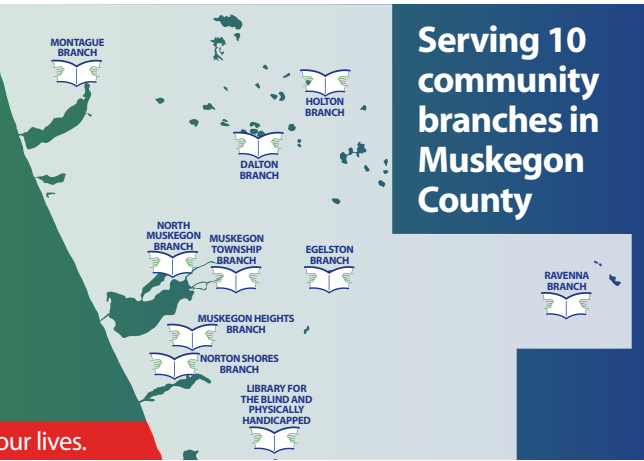




# THE MUSKEGON AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



Serving 10 community branches in Muskegon County

Summer Edition 2017 Vol.2 Issue 1

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

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

### An Update from Kelly Richards, Director

We have embarked on an important and timely strategic planning process. Our community was invited to participate in this process by giving us their input in a survey and by attending in a day-long retreat. We have heard from many interested and supportive community members.

Thank you to our citizens who participated by helping to guide our future direction. We look forward to sharing the new mission and vision with our community in the very near future. We are committed to providing high quality services for our community now and into the future.

## New Foundation Created

The Muskegon Area District Library has now established a Foundation Fund with the Muskegon County Community Foundation. The Foundation Fund will support the programs and operations of the Library. An Advisory Committee has been established to oversee the funds and includes members of the Board of Trustees and the community.

The Muskegon Area District Library Foundation exists solely to help the Muskegon Area District Library fund diverse programs, resources and services beyond those supported by public funding. Donations will further enrich and enhance our library system throughout Muskegon County.

Strong libraries build strong communities. Your investment in your local library is an investment in the continued education of our neighbors, the curiosity and creativity of future generations and the health and advancement of your community.

You can make a difference in your community by making a donation today! All gifts are tax deductible. To learn more contact Brenda Hall, Director of Finance, 231-737-6248.

## MADL by the numbers 2016

Public Visits  
**409,977**

Number of Programs  
**1,067**

Program Attendance  
**28,860**

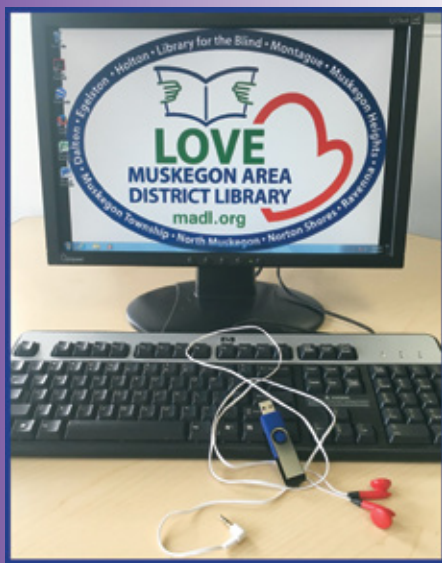
Active Patrons  
**52,103**

Reference Questions  
**77,981**

Computer Sessions  
**63,398**



**LOOK INSIDE** TO LEARN ABOUT OUR **GREAT SUMMER** PROGRAMS!



## Did You Know?

You can purchase earbuds or thumb drives at any of our ten local branches. Stop by the circulation desk anytime to buy one or both, or as many as you want. We offer convenience and reasonable prices—\$1.00 for the earbuds and \$5.00 for a thumb drive.

## New Library Sign in Montague

A new library sign has been installed on Water Street in Montague. The MDOT directional sign was installed in April and clearly shows motorists where to find the Montague branch library, located one block away at 8778 Ferry Street.



## New Reader Roundup



New Reader Roundup is a long-standing popular program held each March. First grade classrooms throughout our service area are invited to their local branches to celebrate reading and to see staff bring the *Amelia Bedelia* and *There's an Ant in Anthony* books to life. This year, 64 classrooms from 20 different elementary schools learned more about library programs and services. Shown above, "Amelia Bedelia," aka Michele Wittkopp, Youth Services Coordinator and "Mrs. Rogers," aka Allison Keessen, Storytime Program Leader, entertain local students.





# CHILDRENS' programs

Families welcome

## Build a Better World—Read

June 19 – August 5  
**ALL MADL BRANCHES**  
 Ages 3 – 6th Grade  
 Join the Summer Reading Club and earn prizes. For every two hours completed, readers can enter a drawing for a great prize. The more time spent reading, the more chances to win!

## Let's Build a Garden

Starting June 1  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
 Help us build and maintain our garden throughout the summer with help from members of the Coalition for Community Development and other volunteers. Come dressed for gardening. Materials provided. Call 231-739-6075 for times and to register.

