

Gap Millage Funding Proposal

On Tuesday, August 6, voters will consider a one-year non-renewable millage to bridge a funding gap in 2025:

- In November 2023, voters approved a 15-year renewal at a lower millage rate for the award-winning system. Unfortunately, the approved ballot language does not give KDL the authority to assess the new millage until December 2025.
- This has created a funding gap for KDL that will be addressed by this one-year non-renewable millage. This will be the only millage levied for KDL in 2025 and is the same rate as the current millage of 1.1 mils.
- If residents vote "yes," KDL will be able to continue operations during 2025. If residents vote "no," KDL will have to severely limit operations during 2025, likely closing branches, laying off team members and reducing programs and services.
- · More information can be found at kdl.org/millage.



Get ready to unlock a world of adventure this summer and sign up for Summer Wonder!

Summer Wonder isn't just about reading – it's about exploration, discovery, programs and endless possibilities. Summer Wonder is for all ages; your whole family can participate together. Our goal is to have a record number of 20,000 completers this year, and we want you to be one of them! Visit **kdl.org/summer** or your local KDL branch to get signed up.

Join us as we learn, grow and have fun together this summer. We'll have exciting prizes and incentives to keep you motivated. Plus, don't miss out on all the amazing free programs we are offering. Check out pages 24-47 for program information and mark your calendar.



Happy reading!

Lance Werner
Executive Director



Information Ideas Excitement!

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KDL UPDATES

Gather 2 Grow! Lunches at the Library





School's out for the summer, but it doesn't have to be a bummer... because Gather 2 Grow's summertime student lunches are back! Fifteen KDL branches and the Bookmobile are partnering with Feeding America West Michigan to provide no cost lunches for youth 2-18 and adults with disabilities through age 26. The meals will be available "grab n' go" style weekdays, June 3 – August 9. Times vary by branch location. Learn more at kdl.org/lunch.







Same Page success

We had an amazing time wrapping up our On the Same Page program with an author visit at Calvin University. Ann Patchett and Kevin Wilson shared insights, anecdotes and the magic behind their writing with almost 1,000 members of the KDL community.



In partnership with Calvin University's January Series.

New Item Joining the Beyond Books Collection

In collaboration with the American Heart Association, we will be adding blood pressure cuffs to our Beyond Books Collection in July. These easy-to-use devices will be available with your library card and will come with a guide offering useful tips to monitor your blood pressure.

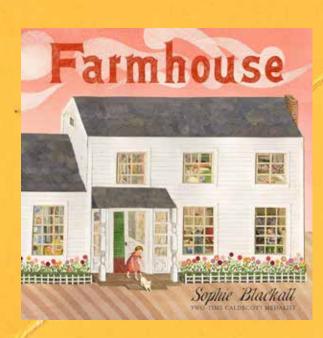




The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) announced Kent District Library as one of five library recipients of the **2024 National Medal for Museum and Library Service**, the nation's highest honor given to museums and libraries that make significant and exceptional contributions to their communities. Over the past 30 years, the award has celebrated institutions that are making a difference for individuals, families and communities.



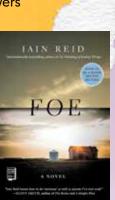
Staff Picks



Farmhouse by Sophie Blackall

"Blackall's inspiration for this beautiful picture book comes from a crumbling old farmhouse. Her illustrations are crafted using salvaged materials from that very house, such as pages from books and newspapers, scraps of clothing and curtains, and even wallpaper. In this way, she breathes three-dimensional life into the story of a family bursting with children, joy and the struggles of nineteenth-century farming life. Of this layering-art style, she says, 'Stories become layered as they get told and retold over the years. Stories about everything, and nothing much, that stay alive long after children grow up and houses fall down, while wildflowers nod their heads in the sun."

Amber | Grandville Branch





Box Lunch Lifestyle by Cheryl K. Johnson

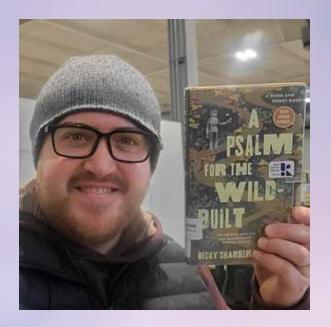
"If you feel in a rut and overwhelmed and are willing to start by making tiny changes that only take a few minutes, then this book is a good read. If your life is already in perfect order, then this probably isn't a book for you."

Annette | Service Center

Foe by Iain Reid

"This story of a rural couple whose lives are turned upside down by an uninvited guest kept me reading from front to back in one sitting. No blood is spilled in this 'horror' book, but the tension kept me riveted until the very end."

Rebecca | Plainfield Twp. Branch



A Psalm for the Wild-Built by Becky Chambers

"I enjoyed this novella that explores the meaning of life, work and happiness in a utopian future where robots have gained consciousness and left human society. The story follows Sibling Dex, a tea monk, who meets a curious robot named Splendid Speckled Mosscap and learns to accept their differences and themselves. I loved the exploration of how a person's worth is not defined by their productivity or role in society."

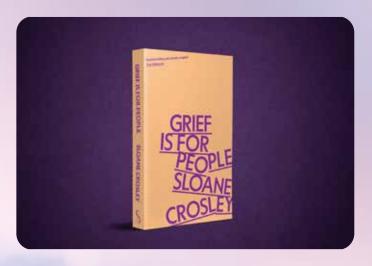
Josh | Service Center

The Blonde Identity by Ally Carter

"This is the most fun book I've read in months. She has amnesia and doesn't know who she is, let alone why anyone would want her dead. He's a hardened spy trying to keep them both alive long enough to get some answers. As they crisscross Europe, jump from unfortunate heights and try to stay one step ahead of both friends and foes, their conversations and adventures kept me racing to find out what happened next."

Amber | Service Center





Grief Is for People by Sloane Crosley

"When reading a book about another's grief, it can be difficult to feel comfortable. Pain is perhaps the most personal thing one can experience, which in turn furthers the isolation we feel after a loss. Crosley knows this well and finds a way to invite us into her pain gracefully. Combining bizarre situations, a home robbery and the suicide of her dear friend, we are offered a glimpse into a time of deep vulnerability. This book is truly a testament not only to how we grieve but how we rebel against it."

Sophia | Caledonia Twp. Branch

Summer at KDL: Why Summer Learning Matters



By Julie Ralston | Branch Outreach and Programming Specialist

Growing up in West Michigan, summertime for me meant visiting my local KDL branch. As a "future librarian," I loved wandering around the stacks, finding new books and movies, and attending summer events at the library. I vividly remember participating in the annual summer reading program. Carefully tracking my reading felt like an accomplishment. I always felt so proud to complete that form, turn it in to the library staff and get a prize. Now, as a KDL staff member and parent, I am proud that KDL continues to bring that same joy and sense of accomplishment through Summer Wonder, our reading and learning program for all ages.



The summer months offer a unique window of time where children can explore their interests, discover new passions and expand their horizons beyond the classroom. At KDL, we invite you to join Summer Wonder to find your fun through the engaging options we offer for all types of learners.

Our program offers various ways to participate, including reading, writing, STEAM activities, attending library programs and more! These opportunities work as "brain food" and benefit the health and strength of your brain. At KDL we know how hard kids work over the school year, and we want their brains to stay active and be prepared for a successful return to school in the fall. And we also know that parents are the best and first example for their children, so Summer Wonder is for adults, too!



Julie's passion for books started early.



Julie passed on her love of reading to her children.

As parents and caregivers, it is essential that we encourage and facilitate learning experiences for our children, especially over the summer. Make regular visits to the library part of your summer routine. Set aside time each day for reading. Check out a local park with our Find Curi hunt (kdl.org/findcuri), use a KDL Perk Pass to visit a local museum (kdl.org/perkpass) or visit a new-to-you KDL branch (kdl.org/locations). Embrace the curiosity of your children and try a STEAM activity (kdl.org/summer) or let them take the lead in selecting activities that spark their interest. There is so much to learn, explore and discover.

Let KDL be your summer guide and get started on Summer Wonder at KDL today.

New for 2024:
The Summer Wonder
Wonderfold

(Available June 3)

kdl.org/summer





Get Your











On!

Enjoy these programs that celebrate science, technology, engineering, arts and math. These programs are designed for patrons ages 5-10. Patrons outside this age range are welcome to attend; however, the content might be too fast-paced or too simplistic, depending upon their age.



Honeybees

A honeybee colony is made up of individual bees doing their jobs and depending on the other bees. Learn the three types of bees and their roles in a hive, see how bees gather nectar and turn it into honey, make a hand-rolled beeswax candle to take home and much more! Presented by Thornapple Woodlands Beekeeper Don Snoeyink. *Pg.* 35



John Ball Zoo's Travel Zoo

John Ball will bring the zoo to KDL! Students will learn about wildlife conservation through interacting with live zoo animals in the comfort of the library. *Pg.* 35



Backyard Safari

Have you ever explored your own backyard jungle and the animals that call it home? Join the Outdoor Discovery Center as we go on safari and explore our wild backyards with the help of our animal ambassadors. *Pg. 34*



Mini Brick Derby

Build your dream race car out of LEGO® bricks and see if it has what it takes to win! There will be one hour before the race to design and build your car using library-provided bricks, and then the all-ages derby race will begin. **Sponsored by the Friends of the East Grand Rapids Library.** *Pg.* 38

Bubble Science

Bubbles are amazing! Why are they round? Why are they iridescent? Come learn all about the science of bubbles. *Pg. 34*





Mad Science Presents Adventure Awaits

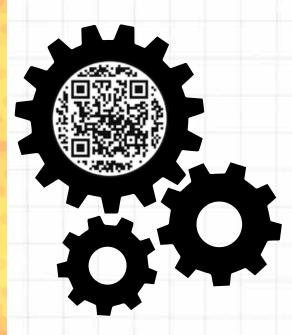
Go on an adventure using science! We'll take off by creating a hot air balloon, go bungee jumping with Earl N. Meyer and create our very own flaming dragon's breath. The adventures are endless when we have science and knowledge. *Pg.* 38





KDL LAB Experiences are designed to help students increase their proficiency in STEAM disciplines through fun activities. While library staff are not experts in these disciplines, they serve as facilitators, guiding participants ages 5-10 in their KDL LAB Experience. This summer we're excited to feature experiences involving the *Dog Man* books by Dav Pilkey as well as Knights of the Lab Table, STEAM Sports Spectacular and more!

kdl.org/kdl-lab





Saturday Programs

You loved being able to attend library programs on Saturdays last summer, so this year we're bringing them back! Our Saturday programs are better than ever, with more options at more branches to keep the library fun going all summer long.

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Being Bilingual Rocks!

