

FALL 2021

ADL

NEWSLETTER



Outdoor Discovery Center:  
Feathers, Fur, Scales And  
Slime!

**Tuesday, September 21**

**4:00 PM | Mahan Park**

Day and night we are surrounded by animals in Michigan and we rarely get to see them up close. Join us as we learn about and meet some of the animals that can be found just beyond our back doors. Live animals, taxidermy and artifacts will be used during the presentation. Registration required.

**TECH PLAYGROUND**



**Friday, September 24**

**6:00 PM | Teen Area**

Your favorite after-hours hangout for Teens is back! Experience VR, play video games and spend time with friends while enjoying pizza after the library is closed. Registration required.

**SEEKING THE LORD:  
THE SEARCH FOR THE JARVIS LORD SHIPWRECK**



**Thursday, November 18**

**7:00 PM | Carnegie Room**

Join shipwreck hunter and author Ross Richardson in exploring the depths of Northern Lake Michigan while looking for lost ships and missing aircraft. Dive down to Lake Michigan's newest shipwreck discovery and meander through the histories and mysteries of the Manitou Passage, the most dangerous place in Lake Michigan. Space is limited; registration required.

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# SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN PROGRAMS

## Imagination Station

**Mondays, September 13 | Mahan Park**

**4:00 PM**

**October 11, November 8 | Children's Programming Room**

**4:00 PM**

Join us for an hour of open-ended, imaginative play. Sessions will include a combination of free play time and prompted problem-solving. Each quarter will focus on different materials to navigate different scenarios and dream up creative uses for those materials. This quarter we're using LEGOs. No registration required.



## MAD SCIENTIST



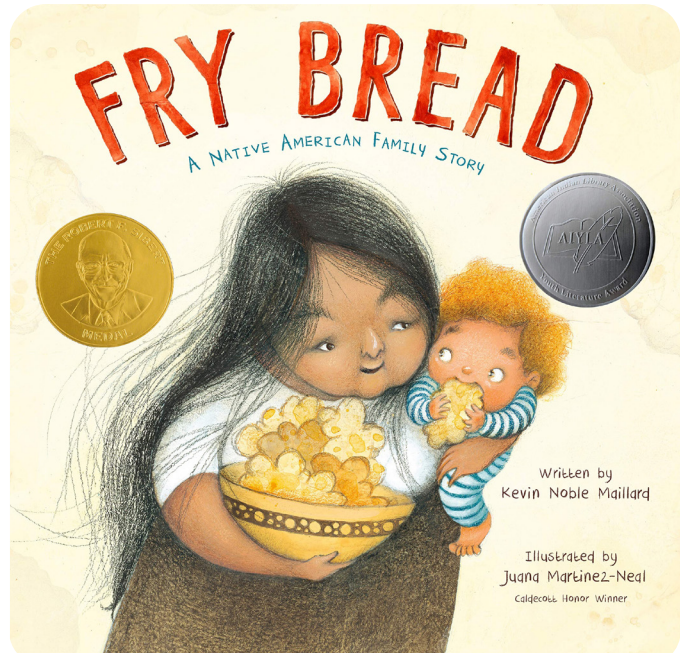
## POTION LAB

**Tuesday, October 26**

**4:00 PM | Children's Programming Room**

This introduction to chemistry will have participants mixing, measuring, and making messes as they concoct potions and watch their beakers and test tubes bubble. Younger scientists may require assistance with some projects.

Registration required.



## Little Read Book Group:

### Fry Bread

**Wednesday, November 3**

**2:00 PM | Children's Programming Room**

Our elementary book club makes its return! Join us on APS Early Release Day as we read the NEA Little Read book, Fry Bread, together, followed by extension activities and dramatic play. Registration required.

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# DiNovember

Tuesday, November 16

4:00 PM | Children's Programming Room

Celebrate this **dino-mite** month with some dinosaur themed science activities. Learn how fossils are made (and make a replica for yourself), dig for artifacts and get an introduction to coding as you map out your findings. Registration required.



