dec. 13
1:00–2:00 pm

Muskegon Heights Branch

Drop in to learn how to download MADL's digital materials to your smartphone or tablet.

Downton Abbey Tea Party

The new *Downton Abbey* feature film is being released September 20 and MADL is having a tea party to celebrate. You're invited to wear a lovely hat and/or period clothing (optional) and join DA fans to watch clips from the PBS series, games, trivia and crafts.

Tuesday, Sept. 10
6:00 pm

Egelston Branch

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Saturday, Sept. 14
1:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Monday, Sept. 16
6:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Tuesday, Sept. 17
6:00 pm

Holton Branch

Call 231-821-0268 to register.

Thursday, Sept. 19
6:00 pm

Montague Branch

Call 231-893-2675 to register.

Wednesday, Sept. 25
6:00 pm

Ravenna Branch

Call 231-853-6975 to register.

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.

Books vs. Movies

The second Monday of the month
Sept. 9, Oct. 14, Nov. 18, Dec. 9
5:00 pm

Muskegon Township Branch

Dalton Book Club

The fourth Monday of the month
6:00 pm

Dalton Branch

Sept. 23: *The Leavers* by Lisa Ko
Oct. 28: *Murder & Mayhem in Grand Rapids*
by Tobin T. Buhk

Nov. 25: *The Christmas Joy Ride*
by Melody Carlson

Adult Book Discussion

The third Tuesday of the month
Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19, Dec. 17
10:30 am

Muskegon Township Branch

Holton Book Club

The third Tuesday of the month
Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 13, Dec. 17
6:00 pm

Holton Branch

Join fellow reading enthusiasts as we read and discuss titles from across genres. Books will be selected by group participants.

Director's Book Club

The second Wednesday of the month
September 11: *The Immortalists*
by Chloe Benjamin

October 9: *The Great Alone*
by Kristin Hannah

November 13: *The Death of Mrs. Westaway*
by Ruth Ware

6:00 pm

Library for the Visually & Physically Disabled

#RavennaReads

The first Wednesday of the month
Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4
6:00 pm

Ravenna Branch

Book Potluck

The third Wednesday of the month
Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20, Dec. 18
6:00 pm

Ravenna Branch

Book Discussion Group

The first Thursday of the month
10:30 am

Norton Shores Branch

Sept. 5: *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt

Oct. 3: *Something in the Water*
by Catherine Steadman

Nov. 7: *The Death of Mrs. Westaway*
by Ruth Ware

Dec. 5: *Inheritance* by Dani Shapiro

Tuesday Evening Book Club

The third Tuesday of the month
6:30 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Join our book club for refreshments and lively discussion. Copies of the monthly selection are available at the library. New participants are always welcome.

Sept. 17: *The Clockmaker's Daughter*
by Kate Morton

Oct. 15: *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles

Nov. 19: *The Tiger's Wife* by Téa Obreht

Dec. 17: *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern *will be held at an alternate location. Call 231-744-6080 for details.



MAD(L) CRAFTERS

The MAD(L) Crafters is a craft club for ages 18 and up. Crafter extraordinaire Jamie Jewell provides art supplies and expertise.

Floral Hoop Décor with Bow

Make a modern faux floral hoop and learn the technique for creating large décor bows that you can use on gifts, accessories and more.



Tuesday, Sept. 17

6:00 pm

Egelston Branch

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Wednesday, Sept. 18

6:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Autumnal Wood Sign

Choose from various templates to make a wooden sign to enjoy throughout the fall season. No freehand painting required, so don't hesitate to try this unique project.



Tuesday, Oct. 15

6:00 pm

Egelston Branch

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Wednesday, Oct. 23

6:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Seasonal Tree Greeting Card/Photo Display

Create a festive display option for all of your upcoming holiday cards and photos that is lightweight and easy to hang anywhere.



Monday, Nov. 4

6:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Wednesday, Nov. 13

6:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Tuesday, Nov. 19

6:00 pm

Egelston Branch

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Felt Holly Sprig

This felt decoration makes a great seasonal pin, ornament or stocking stuffer.



Tuesday, Dec. 10

6:00 pm

Egelston Branch

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Wednesday, Dec. 11

6:30 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Monday, Dec. 16

6:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Discover the Chronic Pain PATH

MSU Extension Educator Naomi Hyso shares details about the Chronic Pain PATH program. The six-session program uses interactive education, self-management tools, and goal-setting to empower participants to take a more active role in managing their chronic pain.

Wednesday, Sept. 4

11:00 am

North Muskegon Branch

Call 231-744-6080 to register.

Monday, Sept. 30

5:00 pm

Ravenna Branch

Call 231-853-6975 to register.

