



Newaygo Area District Library

Director's Report



Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, libraries have been an essential lifeline to communities coping with the unprecedented challenges we've all faced. With the expansion of technology resources and e-Content provided by the MI-83 Grant Project, libraries will continue to help address specific community needs that have been highlighted by the pandemic. The purpose of this project was to enhance safe library services and programs available to the public of Michigan in order to further pandemic recovery efforts in our communities.

The goals of this project were two-fold:

1. To foster digital inclusion by connecting communities to online resources through the provision of personal computing devices for public use.

NADL has 11 laptops and hotspots available for you to borrow and use to remain connected to the information you need.

Through the MI-83 Digital Library Connection project, public libraries in all 83 Michigan counties were eligible for increased digital eContent from Overdrive.

You may access NADL's MI Library is NOW special collection of 1,458 books and 529 audiobooks through your **libby** app. In keeping with the federal legislative priorities, digital content topics include mental health, workforce development, job seeking skills, health, and general educational needs with a focus on nonfiction titles to enhance current collections and create new ones.

2. To provide resources to libraries to safely deliver services in their communities.

All libraries in Michigan were eligible to apply for technology tools and equipment to help safely provide programming and services.

NADL applied for and received an online programming kit with a programming laptop, video camera, microphone, tripod, greenscreen, webcam, and kit container. We also received an outdoor programming kit with a tent canopy and dual loudspeaker. This equipment will help NADL create online programming as needed, and safely provide outdoor programming as weather permits.

Funding for the MI-83 project is provided in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through the Library of Michigan, an agency of the Michigan Department of Education.

For more information about the Mi Library is Now campaign, visit their website at www.milibraryisnow.com.

NADL is *your* place to learn, connect, and explore! We look forward to seeing you.

Director Kelly Tinkham

June 8, 2022



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT NEWAYGO LIBRARY



PRESCHOOL STORYTIME: Tuesdays at 11 a.m. Three stories plus a craft are shared in the lower level.

ADULT-TEEN DROP-IN ACTIVITY! July 11-16; Stop in the upper level to make patriotic drink coasters.

TEENS – EXTREME DUCT TAPE WORKSHOP: Tue. Jul 12, 11am – 12pm. Teens will be able to create items such as wallets, bookmarks, pouches and more...all using duct tape!



WET AND WILD OUTDOOR DISCOVERIES: Thurs. Jul 14 from 11 am – 12 pm. Kids get to meet and learn about Michigan creatures from our friends at Outdoor Discovery Center.

B-SIDE GROWLERS: Fri., July 15, 2–4 pm in Brooks Park during the Farmer’s Market. The trio of performers focus on traditional inspired, toe-tappin’ fired, vintage acoustic blues, jazz and country. (Supported in part through a grant from the Michigan Arts & Culture Council through LowellArts.)

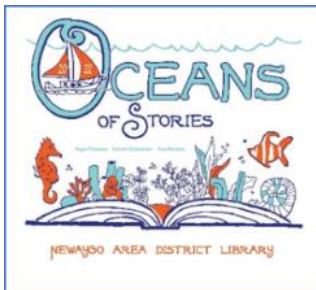


TEENS - SPOONMAN WORKSHOP: Tue., July 19, 11 am – 12 pm. Teens! Join the Spoon Man for comedy and musical instruction as he teaches the group how to play music on nothing but a pair of spoons!



AUTHOR TALK - ANGELINE BOULLEY: Wed., July 20, 6–8 pm. We invite you to "An Evening with Angeline Boulley." Ms. Boulley will give an entertaining author talk followed by audience Q&A and a book signing. Admission is general and completely free. Copies of *Firekeeper’s Daughter* will be available for purchase at the event. Angeline Boulley, an enrolled member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, is a storyteller who writes about her Ojibwe community in Michigan’s Upper Peninsula. She is a former Director of the Office of Indian Education at the U.S. Department of Education. Angeline lives in southwest Michigan, but her home will always be on Sugar Island. *Firekeeper’s Daughter* is her debut novel, and was an instant #1 NYT Bestseller. It also won the Walter Dean Myers Award for Outstanding Children’s Literature (Teen category) in 2022 and is a popular selection for both YA and adult book clubs. The novel has gained national popularity so quickly that it is slated to become a Netflix series by production company Higher Ground. ***Please save the date!*** Supported in part through a grant from the MACC.