## Take & Create



Our popular curbside program, Take and Create, is back for the fall! New kits for children are released every other Monday. All kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis, and we ask that each individual takes just one kit to allow others the opportunity to participate too!

**Week of September 13:** Yarn-wrapped letters

**Week of September 27:** Watercolor leaf rubbings

**Week of October 11:** Make a monster

**Week of October 25:** Candy chromatography

**Week of November 8:** Make a "fossil"

**Week of November 22:** Cranberry constructions

## Littles

### NEW LITERACY TOOLS

#### INTRODUCING VOX BOOKS AND TALK

VOX™ Books combine outstanding picture books and non-fiction with audio recordings that capture children's attention and make learning and literacy development fun. They use a built-in audio player to read aloud to your child; no need for computers, tablets or CDs. Search "VOX Books" in our catalog to browse our selection.

TALK sends 8-10 fun activity suggestions each month via text message that parents and caregivers with children 5 and under can do any time to build school readiness skills.

Visit [texttolearn.com](http://texttolearn.com) to get started!



**Wednesdays, September 1-29 | Mahan Park**

**10:30 AM**

**October 6-27; November 3-17 | Youth Area**

**10:30 AM**

We're excited to be bringing an in-person storytime experience to our patrons this fall. Join us on Wednesday mornings for music, rhymes and, of course, some stories to encourage a love of books in your little one. No registration is required.

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# TWEENS AND TEENS PROGRAMS



## TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

**Mondays, September 20, October 18,  
November 15**

**4:00 PM | Programming Room**

We're calling on opinionated, innovative, and spirited teens and tweens to join our new Teen Advisory Board. Chat, chill, and chow down while sharing favorite books, sparking new connections and shaping teen programming at the library. Joining TAB is a great way to have your voice be heard in YOUR library--and it's a great addition to college applications! Grab a friend and drop by!

For more information, contact Melissa at [mosickey@alleganlibrary.org](mailto:mosickey@alleganlibrary.org) or stop in the library.

## AFTER HOURS PAINT & PLAY PARTY

**Friday, October 15**

**6:00 PM | Children's Programming Room**

Teens and tweens are invited to take over the library once we've closed for the night! We'll make pulled string canvases, indulge in some snacks, and get a serious game of hide and seek going. Registration required.



## OPEN MIC NIGHT



**Friday, November 5**

**6:00 PM | Teen Area**

Let your voice be heard and your creativity shine at our after-hours open mic for teens and tweens. Share short stories, poems, songs, jokes, or cheer on your friends from the audience. Need some new material before the performance? Check out the Teen Area throughout October for inspiration. All content must be appropriate for a general audience. Refreshments and good vibes will be provided at the event.

Registration required.

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# TAKE & CREATE

Our popular curbside program, Take and Create, is back for the fall! New kits for teens and tweens are released on the first Monday of the month. All kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis, and we ask that each individual takes just one kit to allow others the opportunity to participate too!

## **Week of September 6:**

Painted pencil pouch

## **Week of October 4:**

Bat shoelace wings

## **Week of November 1:**

Celestial moon phase decor



# APS Early Release Day Drop-ins

**Wednesdays, October 20, November 17**

**All Afternoon | Teen Area**



Looking for something to do on APS early release days? Swing by the library for a snack and hands-on activities, from games to coloring to button-making. No registration required.

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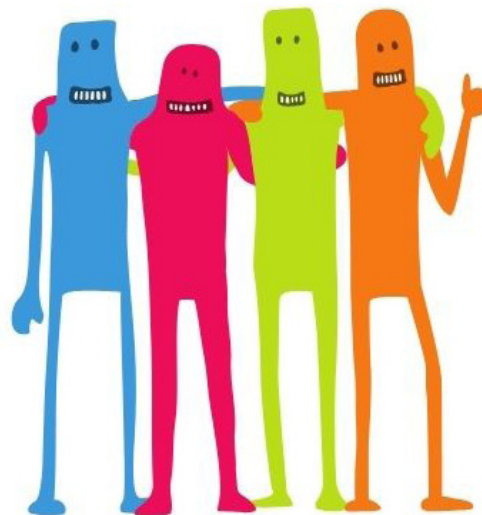
# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