Come sing, dance and play musical games in a joyful blend of cultures, sounds and languages! Enjoy an eclectic blend of original and traditional songs from Latin America. For families with children. Pg. 30

Saturday, July 27, 10:00 AM, Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch



Stormy's Foam Party

Guests will play with
beach balls, frolic in foam
bubbles and listen to
child-friendly tunes, all
while having the time
of their lives. Swimwear and a
towel for each child is helpful.
Footwear that can get wet is also

Footwear that can get wet is also recommended. For families with children. Pg. 31

Saturday, June 22, 10:00 AM, Nelson Twp. Branch

Llamas at Your Library

Meet real-life llamas like the ones in the *Llama Llama* books. For all ages. Pg. 28

Saturday, July 13, 1:00 PM, Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Saturday, July 20, 1:00 PM, Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Saturday, July 27, Noon, Tyrone Twp. Branch Saturday, August 3, 1:00 PM,

Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Native American Dancers | Reg Pettibone and Family

Reg Pettibone, champion powwow dancer, and his family provide the audience with a true understanding of Native American culture through traditional dance, song and stories. For all ages. Pg. 28

Saturday, July 27, 1:00 PM, Cascade Twp. Branch Saturday, August 3, 1:00 PM, Caledonia Twp. Branch



Programs at the Park with the Bookmobile





Cameron Zvara

Join us for FUN with Comedy
Magician & Entertainer Cameron
Zvara! Cameron's show is filled
with mind-blowing magic,
comedy, juggling, music and
TONS of audience participation.
You do not want to miss out!
For all ages. Pg. 26

Saturday, June 22, 10:30 AM, Wyoming Branch
Saturday, June 22, 2:00 PM, Plainfield Twp. Branch

Critter Barn

Critter Barn's Traveling Farm will feature hands-on fun, entertainment and education. For all ages. Pg. 26



Saturday, June 22, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Grandville Branch Saturday, July 13, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Walker Branch Saturday, July 20, 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM, Gaines Twp. Branch

Saturday, August 3, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Byron Twp. Branch

The Jump for Joy Program™ with the Pygmy Goat

Enjoy a story from local author Nicole Zaagman and meet a pygmy goat who calls Parkside Farm home. For families with children. Pg. 31

Saturday, June 29, 10:00 AM, Alpine Twp. Branch Saturday, July 13, 10:30 AM, East Grand Rapids Branch The Bookmobile will be at Kent County Parks this summer with some of our fantastic Summer Wonder presenters. Enjoy a KDL program after a day of hanging out at the park!

Before you leave, stop by the Bookmobile to register for a library card, pick up program information and check out the latest books, movies, music and more to enjoy at home.

Nick Thomas Entertainment Wednesday, June 12, 6:00 PM, Long Lake Park in Sparta 13747 Krauskopf Rd NE, Sparta, MI 49345 For all ages.

The Jump for Joy Program™ with the Pygmy Goat
Wednesday, June 26, 6:00 PM,
Fallasburg Park in Lowell
1124 Fallasburg Park Dr NE, Lowell, MI 49331
For families with children.

Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary's LIVE Reptile Show! Wednesday, July 17, 6:00 PM, Caledonia Lakeside Park 370 N Lake St SE, Caledonia, MI 49316 For ages 5-10.

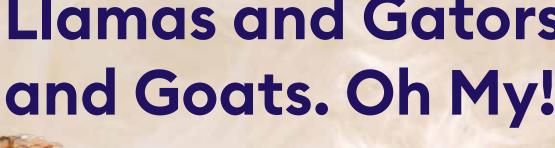
Stormy's Foam Party
Wednesday, August 7, 6:00 PM,
Johnson Park in Walker
2600 Wilson Ave SW, Walker, MI 49534
For families with children.







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Raptors LIVE!*

Learn all about birds of prey and meet some of the birds from North Sky Raptor Sanctuary in this amazing, live presentation. Pg. 38



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Exotic Zoo

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ABRACADABRA

Are you ready to be amazed and enchanted? We are thrilled to present a series of spectacular magic shows that will leave you spellbound!

Adventures in Reading

Witness amazing feats of magic and puppetry as magician Brad Lancaster shares how reading can lead you into your own awesome adventures. *Pg. 26*



Cameron Zvara

Join us for FUN with Comedy Magician and Entertainer Cameron Zvara! Cameron's show is filled with mind-blowing magic, comedy, juggling, music and TONS of audience participation. You do not want to miss out! *Pg. 26*

There's Magic in Books

Embark on an imagination-filled reading adventure with magician Jania Taylor that will expand horizons without leaving the library. *Pg. 29*

Nick Thomas Entertainment

Get ready to laugh at this family-friendly comedy, juggling and magic show. The show includes audience participation, world class juggling routines and a light-up LED juggling finale. *Pg. 28*





Have a ROAR-ing good time at the library!

Have you ever danced with a dinosaur? What about attending a tea party like a *T. Rex*? Head to the library to let loose with other dinosaur lovers and learn, sing, dance, craft, listen to stories and more.

Feller Express Dinosaur Encounters

Learn about dinosaurs, sing, dance and enjoy an up-close encounter with the Feller Express dinosaurs in this fun, hands-on educational experience. *Pg. 27*



T. Rex Tea Party

Roar! Welcome to the *T. Rex* Tea Party. This dino-riffic program combines huge dinosaur fun with classy tea party elegance. The party includes crafts and activities that will have you sipping and stomping with joy. Many dates, times and locations to choose from. *Pg.* 33



TEENS JUST WANNA HAVE

Space is limited for these programs; first come, first served. Doors open 15 minutes before the program begins and you may save one seat for a friend. Teen programs are for ages 11-17.



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Bullet Journals with Mo

Get organized with this crash course in bullet journaling. We will learn the art of habit tracking, goal setting, future planning and how to make a bullet journal work for you. *Pg. 40*

Intro to Macramé

Master two essential knots and create your own small wall hanging. Learn the basic techniques in a hands-on session and leave with a unique piece of art that reflects your newfound knot-tying skills. *Pg. 40*

Intro to Watercolor

Discover the essentials of watercolor. Dive into the basics and leave with the skills needed to continue your watercolor exploration independently. *Pg. 40*

Landscape Painting

Explore acrylic painting through making your own landscape art. Follow along step-by-step or do your own thing. *Pg. 40*

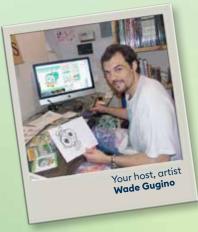
Make Your Own Bookish Buddy

Create a stuffed bunny or bookworm out of a sock and personalize your new friend however you want. No sewing required! *Pg. 40*



Polymer Clay Jewelry

Try out our clay tips and tricks to create your own hand-made clay piece to take home and bake with easy provided instructions. *Pg. 41*



Teen Cartoon Drawing

Panel cartoons can be amazing!
Come ready to draw and learn
the tools that help to make
panel cartoons clear, funny,
understandable and a pleasure
to read. Pg. 40



It's esports time for teens! Bring your friends to compete at *Super Smash Bros.* using Nintendo Switch. Many will enter, but only one will be crowned champion! *Pg. 41*

Summer Trivia

Test your memory and mind with several rounds of trivia and brain games during Summer Teen Trivia! Bring your friends or join up with others on the spot to make a team. Questions will include general knowledge and pop culture topics. *Pg. 41*

Please note: This program is being presented at multiple branches, but participants are asked to only play the game one time to keep it fair for everyone. Thank you!









Thank you to our Teen Crew Volunteers! We are grateful for your time, dedication, enthusiasm and service to your community!







Take the Library on the Road



By Josh Mosey | Digital Marketing Strategist

Need a vacation from your vacation prepping? We hear you.

Whether you are driving, flying or hiking to your home away from home, the library is here for your trip. Use our handy checklist below to make sure you have everything you need for a successful vacation.

Don't forget to:

1

Pack Some Clothes – Most establishments require shirts and shoes at the least. Find the most stylish library clothes and accessories at **ShopKDL.org.**

2

Understand the Culture – Access the CultureGrams database with your KDL card to learn about the daily life, customs and lifestyles of the world's people. Individual reports cover 200+ countries, all 50 United States and the

Canadian Provinces.



3

Take Photos – Don't have a camera? Our Beyond Books Collection has GoPro cameras available to check out!

9

Pack an Audiobook – With Libby and Hoopla, you can get some reading done while you travel, no physical book required. Bringing kids along? Family audiobooks are a great way to help the littles forget to ask, "Are we there yet?"





4

Learn the Language – KDL offers Mango Languages and Rosetta Stone free to anyone with a KDL card so you can ask for directions in any language (including Pirate!).*

8

Find Discounted Experiences – You're probably already familiar with KDL's PerkPass program for free tickets to area attractions and experiences, but did you know your library card gives you access to the Michigan Activity Pass program too? Find discounts to cultural destinations, parks, campgrounds and recreation areas across Michigan.





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Grab a Book or Two (or Fifty) – Oh yeah, we have physical books too. Need a beach read? We've got you covered. Just try to keep the sand out of the pages.** Need something quick for your next flight out of GRR? Stop by the KDL Airport Little Free Library.

^{*}KDL does not endorse vacations to destinations where patrons might encounter Pirates.

^{**}Seriously, sandy pages are a downer for us.

Build your Vacation Playlist - With services like KDL Vibes and Freegal Music+, you can download (for keeps) the jams that will forever be part of your vacation experience.

Print Your Tickets/Maps – Use the library's free printing service to print up to 50 pages of your tickets, itineraries and back-up maps for when your GPS inevitably dies in the middle of nowhere.

> Go Beyond Books - KDL has portable tire inflators, extra camping gear, birdwatching backpacks, metal detectors, trekking poles and more available for checkout.

> > Wherever you go this summer, bring the library with you to make all the best memories.

Bon voyage!



Beyond Books Collection

The Beyond Books collection is designed to give free access to higher-priced items that provide enrichment or educational benefits. These items are popular, so place a hold today.

Visit kdl.org/beyondbooks.



Community Engagement Connections



By Sara Proaño | Community Engagement Manager

KDL Free Libraries

Travelers arriving or leaving from the Gerald R. Ford International Airport are pleasantly surprised to find a KDL Free Library in terminals A & B and often send messages telling us how much they enjoyed a new book during their flight or vacation. This service is made possible through our collaboration with the Gerald R. Ford International Airport and Experience Grand Rapids. Due to their countless hours of shelving and restocking the Free Library, KDL can provide a variety of reading materials for travelers of all ages.



In the same way, our partnership with The Rapid makes it possible to offer a KDL Free Library inside the central bus station that is maintained by faithful volunteers like Steve Loar, who brings new materials every two weeks and reorganizes the shelves.

There are many KDL Free Libraries throughout the county, so next time you come across one, take a book, leave a book and do not forget to tell our partners, volunteers and collaborators how much their work means to us all!

For more information, visit kdl.org/kdl-free-libraries.





The Joy of a New Book in Little Hands

There is something special about putting new books in the hands of little children and their caregivers. It makes you feel like a superhero! These two community engagement projects allow KDL to do just that.

Books for Babies

Through direct partnership with local hospitals and early childhood programs, KDL provides a new bilingual book and a welcoming card for new parents and caregivers. We want to make sure that the families of newborn babies know there is something for them at their library and we are excited to meet their little ones.



One County, One Book

KDL is proud to participate in this annual initiative coordinated by the Great Start Parent Coalition. Every year this group chooses a book and creates relevant activities around the Five Success Basics: Love, Talk, Count, Play and Read. They share them with parents and caregivers during playgroups and storytimes all over Kent County.