## Father's Day Craft

Wednesday, June 7  
 6:00 pm  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
 Make a gift for your special dad. Materials provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## Kickoff Carnival

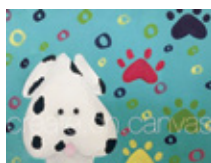
Thursday, June 8  
 11:30 am – 1:30 pm  
**North Muskegon Branch**  
 Start your summer reading at Walker Park—the area between the North Muskegon Branch Library and city hall. There will be a bounce house, trackless train, carnival games, and more.

## Bow Wow Readers

Thursdays, June 8, July 13, August 24  
 4:00 – 5:00 pm  
**Dalton Branch**  
 Practice your reading skills as you read aloud to Maisy, registered therapy dog. Ages 5 – 12. Call 231-828-4188 to register for a 15-minute session.


## Cookies and Canvas

Saturday, June 10  
 10:00 am  
**Ravenna Branch**  
 Bring the kids to create a masterpiece while snacking on cookies and juice. A prepaid materials fee of \$5 is required to sign up at the Ravenna Branch Library, 12278 Stafford Street. Space limited to 25. Kids ages 6–14.



## Geodes

Tuesday, June 13  
 10:30 am  
**North Muskegon Branch**  
 Learn about geodes with an interactive presentation given by scientist Steve Tchozeski. Children will have the opportunity to take home pieces of geodes that will be cracked open on site.

 **Afternoon Movie**  
 Wednesday, June 14  
 3:30 pm

**Ravenna Branch**  
*The Secret Life of Pets*: Max, a terrier, has his favorite-pet status turned upside-down when his owner takes in a stray named Duke. Popcorn and juice provided.

## & KANA MUSIC

**Shaker Workshop**  
 Saturday, June 17  
 10:00 am  
**Dalton Branch**  
 Make, decorate and learn to play a musical instrument. Ages 4-10. Space limited to 12. Call 231-828-4188 to register.

## Father's Day Mug Painting

Saturday, June 17  
 10:30 am  
**North Muskegon Branch**  
 Paint a coffee mug for Dad. Mug and paints supplied—just bring your ideas. Ages 5 and up. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

## Build Your Own Drive-in Car


Saturday, June 17  
 11:00 am – 1:00 pm  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
 Do you love to go to the drive-in to watch movies from a car? Decorate a box as your favorite car to use at our weekly Afternoon Movie. Parents/Guardians welcome to help your child. Some large boxes will be provided or you can bring your own. Other materials provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register. (No movie shown today.)

## Flying Aces Professional Frisbee Team

Monday, June 19  
 10:00 am  
**Norton Shores Branch**  
 See spectacular athletic skills, ending with an audience participation flying disc contest.

## Let Your Art Out

Wednesdays, June 21 – August 16  
 (No program July 5)  
 4:00 pm  
**Dalton Branch**  
 Color, paint, draw and create with other library friends. All ages welcome.

 **Afternoon Movie**  
 Thursday, June 22  
 4:00 pm

**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
*Finding Dory*: When Dory, the forgetful blue tang, suddenly remembers she has a family, she, Marlin, and Nemo take off on a life-changing quest to find them. Popcorn provided.

## Patio Stone Decorating

Saturday, June 24  
 10:30 am, 11:00 am, 11:30 am  
**North Muskegon Branch**  
 Join one of the three half-hour sessions to make a stone for your garden. Your finished stone will be left at the library to dry and can be picked up Monday, June 26 after 10:00 am. Ages 5 and up. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

## Service Project: Kids Food Basket

Monday, June 26  
 10:00 am  
**Norton Shores Branch**  
 Make trail mix for hungry kids with Kids Food Basket. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Bird House

Tuesday, June 27  
 10:30 am  
**North Muskegon Branch**  
 We will have everything you need to paint a small bird house to put in your backyard. Materials provided. Ages 5 and up. Call 231-744-6080 to register.


## Maranda Park Party

Thursday, June 29  
 12:00 – 2:00 pm  
**Smith-Ryerson Park**  
 650 Wood St, Muskegon  
 Join MADL as we welcome Maranda from WOTV 4 to Muskegon. Every Park Party includes free activities, games, entertainment and, of course, prizes! Free lunch will be served to anyone 18 and under starting at 11:30 a.m., while supplies last.

**July 3 – July 7**  
 Stop by any branch during open hours to make a bookmark.

## Three Upcycled Tees

Monday, July 3  
 10:00 am  
**Norton Shores Branch**  
 Bring three adult-sized t-shirts and discover three ways to upcycle them into something new. Registration required for enough supplies. Ages 6 and up. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

 **Afternoon Movie**  
 Thursday, July 6  
 4:00 pm

**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
*The Good Dinosaur*: Arlo the Apatosaurus is lost in the wilderness. Will his new friend, a human boy, help him find the way home? Popcorn provided.