## Looking For a New Friend?

**Tuesday, October 26**

**1:00 PM | Carnegie Room**

The Friends of the Allegan District Library is a group of volunteers who love to read, love books, and love making new friends. The mission of the Friends is to supplement Library resources and programs by raising additional funds. The Friends maintain the Carnegie Corner, a used bookstore on the lower level of the Library, and also sponsor Library events. October is our fall membership drive, and everyone is invited to attend our regular monthly meeting to learn more about the Friends. Please join us for light refreshments on Tuesday, October 26, at 1pm in the Carnegie Room.



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# ADULT

## ADL LABS FOR ADULTS: CRICUT MAKER SERIES

Thursdays, September 9, October 14,  
November 4

6:30 PM | Carnegie Room

Did you know the ADL Lab is home to a Cricut Maker cutting machine? Join us for this series to learn about some of the awesome DIY projects you can bring to life right here in the library. Each session will begin with a demonstration on using Cricut Design Space and the Cricut Maker for those who have not used a Cricut machine before. Then, all participants will be able to make a personalized project to take home.

Registration required.

**September:** Leather keychains

**October:** No-carve pumpkin decals

**November:** Gold foiled paper succulents

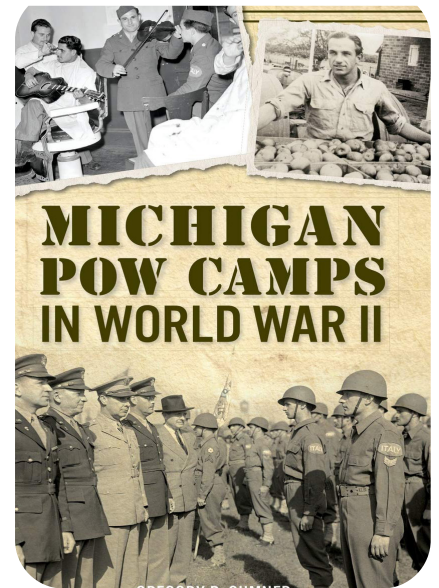


## MICHIGAN POW CAMPS IN WORLD WAR II

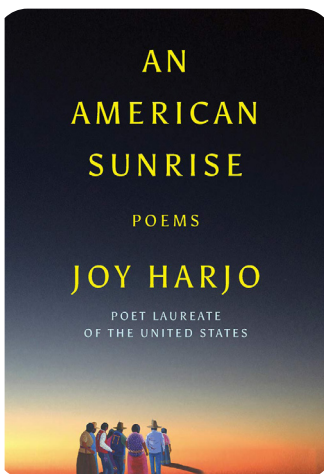
Thursday, October 7  
6:30 PM | Carnegie Room

During World War II, Michigan became a temporary home to six thousand German and Italian Prisoners of War. Author Gregory Sumner tells the story of these detainees and the ordinary Americans who embodied our highest ideals, even amid a global war. Camp Allegan, which plays a major role in Sumner's book, will be covered along with select other examples from around the state.

Space is limited; registration required.



## BIG READ BOOK GROUP: AN AMERICAN SUNRISE



Tuesday, November 9  
7:00 PM | Carnegie Room

We're excited for the return of the ADL Book Club. Join us for great books, great conversation, and a great time!

No registration required.

## Take & Create

Our popular curbside program, Take and Create, is back for the fall! New kits for adults are released on the third Monday of the month. All kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis, and we ask that each individual takes just one kit to allow others the opportunity to participate too!