For more resources for young families, visit **kdl.org/babies.**



Lunches at the Library

Keeping young minds engaged and primed for learning is as essential as fueling growing bodies, so we are partnering with Feeding America West Michigan this summer to provide free lunches to students through their "Gather 2 Grow" program. Kids ages 2-18 (or up to age 26 with different mental or physical abilities) can enjoy nutritious lunches weekdays, June through August at many KDL branches and the Bookmobile. For specific locations and more info, visit kdl.org/lunch.











Cascade Township Branch

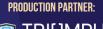
2870 Jacksmith Ave SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546

SATURDAY, AUG. 10 10:00 AM-9:15 PM Serita's Black Rose Duo · Rabbit Fur Driving In The Bike Lane · Phabies Ralston Bowles · Carth Radio Josh Garvelink · Folias Duo Porter Kenyon · Pia Lu · Singing Lungs Trillium · Julianne Howe-Bouwens

PLUS, SINGLE ACTS ALL WEEK LONG!

For more information, turn to page 27.

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special thanks to:
friends



Calling all local musicians!

Submit your music between June 24 and August 31 to be considered for our local music streaming service. All selected entries receive a one-time payment! Visit vibes.kdl.org for more information.



vibes.kdl.org

Welcome to KDL



Emma Brisson
 Assistant Branch Librarian
 Plainfield Twp.
 Book Recommendation
 The Overstory by Richard Powers

Jordan FalkAssistant Branch Librarian
Plainfield Twp.



Katie Fox-Webb
 Administrative Assistant
 Service Center
 Book Recommendation
 This Is How It Always Is
 by Laurie Frankel



Collection Services Assistant
Service Center
Book Recommendation
The Great Gatsby
by F. Scott Fitzgerald



Kelsey Hunter
 Branch Librarian
 Cascade Twp.
 Book Recommendation
 A Fate Inked in Blood
 by Danielle L. Jensen



Kali Nelson
 Assistant Branch Librarian
 East Grand Rapids
 Book Recommendation
 The Spear Cuts Through Water
 by Simon Jimenez



Assistant Branch Librarian
Alpine Twp.
Book Recommendation
Reading Lolita in Tehran
by Azar Nafisi



Edward Schaller
 Assistant Branch Librarian
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 Blindness by José Saramago

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Adventures in Reading

Witness amazing feats of magic and puppetry as magician Brad Lancaster shares how reading can lead you into your own awesome adventures.

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Wed., June 26, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
Wed., June 26, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch
Mon., July 8, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch
Wed., July 10, 10:30 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)
Mon., July 15, 10:00 AM – Walker Branch
Tue., July 16, 10:30 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch
Thu., July 18, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch
Wed., July 24, 6:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch
Mon., July 29, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch



Cameron Zvara

Join us for FUN with Comedy Magician & Entertainer Cameron Zvara! Cameron's show is filled with mind-blowing magic, comedy, juggling, music and TONS of audience participation. You do not want to miss out!

Mon., June 10, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch
Mon., June 10, 6:30 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch
Tue., June 11, 10:30 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch
Sat., June 22, 10:30 AM – Wyoming Branch
Sat., June 22, 2:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch
Thu., June 27, 10:00 AM – Walker Branch
Thu., June 27, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch
Tue., July 16, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Tue., July 16, 1:00 PM – Alto Branch
Wed., July 31, 10:30 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)
Wed., July 31, 1:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch
Wed., July 31, 6:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch
Thu., Aug. 1, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch

Mon., June 10, 10:00 AM - Caledonia Twp. Branch

Chess Anyone?

Drop in and play chess at the library! All skill levels welcome. An adult is usually on hand to help with your game or match you with a worthy opponent.

Tue., June 4, 6:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Tue., July 2, 6:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Tue., Aug. 6, 6:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch



Cirque Amongus

Cirque Amongus brings a variety of circus skills, comedy and audience participation guaranteed to amaze and delight all ages.



Mon., June 17, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch Tue., June 18, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Wed., June 26, 10:30 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada) Thu., June 27, 6:30 PM – Grandville Branch Mon., July 15, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., July 22, 10:30 AM – Wyoming Branch Wed., July 24, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch



Critter Barn

Critter Barn's Traveling Farm will feature hands-on fun, entertainment and education.

Mon., June 10, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch
Wed., June 12, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
Mon., June 17, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Wed., June 19, 1:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch
Sat., June 22, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch
Tue., June 25, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Thu., June 27, 10:00 AM – Grattan Twp. Express Library
Wed., July 10, 6:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch
Sat., July 13, 10:00 AM – Walker Branch
Wed., July 17, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
Sat., July 20, 10:00 AM – Gaines Twp. Branch
Tue., July 23, 10:30 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch
Tue., July 23, 4:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch
Mon., July 29, 10:30 AM – Wyoming Branch
Sat., Aug. 3, 10:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch



Decorate Your Bike

Bring your bike and decorate it for summer! We will have many decorations on hand to help you festoon your ride.

Mon., July 1, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Tue., July 2, 11:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Decorate Your Bike and Celebrate ** ** the Fourth of July



Bring your bike and decorate it for the Fourth of July! We will have many patriotic decorations on hand to help you festoon your ride.

Tue., July 2, 10:30 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch Wed., July 3, 10:30 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada) Wed., July 3, 4:00 PM - Plainfield Twp. Branch Sat., July 6, 10:00 AM - Nelson Twp. Branch

Family Craft Time

Bring the whole family for arts and crafts for all ages.

Wed., June 19, 2:00 PM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 3, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 17, 2:00 PM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 31, 2:00 PM - Caledonia Twp. Branch

Family Movie Night

Enjoy a movie with your family and friends. The library will be showing Migration.

Fri., Aug. 23, 6:30 PM - Gaines Twp. Branch

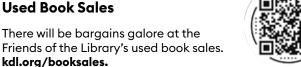


Feller Express Dinosaur Encounters

Learn about dinosaurs, sing, dance and enjoy an up-close encounter with the Feller Express dinosaurs in this fun, hands-on educational experience.

Wed., June 12, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch Wed., June 12, 6:00 PM – Wyoming Branch Thu., June 13, 10:00 AM - Grandville Branch Thu., June 13, 1:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Friends of the Library **Used Book Sales**





Game Zone

Fun games for all. Try a variety of traditional and table-top games or bring your own!

Tue., June 4, 6:30 PM - Alto Branch Wed., June 12, 6:30 PM - Cascade Twp. Branch Wed., June 19, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Wed., June 26, 6:30 PM - Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., July 2, 6:30 PM - Alto Branch Wed., July 10, 6:30 PM - Cascade Twp. Branch Wed., July 17, 6:30 PM - Cascade Twp. Branch Wed., July 24, 6:30 PM - Cascade Twp. Branch Wed., July 31, 6:30 PM - Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., Aug. 6, 6:30 PM - Alto Branch

KDL Vibes Reference Desk Mini Concert

A pop-up style mini concert right in the library featuring an artist from our KDL Vibes collection.

Thu., June 20, 6:00 PM - Cascade Twp, Branch - Brian Oberlin Thu., July 25, 6:00 PM - Cascade Twp. Branch - Ditch Lily



Llamas at Your Library

Meet real-life llamas like the ones in the Llama Llama books.

Sat., July 13, 1:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Sat., July 20, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Sat., July 27, 12:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch Sat., Aug. 3, 1:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch



Movie Zone

Enjoy a movie at the library! All you need to do is show up and we'll have a family movie ready to roll. The library will post the movie titles in the branch.





Sat., Aug. 24, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Sat., Aug. 31, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch



Native American Dancers | Reg Pettibone & Family

Reg Pettibone, champion powwow dancer, and his family provide the audience with a true understanding of Native American culture through traditional dance, song and stories.

Tue., June 11, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

Thu., June 20, 10:00 AM – Walker Branch Thu., July 11, 6:30 PM – Grandville Branch Sat., July 27, 1:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Sat., Aug. 3, 1:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch

Nick Thomas Entertainment

Get ready to laugh at this family-friendly comedy, juggling and magic show. The show includes audience participation, world class juggling routines and a light-up LED juggling finale.

Wed., June 12, 6:00 PM – Bookmobile
Long Lake Park (Open Shelter)
13747 Krauskopf Rd NE, Sparta, MI 49345
Tue., June 18, 10:30 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch
Tue., June 18, 1:00 PM – Alto Branch
Wed., June 19, 10:30 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)
Wed., June 19, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch
Wed., June 19, 6:30 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch
Mon., July 15, 10:30 AM – Wyoming Branch
Mon., July 15, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch
Tue., July 16, 6:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch
Tue., July 16, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch
Thu., July 25, 10:00 AM – Walker Branch
Thu., July 25, 6:30 PM – Grandville Branch
Fri., Aug. 2, 10:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch



Rock the Uke

Play ukulele at the library! Beginners and newcomers welcome. Learn with ukulele enthusiasts followed by a group strum along. Limited ukuleles available; first come, first served.

Wed., June 12, 5:30 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Wed., July 10, 5:30 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Wed., Aug. 14, 5:30 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch



Sensory Friendly Movie Zone

Join us for a sensory friendly movie event! We turn the lights up, turn the sound down and provide accommodations like fidgets and headphones.

Wed., June 12, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., June 26, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 10, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 24, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., Aug. 7, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch

Summer Wonder Bash!

Celebrate a summer of reading and learning with presenters, craft ideas, music and more.

Sat., June 22, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch Fri., Aug. 2, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., Aug. 5, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Fri., Aug. 9, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Thu., Aug. 15, 10:00 AM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

Summer Wonder Kickoff Celebration

Get excited as we kick off our summer programming with crafts, games and more. Get started on your Summer Wonder Challenge to earn some great prizes.

Mon., June 3, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Tue., June 4, 10:30 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch
Thu., June 6, 5:30 PM – Grandville Branch
Fri., June 7, 1:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
Fri., June 7, 1:00 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch
Fri., June 7, 1:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch
Mon., June 10, 4:30 PM – Walker Branch
Tue., June 11, 3:00 PM – Wyoming Branch
Fri., June 14, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Tue., June 18, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch



There's Magic in Books

Embark on an imagination-filled reading adventure with magician Jania Taylor that will expand horizons without leaving the library.



Wed., June 12, 10:30 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada) Thu., June 13, 6:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch Mon., June 17, 10:30 AM – Wyoming Branch Mon., June 24, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch Tue., June 25, 10:30 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch Tue., July 9, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Wed., July 10, 6:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch Thu., July 18, 10:00 AM – Walker Branch Fri., July 19, 10:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch Tue., July 23, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Wed., July 24, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch



Touch a Truck

Check out big trucks and the amazing operators that keep our community working. Learn and explore together!

Fri., June 7, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Mon., June 10, 10:00 AM – Alto Branch
Wed., June 19, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
Sat., June 22, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch
Mon., July 1, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Tue., July 9, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch
Tue., July 16, 10:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch
Wed., July 17, 3:00 PM – Wyoming Branch
Sat., July 27, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch
Tue., July 30, 10:30 AM – Alpine Twp. Branch
Thu., Aug. 1, 10:00 AM – Walker Branch
Fri., Aug. 2, 1:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch
Sat., Aug. 3, 10:00 AM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch



FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

Alex Thomas and Friends Puppetry

Enjoy jokes, prizes, stories, silliness and all-around fun through the art of puppetry. These zany, Muppet-style puppets are sure to bring your imagination to life. Be sure to stay for the "Meet and Greet" session after every show for your chance to meet the characters, take a photo and receive a personalized autograph from the puppet on a free photo card!

