

Christmas at the Griswold

with the Allegan Brass Collective

Saturday December 17 / 6 PM / Griswold Auditorium

The Allegan Brass Collective is excited to be performing for the fifth year at the historic Griswold Auditorium on December 17th. Their Christmas show this year will include instrumental holiday favorites as well as beautiful vocal solos and a high energy finale. Show begins at 6pm, doors open at 5:30pm. A complimentary cookie and punch intermission will be offered. This free show is sure to leave you in the spirit of the season! **No registration required.**

This program is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Allegan District Library.



Book and a Movie: The Secret Life of Bees

Tuesday, January 10 / 6 PM / Carnegie Room

Join our Adult Book Club for a special screening of The Secret Life of Bees, based on the novel by Sue Monk Kidd. Pick up a copy of the book at the library, read it before January 10th, and then join us for popcorn, a movie, and discussion. **No registration required.**

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Jumpstart Your Genealogy

with Megan Heyl

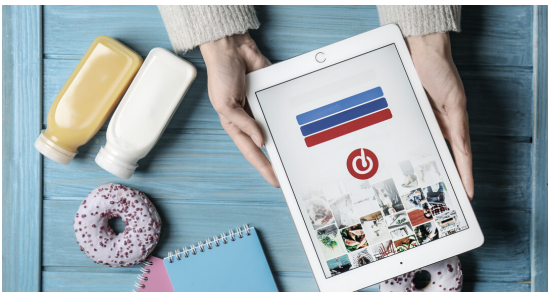
Saturdays, January 28 & February 25 / 11 AM / Carnegie Room

Back by popular demand! Join professional genealogist Megan Heyl to learn tips, tricks, and resources for tracking down and organizing your family's history. This is a continuation of a nine-part series, but don't fret, no need to have attended previous sessions to benefit. January's meeting will be "Making Sense of the Census". February will be all about obituaries. And don't forget to join us in March to learn how to find final resting places. **Call the library to register.**



Adult Programs and Events

Monthly Programs



December: Scrap Fabric Tree Ornaments
January: Pom Pom Coasters
February: Book Page Roses

PINTESTING

**Wednesdays, December 7, January 4,
& February 1 | 6 PM | Programming Room**

We'll meet to craft, chat, have a good time, and go home with a unique piece! Space is limited. **Registration is required and opens two weeks before each program.**

CRAFTASTIC

**Mondays, December 19, January 23, &
February 20 | 6 PM | Programming Room**

Join us on Monday evenings to make a cool craft to take home. Space is limited. **Registration is required and opens two weeks before each program.**



December: Book Page Wreath
January: Letter Tile Coaster
February: Stamped Apron



PUB QUIZ

**Wednesdays, December 21, January 18,
& February 15 | 6:30 PM | Tantrick Brewing**

Test your knowledge in a fun night of trivia. Each round of questions will cover a variety of topics. Teams of up to 6. Space is limited. Show your library card and earn extra points to add to your team's score. **Registration begins at 5:30 PM, quiz starts at 6:30.**

CRAFT & SNACK

**Every Monday beginning January 30 |
1-3 PM | Carnegie Room**

Bring your own project and supplies and work on whatever while snacking and chatting! This group is for crafters of all skills and kinds to trade tips, tricks, and conversation. Just don't bring anything too messy! Light refreshment will be provided. **No registration required.**



Adult Programs and Events

Special Events and Classes



MICHIGAN'S LUMBERJACK HISTORY

with the Lumberjack and Logging Museum

Monday, December 12 | 6 PM | Carnegie Room

Join historian Jerry Berg from the Lumberjack and Logging Museum as he shares the story of Michigan's logging industry and the unique culture of the lumberjacks that came with it. Space is limited.

Call the library to register.

BEGINNER'S RESTORATIVE YOGA

with Balance: Mind Body LLC

Thursday, January 5 | 6 PM | Carnegie Room

Instructor Lisa Waanders will teach you gentle yoga positions, pressure points, and self-massage. Bring your own yoga mat or towel and a yoga block, if you have one. Wear grippy socks or practice barefoot for better balance. Space is limited. **Call the library to register.**



DOCUMENTARY DISCUSSION

Monday, January 6 | 6 PM | Carnegie Room

We will watch a documentary and follow with a civil discussion. Come with an open mind and leave with new knowledge and ideas. **No registration required.**



Book Clubs

ADULT BOOK CLUB

**Tuesday, December 13 & February 14 | 6:30 PM
| Adult Reading Area**

We will be discussing *The Snow Child* by Eowyn Ivey in December and *Crying in H Mart* by Michelle Zauner in February. In January, we will have a special "Book and a Movie" program on Sue Monk Kidd's *The Secret Life of Bees*. **No registration required.**

BRING-YOUR-OWN- BOOK CLUB

Monday, February 6 | 6 PM | Carnegie Room

Come ready to discuss a few of your recent reads and hear others do the same. Leave with a list of great books to try and hopefully some new friends as well!

No registration required.

