

October 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS
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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

🍁FALL FEST TAKE HOME CRAFT
Saturday, October 10 from 10:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Stop by during Fall Fest from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. to pick up a festive take home craft. While supplies last.

📖 FAMILY STORYTIME
Mondays thru December 7th @ 10:30 a.m.
Family Storytime is back with books, music, movement, pre-reading games, crafts and more. Sensory Play Days will be held on 10/19, 11/9 and 12/7.
Storytime will be held off site at Crystal Gardens on Monday, October 12.

🌻SPECIAL: DESTINATION STORYTIME
Monday, October 12 at 10:30 a.m.
Join us at Crystal Gardens (1299 Pilgrim Hwy) for a fall storytime in a greenhouse. Experience the best of the season and learn about the harvest during this special meetup!

🏠 HOMESCHOOL MEET UP
Thursdays from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Join us at the library for an informal gathering of homeschool families! Perfect for families already homeschooling and those that are interested in it. All ages welcome.

🍎SNACKTIVITY
Thursday, October 15th @ 12:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Drop in anytime for games, LEGO, crafts and snacks!

🎃FRIDAY FAMILY FUN NIGHT: *Halloween Boo Bash*
Friday, October 23 @ 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Spooky treats, crafts and games! Costumes encouraged!

Update!

Libby will require PINs soon!



Libby.

ACK!
Beginning on Thursday, Oct. 15, Libby and Kanopy will require a 4-digit PIN number to log in. Libby's parent company, OverDrive, is making this update to ensure your account remains secure and private.

So...What is My PIN?
Your PIN should be the last four digits of the phone number attached to your library account. Contact the Library for further assistance.

ADULT PROGRAMS

🍂**OIL PASTEL BASICS: Painting Fall Color**
Thursday, October 15th from 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Join Kyla Robinson (Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator at Benzie Conservation District) for a beginner's lesson on painting with oil pastels. This workshop will help you learn to capture the beauty of Michigan's autumnal colors and rich woodland scenery in expressive oil pastel. We encourage you to bring your favorite photos of fall color for inspiration. All materials provided.

🀄 **MAH JONG**
Mondays 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Love Mah Jong? Join fellow players for Mah Jong Monday at the library! Whether you're an experienced player or just curious, all are welcome for an afternoon of strategy and fun.

📍HOOK, NEEDLE, AND KNIT: A Fiber Craft Meet-Up
Thursdays from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Where crafters of all skill levels come together to knit, crochet, embroider, and more. Bring your own project and enjoy a relaxing, social atmosphere while sharing tips, ideas, and inspiration. Whether you're a seasoned pro or just starting out, all are welcome!

📚Book Share
Wednesday, October 21 @ 10:30 a.m.
Love books? Join Book Share! Chat about what you have been reading, hear recommendations from others, and discover new titles to enjoy. It is a casual, friendly gathering for book lovers of all kinds. Meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the library.

🌋Lord of the Rings Book Club: The Two Towers
Mondays in October @ 5:30 p.m.
Pick your favorite character and delve deep into their actions, motivations, influence, and narrative arcs. Join us for one or all sessions and come make your case for why YOUR favorite is the BEST!



And now, a message from the interim director

Kaitlin Matesich,
Interim Library Director

I love October. It may even be my favorite time of the year. Yes, yes, of course it surprises no one that I love an excuse to dress up, eat too much candy, and scare myself silly but there is more to it.

Every fall we feel it, the air gets sharper, leaves dry, once green lawns provide a subtle crunch, and even sunshine feels warmer knowing that any day could be the last before it turns winter grey. The collective sigh of summer is gone as we settle into darker nights and cooler winds. There is a sense of possibility and the unknown. When will the colors pop this year? Will the bay be solid enough for ice fishing? Can the Lions make us proud? Will we have an easy winter? Who is the next Library Director?

I do not have an answer to any of these questions, but I am looking forward to finding out with you. In the meantime, I *can* share some of my annual autumnal favorites for your reading and watching enjoyment:

Dracula Daily by Matt Kirkland is Bram Stoker's classic reorganized so the story occurs in chronological order. This project was originally a (mostly) daily newsletter sent across the internet to read *Dracula* in sync with the story beginning May 3rd with Johnathan Harker's Journal and ending on November 6th. If you've never given *Dracula* a try (or like me tried and failed) I highly recommend this 'remix'.

Riley Sager's latest The Unknown is a thriller that will keep you guessing until the very end. In 1926, five women disappeared from a remote island in Vermont. Now, one hundred years later, they are making a horror movie based on the events, but authenticity comes with a price nobody expected.

Trick r' Treat is an anthology film that weaves together four stories of terror and mayhem. I would recommend this to fans of *Tales from the Crypt.* Word of warning, you may find yourself being extra careful not to extinguish your Jack O'Lantern before midnight after watching this.

If that seems a bit intense for you we have an excellent collection of classic Twilight Zone episodes. Rod Serling will rarely steer you wrong. (Though *Time Enough at Last* still chills me to the bone, IYKYK. 👓)

Stay curious and remember, in the words of the late Tim Curry,
"*Anything can happen on Halloween!"*

The Worst Witch (1986) is available to stream on the Internet Archive



THE LORD OF THE RINGS BOOK CLUB

A character based discussion of JRR Tolkien's

THE TWO TOWERS



MONDAY, OCTOBER 5TH AT 5:30 P.M.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH AT 5:30 P.M.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 19TH AT 5:30 P.M.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 26TH AT 5:30 P.M.

PICK YOUR FAVORITE CHARACTER AND DELVE DEEP INTO THEIR ACTIONS, MOTIVATIONS, INFLUENCE, AND NARRATIVE ARCS.
COME MAKE YOUR CASE FOR WHY YOUR FAVORITE IS THE BEST!

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OCTOBER MONDAYS AT 5:30 PM



BOOK SHARE

Join us to talk about books! Share what you have read recently and find out what fellow community members have been reading. This is a great way to discover new books! Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 10:30 a.m.

Titles shared at the September Book Share:

Controlled Chaos by Eric Hall
Whistler by Ann Patchett
American Fantastica by Tim O'Brien
1984 by George Orwell
Einstein by Walter Isaacson
Trust by Hernan Diaz
Intruder in the Dust by William Faulkner
Lady Tremaine by Rachel Hochhauser
Evensong by Stewart O'Nan
The Story of Arthur Truluv by Elizabeth Berg
The Correspondent by Virginia Evans
Henry James by Riderick Hudson
The Violin Maker's Secret by Evie Woods
You Never Know: A Memoir by Tom Selleck
Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker by Jennifer Chiaverni
Ma'iingan's Moufle by The Legend of Mighty Mac by Brewster Moore

Stuck in Manistique by Dennis Cuesta
We the Women by Norah O’Donnell

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