## Kids Flea Market

Saturday, July 8  
 10:00 am – 1:30 pm  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
 Kids bring your items to sell along with a table and chair to set up your booth at 9:45 am. Must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to participate. Kid sellers only. Must pre-register before the event. Ages 8 – 17. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## Muskegon Heights Branch Community Day

Saturday, July 8  
 11:00 am – 2:00 pm  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
 Celebrate Summer Reading at the Muskegon Heights Branch. Have a hot dog, chips and a soda and learn about summer reading activities.




**Everything About Bees**  
 Monday, July 10  
 10:00 am  
**Norton Shores Branch**


Make a candle, taste some honey, and see live bees from Thornapple Woodlands. Products from the farm will be available after the program for purchase. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## AWE Computer Time

Mondays–Thursdays, July 10–August 3  
 10:30 am – 3:30 pm  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
 Use our fantastic AWE Learning System computers to practice your reading, writing, math and science skills to help retain what you learned in school. Kids who use the designated programs can log on and earn “Book Bucks” to purchase treats and prizes. Seating is limited. Parents welcome. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

 **Afternoon Movie**  
 Wednesday, July 12  
 3:30 pm

**Ravenna Branch**  
*Moana*: Follow the journey of a spirited teenager named Moana as she meets the once-mighty demi-god Maui, and together they travel the open ocean. Popcorn and juice provided.

 **Afternoon Movie**  
 Thursday, July 13  
 4:00 pm

**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
*Jungle Book*: An epic adventure about Mowgli, a boy who's been raised by a family of wolves. Popcorn provided.

## STEM Fridays: Build a Structure


Friday, July 14  
 10:30 am – 12:00 pm  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
 Build using toothpicks and gum drops. Materials provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## Books in Bloom: Kids Edition


Monday, July 17  
 10:00 am  
**Norton Shores Branch**  
 Make a flower creation to display at the Muskegon County Garden Club's Books in Bloom Flower show. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Build a Better Tic-Tac-Toe Game

Wednesday, July 19  
 3:30 pm  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
 Learn how to make your own traveling tic-tac-toe game, complete with storage bag and game pieces. Some sewing required, materials and equipment provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

 **Afternoon Movie**  
 Wednesday, July 19  
 3:30 pm

**Ravenna Branch**  
*Storks*: Storks have moved on from delivering babies to packages. But when an order for a baby appears, the best delivery stork must scramble to fix the error by delivering the baby. Popcorn and juice provided.

 **Afternoon Movie**  
 Thursday, July 20  
 4:00 pm

**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
*Inside Out*: After Riley moves to San Francisco, her emotions—joy, fear, anger, disgust and sadness—conflict on how best to navigate a new city, house, and school. Popcorn provided.

## STEM Fridays: Pantograph Drawing Machine

Friday, July 21  
 10:30 am – 12:00 pm  
**Muskegon Heights Branch**  
 Learn how to make a Pantograph Drawing Machine and create some drawings. Materials provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## Go Fly a Kite!

Monday, July 24  
 10:00 am  
**Norton Shores Branch**  
 Build a kite from recycled materials. Kids are welcome to bring their own plastic shopping bags, but we will have a variety on hand— all leftovers will be recycled. Registration required. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Into the Wild Scavenger Hunt and Storytime

Tuesday, July 25  
11:15 am

### Holton Township Park

Join us in beautiful Holton Township Park for a nature scavenger hunt and storytime. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and your lunch to enjoy afterwards. All ages welcome.

## Sidewalk Art

Wednesday, July 26  
4:00 pm

### Muskegon Heights Branch

Create sidewalk chalk art—wet or dry. Library patrons will vote to determine the best creation. The winning art will be posted on the Muskegon Heights Branch Facebook page and win a prize. Materials provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## Afternoon Movie

Thursday, July 27  
4:00 pm

### Muskegon Heights Branch

*Zootopia*: In a city of animals, a rookie bunny cop and a cynical con artist fox must work together to uncover a conspiracy. Popcorn provided.

## Stem Fridays: Build Using 3-D Forms

Friday, July 28  
10:30 am – 12:00 pm

### Muskegon Heights Branch

Build a city from your imagination using card stock, hand drawn 3-D forms and other materials. Materials provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## Build a Better World through Fashion

Saturday, July 29  
11:00 am – 1:00 pm

### Muskegon Heights Branch

Make a recycled denim drawstring bag with patches or decorate your jeans. You can bring your own jeans and desired specialty patches. Some materials and sewing equipment will be provided. Ages 7 and up. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## Community Days

Saturday, July 29  
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

### Holton Branch

Stop by the Library to join in the Holton Community Days festivities.

## Touch a Truck

Monday, July 31  
10:00 am

### Norton Shores Branch

Celebrate our city and its big vehicles, with representatives from Norton Shores' Police, Fire, and Streets departments. Participants will learn a little about each department's work and their vehicles before going out to see and touch the trucks.