Children's Programs and Events

Storytimes

LAPSIT STORYTIME

for ages 0-2



Tuesdays | 10:30 AM | Programming Room

Not meeting Dec. 20, Dec. 27, or Jan. 3

We all know that early literacy is important, so let's start as early as possible! This lapsit is catered especially for children 0-2 years old and is a chance for our youngest friends to experience a little of everything: we'll read from board books, sing songs, and learn some sign language. At the end, we'll have open playtime for the babies, and some time for grownups to converse together as well! **No registration required.**

PAJAMA STORYTIME

with Great Start Allegan

Wednesday, December 7 | 5 PM | Children's Area

Find your comfiest pajamas and come join us for an evening storytime with Great Start Allegan. We will have fun activities, a fun craft to take home and, of course, stories! Caregivers are encouraged to wear their pajamas too. **No registration required.**



PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

for ages 3-5

Thursdays | 10:30 AM | Programming Room

Not meeting Dec. 22, Dec. 29, or Jan. 5

Join us on Thursday mornings for fun books, songs, rhymes, crafts, and other fun activities as we encourage a love of books in your little ones. This storytime is designed specifically for kids 3-5 years old. **No registration required.**

PLAY-AND-LEARN

with Help Me Grow Allegan

**Thursday, January 12 for 3-5 Year Olds |
Tuesday, February 14 for 0-2 Year Olds |
10:30 AM | Programming Room**

Join Help Me Grow Allegan for some educational play and to learn about their "Talking is Teaching" campaign. Each family goes home with a free book. **No registration required.**

Special Events and Classes

DINOSAUR DAY WITH PALEO JOE

Saturday, December 3 | 11 AM | Carnegie Room

Join real-life paleontologist Paleo Joe to learn all about dinosaurs! He'll show off some fossils while teaching us how they are formed as well as the techniques used in the investigation of how these creatures lived and died. Space is limited. **Call the library to register.**



CRITCHLOW ALLIGATOR SANCTUARY

Wednesday, December 14 | 3 PM | Programming Room

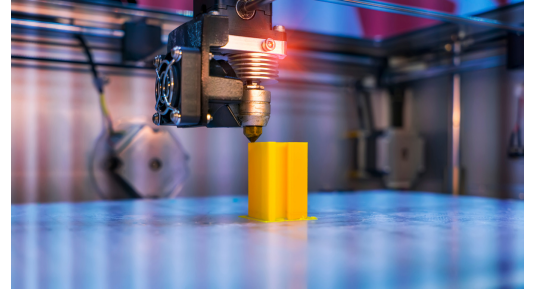
The Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary is home to hundreds of rescued reptiles and some of them are coming to the library! Get hands-on experience with some scaly friends and learn all about their habitats and diets. Children must be 3 years or older to attend. **Call the library to register.**

Family Programs and Events

DROP-IN HOLIDAY 3D PRINTING

**Tuesday, December 6 & Wednesday, December 7 |
Perrigo Learning Lab**

Join Alan in the lab to make your very own 3D printed ornament. He'll walk you through the basics, teach you how to run our 3D printer, and send you home with a cool project that will wow all of your friends. Registration is required. **Call the library to sign up for a timeslot.**



SANTA AND HIS REINDEER

Downtown Allegan Festive Friday

Friday, December 9 | 5 - 8 PM | Outside & Inside the Library

Come see Santa and his reindeer, warm up near the fireplace, and take some festive photos! We will also have two local artists showcasing their work inside the library. Don't forget to visit Allegan's downtown for more great activities and holiday deals. **No registration required.**

FAMILY NERF NIGHT

Friday, January 13 | 5 - 8 PM | Programming Room

Kids ages 5-11 and their caregivers are invited to duke it out NERF style among the library stacks. Join us in the Programming Room starting at 5 PM. Children must be accompanied by at least one caregiver. **Call the library to register.**



BINGO

Monday, January 30 & February 27 | 6 - 7 PM | Carnegie Room

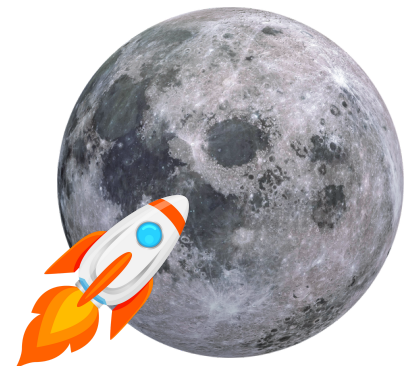
Join us to play BINGO for a chance to win prizes, at no cost to you. Just show up and have fun! All ages are invited, but kids must be accompanied by an adult. **No registration required.**

FLY ME TO THE MOON

with the Air Zoo

Monday, February 13 | 10 AM | Carnegie Room

School is out, the Air Zoo is in! Investigate how gravity keeps the Moon in orbit around the Earth and what it takes to escape Earth's gravity to get to the Moon. Experience the creation of Moon craters and the challenges involved in landing safely on the varied surface of the Moon. Learn about current and future missions to other moons and planets in our solar system. Children must be 4 years or older to attend. **Call the library to register.**



