

The Connection

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HOURS

Monday/Wednesday
 10am-7pm
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 10am-5pm
 Sat
 10am-2pm

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—BOOK NOOK—

Friends of the Library used
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Hours

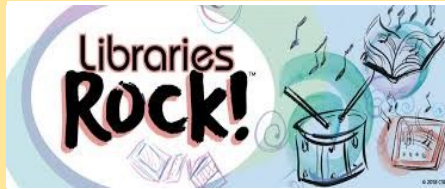
Monday-Friday

10am-4pm

Saturday

10am-2pm

100% volunteer staffed—
 please call ahead for exact
 hours



Once again, the library will be hosting its annual Summer Reading Program. The library will be rocking with some great programming, fun events and, as always, the picnic at the park.

Sign-up | June 4th—June 30th

—Summer Reading Highlights—



July 2nd, 2018 | 6pm Paleo Joe the Dinosaur Man

Let paleontologist, storyteller, and author, Paleo Joe, lead the way into Prehistoric times. He will introduce animals, plants, and creatures that have been extinct for millions of years. You can even be a detective!!



July 12th, 2018 | 6:00pm Joel's Page Rocker Magical Comedy Show

Strum, drum and rock & roll into reading. Joel brings 8 music-tastic books to life, featuring goofy gadgets, dazzling magic, wacky stunts and lots of audience participation. The whole family will be laughing out loud and crazy about reading.



July 14th, 2018 | 10:30am Annual West Branch Popeye Day

Celebrate Popeye with local artist and Popeye enthusiast, Jason Nuttall. He will have FREE Popeye sketches, drawing lessons, cake, classic Popeye cartoons, and more!!



July 19th, 2018 | 6:00pm Poetry, Puppetry, Music, and Movement!

With a cast of puppets and a trunk full of tunes, Kevin will bring us together to create, write, sing, and dance, inspiring us to keep on creating long after the show!

“The Early Days of Radio in Michigan”

by Al and David Eicher

Thursday, June 21st at 6:30pm

This lecture and multi-media presentation features the first commercial radio stations in Michigan and follows a time line which explores the history of early radio programs. From the mid 1920's, as radio receiver sales soared, we review the classic radio programs of that era and into the 1950's. By 1930, radio listening became an “All American past time”. When 1950 came around, more than 200 classic programs had been created by the radio networks. Some of the best shows originated from Detroit and Chicago. This lecture will stimulate many wonderful memories of the early days of radio and display several hundred old photos and movie footage of the characters on radio.

Visit www.michiganhistorylectures.com/al-dave-eicher/ for more information about this and many other programs the Eichers produce.



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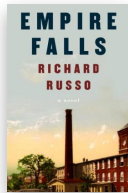
The library will be **CLOSED**
Wednesday, July 4th, 2018

Our last Preschool Story Time will be on June 6th, 2018. We will resume Story Time in the fall. Thank you Mrs. Warnecke for a great year!!



Jump your jiggles out during our Preschool Music Time with Mrs. Rau on Wednesdays from 11:00-12:00 noon. Music Time will give children an opportunity to actively participate in learning a variety of fun action songs, singing games, stories, and movement. Children will enjoy instrument

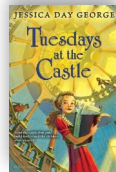
exploration, puppets, and simple costumes to bring the songs to life. Parents are welcome to join the fun. The fun begins **June 20th at 11am!!**



Join us for our Let's Discuss book club, the 2nd Thursday of the month. We are currently reading *Empire Falls* by Richard Russo. Pick up your copy at the front desk, and join the discussion on **Thursday, June 14th, at 2pm!!**



Don't forget about the kids!! Let's Discuss Jr. will meet on **Wednesday, June 6th, at 5:30**. This book club is for kids in grades 5-8. This month we are reading *Tuesdays at the Castle* by Jessica Day George. Copies are available at the desk. We hope you can join us for a great discussion and a light dinner!



Calendar of Events

Mon, June 4	6:30pm	Library Board Meeting Summer Reading Sign-ups begin
Tues, June 5	1:00pm	Tech Tuesday
Wed, June 6	11:00am	Preschool Story Time
	5:30pm	Let's Discuss Jr.
Mon, June 11	6:30pm	Mid-Michigan Writers
Tues, June 12	1:00pm	Tech Tuesday
Thurs, June 14	2:00pm	Let's Discuss
Tues, June 19	1:00pm	Tech Tuesday
	6:00pm	Donnie Boursaw Discover Your Family History
Wed, June 20	11:00am	Preschool Music Time
	1:00pm	Friends Meeting
Thurs, June 21	6:30pm	Al and David Eicher "Early Days of Radio in MI"
Mon, June 25	6:30pm	Mid-Michigan Writers
Tues, June 26	1:00pm	Tech Tuesday
Wed, June 27	11:00am	Preschool Music Time

Discover Your Family History.....

....the journey continues | **June 19th, 2018 @ 6pm**

Donnie Boursaw, of the Ogemaw County Historical & Genealogical Society and Rose City Historical Society, will be conducting a presentation on Basic Genealogy, Part II. Join the discussion on the tools, such as Ancestry.com and Familysearch.org, and other tips that can help you with research on your family tree. All are welcome—you don't need to have attended the first presentation to attend this one!!



BEST SELLERS

Fiction

- THE 17TH SUSPECT—JAMES PATTERSON
- BY INVITATION ONLY—DOROTHEA BENTON FRANK
- THE FALLEN—DAVID BALDACCI
- THE MIDNIGHT LINE—LEE CHILD
- TWISTED PREY—JOHN SANDFORD
- THE HIGH TIDE CLUB—MARY KAY ANDREWS
- LITTLE FIRES EVERYWHERE—CELESTE NG
- THE GREAT ALONE—KRISTIN HANNAH
- THE WIFE BETWEEN US—GREER HENDRICKS & SARAH PEKKANEN
- INTO THE WATER—PAULA HAWKINS
- BEFORE WE WERE YOURS—LISA WINGATE
- THE HANDMAID'S TALE—MARGARET ATWOOD

Non-Fiction

- A HIGHER LOYALTY—JAMES COMEY
- I'LL BE GONE IN THE DARK—MICHELLE MCNAMARA
- KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON—DAVID GRANN
- EDUCATED—TARA WESTOVER
- HILLBILLY ELEGY—J.D.VANCE
- ASTOPHYSICS FOR PEOPLE IN A HURRY
—NEIL DEGRASSE TYSON

I have found the most valuable thing in my wallet is my library card.

—Laura Bush