## Afternoon Movie

Thursday, August 3  
4:00 pm

### Muskegon Heights Branch

*Minions*: Stuart, Kevin and Bob are recruited by Scarlet Overkill, a super villain who hatches a plot to take over the world. Popcorn provided.

## STEM Fridays: Roller Coasters

Friday, August 4  
10:30 am – 12 noon

### Muskegon Heights Branch

Build a simple roller coaster using pipe insulation, marbles, toothpicks, and other materials. Materials provided. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

## Brown Bag Reading

August 7 – August 31

### Norton Shores Branch

Fight the end of summer reading club blues with Brown Bag Reading: you don't know what the book looks like, you don't know the title, and you don't know the author. We dare you to check it out. It might not end up being the book for you or it could be your favorite title of the summer. You could also win a surprise just for taking a chance.

## Star Wars Day

Tuesday, August 15  
12:00 pm

### Ravenna Branch

Bring the family for a celebration of all things *Star Wars*. We'll have activities, crafts, snacks, and a costume contest. Then, stick around to watch *Rogue One: A Star Wars Story*.

## Afternoon Movie

Wednesday, August 16  
3:30 pm

### Ravenna Branch

*Sing*: A koala stages a singing competition for the world's animals in order to save his elegant theater and bring it back to its former glory. Popcorn and juice provided.

## Sun & Stars with Dynamic West

Monday August 21  
10:00 am, 10:30 am, 11:00 am

### Norton Shores Branch

Join us for a star show with Dynamic West and their Starlab planetarium! Learn about the solar eclipse and how to safely view it. Registration required. Call 231-780-8844 to register for one of three shows.

## Back to School Bash

Saturday, August 26  
10:00 am

### Ravenna Branch

Join us as the Ravenna Branch and Friends of the Library celebrate the beginning of the 2017–2018 school year with a Back-to-School Bash. We will have crafts, games, and snacks. The Ravenna Friends of the Library will be hosting back-to-school giveaways so be sure you don't miss out.

## ANIMALS OF THE RAINFOREST

Live animals will be introduced throughout the show, as we discover where the rainforests are, why they are there and how to best preserve the them.

### Monday, June 19

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

### Tuesday, June 20

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

### Wednesday, June 21

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



## ABRACADABRA MAGIC

Don't miss the amazing magic of local magician, Eric Yager, as he performs astounding tricks and illusions.

### Monday, June 26

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

### Tuesday, June 27

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

### Wednesday, June 28

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

# Storytime



## Pajama Night

Mondays, June 26 – July 31  
6:30 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Families can dance, share books, make crafts, and have fun with Miss Gillian.

## Pajama Storytime

Second Monday of the month June 12 through August 14  
6:00 pm

### North Muskegon Branch

Wear your favorite pajamas to hear bedtime favorites, make a craft, and enjoy snacks.

## Family Storytime

Every Tuesday from June 6 – July 18  
11:15 am

### Holton Branch

Join us for a storytime where the whole family can get together and enjoy books, music, movement and a craft. Fun for all ages.

## Family Storytime

Every Wednesday from June 7 – July 26  
11:00 am

### Montague Branch

Join us for a storytime where the whole family can get together and enjoy books, music, movement and a craft. Fun for all ages.

## Baby Time

First and third Fridays, June 2 – July 21  
6:30 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Baby Time is intended for infants ages 0 – 18 months and their caregivers. Families can sing, share rhymes, learn pre-lingual and language skills, and have fun with Miss Gillian.

## Summer Storytime

Fridays, June 16 – July 28  
(No storytime July 7)

9:30 am

### North Muskegon Branch

Join us for stories, rhymes, songs, and more. Summer Storytime is for children 6 and under.

## LEGO TIME

Join fellow LEGO fans and 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.

## LEGO Builder's Drop-In

Every Tuesday from June 6 – August 29  
2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

### Montague Branch

## LEGO Club

Saturdays, June 24 – August 26  
10:00 – 11:30 am

### Dalton Branch

## LEGO Club

Wednesday, June 28  
Wednesday, July 26  
Wednesday, August 23  
3:00 pm

### Ravenna Branch

## BUILDING BONANZA

Let's build with cardboard, straws, circuits and more.

### Monday, July 10

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

### Tuesday, July 11

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

### Wednesday, July 12

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

## HABITATS ARE HOMES

The Outdoor Discovery Center of Holland will bring live Michigan wildlife to your library.

### Monday, July 31

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

### Tuesday, August 1

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

### Wednesday, August 2

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



## T-SHIRT PAINTING

Bring a clean white t-shirt (old or new) to your Library and create your own design.

### Monday, July 24

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

### Tuesday, July 25

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

### Wednesday, July 26

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

## BUILD A BETTER PUPPET SHOW

Join Kevin Kammeraad and the Cooperfly Puppet Troupe in this highly interactive, all ages puppet event where you help create the stories and songs.

### Monday, July 17

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

### Tuesday, July 18

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

### Wednesday, July 19

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





# Teen programs

## Build a Better World—Read

June 19 – August 5

**ALL MADL BRANCHES**  
Grades 7 – 12

Summer reading is for big kids too. For every two hours completed, teen readers can enter a drawing for great prizes. The more time spent reading, the more chances to win.