Wed., July 24, 10:30 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada) Wed., July 24, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch

Being Bilingual Rocks!

Come sing, dance and play musical games in a joyful blend of cultures, sounds and languages! Enjoy an eclectic blend of original and traditional songs from Latin America.

Thu., July 25, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Sat., July 27, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Joe Reilly's Children's Concert

Come out for a fun, educational and interactive musical performance by singer-songwriter Joe Reilly. Family-friendly and appropriate for all ages, Joe sings original songs about nature, community and kindness.

Wed., June 12, 6:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch Tue., July 9, 10:30 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch Tue., July 9, 1:00 PM – Alto Branch

Mama Bear & Baby Cubs Support Group

All moms and children welcome! Join this maternal support group for play time, bonding with other mothers, and free coffee and tea. For adults with young children.

East Grand Rapids Branch

Wed., June 12, 11:00 AM Wed., July 10, 11:00 AM Wed., Aug. 14, 11:00 AM

Grandville Branch

Mon., June 3, 10:00 AM Mon., June 10, 10:00 AM Mon., June 17, 10:00 AM Mon., June 24, 10:00 AM Mon., July 1, 10:00 AM Mon., July 8, 10:00 AM Mon., July 15, 10:00 AM Mon., July 22, 10:00 AM Mon., July 29, 10:00 AM Mon., July 29, 10:00 AM



Plainfield Twp. Branch

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Wyoming Branch

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Meet the Minis

Visit with miniature horses from the Equest Center for Therapeutic Riding. Learn about the many ways therapy horses help people.

Tue., July 9, 1:00 PM – Spencer Twp. Branch Sat., Aug. 3, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch



Mermaid Molly

Hear a story, dance and sing with Mermaid Molly.

Wed., June 12, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch Wed., June 12, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Tue., June 18, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Thu., July 11, 6:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch Wed., July 24, 1:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch Tue., July 30, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch

Music Makers

Come and learn about making music with instruments through songs, activities and rhymes.

Mon., June 3, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Fri., June 7, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., June 10, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Fri., June 14, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., June 17, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Fri., June 21, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., June 24, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Fri., June 28, 10:00 AM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., July 1, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Fri., July 5, 10:00 AM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., July 8, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Fri., July 12, 10:00 AM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., July 15, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Fri., July 19, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., July 22, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Fri., July 26, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., July 29, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Fri., Aug. 2, 10:00 AM - Caledonia Twp. Branch

Music with Miss Katie Sings

Join Miss Katie Sings for a fun time of music and movement! Experience fingerplays, singalongs, shakers, scarves and more as you enjoy new and familiar songs rooted in creative play, kindness and community.



Tue., July 9, 6:30 PM – Byron Twp. Branch Wed., July 10, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

Rockin' and Reading with Leonardo

Bring your dancing shoes and best air guitar moves because it's time to get rockin' and reading! Let this humorous, high-energy and interactive performance inspire your imagination, creativity and love of reading.

Tue., July 9, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Wed., July 17, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch



Splash Party!

You're invited to an outdoor, wild water party. Wear your bathing suit or clothes that can get wet, and don't forget your towel and sunscreen.

Thu., July 11, 1:00 PM – Walker Branch Thu., Aug. 8, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch

Stevens Puppets Presents Beauty and the Beast

Enjoy this magical, timeless story about looking beyond the surface and our differences to find the truth and dignity within each other, beautifully told using hand-carved marionettes and vibrant scenery.

Tue., June 11, 6:30 PM – Byron Twp. Branch Mon., June 17, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch

Stormy's Foam Party

Guests will play with beach balls, frolic in foam bubbles and listen to child-friendly tunes, all while having the time of their lives. Swimwear and a towel for each child is helpful. Footwear that can get wet is also recommended.



Tue., June 18, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch
Sat., June 22, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch
Wed., June 26, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
Mon., July 8, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Wed., July 10, 1:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch
Mon., July 15, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch
Wed., July 17, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch
Wed., Aug. 7, 6:00 PM – Bookmobile
Johnson Park
2600 Wilson Ave SW, Walker, MI 49534

The Jump for Joy Program™ with the Pygmy Goat

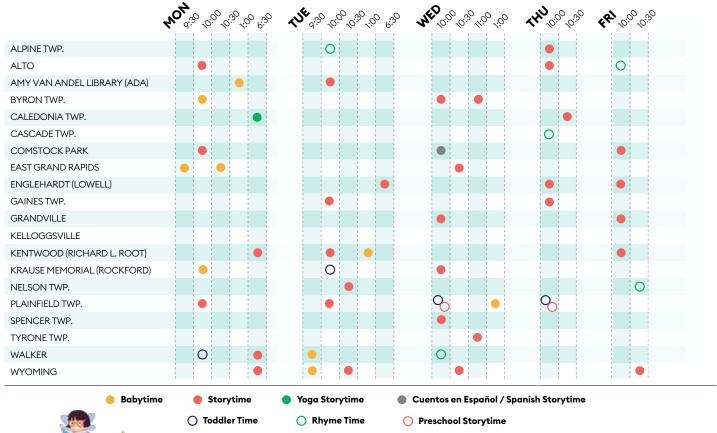
Enjoy a story from local author Nicole Zaagman and meet a pygmy goat who calls Parkside Farm home.

Thu., June 13, 10:00 AM – Walker Branch Thu., June 13, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch Thu., June 20, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch Thu., June 20, 6:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch Mon., June 24, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., June 26, 6:00 PM - Bookmobile Fallasburg Park 1124 Fallasburg Park Dr NE, Lowell, MI 49331 Fri., June 28, 10:00 AM - Byron Twp. Branch Sat., June 29, 10:00 AM - Alpine Twp. Branch Mon., July 8, 10:30 AM - Wyoming Branch Sat., July 13, 10:30 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch Wed., July 17, 10:30 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada) Tue., July 30, 1:00 PM - Alto Branch Tue., July 30, 6:30 PM - Plainfield Twp. Branch Wed., July 31, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch Wed., July 31, 2:00 PM - Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch



YOUNG CHILDEN (AGES 0-5)

Storytimes







Summer storytimes begin June 3 and run through August 9. For the most up-to-date information on storytimes – including cancellations due to branch closures – please visit **kdl.org/storytime**.

Dance with Me!

Even the littlest of kids can dance! Learn to dance together while babywearing in this beginner program for caregivers. Toddlers and older siblings are welcome to dance along.

Wed., June 5, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., June 11, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., June 12, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., June 18, 2:00 PM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., June 19, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., June 25, 2:00 PM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., June 26, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., July 2, 2:00 PM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 3, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., July 9, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 10, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., July 16, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 17, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., July 23, 2:00 PM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 24, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., July 30, 2:00 PM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 31, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., Aug. 6, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Fri., Aug. 9, 11:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch

Loose Parts Play

Give your young child's imagination room to grow through open-ended play with a variety of manipulative materials.

Tue., June 4, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Thu., June 6, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch Fri., June 7, 10:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch Tue., July 9, 11:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Thu., July 11, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch Thu., Aug. 1, 10:00 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch Fri., Aug. 9, 10:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch

Magical Creatures Party

Celebrate all things magical with unicorns, dragons and more! This fantastically fun program geared toward preschoolers will have you prancing for joy with your little ones as you enjoy games, crafts and activities.

Tue., July 30, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch

YOUNG CHILDEN (AGES 0-5)

Make Music Together®

Come dance and play with Joyful Sounds Music Studio! Have fun and make music with your kids using research-based activities that incorporate early literacy skills. **Space** is limited; first come, first served. Doors open 15 minutes before the program begins and you may save one seat for a friend.

Fri., June 14, 10:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch Fri., June 14, 11:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch Fri., July 12, 10:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch Fri., July 12, 11:00 AM – Byron Twp. Branch

Nature Adventures

Embark on a captivating journey through the wonders of nature while enjoying stories, songs and activities.

Mon., June 3, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., June 10, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., June 17, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., June 24, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 1, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 8, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 15, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 22, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 29, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 29, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Outdoor Playtime

Drop in to play with our outdoor toys and activities.

Mon., June 3, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Tue., June 4, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch Tue., June 11, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch Tue., June 18, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch Tue., June 25, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch Tue., July 2, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch Tue., July 9, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch Tue., July 16, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch Tue., July 23, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch Tue., July 26, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., Aug. 5, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch

Stuffed Toy Sleepover

Bring your plush friend to Storytime and leave it for a sleepover. Pick up your special friend the next day to see what fun it had while the library was closed.

Thu., July 11, 6:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Mon., June 10, 6:30 PM - Wyoming Branch

T. Rex Tea Party

Roar! Welcome to the *T. rex* Tea Party. This dino-riffic program combines huge dinosaur fun with classy tea party elegance. The party includes crafts and activities that will have you sipping and stomping with joy.

Tue., June 11, 10:30 AM - Wyoming Branch Wed., June 12, 10:30 AM – Wyoming Branch Fri., June 14, 10:30 AM - Wyoming Branch Thu., June 20, 10:00 AM – Alpine Twp. Branch Tue., June 25, 6:30 PM - Plainfield Twp. Branch Mon., July 1, 10:00 AM - Alto Branch Mon., July 1, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch Tue., July 2, 10:30 AM - Nelson Twp. Branch Wed., July 3, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch Fri., July 5, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch Fri., July 12, 10:00 AM – Walker Branch Thu., July 18, 2:00 PM - Comstock Park Branch Thu., July 18, 6:00 PM - Tyrone Twp. Branch Tue., July 23, 10:00 AM - Alpine Twp. Branch Wed., July 24, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch Thu., July 25, 6:30 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Tue., July 30, 10:30 AM – East Grand Rapids Branch Tue., Aug. 6, 10:00 AM - Byron Twp. Branch Tue., Aug. 6, 10:00 AM – Grandville Branch Wed., Aug. 7, 10:00 AM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., Aug. 7, 10:30 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)

Thu., Aug. 8, 10:00 AM - Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

YOUNG CHILDREN (AGES 0-5) AND SCHOOL AGE (AGES 5-10) •

Cookies with Cops Storytime

Family storytime will feature an officer from the local Police Department as a special guest reader. There will be cookies, cops, badges and books!

Tue., June 25, 10:30 AM – Wyoming Branch Thu., Aug. 8, 10:00 AM – Walker Branch

Pet Show

Your pet is a star! Every critter's a winner in this unique show designed to put the spotlight on your furry, scaly or feathered friend. All acts must pre-register. Visit the library for details.

Tue., Aug. 6, 10:30 AM - Nelson Twp. Branch

The Griffins Put a Lid on It!

The Griffins' "Put A Lid on It!" program and the Helen DeVos Children's Hospital Injury Prevention Program will distribute 100 free bike helmets to kids ages 1-12 (subject to availability). A parent or guardian must be present to receive a helmet. For more information, call 616-391-SAFE or visit griffinshockey.com/putalidonit.

