

Spring 2022

ADL NEWSLETTER

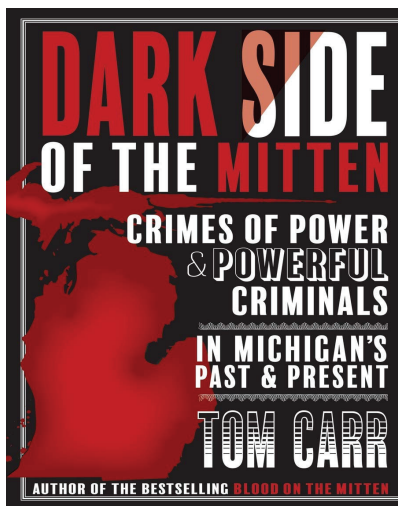
DARK SIDE OF THE MITTEN

Thursday, May 12

6:00 PM | Carnegie Room

Author Tom Carr tells stories of murder, robbery and mayhem through the ages in the Great Lakes state.

Delivered in a lively manner with irreverence and historical context, the stories include crimes of passion, greed, insanity and just plain awfulness. Since his first book, *Blood on the Mitten*, was released in 2016, he has told stories of true crimes and dark history at more than 100 engagements in all corners of both peninsulas. Carr is an award-winning reporter and columnist, and worked at daily newspapers in Michigan for more than 25 years. Tom will have books available for purchase during the event. Please call the library to register.



BRACKET CHALLENGE

Monday, March 14

The NCAA Division I men's basketball tournament is a single-elimination tournament of 68 teams that compete in seven rounds for the national championship. The rules are simple: earn points for every game you predict correctly, and the person with the most points wins! Do you have what it takes to beat the ADL staff? Stop in any time Monday, March 14 to pick up your official March Madness bracket, rules, and instructions; brackets must be turned in by Thursday, March 17, at 11AM. The winners will receive a gift card to Rally House, where you can stock up on your favorite team's gear. For grades 6+. No registration required.

NOTE:

SCHEDULED PROGRAMS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
BASED UPON COVID SAFETY MEASURES.

PLEASE CALL THE LIBRARY TO CONFIRM.

SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN PROGRAMMING

EXPLORE AND INVESTIGATE: ELEMENTARY SCIENCE

Kid-friendly science experiments to get little minds thinking critically about our world.

PLANTS AND POLLINATORS SCIENCE

Tuesday, March 22

4:00 PM | Children's Programming Room

Discover the parts of a flower and investigate how different kinds of pollinators are essential to making different kinds of plants thrive.

Please call the library to register.

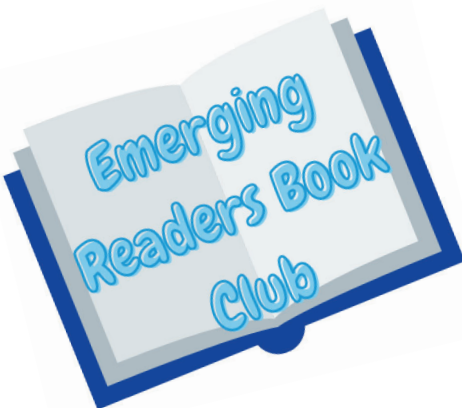


EXTREME WEATHER SCIENCE

Tuesday, May 10

4:00 PM | Children's Programming Room

Simulate different types of extreme weather from tornadoes to blizzards, from hurricanes to droughts through various experiments and activities. Please call the library to register.



EARTH DAY SCIENCE

Tuesday, April 19

4:00 PM | Children's Programming Room

Learn about oil spills and other kinds of pollution through hands-on experiments, and make your own recycled paper! Please call the library to register.



EMERGING READERS BOOK CLUB

Wednesdays,

March 23, April 6, May 4

2:00 PM | Children's Programming Room

Elementary-aged children and their families are invited to join us for a book club on APS early release days! We will read and discuss the book of the month together, then engage in dramatic play, acting exercises, and extension activities to further our understanding of the text. No registration required.

School-Aged Children Take & Creates

Weeks of March 13 & 27: Fairy Tale Puppet Theatre

Week of April 10: Water Cycle in a Bag

Week of April 24: Sprouting Bean Experiments

Week of May 8: Sun Catchers

Week of May 22: Kid-friendly Sewing Cards



LITTLES PROGRAMMING

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY

Wednesdays,

March 9-30, April 6, 20-27,
May 11

10:30 AM | Youth Area



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.