## Teen Book Club

Thursday, June 15

2:00 pm

### North Muskegon Branch

*Thirteen Reasons Why* by Jay Asher. Read the book that inspired the Netflix series to learn all the reasons behind Hannah's suicide. Snacks provided.

## Guitar Pick Jewelry

Monday, June 19

6:00 pm

### North Muskegon Branch

Most supplies will be provided but you are encouraged to bring your own items to turn into guitar picks (including old IDs, used gift cards, hotel room card keys, or any other thin plastic pieces you have around the house).

## Dance Dance Revolution

Wednesday, June 21

3:00 pm

### Ravenna Branch

Are you the King or Queen of DDR? Get your dance on this week with Dance Dance Revolution Dance Off. Snacks and drinks provided.

## Nerf Battle: Save the World

Friday, June 23

2:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Save the world with Nerf in a battle program presented by Joel Tacey. Registration required—space limited to 50 teens. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Bike Care with Breakaway Bicycles

Friday, June 30

2:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Got a bike but not sure how to keep it running? Learn bike care from Breakaway Bicycles with live demonstrations using real equipment from their shop. Registration required—space limited to 25 teens. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## DIY Cellphone Speakers

Friday, July 7

2:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

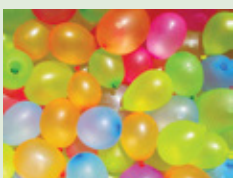
Build a speaker for your cellphone that you don't need to plug in. Bring your cellphone or know its measurements and speaker location. Registration required. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Water Wars

Saturday, July 8  
10:00 am

### Ravenna Branch

Prepare to get soaked! We will have an all-out water balloon war on the lawn outside the Library. Don't miss the fun! Wear clothing you do not mind getting wet and bring a towel.



## Teen Book Club

Thursday, July 13

2:00 pm

### North Muskegon Branch

*We Are the Ants* by Shaun David Hutchinson. What will happen when a teenage boy is given the power to change the fate of the world with—literally—one push of a button? Read the book to find out. Snacks provided.

## Underwater Technology—ROV

Saturday, July 15

2:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

In this STEM program presented by Vietnam veteran Gary K. Reynolds, build a working remote operated vehicle (ROV) and test it in a huge water tank. Registration required—space limited to 25 teens. Call 231-780-8844 to register.



## Monday Movie

Monday, July 17

6:00 pm

### North Muskegon Branch

Bring your friends for an evening at the library to watch a recent cinematic hit. Popcorn and beverages provided.

## Flying ThingZ

Thursday, July 20

2:00 – 4:00 pm

### Dalton Branch

Put on your thinking cap and build an unusual object that has the amazing ability to fly, led by Mr. Jonathan. All materials will be provided. Participants who preregister will have their names placed in a prize drawing. Call 231-828-4188 to register.

## Guerilla Gardening: DIY Seed Bombs

Friday, July 21

2:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Make seed bombs to beautify your yard or neglected space with native wildflowers. Registration required. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Teen Writing Group

Tuesday, July 25

6:00 pm

### North Muskegon Branch

Bring samples of your writing projects to share. Writing prompts will also be provided for some added practice and fun. Fanfiction writings welcome, too. Snacks provided.



## Building Buttons

Friday, July 28

2:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Design and build some stylish buttons to wear and share. Just bring your ideas and skills—we will supply the rest. Registration required. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Make it @ MADL: Safety Pin Bracelets

Monday, July 31

5:30 pm

### Ravenna Branch

Join us to create your own custom bracelet using safety pins and beads. It is simple, easy, and fun. Space limited to 25. Call 231-853-6975 to register.

## Tech Tear Apart

Friday, August 4

2:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Tear apart some technology and look inside. We will provide a computer tower and similar tech with power sources removed and screwdrivers for teens to take it apart. Teens are welcome to bring tools and work gloves.

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August 7 – August 31

### Norton Shores Branch

Hey teens, can't find a good book to read? Try Brown Bag Reading: you don't know what the book looks like, you don't know the title, and you don't know the author. We dare you to check it out. You could also win a surprise just for taking a chance.

## Wacky Career Ideas

Monday, August 7

6:00 pm

### North Muskegon Branch

No idea what you want to do with your life? You're not alone. If your career options seem limited or even nonexistent then join us for an evening of outside-the-box career choices. Snacks provided.

## Teen Book Club

Thursday, August 10

2:00 pm

### North Muskegon Branch

*The Graveyard Book* by Neil Gaiman. This award winning novel features a young boy who was raised by ghosts in a cemetery. Snacks provided.

## Make it @ MADL: Galaxy in a Jar

Monday, August 28

5:30 pm

### Ravenna Branch

Create your own galaxy using cotton, water, glitter and a mason jar for a stunning effect. Call 231-853-6975 register.