Fri., July 12, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

SCHOOL AGE (AGES 5-10)

Art Attack!

Exercise your creativity! Create a variety of art projects to take home with you.

Wed., July 24, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch

Backyard Safari

Have you ever explored your own backyard jungle and the animals that call it home? Join the Outdoor Discovery Center as we go on safari and explore our wild backyards with the help of our animal ambassadors.*

Mon., June 17, 1:00 PM – Walker Branch
Fri., June 21, 2:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)
Mon., June 24, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch
Tue., June 25, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch
Fri., June 28, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Tue., July 9, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch
Wed., July 10, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Wed., July 17, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch
Tue., July 23, 6:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch
Wed., July 31, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch
Fri., Aug. 2, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch



Bubble Glow Palooza

Enjoy a whimsical experience of glow-in-the-dark art, bubbles and dancing.

Tue., June 11, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Bubble Science

Bubbles are amazing! Why are they round? Why are they iridescent? Come learn all about the science of bubbles.*



Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary's LIVE Reptile Show!

Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary will be presenting live reptiles to entertain and educate the audience.*

Mon., June 10, 1:00 PM - Plainfield Twp. Branch Mon., June 17, 2:00 PM - Alpine Twp. Branch Tue., June 18, 2:00 PM - Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Tue., June 25, 1:00 PM - Alto Branch Wed., June 26, 6:30 PM - Nelson Twp. Branch Mon., July 8, 11:00 AM - Spencer Twp. Branch Tue., July 9, 6:30 PM - Wyoming Branch Fri., July 12, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., July 16, 1:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch Tue., July 16, 6:00 PM - Tyrone Twp. Branch Wed., July 17, 1:30 PM - Gaines Twp. Branch Wed., July 17, 6:00 PM - Bookmobile Caledonia Lakeside Park 370 N Lake St SE, Caledonia, MI 49316 Mon., July 22, 10:00 AM - Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., July 29, 2:00 PM - Byron Twp. Branch Wed., July 31, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

Drawing Under the Sea

Using basic shapes and simple line techniques, learn to create your favorite underwater friends. No prior drawing experience is needed.*

Wed., June 12, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch Mon., June 17, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch Mon., July 15, 2:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch Mon., July 22, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Thu., July 25, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch



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begins and you may save one seat for a friend.

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SCHOOL AGE (AGES 5-10)

Exotic Zoo

Meet a variety of mammals, reptiles and birds from around the world for a hands-on learning experience.

Tue., June 25, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch Tue., June 25, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch Tue., July 2, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch Wed., July 31, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 31, 2:30 PM – Grandville Branch



Foam Dart Party

Have fun joining us for a variety of physical games involving Nerf Blasters. You will run, duck and blast your heart away. Dart blasters that fire Nerf Elite or Mega-style darts will be provided by the library for this event. Patrons can bring their own dart blasters if they wish, but their use will be subject to librarian discretion.

Mon., July 29, 10:00 AM - Cascade Twp. Branch

Girls Who Code

Have fun learning to code in Scratch using games and crafts. This club will empower you to take risks and solve problems. One-time preregistration is required for this 6-week program. Basic typing, math, computer and internet skills are required. Participants are asked to attend each session since the material builds on the previous session. Participants encouraged, but not required, to bring their own device. Limited computers available. For kids entering grades 3 through 6.

Mon., June 17, 4:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., June 24, 4:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 8, 4:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 15, 4:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 22, 4:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 29, 4:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch





A honeybee colony is made up of individual bees doing their jobs and depending on the other bees. Learn the three types of bees and their roles in a hive, see how bees gather nectar and turn it into honey, make a hand-rolled beeswax candle to take home and much more! Presented by Thornapple Woodlands Beekeeper Don Snoeyink.*

Thu., June 13, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch Fri., July 19, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch



John Ball Zoo's Travel Zoo

John Ball will bring the zoo to KDL! Students will learn about wildlife conservation through interacting with live zoo animals in the comfort of the library.*

Fri., June 14, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch Wed., June 19, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Thu., June 27, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch Thu., June 27, 6:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch Mon., July 15, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Tue., July 23, 1:00 PM – Alto Branch Wed., July 24, 2:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch Mon., July 29, 1:00 PM – Walker Branch



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SCHOOL AGE (AGES 5-10)



KDL Labs last 1 - 2 hours.
For specific durations and the most current schedule – including any additions to this schedule or unexpected cancellations – visit kdl.org/KDL-Lab.



Drop in and allow children to think creatively, tinker, explore and collaborate while engaging in a variety of hands-on activities based on STEAM concepts.

Thu., June 20, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Thu., July 18, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Thu., Aug. 1, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

KDL Lab Experience: A STEAM Sports Spectacular

Join us for a blend of STEAM exploration and sports-themed excitement. Creativity meets competition as you explore hands-on challenges inspired by the world of sports.

Tue., June 11, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch
Fri., June 14, 1:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch
Mon., June 17, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch
Thu., June 27, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
Tue., July 9, 1:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch
Sat., July 13, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch
Mon., July 15, 1:00 PM – Walker Branch
Mon., July 22, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch
Thu., July 25, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Thu., Aug. 8, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

KDL Lab Experience: Architecture Adventure

Don't miss your chance to have your own architecture adventure and build the tallest tower or coolest castle with all sorts of different materials. The only limit at this program is your imagination – and the amount of supplies available.

Wed., June 5, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Wed., June 5, 6:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch
Mon., June 24, 1:00 PM – Walker Branch
Wed., July 3, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Wed., July 10, 3:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch
Thu., July 11, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Fri., July 12, 1:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch
Thu., July 18, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
Thu., July 18, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
Sat., July 20, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch
Thu., July 25, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
Mon., July 29, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch
Thu., Aug. 1, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
Wed., Aug. 7, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch

KDL Lab Experience: Art Party

See how science and creativity go hand in hand as you let your artistic vision flow through a multitude of mediums and projects.

Tue., June 4, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Sat., June 29, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch Thu., July 11, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch Tue., July 23, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch Tue., July 23, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

KDL Lab Experience: Birds of Wonder

Discover the wonder of birds through hands-on activities and crafting. Learn about our feathered friends and how they are unique to our world.

Thu., June 13, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Wed., June 26, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch

KDL Lab Experience: Build It!

Drop in with your friends and make all kinds of creations using the library's building sets.

Thu., July 11, 1:00 PM - Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

KDL Lab Experience: Dog Man's STEAM Adventures

Unleash the creative world of Dog Man with paws-on activities straight from your favorite Dog Man books. Create your own 80-HD robot, explore blueprints, try out different types of "flip-o-ramas" and so much more.

Wed., June 5, 12:00 PM – Spencer Twp. Branch
Thu., June 6, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Wed., June 12, 3:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch
Tue., June 25, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch
Wed., June 26, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch
Wed., July 10, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch
Tue., July 16, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch
Wed., July 17, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Tue., July 23, 1:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch
Thu., Aug. 1, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
Thu., Aug. 8, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

KDL Lab Experience: Knights of the Lab Table

Hear ye, hear ye! Join us as we journey to the Middle Ages and explore the wonders to be found. Don your armor and prepare!

Wed., June 19, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Tue., July 2, 1:00 PM – Alto Branch Mon., July 8, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Tue., July 9, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch Sat., July 13, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch Wed., July 17, 2:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch Wed., July 24, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch Thu., Aug. 1, 2:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada) Mon., Aug. 5, 1:00 PM – Walker Branch Fri., Aug. 9, 1:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch

KDL Lab Experience: Under the Sea

Calling all merfolk, seafolk and mariners! Take a dive with some ocean-themed STEAM activities.

Sat., June 8, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch Thu., June 20, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Thu., July 11, 2:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)

SCHOOL AGE (AGES 5-10)

KDL Lab Experience: Wilderness Explorers

Do you feel out of your element while braving the elements? Wilderness Explorers is just the program for you! Complete our non-strenuous training regimen, and you'll feel a new appreciation for the great outdoors. Happy exploring!

Thu., June 6, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
Thu., June 6, 2:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)
Wed., June 12, 2:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch
Sat., June 15, 10:00 AM – Nelson Twp. Branch
Thu., June 20, 6:30 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch
Thu., June 27, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Wed., July 10, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch
Wed., July 10, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch
Tue., July 30, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch
Tue., Aug. 6, 1:00 PM – Alto Branch
Mon., Aug. 19, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch



It's a special time for fun, interactive programs just for school kids!
Join our KDL Kids Zone programs for crafts, storytime, games and other activities.

Caledonia Twp. Branch

Thu., June 20, 2:00 PM Thu., July 11, 2:00 PM Thu., Aug. 1, 2:00 PM

Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

Mon., June 3, 4:30 PM
Mon., June 10, 4:30 PM
Mon., June 17, 4:30 PM
Mon., June 24, 4:30 PM
Mon., July 1, 4:30 PM
Mon., July 8, 4:30 PM
Mon., July 15, 4:30 PM
Mon., July 22, 4:30 PM
Mon., July 29, 4:30 PM
Mon., Aug. 5, 4:30 PM
Mon., Aug. 12, 4:30 PM
Mon., Aug. 19, 4:30 PM
Mon., Aug. 26, 4:30 PM

Nelson Twp. Branch

Fri., July 5, 10:30 AM

Wyoming Branch

Thu., June 6, 1:00 PM Thu., June 13, 1:00 PM Thu., June 20, 1:00 PM Thu., June 27, 1:00 PM Thu., July 11, 1:00 PM Thu., July 18, 1:00 PM Thu., July 25, 1:00 PM Thu., Aug. 1, 1:00 PM Thu., Aug. 8, 1:00 PM



* For students entering grades 2 through 5.

Space is limited; first come, first served

Doors open 10 minutes before the program

begins, and you can save one seat for a friend.



Library Camp Day 1: Welcome to the Library!