**Week of September 20:** Rae Dunn-inspired fall ornaments

**Week of October 18:**

Hot chocolate bombs

**Week of November 15:** Foot soak

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ADULT PROGRAMMING, SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN PROGRAMMING, LITTLES PROGRAMMING, TWEENS & TEENS PROGRAMMING

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| SEPTEMBER |       |                                           |                                            | 1 Storytime in the park @10:30                                            | 2                        | 3                         | 4  |
|           | 5     | 6 LIBRARY CLOSED                          | 7                                          | 8 Storytime in the park @10:30                                            | 9 ADL Labs @6:30         | 10                        | 11 |
|           | 12    | 13 Imagination Station in the park @ 4:00 | 14                                         | 15 Storytime in the park @10:30<br>Pub Quiz @5:30 (Tantrick)              | 16 LIBRARY OPENS @ 12:00 | 17                        | 18 |
|           | 19    | 20 Teen Advisory Board @4:00              | 21 ODC: Feathers, Fur, Scales, Slime @4:00 | 22 Storytime in the park @10:30                                           | 23                       | 24 Tech Play-ground @6:00 | 25 |
|           | 26    | 27                                        | 28                                         | 29 Storytime in the park @10:30                                           | 30                       |                           |    |
| OCTOBER   |       |                                           |                                            |                                                                           |                          | 1                         | 2  |
|           | 3     | 4                                         | 5                                          | 6 STORYTIME @10:30                                                        | 7 MI POW CAMPS @6:30     | 8                         | 9  |
|           | 10    | 11 Imagination Station @4:00              | 12                                         | 13 STORYTIME @10:30                                                       | 14 ADL Labs @6:30        | 15 PAINT & PLAY @6:00     | 16 |
|           | 17    | 18 Teen Advisory Board @4:00              | 19                                         | 20 STORYTIME @10:30<br>APS Drop-In Afternoon<br>Pub Quiz @5:30 (Tantrick) | 21                       | 22                        | 23 |
|           | 24/31 | 25                                        | 26 Mad Scientist Lab @ 4:00                | 27 STORYTIME @10:30                                                       | 28                       | 29                        | 30 |
| NOVEMBER  |       | 1                                         | 2                                          | 3 STORYTIME @10:30<br>LITTLE GROUP READ @2:00                             | 4 ADL Labs @6:30         | 5 OPEN MIC NIGHT @6:00    | 6  |
|           | 7     | 8 Imagination Station @4:00               | 9 Book Group @7:00                         | 10 STORYTIME @10:30                                                       | 11                       | 12                        | 13 |
|           | 14    | 15 Teen Advisory Board @4:00              | 16 DiNovember @ 4:00                       | 17 STORYTIME @10:30<br>APS Drop-In Afternoon<br>Pub Quiz @5:30 (Tantrick) | 18 Shipwreck @7:00       | 19                        | 20 |
|           | 21    | 22                                        | 23                                         | 24 LIBRARY CLOSING @ 6:00                                                 | 25 LIBRARY CLOSED        | 26 LIBRARY CLOSED         | 27 |
|           | 28    | 29                                        | 30                                         |                                                                           |                          |                           |    |

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## PUB QUIZ AT TANTRICK BREWING COMPANY

**Wednesdays, September 15, October 20,  
November 17**

**5:30 PM**

Pub trivia makes its triumphant return! Test your knowledge in a fun night of trivia. Each round of questions will cover a variety of topics. Teams of 4-6. Space is limited. Registration begins at 5:30 PM; quiz starts at 6:30. Show your library card and earn extra points to add to your team's score.

## A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

As I reflect upon my first year, it has been an honor to get to know community members, Friends of the Library, Trustees and patrons.

In spite of the pandemic challenges, the Allegan District Library continued to build ways to enhance our community. A giant thank you to the wonderful staff, Friends of the Library, Trustees, partners in the community, and patrons at ADL who made this possible. It can be no surprise to anyone who uses our services, to observe we have a truly supportive and transformative team.

As I head into my second year, we are plunging into strategic planning. Be on the lookout for requests for community input. We want to hear from you.

If you haven't had the chance to return to the library since the pandemic, I encourage you to stop by, we have something for everyone.



Pamela Armstrong,  
Director

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