## Make it @ MADL: Duct Tape Key Chains

Teens, learn how to make Duct Tape keychains; you can make more than one. Materials provided. Please register at your library.

### Thursday, June 29

1:30 pm Dalton Branch

3:00 pm North Muskegon Branch

### Friday, June 30

1:00 pm Holton Branch

3:30 pm Montague Branch

### Thursday, July 13

1:30 pm Muskegon Heights Branch

### Friday, July 14

2:00 pm Norton Shores Branch

### Friday, July 21

11:00 am Muskegon Township Branch

1:00 pm Egelston Branch

3:00 pm Ravenna Branch



## Build a Better World – Read

June 19 – August 5

**ALL MADL BRANCHES**

Adults ages 18 and up. Summer reading is not just for kids anymore! Join the adult summer reading club and for every six books completed, readers ages 18 and up can enter a drawing for the prize of their choice. The more time spent reading, the more chances readers have to win a great prize! Sign up at any MADL Branch Library.

## Chocolate and Canvas

Saturday, June 3

10:00 am

### Ravenna Branch

Have you wanted to create your own canvas art piece? Enjoy delicious chocolate as we paint. A prepaid materials fee of \$12 is required to sign up at the Ravenna Branch Library, 12278 Stafford Street. Space limited to 25. Ages 15 and up.



## Senior Cinema

Monday, June 5

1:00 pm

### Ravenna Branch

Join us as we screen cinema masterpieces as part of our summer Classic Cinema Series for Seniors. This week we will be watching *Singin' in the Rain* starring Gene Kelly and Debbie Reynolds as actors caught in the bumpy transition to talking movies. Refreshments provided.

## Make it @ MADL: Summer Tulle Wreath

Monday, June 12

5:30 pm

### Ravenna Branch

Get in the mood for summer by making your very own watermelon wreath. Space is limited to 20. Call 231-853-6975 to register.



## Senior Cinema

Monday, June 19

1:00 pm

### Ravenna Branch

*Roman Holiday* starring Audrey Hepburn as a bored and sheltered princess who escapes her guardians and falls in love with an American newsman in Rome. Refreshments provided.

## Let Your Art Out

Wednesdays, June 21 – Aug 16

(No program July 5)

4:00 pm

### Dalton Branch

Color, paint, draw and create with other library friends. All ages welcome.

## Build a Better You: Tips on Healthy Living for your Brain and Body with the Alzheimer's Association

Wednesday, June 28

7:00 pm

### Norton Shores Branch

Join Sarah Hicks, Program Coordinator with the Michigan Great Lakes Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, as she shares the latest research on optimizing your physical and mental health as you age. It's never too early to start. Call 231-780-8844 to register.

## Honeybee Seminar

Monday, July 10

1:00 pm

### North Muskegon Branch

Don Snoeyink from Thornapple Woodlands, LLC will be giving a short seminar on honeybees followed by a chance to see live bees interacting in a Plexiglas case, taste honey samples, roll your own beeswax candle, and have your bee related questions answered.



# Adult programs



**Senior Cinema**  
Monday, July 10  
1:00 pm

**Ravenna Branch**

*Blue Hawaii* starring Elvis Presley as Chad Gates who returns home from the Army and becomes a tour guide despite his parents' wishes for him to work at the family business. Refreshments provided.

**Book in a Jar**

July 10 – July 31

**Muskegon Heights Branch**

Think you know the title of the shredded book? Read the clues and make your guess to be entered in a prize drawing.

**One-on-One Computer Training**

Wednesday, July 12  
1:00 pm

**Muskegon Heights Branch**

Computer training offered in 15-minute intervals. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

**One-on-One Computer Training**

Wednesday, July 19  
1:00 pm

**Muskegon Heights Branch**

Computer training offered in 15-minute intervals. Call 231-739-6075 to register.



**4th Books in Bloom Flower Show**

Sponsored by the Muskegon County Garden Club  
Friday, July 21  
3:30 pm – 7:00 pm  
Saturday, July 22  
10:00 am – 2:00 pm

**Norton Shores Branch**

The Norton Shores Branch Library will once again host the Muskegon County Garden Club's annual Standard Flower Show. Enjoy spectacular displays of flowers, fruits and vegetables and compare your favorites to the judges' prize-winning choices.



**Senior Cinema**  
Monday, July 24  
1:00 pm

**Ravenna Branch**

*Mr. Smith Goes to Washington* starring James Stewart as a naive man who is appointed to fill a vacancy in the United States Senate. His plans promptly collide with political corruption, but he doesn't back down. Refreshments provided.

**One on One Computer Training**

Wednesday, July 26  
1:00 pm

**Muskegon Heights Branch**

Computer training offered in 15-minute intervals. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

**MADL Thursday Night Music Club presents a special summer concert: Silverado**

Thursday, July 27  
7:00 pm

**Norton Shores Branch**

Bring a friend or the whole family and join your fellow music lovers for a free live concert featuring Muskegon's own country-western favorite, Silverado. Bring a chair and meet us in the front yard for all your country music favorites.