Welcome to Library Camp! Today, you'll take a behindthe-scenes tour of the library and discover what goes into keeping a branch running smoothly.*

Tue., June 4, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., June 10, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch Mon., June 10, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch Tue., June 18, 2:00 PM – Grandville Branch Tue., June 25, 2:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch Mon., July 1, 1:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch Mon., July 1, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 22, 4:00 PM – Walker Branch Tue., July 23, 2:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

Library Camp Day 2: Materials 101

Welcome to Library Camp! Today, you'll practice your bookhunting skills by learning how to understand our call number system and how to use our catalog.*

Wed., June 5, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Tue., June 11, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch Mon., June 24, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch Tue., June 25, 2:00 PM – Grandville Branch Wed., June 26, 2:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch Tue., July 2, 1:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch Tue., July 2, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Tue., July 23, 4:00 PM – Walker Branch Wed., July 24, 2:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

Library Camp Day 3: Reading Is Rad

Welcome to Library Camp! Today, you'll explore what it takes to create a great book display, help curate one for the library, and even make some bookmarks for patrons.*

Thu., June 6, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., June 12, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch Thu., June 27, 2:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch Wed., July 3, 1:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch Wed., July 3, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 8, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch Tue., July 9, 2:00 PM – Grandville Branch Wed., July 24, 4:00 PM – Walker Branch Thu., July 25, 2:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

Library Camp Day 4: Programming Crash Course

Welcome to Library Camp! Today, you'll learn exactly what it takes to put on a storytime (get ready to rhyme!) and help us develop future programs for patrons.*

Fri., June 7, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Thu., June 13, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch
Fri., June 28, 2:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch
Fri., July 5, 1:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch
Fri., July 5, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Tue., July 16, 2:00 PM – Grandville Branch
Mon., July 22, 2:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch
Thu., July 25, 4:00 PM – Walker Branch
Fri., July 26, 2:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

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SCHOOL AGE (AGES 5-10)



Mad Science Presents Adventure Awaits

Go on an adventure using science! We'll take off by creating a hot air balloon, go bungee jumping with Earl N. Meyer and create our very own flaming dragon's breath. The adventures are endless when we have science and knowledge.*

Wed., June 19, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch
Wed., June 19, 6:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch
Thu., June 20, 10:00 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
Thu., June 20, 6:30 PM – Spencer Twp. Branch
Wed., June 26, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Wed., June 26, 2:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch



Mini Brick Derby

Build your dream race car out of LEGO® bricks and see if it has what it takes to win! There will be one hour before the race to design and build your car using library-provided bricks, and then the all-ages derby race will begin.

Sponsored by the Friends of the EGR Library.

Mon., June 17, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch



Raptors LIVE!

Learn all about birds of prey and meet some of the birds from North Sky Raptor Sanctuary in this amazing, live presentation.*

Tue., June 11, 1:00 PM – Alto Branch
Wed., June 12, 10:00 AM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Wed., June 12, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch
Wed., June 19, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch
Tue., June 25, 1:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch
Wed., July 10, 1:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
Fri., July 19, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch
Mon., July 22, 2:00 PM – Spencer Twp. Branch
Tue., July 23, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch

Tue., July 23, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Tue., July 23, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch

Thu., July 25, 2:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch Fri., Aug. 2, 10:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Fri., Aug. 2, 2:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)



Reading Rocks in Rockford

Join us for the 15th annual Reading Rocks in Rockford Festival! Celebrate Rockin' Reader Awards for local students. Meet the author of *Isaiah Dunn Is My Hero*, Kelly J. Baptist. Visit with local authors and purchase copies of their books. Games, crafts and activities offered by the library, Rockford Public Schools, Rockford Chamber of Commerce and Rotary International. Friends of the Library Book Sale from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM inside the library. Bag special from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM.

Sat., June 1, 9:45 AM to 1:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch



Free Passes to Area Attractions

Kent District Library has partnered with area attractions to provide our patrons with access to complimentary guest passes to area museums and botanical gardens.

KDL patrons ages 18 and above can use their library card to reserve free passes to attractions and experiences around the county. Cardholders can reserve passes online, print their passes at any branch and visit their attraction on the date they reserved.



* This program is designed for patrons ages 5 to 10.

Patrons outside this age range are welcome to attend; however, the content might be too fast-paced or too simplistic, depending upon their age.

SCHOOL AGE (AGES 5-10)

Ruff Readers

This unique read-aloud program in partnership with West Michigan Therapy Dogs, Inc. pairs kids with a trained therapy dog and their handler. Kids read their favorite book and the pooches curl up, listen and enjoy.

Arrive 15 minutes early to sign in and secure a time slot. First come, first served.

Alpine Twp. Branch

Mon., July 1, 4:00 PM Mon., July 8, 4:00 PM Mon., July 15, 4:00 PM Mon., July 22, 4:00 PM

Byron Twp. Branch

Wed., June 12, 6:30 PM Wed., June 19, 6:30 PM Wed., June 26, 6:30 PM Wed., July 10, 6:30 PM Wed., July 17, 6:30 PM Wed., July 31, 6:30 PM

Caledonia Twp. Branch

Mon., June 10, 2:00 PM Mon., June 17, 2:00 PM Mon., June 24, 2:00 PM Mon., July 1, 2:00 PM Mon., July 8, 2:00 PM Mon., July 15, 2:00 PM Mon., July 22, 2:00 PM Mon., July 29, 2:00 PM

Cascade Twp. Branch

Wed., June 5, 2:00 PM Wed., June 12, 2:00 PM Wed., June 19, 2:00 PM Wed., June 26, 2:00 PM Wed., July 10, 2:00 PM Wed., July 17, 2:00 PM Wed., July 24, 2:00 PM Wed., July 31, 2:00 PM

East Grand Rapids Branch

Wed., July 10, 6:30 PM Wed., July 17, 6:30 PM Wed., July 24, 6:30 PM Wed., July 31, 6:30 PM

Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

Wed., June 5, 6:30 PM Wed., June 12, 6:30 PM Wed., June 19, 6:30 PM Wed., June 26, 6:30 PM Wed., July 3, 6:30 PM Wed., July 10, 6:30 PM Wed., July 17, 6:30 PM Wed., July 24, 6:30 PM Wed., July 31, 6:30 PM Wed., Aug. 7, 6:30 PM



Gaines Twp. Branch

Tue., June 11, 6:30 PM Tue., June 18, 6:30 PM Tue., June 25, 6:30 PM Tue., July 9, 6:30 PM Tue., July 16, 6:30 PM Tue., July 23, 6:30 PM

Grandville Branch

Mon., June 10, 6:30 PM Mon., June 17, 6:30 PM Mon., June 24, 6:30 PM Mon., July 8, 6:30 PM Mon., July 15, 6:30 PM Mon., July 22, 6:30 PM Mon., July 29, 6:30 PM

Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch

Mon., June 17, 6:30 PM Mon., June 24, 6:30 PM Mon., July 1, 6:30 PM Mon., July 15, 6:30 PM Mon., July 22, 6:30 PM Mon., July 29, 6:30 PM

Plainfield Twp. Branch

Wed., June 12, 6:30 PM Wed., June 19, 6:30 PM Wed., June 26, 6:30 PM Wed., July 10, 6:30 PM Wed., July 17, 6:30 PM Wed., July 24, 6:30 PM Wed., July 31, 6:30 PM

Wyoming Branch

Tue., Aug. 6, 6:30 PM Tue., Aug. 13, 6:30 PM



Got a question?





Join our librarians every other Wednesday as they put their research skills to the test to answer your inquisitive questions and see if it's possible to stump a librarian! You can submit a question via kdl.org/stump. They would love to hear what questions are on your mind. Don't forget to subscribe to the podcast via **stumpthelibrarian.podbean.com** or wherever you prefer to listen.

New episode every other Wednesday at 9:30 AM.

Youth Mario Kart Tournament

It's esports time for kids ages 5-10! Bring your friends to play Mario Kart using Nintendo Switch. Many will enter, but only one will be crowned champion! Space is limited; first come, first served. Doors open 15 minutes before the program begins and you may save one seat for a friend.

Tue., June 11, 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM - Tyrone Twp. Branch Fri., June 21, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM - Cascade Twp. Branch Mon., July 8, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM – Walker Branch Wed., July 17, 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM - Nelson Twp. Branch Fri., July 19, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada) Wed., July 24, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM - Caledonia Twp. Branch



SCHOOL AGE (AGES 5-10) & TEENS (AGES 11-17)

Coding Class with Coders4Tomorrow

Coders4Tomorrow will teach the basics of coding through creating video games. Pizza and snacks provided. For grades 4-8. No prior coding experience is necessary.*

Fri., Aug. 2, 11:00 AM to 3:30 PM- Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Gather 2 Grow! Lunches at the Library

KDL is proud to partner with Feeding America West Michigan to provide free lunches for students ages 2-18 or up to 26 years of age for people with disabilities.



Kids and Teens Craft Sale

Arts and crafts for sale by local kids and teens. Join us as a seller or come to shop. Celebrate creativity and support young artists. **Pre-registration for sellers is required. Stop by the library to register.**

Mon., June 17, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Tue., June 25, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch Sat., July 27, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch Tue., July 30, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM – Grandville Branch

TEENS (AGES 11-17)

Bullet Journals with Mo

Get organized with this crash course in bullet journaling. We will learn the art of habit tracking, goal setting, future planning and how to make a bullet journal work for you.*

Wed., June 12, 2:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch Thu., June 13, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Tue., July 23, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch Wed., July 24, 4:00 PM – Alto Branch Thu., July 25, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch Tue., July 30, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Cartoon Drawing

Panel cartoons can be amazing! Come ready to draw and learn the tools that help to make panel cartoons clear, funny, understandable and a pleasure to read.*

Thu., June 13, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch Tue., June 25, 1:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch Wed., July 10, 3:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch Thu., July 18, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

Intro to Macramé

Master two essential knots and create your own small wall hanging. Learn the basic techniques in a hands-on session and leave with a unique piece of art that reflects your newfound knot-tying skills.*

Tue., June 11, 1:00 PM – Walker Branch Wed., June 26, 4:00 PM – Alto Branch Thu., July 18, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch Mon., July 22, 3:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

Intro to Watercolor

Discover the essentials of watercolor. Dive into the basics and leave with the skills needed to continue your watercolor exploration independently.*

Thu., June 27, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch Mon., July 8, 3:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Thu., July 11, 6:30 PM – Spencer Twp. Branch Tue., July 16, 3:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch Wed., July 17, 2:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch Mon., July 22, 1:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch Tue., July 30, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch 40 | Summer 2024 | KDL.org

Landscape Painting

Explore acrylic painting through making your own landscape art. Follow along step-by-step or do your own thing.*



Mon., June 10, 3:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch
Tue., June 11, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Wed., June 12, 3:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch
Thu., June 13, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch
Thu., June 13, 6:30 PM – Spencer Twp. Branch
Mon., June 17, 1:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch
Thu., June 20, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch
Tue., June 25, 3:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch
Thu., June 27, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch
Tue., July 9, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch
Thu., July 11, 1:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch
Wed., July 17, 2:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)



Make Your Own Bookish Buddy

Create a stuffed bunny or bookworm out of a sock and personalize your new friend however you want. No sewing required!*

Wed., June 12, 4:00 PM – Alto Branch
Tue., June 18, 2:00 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Wed., June 19, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch
Thu., June 20, 2:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch
Mon., June 24, 1:30 PM – Nelson Twp. Branch
Tue., June 25, 6:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch
Wed., June 26, 3:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch
Thu., July 11, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch
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Tue., July 23, 1:00 PM – Walker Branch
Thu., July 25, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch
Thu., July 25, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch
Wed., July 31, 3:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch

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TEENS (AGES 11-17)

Novel Newts Book Club

Wednesdays at 3:00 PM - Englehardt (Lowell) Branch



June 12, The Inheritance Games by Jennifer Lynn Barnes



July 10, *Prairie Lotus* by Linda Sue Park



Aug. 7,Paradise on Fire
by Jewell Parker
Rhodes

Now You See It, Now You Don't Mystery Party

Join us for an interactive murder mystery performance in which the guests play suspects and detectives that work together to solve a crime.*

Wed., June 19, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

One Shot RPGs

Explore new RPG systems during our monthly one-shot adventures! Join an all-raccoon racing team, take on a quest as a reanimated skeleton or plan a fool-proof heist as a group of bears. New and experienced players are welcome for these easy-to-learn adventures.