PAJAMA STORYTIME

Thursdays,

March 3, April 7, May 5

6:00 PM | Youth Area



We're bringing you a special, cozy evening storytime. Bring your stuffies, dress in your favorite PJs and slippers, and snuggle in for some gentle stories and songs followed by an activity. Bring the whole family! No registration required.

TALKING IS TEACHING PLAYGROUP

Wednesdays,

March 2, April 13, May 4

10:30 AM | Youth Area



Don't miss our extra special Talking is Teaching Playgroup, brought to you in partnership with Allegan Schools Family Coach Dolores! Attendees will receive a snack, craft, and book to take with you after our regular storytime activities so you can bring all the early literacy goodness into your home! No registration required.

ADL ADULT BOOK CLUB

Tuesdays,

March 8, April 12, May 10

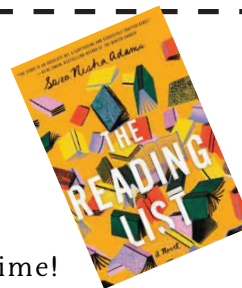
6:30 PM | Carnegie Room

Join us for great books, great conversation and a great time!
No registration required.

MARCH: THE READING LIST BY SARA NISHA ADAMS

APRIL: THE NINE LIVES OF ROSE NAPOLITANO BY DONNA FREITAS

MAY: THE LAST THING HE TOLD ME BY LAURA DAVE



TWEEN AND TEEN PROGRAMMING



TECH PLAYGROUND

Friday, March 18

6:00 PM

Your favorite after-hours hangout is back!

Experience VR, play video games and spend time with friends while enjoying pizza after the library is closed. Please call the library to register.

Teen Open Mic Night

Friday, May 13

6:00 PM

You asked, we listened. Teen Open Mic Night is back again! Share short stories, poems, songs or even jokes. Let your voice and creativity be heard, or cheer on your friends from the audience. All content must be appropriate for a general audience. Please call the library to register.



PLANT & PLAY: TEEN AFTER-HOURS

Friday, April 8

6:00 PM

Teens and tweens are invited to take over the library once we've closed for the night! We'll assemble some terrariums, indulge in some snacks and get a serious game of hide and seek going. Please call the library to register.



TEEN VOLUNTEER CORPS MEETUP

Monday, May 23

4:00 PM | Children's Programming Room

Thinking about volunteering at the library this summer? Join us for this informational session to learn about tasks you might perform and events you might assist with as we prepare to launch our 2022 Summer Reading Program. Enjoy some snacks and meet some of the other volunteers you'll be working with this summer while getting your volunteer paperwork filled out.

No registration required.

TWEEN AND TEEN TAKE & CREATES

Week of March 20: Origami Butterfly Bookmarks

Week of April 17: Felt Toadstools

Week of May 23: Disco Ball Planters



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Spring Cleaning?

Spring cleaning is a great time to donate used books, DVDs, and audio to the the ADL Friends' Bookstore. We are hosting a donation drive the final week of April. Your used book is a NEW read for someone else! The Friends appreciate your donations.



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ADULT PROGRAMMING

SPRING INTO ORGANIZATION

Thursday, March 10

6:00 PM | Carnegie Room

Ready to get your home clean, organized and refreshed for spring? Susie Marsh of Susie's Organization Solutions is bringing her expertise to help you get started! This presentation will include practical tips and tricks for organization in your home, with a focus on helping you make your spaces fun, functional and fabulously organized! Please call the library to register.



Adult Craft Club: Etched Initial Keychain

Saturday, March 26

10:00 AM-4:00 PM



Get acquainted with Cricut Design Space, Cricut Maker and etching tool and make a personalized keychain. Sign up for a time slot by calling the library or stopping by the circulation desk.

PUB QUIZ NIGHT



Wednesdays,

March 16, April 20,
May 18

6:30 PM

Don't miss our monthly pub trivia nights with our partner, Tantrick Brewing Co. 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.



PLANT POT PEOPLE

Thursday, April 21

6:00 PM | Children's Programming Room

Bring a potted plant to life using vinyl and paint! We'll have a variety of vinyl facial features available to add to your pots, as well as paints to freehand details. Finish off the evening by planting some greenery and take your new buddy home! Supplies are limited. Please call the library to register.

WELCOME DOOR SIGN

Thursday, May 19

6:00 PM | Children's Programming Room

Make a wood sign to hang from your front door! Choose your font, type out your text, and cut it out using our Cricut cutting machines. Add some paint, ribbon, or faux greenery to finish it off! Supplies are limited. Please call the library to register.