**Library Murder Mystery**

Friday, July 28  
6:00 pm

**Ravenna Branch**

Get transported back the jazz age with the Ravenna Friends of the Library as you and your fellow sleuths follow the clues to figure out whodunit. Cost is \$5 with character information supplied upon receipt of payment. Call 231-853-6975 to register and for more information.

**Author Meet and Greet**

Saturday, July 29  
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Holton Branch**

Meet and greet with local authors who will sign books and have their works available to purchase. This event is part of Holton Community Days downtown celebration.

**Biannual Photography Show and Competition**

Sponsored by the Lakeshore Camera Club of Muskegon  
Saturday, July 29  
10:00 am – 6:00 pm

**Norton Shores Branch**

The Norton Shores Branch Library will 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 and prints to purchase.

**One-on-One Computer Training**

Wednesday, August 2  
1:00 pm

**Muskegon Heights Branch**

Computer training scheduled in 15 minute intervals. Call 231-739-6075 to register.

**Brown Bag Reading**

August 7 – August 31

**Norton Shores Branch**

Fight the end of summer reading club blues with Brown Bag Reading: you don't know what the book looks like, you don't know the title, and you don't know the author. We dare you to check it out. It might not end up being the book for you or it could be your favorite title of the summer. You could also win a surprise just for taking a chance.



**Senior Cinema**  
Monday, August 7  
1:00 pm

**Ravenna Branch**

*Meet Me in St. Louis* starring Judy Garland in a musical about a family in St. Louis at the time of the 1903 World's Fair. Refreshments provided.

**Stress-free Coloring**

Tuesday, August 8  
6:30 pm

**North Muskegon Branch**

Enjoy an hour of soft music, coffee, and coloring. Coloring pages and utensils are provided. Call 231-744-6080 to register.

**Norton Shores 5th Annual Arts & Drafts Festival Children's Activities**

Saturday, August 19  
10:00 pm – 2:00 pm

**Ross Park, Norton Shores, MI**

The Norton Shores Branch staff and the Friends of the Norton Shores Library will provide crafts, bouncy equipment and lots of fun for kids at the 5th Annual Arts & Drafts Fest.



**Senior Cinema**  
Monday, August 21  
1:00 pm

**Ravenna Branch**

*Arsenic and Old Lace* starring Cary Grant as a drama critic who learns on his wedding day that his beloved maiden aunts are homicidal maniacs, and that insanity runs in his family. Refreshments provided.

**MAD(L) Crafters**

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

**Coloring Page Crafts**

Don't let your beautifully colored pages sit in your coloring books—bring 3–5 finished pages that you don't mind cutting up to make some fun and useful items.



Tuesday, June 13 – 6:00 pm

**Egelston Branch**

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Wednesday, June 21 – 6:30 pm

**Norton Shores Branch**

Call 231-780-8844 to register.



**Rock Art**

Using a few simple paint methods, create your own unique works of rock art suitable for your outdoor or indoor spaces.

Tuesday, July 11 – 6:00 pm

**Egelston Branch**

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Wednesday, July 12 – 6:00 pm

**North Muskegon Branch**

Call 231-744-6080 to register.

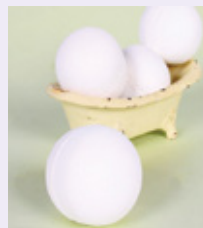
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**Norton Shores Branch**

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

**DIY Bath Bombs & Sugar Scrubs**

Learn how to make your own bath bomb "fizzies" and a simple sugar scrub for saving your skin and your budget.



Wednesday, August 9 – 6:00 pm

**North Muskegon Branch**

Call 231 744-6080 to register.

Tuesday, August 15 – 6:00 pm

**Egelston Branch**

Call 231-788-6477 to register.

Wednesday, August 16 – 6:30 pm

**Norton Shores Branch**

Call 231-780-8844 to register.

**SUMMER BOOK TALKS**  
**Montague Branch**

**Wade Rouse**

Wednesday, June 28  
7:00 pm

Author of 2017 Michigan Notable Book *The Charm Bracelet: A Novel* by Viola Shipman

**Mardi Jo Link**

Wednesday, July 5  
7:00 pm

Michigan Notable Author of *The Drummond Girls: A Story of Fierce Friendship Beyond Time and Chance*

**Marsha Redd**

Wednesday, July 12  
10:00 am

Coming of age novels with extraordinary characters

**Maureen Dunphy**

Wednesday, July 19  
7:00 pm

Author of 2017 Michigan Notable Book *Great Lakes Island Escapes: Ferries and Bridges to Adventure*

**William Rapai**

Wednesday, July 26  
7:00 pm

Author of 2017 Michigan Notable Book *Lake Invaders: Invasive Species and the Battle for the Future of the Great Lakes*