Mon., June 17, 6:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Mon., July 15, 6:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

Polymer Clay Jewelry

Try out our clay tips and tricks to create your own, handmade clay piece to take home and bake with easy, provided instructions.*

Tue., June 11, 3:00 PM – Alpine Twp. Branch Tue., June 18, 6:30 PM – Comstock Park Branch Wed., June 19, 3:00 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch Wed., June 26, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch Thu., June 27, 1:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch Thu., June 27, 6:30 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Wed., July 10, 4:00 PM – Alto Branch Tue., July 16, 1:00 PM – Walker Branch Thu., July 18, 6:30 PM – Spencer Twp. Branch

Summer Trivia

Test your memory and mind with several rounds of trivia and brain games during Summer Teen Trivia! Bring your friends or join up with others on the spot to make a team. Questions will include general knowledge and pop culture topics. (Please note: This program is being presented at multiple branches, but participants are asked to only play the game one time to keep it fair for everyone. Thank you!) *

Tue., June 11, 2:00 PM – Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Thu., June 13, 1:00 PM – Kelloggsville Branch Thu., June 27, 2:00 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Wed., July 10, 3:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch Wed., July 24, 6:30 PM – Wyoming Branch

Summer Wonder Teen Crew Orientation

Enthusiastic and energetic teen volunteers are wanted to help with Summer Wonder at KDL. Fun times are guaranteed, with the added benefit of service experience. **Registration is required via a paper application available at your branch.***

Sat., June 1, 10:00 AM – Comstock Park Branch Sat., June 1, 10:00 AM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Sat., June 1, 11:00 AM – Spencer Twp. Branch Tue., June 4, 6:00 PM – Comstock Park Branch

Super Smash Bros. Tournament

It's esports time for teens! Bring your friends to compete at Super Smash Bros. using Nintendo Switch. Many will enter, but only one will be crowned champion! *

Wed., June 12, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)

Thu., June 13, 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM- Plainfield Twp. Branch Tue., June 18, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM- Walker Branch Thu., June 20, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM- Grandville Branch Wed., June 26, 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM- Byron Twp. Branch Wed., July 10, 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM- Wyoming Branch Tue., July 16, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM- Cascade Twp. Branch Thu., July 18, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM- Caledonia Twp. Branch Tue., July 23, 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM- Comstock Park Branch Wed., July 24, 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM- Tyrone Twp. Branch Tue., July 30, 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM- Gaines Twp. Branch Wed., July 31, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM - Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Teen Advisory Board

Teens ages 11-17 are invited to meet with a teen librarian to develop teen programs, discuss teen books and make sure that our teen space is as fun and functional as possible. Meetings can count as volunteer hours for things like the National Honor Society. Students ages 14+ can apply for additional volunteer opportunities.

Fri., June 7, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Thu., June 13, 3:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Fri., June 14, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Fri., June 21, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Thu., July 11, 3:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Fri., July 12, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Fri., July 26, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Fri., Aug. 2, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch Thu., Aug. 8, 3:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Fri., Aug. 9, 1:00 PM – Plainfield Twp. Branch

Teen Cram Session

Finish that big project or prepare for a test in a teen-only study space with light snacks, focus aids and stress-reducing activities. Bring your assignments, your study partners and your brain.

Sun., June 2, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM - Byron Twp. Branch

* Space is limited; first come, first served.

Doors open 15 minutes before the program
begins and you may save one seat for a friend.

TEEN ZONE

Teen-only fun for you and your friends at the library! Stop by for activities that may include board games, food and more.

Alpine Twp. Branch

Discard Crafts

Tue., July 9, 3:00 PM

Caledonia Twp. Branch

Anime Club

Sat., June 8, 2:00 PM Sat., June 29, 2:00 PM Sat., July 20, 2:00 PM

East Grand Rapids Branch

Pop-Tart Pillows

Thu., July 11, 2:00 PM

Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

Nintendo Switch

Mon., June 17, 3:00 PM Mon., July 1, 3:00 PM Mon., July 29, 3:00 PM

Unhinged Fashion Doll DIY

Mon., June 24, 3:00 PM

Gummy Bear Pendants

Mon., July 15, 3:00 PM

Pop-Tart Pillows

Mon., Aug. 5, 3:00 PM

Gaines Twp. Branch

Protect the Pollinators

Tue., June 11, 3:00 PM

Gummy Bear Pendants

Tue., June 18, 3:00 PM

Beastly Blends

Tue., July 9, 3:00 PM

Book Crafts

Tue., July 16, 3:00 PM

Grandville Branch

Unhinged Fashion Doll DIY Thu., July 18, 1:00 PM

Beastly Blends

Thu., July 25, 1:00 PM

Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Unhinged Fashion Doll DIY

Wed., June 5, 2:00 PM

90s Crafts

Wed., June 26, 2:00 PM

Beastly Blends

Wed., July 10, 2:00 PM

Sharpie Mugs

Wed., July 24, 2:00 PM

Nelson Twp. Branch

Duct Tape Crafts

Mon., June 3, 1:30 PM

Beastly Blends

Mon., June 10, 1:30 PM

Unhinged Fashion Doll DIY

Mon., July 8, 1:30 PM

Shrinky Dinks

Mon., July 15, 1:30 PM

Pop-Tart Pillows

Mon., July 29, 1:30 PM

Plainfield Twp. Branch

D&D

Thu., June 6, 2:00 PM Thu., June 20, 2:00 PM Thu., July 18, 2:00 PM Thu., Aug. 1, 2:00 PM

Shrinky Dinks

Thu., June 6, 6:30 PM

Unhinged Fashion Doll DIY

Thu., July 11, 6:30 PM

Beastly Blends

Thu., Aug. 1, 6:30 PM

Discard Crafts

Thu., Aug. 8, 6:30 PM

Tyrone Twp. Branch

Tue., June 11, 1:00 PM Thu., June 13, 1:00 PM Tue., June 18, 1:00 PM Thu., June 20, 1:00 PM Tue., June 25, 1:00 PM Thu., June 27, 1:00 PM Tue., July 2, 1:00 PM Tue., July 9, 1:00 PM Thu., July 11, 1:00 PM Tue., July 16, 1:00 PM Thu., July 18, 1:00 PM Tue., July 23, 1:00 PM Thu., July 25, 1:00 PM Tue., July 30, 1:00 PM Thu., Aug. 1, 1:00 PM Tue., Aug. 6, 1:00 PM Thu., Aug. 8, 1:00 PM





Teen Zones last 1 - 2 hours. For specific durations and the most current schedule – including any additions to this schedule or unexpected cancellations – visit kdl.org/teenzones.

TEENS (AGES 11-17) & ADULTS (AGES 18 AND OLDER)

KDL Gaming | Game on PC!

Come hang out, challenge your friends, solo game and use our state-of-the-art gaming computers. Available games include Fortnite, Rocket League, League of Legends and more!

Space is limited; first come, first served.

Sat., June 15, 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM – KDL Service and Meeting Center Thu., June 27, 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM – KDL Service and Meeting Center Sat., July 13, 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM – KDL Service and Meeting Center Thu., July 25, 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM – KDL Service and Meeting Center Sat., Aug. 10, 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM – KDL Service and Meeting Center



Author Talks, Online

All online author talks are one hour, unless noted otherwise, and new author talks are being added regularly. Check the latest schedule and register at kdl.org/authortalks.

Matthew Shindell

Mon., June 3, 2:00 PM



Tiffany Jewell Thu., June 20, 2:00 PM



Max Brallier Tue., July 16, 2:00 PM



Dan Santat Wed., July 31, 2:00 PM



Freida McFadden

Thu., June 13, 8:00 PM



Kate DiCamillo

Tue., July 9, 2:00 PM





Elizabeth Acevedo

Tue., July 23, 2:00 PM





Book Discussions, In Person

Join a fun, informal discussion of great books.

Alto Branch All Aboard! Book Club

Thursdays at 1:30 PM



June 20, My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry by Fredrik Backman



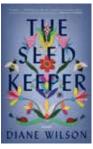
July 18, Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club by J. Ryan Stradal



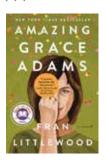
Aug. 15, The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah

Byron Twp. Branch Byron Twp. Book Discussion

Mondays at 6:30 PM



June 24, The Seed Keeper by Diane Wilson



July 22,Amazing Grace
Adams
by Fran Littlewood



Aug. 26, The Burning Blue by Kevin Cook

Cascade Twp. Branch Silent Book Club

Tuesdays at 6:00 PM

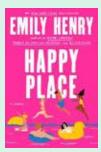


Put down your phone, pick up a book and spend quality time with fellow book lovers. This isn't your typical book club; there is no assigned reading or deadlines. Simply bring what you're reading and connect over a beverage.

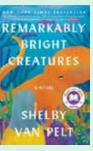
Tue., June 4, 6:00 PM Tue., July 2, 6:00 PM

Comstock Park Branch Lit Wits Book Discussion

Thursdays at 6:30 PM



June 27, Happy Place by Emily Henry



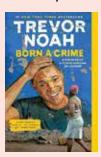
July 25, Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt



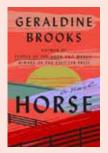
Aug. 22, The Inheritance Games by Jennifer Lynn Barnes

Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Bookworms Book Club

Tuesdays at 12:00 PM



June 11, Born a Crime by Trevor Noah



July 9, *Horse*by Geraldine Brooks



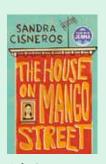
Aug. 13, Lady Tan's Circle of Women by Lisa See

Never Too Old Book Club

Tuesdays at 6:30 PM



June 11, *Nimona* by N.D. Stevenson



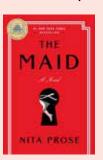
July 9, The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros



Aug. 13, Lovely War by Julie Berry

Night Owls Book Club

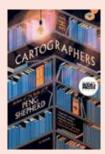
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June 5, The Maid by Nita Prose



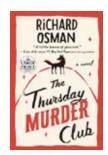
July 3, The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo by Taylor Jenkins Reid



Aug. 7,The
Cartographers
by Peng
Shephard

East Grand Rapids Branch Lakeside Lit Book Club

Mondays at 1:00 PM



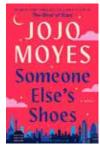
June 10, The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman

Gaines Twp. Branch Common Reader Book Club

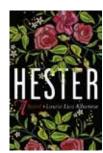
Tuesdays at 1:00 PM



June 18, The Rose Code by Kate Quinn



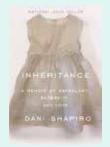
July 16, Someone Else's Shoes by Jojo Moyes



Aug. 20, Hester by Lico Albanese

Krause Memorial (Rockford) Branch Krause Afternoon Book Club

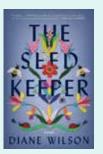
Fridays at 1:30 PM



June 21, *Inheritance* by Dani Shapiro



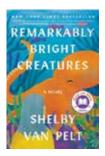
July 19, The Red Palace by June Hur



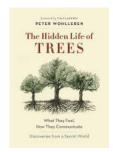
Aug. 16, The Seed Keeper by Diane Wilson

Nelson Twp. Branch Nelson Twp. Book Club

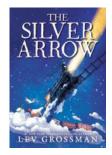
Tuesdays at 1:30 PM



June 18, Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt



July 16, The Hidden Life of Trees by Peter Wohlleben



Aug. 20, The Silver Arrow by Lev Grossman

Krause Evening Book Club

Mondays at 6:30 PM



June 10, This month, participants will discuss books of their own choosing that are set in Ireland.