Monday, Sept. 30

7:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

Monday, Oct. 7

3:00 pm

Library for the Visually & Physically Disabled Branch

Call 231-737-6310 to register.

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 what movie it is from 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.



Michigan Libraries 4 Life Organ Donation Registry Drive

As part of the Michigan Libraries for Life drive, MADL librarians will help you learn about organ donation and provide you with the opportunity to join the Michigan Organ Donation Registry.

Thursday, Oct. 10

9:30 am–4:00 pm

North Muskegon Branch

Thursday, Oct. 10

1:00–4:00 pm

Dalton Branch

Thursday, Oct. 10

2:00–5:00 pm

Montague Branch

Friday, Oct. 11

9:30 am–12:30 pm

Ravenna Branch

Friday, Oct. 11

2:00–5:00 pm

Holton Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 15

3:00–6:00 pm

Norton Shores Branch

iSmile Muskegon in October All MADL branches

The Muskegon County Oral Health Coalition rolls out "iSmile Muskegon" with MADL! Visit any MADL branch to see and learn about the Rethink Your Drink display, attend a presentation or read an iSmile display book and learn how xylitol helps prevent cavities. Special Storytimes will be held at all branches in October. Fill out a survey after any one of these activities and receive a free oral health goodie bag. One winner will be drawn from all surveys completed at each branch to receive a power toothbrush or a water flosser.

Rethink Your Drink display

All MADL locations

Oct. 1–31

Open hours

Adult Program

iSmile Muskegon: Your Smile is What You Eat & Drink

Did you know that sugar isn't the only thing that can harm your teeth? Learn how sugar, pH, and bacteria can be a danger to your healthy smile and what you can do to protect your teeth. Discover the over-the-counter products, food, and drinks that will help you keep your smile for a lifetime.

Norton Shores Branch

Wednesday, Oct. 9

7:00 pm

Call 231-780-8844 to register

North Muskegon Branch

Monday, Oct. 21

6:00 pm

Call 231-744-6080

Ravenna Branch

Wednesday, Oct. 30

6:00 pm

Call 231-853-6975

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Three New Early Literacy Villages

It all started with an idea. How could the Muskegon Area District Library develop new early literacy learning? Richard Schneider, former Branch Operations Manager, was introduced to the idea of Storyville at Baltimore County Public Library, and the dream to bring the idea to Muskegon was

born. So MADL staff and the Board set out to create areas where children ages 0–5 could learn through creative play.

Did you know 90% of a child's brain development occurs within the first five years of life? In fact, a child's brain is almost fully formed by the time they enter kindergarten. Exposure to early literacy skills during these formative years is critical. Funded by both private and corporate donors, Muskegon Storyville is designed to help prepare children for kindergarten by focusing on the five 'Every Child Ready to Read' practices of play, read, sing, talk, and write. Children entering kindergarten who have developed these early skills become better readers, have a larger vocabulary, and achieve greater academic success.

Muskegon Storyville Villages allow children and their parents or caregivers to let their imaginations run wild. Each village will be located within existing library space and each is designed to reflect elements of its community.

A replica of the Montague weathervane, a submarine, and weather-related activities will be at the Montague Branch. "The Neighborhood," with a kitchen, porch, and garden will be at the Muskegon Heights Branch. And the Norton Shores branch will be home to the Hines Baby Garden and Olthoff Bay with a sailboat, lighthouse, and camp store.



*Montague Storyville



*Muskegon Heights Storyville

These fun educational spaces are designed for parents or caregivers to engage in active learning with their children. Each village offers a variety of activities that have been professionally designed to encourage early literacy skills. There are also age-appropriate activities that introduce science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM). STEAM aims to spark an interest and lifelong love of the arts and sciences in children from an early age.

Parents are their children's first teachers. How much a parent reads to, speaks to, and plays with a child has a greater impact



*Norton Shores Storyville

than the parents' education, occupation, or class. With plenty of books inside the villages, there will be numerous opportunities to read and talk about books. Each space has many opportunities for creative, purposeful, and imaginative play. Ideas for building early literacy skills outside the library will also be included. With each visit, visitors will have a different, enjoyable experience with a lasting impact.

This is an exciting and major undertaking for our library system. We are extremely thankful for our generous supporters who have made this possible. Muskegon Storyville construction begins in early fall of 2019, and the villages will open by mid-November. We hope to see you soon at our newest fun and friendly learning places.

*Pictures shown are graphic renderings of villages.

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
Sun, 1:00 – 5:00 pm
Labor Day–Memorial Day

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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Want to know what is going on at the Library?
Sign up for MADL's e-Newsletter at madl.org.