ADULT TAKE & CREATES



Week of March 6: Burlap Flowers

Week of April 3: Culinary Herb Planter

Week of May 1: DIY Colored Glass Jars

ARC CLUB WITH ARC OF ALLEGAN COUNTY

Wednesdays,

March 9, April 13, May 11

2:00 PM | Programming Room

We're excited to bring back our monthly collaboration with Arc of Allegan County, a nonprofit supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. All adults are invited to join us in creating art, playing games and connecting with the community.

March: Craft Day (Tape-resist Painting)

April: Game Day (Mario Kart)

May: Reading Day (Where the Mountain Meets the Moon)



ALL AGES PROGRAMMING

DROP IN ARTS & CRAFTS STUDIO

Mondays,

March 7, April 4, May 2

3-5 PM | Children's Programming Room



Unwind after a long day by making some art! We'll pull out an assortment of supplies from our stash and leave you to draw, paint, sculpt and create whatever you can imagine. All ages welcome! No registration required.



FAMILY GAME DAY

Tuesday, April 5

12-5 PM | Children's Programming Room

Looking for a fun way to spend a spring break afternoon? Drop in throughout the afternoon to play games with your family, friends and fellow patrons. A variety of games from our board game collection will be available, as well as some new additions! All ages welcome! No registration required.



TINY ART SHOW

April & May

Pick up a tiny canvas and easel from the circulation desk throughout the month of April, or join us for Drop-in Arts & Crafts Studio on April 4th to get started. Once your masterpiece is complete, return it to the library by Saturday, April 30 to be entered into the art show. We'll have an opening reception on the evening of Monday, May 2 during which artists can talk to members of the public about their creations. All pieces will be on display throughout the month of May. All ages welcome! Please call the library to reserve your supplies.

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Littles Programming **School-Aged Children Programming** **Tween & Teen Programming**
Adult Programming **All Ages Programming**

March

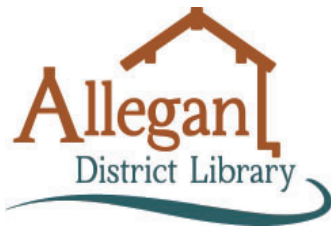
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Playgroup @ 10:30	3 PJ Storytime @ 6:00	4	5
6	7 Drop In Arts & Crafts 3-5	8 Book Club @6:30	9 Storytime @ 10:30 ARC Club@ 2:00	10 Susie's Organization @ 6:00	11	12
13	14 Bracket Challenge Pickup	15	16 Storytime @ 10:30 Pub Quiz @ 6:30	17 Bracket Challenge Due @ 11:00	18 Tech Playground @ 6:00	19
20	21	22 Plants & Pollinators @4:00	23 Storytime @ 10:30 Emerging Readers @ 2:00	24	25	26 Craft Club 10 - 4
27	28	29	30 Storytime @ 10:30	31		

April

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24	25	26	27 Storytime @ 10:30	28	29	30 Tiny Art Due

May

1	2 Drop In Arts & Crafts 3-5 Tiny Art Show Opening	3	4 Playgroup @ 10:30 Emerging Readers @ 2:00	5 PJ Storytime @ 6:00	6	7
8	9	10 Extreme Weather @ 4:00 Book Club @ 6:30	11 Storytime @ 10:30 ARC Club@ 2:00	12 Dark Side of the Mitten @ 6:00	13 Open Mic @ 6:00	14
15	16	17	18 Pub Quiz @ 6:30	19 Welcome Sign @ 6:00	20	21
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PRESIDENT'S NOTE



Sue Buese,
Board President

It is with great excitement that I assume the role of president of the Allegan District Library's Board of Trustees. As an educator in the Allegan Public Schools for over 20 years, I fully appreciate the value of a community library as a place for expanding knowledge and education, for accessing digital resources, and for gathering families and friends for fun activities.

We are in the midst of drafting a strategic plan for the immediate future which will help us continue essential services and offer more opportunities for learning and enjoyment.

Hoping to continue the legacy of previous board leaders, I look forward to working with our excellent board and staff, and with you, our patrons of the Allegan District Library.

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Dear Allegan Community,

As spring starts to bloom, I want to express my gratitude for all of your messages of kindness, appreciation, and encouragement over the past several months. It has been the fuel we need to continue our efforts to provide you with the best library services.

Allegan District Library staff remain dedicated to making your experience using the library the best it can be, while providing you with services as safely as possible.

Wishing you a bright, warm, and beautiful spring! I look forward to seeing you at the library.



Pam Armstrong,
Director

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