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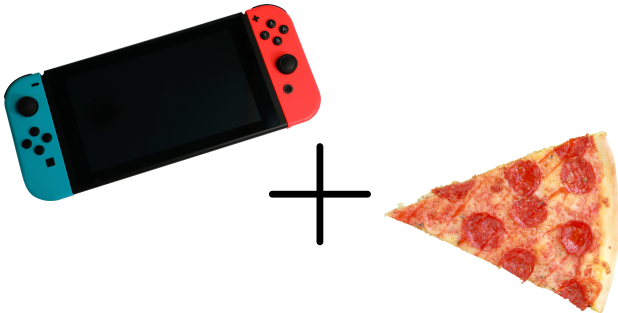
PAWS WITH A CAUSE

Thursday, February 23 | 6 PM | Carnegie Room

Since 1979, Paws With A Cause has placed more than 3,100 custom-trained assistance dogs to enhance the independence and quality of life for people with disabilities nationally. Accredited by Assistance Dogs International and a recipient of Charity Navigator's highest 4-star rating, PAWS increases awareness of the rights and roles of assistance dog teams through education and advocacy. Come learn more about their mission and the adorable dogs training to be helpers. Space is limited. **Call the library to register.**



Teen Programs and Events



TWEEN & TEEN TECH NIGHT

**Friday January 27 and February 10 | 6 PM |
Teen Area**

Come hang out at the library after hours! Chill with friends, play games, eat pizza, and explore the lab. **Call the library to register.**

TEEN HOLIDAY PARTY

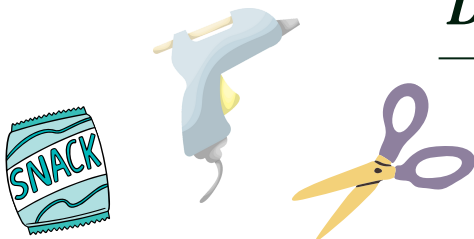
Thursday, December 22 | 1-3 PM | Programming Room

Put on your ugliest sweater and celebrate school vacation in style! We'll have video games, crafts, and cookies to decorate. Anyone aged 13-18 is invited. **No registration required.**



DROP-IN CRAFTS, SNACKS, AND GAMING

**Wednesdays, January 11 and 25 and February 22 | 1 - 3 PM |
Programming Room**



Join us on early release days for snacks as well as crafts or gaming. Grab some friends, drop in, and hang out. **No registration required.**

December

January

February

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Pre-K Storytime @ 10:30	2	3 Paleo Joe @ 11:00
5	6 Tech Drop-In All Day	7 Tech Drop-In All Day Pajama Storytime @ 5:00 Pintesting @ 6:00	8 Library Closed for Staff Training	9 Festive Friday Art Hop Santa & Reindeer @ 5:00 – 8:00	10
12 Michigan's Lumberjack History @ 6:00	13 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 Book Club @ 6:30	14 Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary @ 3:00	15 Pre-K Storytime @ 10:30	16	17 Christmas at the Griswold @ 6:00
19 Craftastic @ 6:00	20	21 Pub Quiz @ 6:30	22 Teen Holiday Party @ 1:00–3:00	23 Library Closed	24 Library Closed
26 Library Closed	27	28	29	30 Library Closed	31 Library Closed
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9 Documentary Discussion @ 6:00	10 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 Book and a Movie Book Club @ 6:00	11 Snacks & Craft @ 1:00 – 3:00	12 Pre-K Storytime @ 10:30	13 Family Nerf Night @ 5:00	14
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Director's Note

Allegan District Library's programs are red hot!

While sun-soaked days are months away, you can snap your cold spell with soul-nourishing programming. ADL's programming is a sure cure for the winter blues. Allegan Brass Collective will bring us warm season's greetings and Pub Quiz will keep your synapses firing. Your competitive spirit will fire up if you attend BINGO. Take pictures with Santa's reindeer and warm up with hot chocolate by the fireplace. Family Nerf night is sure to expend your child's pent-up energy as the competition heats up among the library's stacks. These are but a few of ADL's hot winter offerings. We hope to see you soon.



Pamela Armstrong, Director

FRIENDS' CORNER

The Friends of the Allegan District Library hold meetings on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 1 p.m. in the Carnegie Room. All are invited to join.

Annual Friends' Tea

The Friends annual tea is back! Join us for fun, crafts, tea, and finger foods, this coming April or May. We're still in the planning stages, but keep an eye out for more details coming soon.

In Search of Person and a Truck

The Friends of the Allegan District Library are in search of a strong person with a truck and a helpful spirit to help move unsold books from the Carnegie bookstore to various donation points in the area. This volunteer opportunity would be as needed and would only take up a couple of hours at a time. Let them know if you can help by contacting the library.

Great Holiday Deals

Get great gifts, save money, and support your library, all in one place! The Friends' Carnegie Corner Bookstore is filled with popular and classic titles of every genre, all for fractions of the cost of the big bookstores. Pick up a book for all of the people on your holiday gift list.

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Monday - Thursday
Friday
Saturday

10 AM - 8 PM
10 AM - 5:30 PM
10 AM - 4 PM