July 8,All That We Carried by Erin Bartels



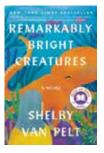
Aug. 12, This month we'll be having an author study. Participants are invited to read any book by Elin Hilderbrand.

Walker Branch Walker Book Discussion

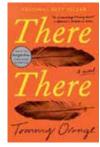
Tuesdays at 11:00 AM



June 11, Between Two Kingdoms by Suleika Jaouad



July 9,Remarkably Bright
Creatures
by Shelby Van Pelt



Aug. 13, There There by Tommy Orange



The program events listed in this document are subject to change and were current at the time of printing. Please confirm details at kdl.org/events.

AARP Learn a Latte: Understanding Proposal 22-2

Voting in Michigan is more accessible than ever. Learn about Proposal 22-2 and how it expands your voting rights. Plus, discover how and where to access trusted news sources during this election year. You'll walk away an informed voter with a solid ballot plan regardless of how you vote.

Wed., Aug. 21, 10:00 AM - Wyoming Branch

Antiques Appraisal at the Library

Bring your heirloom or treasured possession to the library, share its story and have it evaluated by Kellie Johnson of Blue Moon Estate Sales. Nothing to bring? Come watch your neighbors share their items at this fun event modeled after the popular *Antique Roadshow* program. **No weapons or very large items. Photos of your item are acceptable. Limit one item per person.**

Sat., June 8, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM – Grandville Branch

Awesome Adults

A time for fun activities with friends. This program is designed for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their care partners.

Tue., June 4, 11:00 AM – Walker Branch Tue., June 11, 1:00 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch Fri., June 14, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch

Fri., June 21, 1:00 PM - Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Fri., June 28, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch Tue., July 2, 11:00 AM – Walker Branch Tue., July 9, 1:00 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch Fri., July 19, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch

Fri., July 19, 1:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Fri., Aug. 2, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch Tue., Aug. 6, 11:00 AM – Walker Branch Tue., Aug. 13, 1:00 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch Fri., Aug. 16, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch

Fri., Aug. 16, 1:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch

Bingo Hour

Relax and make new friends while playing exciting rounds of Bingo.

Tue., June 11, 1:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)
Wed., June 12, 11:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Mon., June 17, 10:30 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
Tue., June 18, 1:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch
Wed., June 26, 10:00 AM – Gaines Twp. Branch
Wed., July 10, 11:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Mon., July 15, 10:30 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
Tue., July 16, 1:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)
Tue., July 17, 10:00 AM – Gaines Twp. Branch
Wed., July 17, 10:00 AM – Gaines Twp. Branch
Wed., Aug. 7, 10:00 AM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)
Wed., Aug. 13, 1:00 PM – Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)
Wed., Aug. 14, 11:00 AM – Cascade Twp. Branch
Mon., Aug. 19, 10:30 AM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch
Tue., Aug. 20, 1:00 PM – East Grand Rapids Branch

Classic Movies of the Silver Screen

Join other classic movie lovers to watch films from the golden age of the silver screen. **Refreshments provided. The library will post the movie titles in the branch.**

Fri., June 21, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch Fri., July 12, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch Fri., Aug. 23, 1:00 PM – Grandville Branch

Craft & Create

Create together! Features a new craft each time for you to make and take home.

Wed., June 5, 6:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch Mon., June 10, 6:30 PM - Cascade Twp. Branch Thu., June 13, 6:00 PM - Wyoming Branch Tue., June 18, 6:30 PM - Tyrone Twp. Branch Sat., June 22, 3:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Tue., June 25, 6:30 PM – Alto Branch Thu., June 27, 6:00 PM – Wyoming Branch Tue., July 9, 6:30 PM – Tyrone Twp. Branch Thu., July 11, 6:00 PM – Wyoming Branch Sat., July 13, 3:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Tue., July 23, 6:30 PM - Alto Branch Thu., July 25, 6:00 PM – Wyoming Branch Sat., Aug. 3, 3:00 PM - Englehardt (Lowell) Branch Tue., Aug. 6, 6:30 PM - Tyrone Twp. Branch Wed., Aug. 7, 6:00 PM - Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch Sat., Aug. 24, 3:00 PM – Englehardt (Lowell) Branch

Hora de Intercambio / Spanish Conversation Hour

Tue., Aug. 27, 6:30 PM - Alto Branch

Come and meet Spanish language learners to connect and practice with others in this librarian-facilitated discussion. Open to all Spanish fluency levels.



Wed., June 26, 6:30 PM – Walker Branch Wed., July 24, 6:30 PM – Walker Branch Wed., Aug. 28, 6:30 PM – Walker Branch

Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament

Compete against teams of four people (teams can be formed either before or at the event) to solve identical jigsaw puzzles in the least amount of time. The speed event will begin 30 minutes after the beginning of the program. Refreshments will be provided, and you can bring puzzles with all pieces included to swap with other puzzle enthusiasts. **Pre-registration required; visit kdl.org/events.**

Sat., June 8, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM - Cascade Twp. Branch



Library Literacy: Making the Most of Public Library Resources in Your Classroom

Gather at the library with other secondary school educators from around Kent County for a day of connection and learning from library staff and each other. Discover the many free resources offered by Kent District Library and how you can use them in the classroom. **Pre-registration is required. Please register at bit.ly/kdllibraryliteracy.**

Mon., Aug. 12, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM – Kentwood (Richard L. Root) Branch



Make Your Own Elderberry Syrup

Learn from Haley Terpstra of Herbal Meadows Botanicals about foraging, growing and propagating the elderberry plant and its many uses for health and well-being. Each participant will get to craft their own elderberry syrup mocktail and take home an 8 oz. bottle filled with syrup. **Space is limited to 20; first come, first served. Doors open 15 minutes before the program begins, and you can save one seat for a friend.**

Mon., June 10, 6:00 PM – Byron Twp. Branch Tue., Aug. 13, 6:00 PM – Grandville Branch



Open Craft Lab

Stop in and try something new or bring in your own project! New projects will be introduced monthly. All previous projects will be available while supplies last.

Thu., June 13, 5:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch Thu., July 11, 5:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch Thu., Aug. 15, 5:30 PM – Gaines Twp. Branch



Pressed Flower Prints

Bring a hint of spring flowers to your indoor décor. Create a pressed flower print with hand-selected dried flowers on craft paper. A 5"x7" matte frame is provided. Space is limited; first come, first served. Doors open 10 minutes before the program begins, and you can save one seat for a friend.

Thu., June 20, 6:30 PM - Amy Van Andel Library (Ada)

Wild Mushroom Identification

A state-certified Wild Mushroom Expert will share a brief overview of the terminology, skills and resources needed to accurately identify many of the 2,500 mushroom species in Michigan. The class will focus on the more easily identifiable and choice edible species as well as resources for identifying toxic species in Michigan.

Tue., July 23, 6:30 PM – Caledonia Twp. Branch Mon., July 29, 6:30 PM – Cascade Twp. Branch

Book Club in a Bag?

More than 300 popular fiction and nonfiction titles are available to all KDL, GRPL and Lakeland Library Cooperative cardholders.





BRANCH LOCATIONS & HOURS

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ALPINE TOWNSHIP BRANCH

5255 Alpine Ave. NW, Comstock Park 49321

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
_	to	to	12:00 to 8:00	to	to	to

ALTO BRANCH

6071 Linfield Ave., Alto 49302

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
-	to	to	12:00 to 8:00	to	to	to

AMY VAN ANDEL LIBRARY (ADA)

7215 Headley St. SE, Ada 49301

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
to	to	to	to	12:00 to	to	to
5:00	8:00	5:00	5:00	8:00	5:00	1:30

BYRON TOWNSHIP BRANCH

8191 Byron Center Ave. SW, Byron Center 49315

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
-	to	to	to	12:00 to 8:00	to	to

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP BRANCH

6260 92nd St. SE, Caledonia 49316

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
-	to	to	to	12:00 to 8:00	to	to

CASCADE TOWNSHIP BRANCH

2870 Jacksmith Ave. SE, Grand Rapids 49546

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
to	to	to	9:30 to 8:00	to	to	to

COMSTOCK PARK BRANCH

3943 W. River Dr. NE, Comstock Park 49321

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
_				12:00 to		
	8:00	8:00	5:00	8:00	5:00	1:00

EAST GRAND RAPIDS BRANCH

746 Lakeside Dr. SE, East Grand Rapids 49506

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
to	to	to	9:30 to	to	to	to
5:00	8:00	8:00	8:00	8:00	6:00	5:00

ENGLEHARDT (LOWELL) BRANCH

200 N. Monroe St., Lowell 49331

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
-	to	to	12:00 to 8:00	to	to	to

GAINES TOWNSHIP BRANCH

421 68th St. SE, Grand Rapids 49548

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
-	to	to	9:30 to 5:00	to	to	to

GRANDVILLE BRANCH

4055 Maple St. SW, Grandville 49418

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
to	to	to	9:30 to 8:00	to	to	to

GRATTAN TOWNSHIP EXPRESS LIBRARY

12050 Old Belding Road, Belding 48809

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
_	9:00 to		9:00 to	9:00 to	_	_
	4:00	4:00	4:00	4:00		

KDL TALKING BOOK & BRAILLE CENTER

814 West River Center Dr. NE, Comstock Park 49321

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
_	to	to	8:00 to 5:00	to	to	_

KELLOGGSVILLE BRANCH

4787 Division Ave S, Grand Rapids 49548

SCHOOL YEAR HOURS:

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
_	to	to	3:00 to 6:30	to	_	_

SUMMER HOURS:

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
-	to	12:00 to 6:30	to	to	-	-

KENTWOOD (RICHARD L. ROOT) BRANCH

4950 Breton SE, Kentwood 49508

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	9:30 to					
5:00	8:00	8:00	8:00	8:00	6:00	5:00

KRAUSE MEMORIAL (ROCKFORD) BRANCH

140 E. Bridge St., Rockford 49341

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			9:30			
_			to 8:00			

NELSON TOWNSHIP BRANCH

88 Eighth St., Sand Lake 49343

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
_	to	9:30 to	to	_	9:30 to	9:30 to
	8:00	5:00	8:00		6:00	5:00

PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP BRANCH

2650 5-Mile Rd. NE, Grand Rapids 49525

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
to	to	to	9:30 to 8:00	to	to	to

SPENCER TOWNSHIP BRANCH

14960 Meddler Ave., Gowen 49326

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
_	to	to	to	to	12:00 to 5:00	to

TYRONE TOWNSHIP BRANCH

43 S. Main St., Kent City 49330

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
-	to	to	to	to	12:00 to 5:00	to

WALKER BRANCH

4293 Remembrance Rd. NW, Walker 49534

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
_	to	to	9:30 to 8:00	to	to	to

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