**Jeanne Keresztesi**

Wednesday, August 2  
10:00 am

Author of *An Unmade Life*

**BOOK SALES**

**Muskegon Township Branch**

June 9, 10:30am-5pm  
June 10, 9am-12pm

**Montague Branch**

July 6, 5pm-8pm  
July 7, 11am-6pm  
July 8, 9am-1pm

**Ravenna Branch**

July 21, 9:30am-5pm  
July 22, 9am-1pm

**Holton Branch**

July 28, 9am-7pm  
July 29, 9am-4pm

**Egelston Branch**

August 11, 10am-5pm

**North Muskegon Branch**

August 12, 10am-4pm

**Norton Shores Branch**

October 6, 9am-5pm  
October 7, 9am-3:30pm

**LET'S TALK ABOUT BOOKS!** 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.

**Monday Evening Book Discussion**

5:30 – 6:30 pm  
**Dalton Branch**  
June 26: *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrick Backman  
July 24: *Broken for You* by Stephanie Kallos

**Wednesday Readers Book Club**

6:00 pm  
**Ravenna Branch**  
June 7: *Maisie Dobbs* by Jacqueline Winspear  
July 5: *Memory Keeper's Daughter* by Kim Edwards  
August 2: *The Language of Flowers* by Vanessa Diffenbaugh

**Tuesday Evening Book Club**

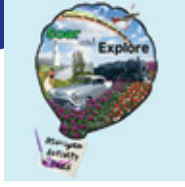
6:30 pm  
**North Muskegon Branch**  
June 20: *Kindred* by Octavia Butler  
July 18: *The Sympathizer* by Viet Thanh Nguyen  
August 15: *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* by Lisa See

**Thursday Book Discussion Group**

10:30 am  
**Norton Shores Branch**  
June 1: *A Spool of Blue Thread* by Anne Tyler  
July 6: *The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu* by Joshua Hammer  
August 3: *Brideshead Revisited* by Evelyn Waugh



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# North Muskegon "Walker Memorial" Branch Library — The Heart of the Community



One of the first things you're likely to notice about the North Muskegon Branch is that it is also known fondly as the Walker Memorial Branch. This name comes from the benevolent L. C. Walker family of North Muskegon, which has donated generously to the community for decades. The library building as we know it would likely not exist without the financial support of the Walker family.



In 1961 a library was started in an unheated room in the high school. It became very popular, and like today's library, it needed more space. In 1967 Mayor William Andree appointed a committee to look into the library's needs. A building site was made available by the L.C. Walker estate, and in December 1968, library committee chair James Hooper and Mayor Andree broke ground for construction of a colonial style building designed by Harry Magnuson. Opened in October 1969, the North Muskegon Branch library sits in a beautiful location just across the street from Muskegon Lake, right beside Walker Park, and just in front of North Muskegon Public Schools.



On the average day hundreds of people enter the library for a variety of reasons. The library

offers seven public computers and free wi-fi available 24/7 which draws in patrons for a variety of reasons. Some need to check their emails, apply for jobs, do school work or prepare for college exams. A Makerbot 3-D printer is a technological attraction for many of the after school kids who gather around to print keychains, figures, and other knickknacks.

Patrons who visit regularly show their appreciation and support in many of ways. Michelle Okerlund, Library Assistant who has worked at the library for 11 years said, "We have one family who recently donated a train table for the children's section. Another anonymous patron paid for two new chairs and we have heard a lot of compliments about them." Children who attend story times and who come in after school often give the staff pictures and notes they made about the library and about how they love to read.

Jackie Baisden, Lead Librarian, is particularly fond of the Friends of Walker Library group. "They're a force of nature," she says warmly, "they organize and host a lot of programs." These programs include the annual Easter Egg Drop which attracts hundreds of people, three yearly book sales, craft nights, the Live @ the Library concert series, and many more.

In 1986 circulation was 55,658. Thirty years later in 2016 it was almost 30,000 higher at 84,395. This branch is the second busiest library within the Muskegon Area District Library system. Unfortunately, space is tight for providing modern library services. As a result, the City of North Muskegon has appointed a library building committee to develop a plan to meet the future needs of the library.

"The library isn't just a warehouse for books," says Baisden, "the library is a center of activity in this community and we are all very proud of that." In 2016 over 78,000 people visited the North Muskegon branch library – the heart of the community.

## Two Great New Services Offered! Available 24/7 at madl.org



Patrons now have access to over 100 digital magazines that they can download to their devices or read within a web-browser. Just click on the banner shown on the [www.madl.org](http://www.madl.org) front page or the MADL Facebook page.

Patrons will access the Lakeland Library Cooperative Magazine Collection, where they will set up an account to begin downloading magazines. There is a free mobile app for Android, Apple, and Kindle Fire devices that can be used once the account has been set up.

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Thu, Fri & Sat 9:30 am – 5:00 pm

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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

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Fri 9:30 am – 5:00 pm  
Sat 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

### MUSKEGON HEIGHTS BRANCH

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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  
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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 Monday of each month. Meetings are held at various branch locations. Visit [madl.org](http://madl.org) to see the meeting schedule and Board members.

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