HULA HOOP PARTY: Thurs. Jul 21, 11 am - 12 pm. Kids! Join us for this fun interactive program with a variety of activities featuring hula hooping, music, and dancing, with performing artist, Natali!

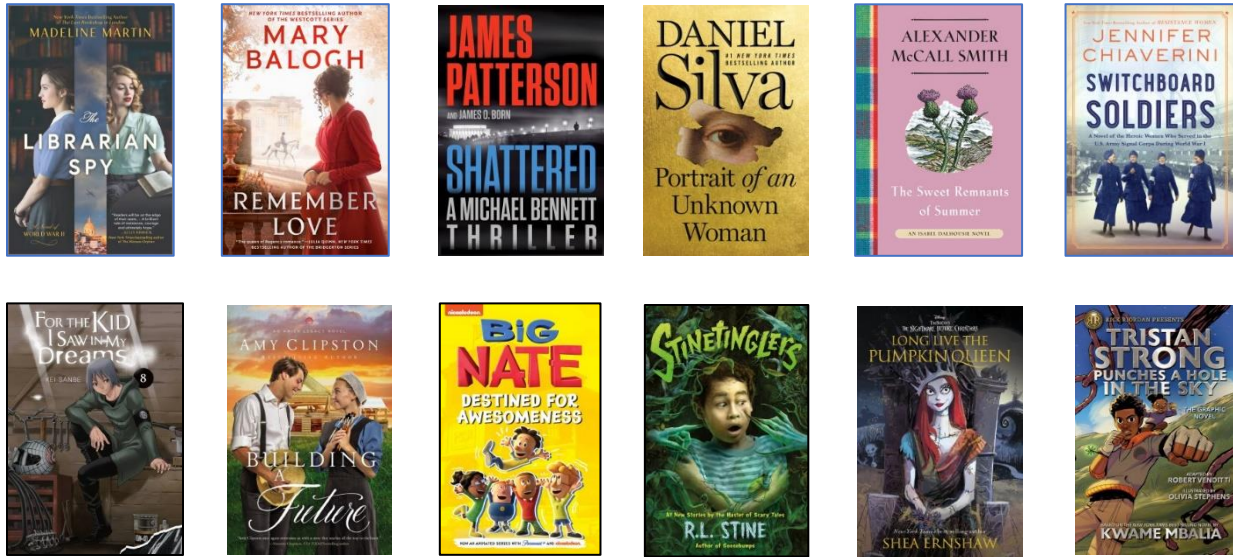


SUMMER READING PARTY IN THE PARK / Thursday, July 28, 11:00am – 12:30pm

Kids and Teens! Join us for a party to celebrate summer reading! We will have fun games and activities, cake, and prize drawing.

This SUMMER LONG program is supported in part by a grant from the Fremont Area Community Foundation.

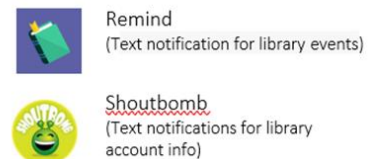
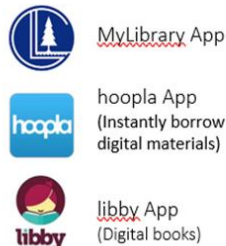
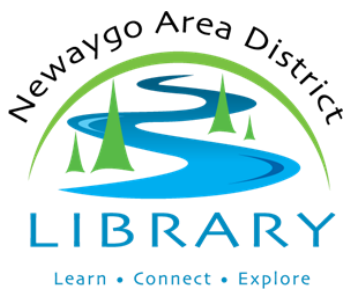
Coming Fiction



Coming Non-Fiction



Coming DVDs



1. Library Staff Opportunities.

- ✓ Director Tinkham: LLC Meetings; NADL Board Mtg.; FACF Board mtg; NC Directors met with LLC Director Carol Dawe; ZingTrain’s Customer Service Workshop; Met with the Personnel Committee to review a draft of the Personnel Policy on July 8.
- ✓ All Staff: June 30. Account registrations; cash controls; patron point; customer service pointers.
- ✓ Dominic Aishe was hired to begin work on June 14.

2. Collection Management and Development.

- ✓ Added: 99 new physical items.

3. Grants and Donations.

- ✓ 6/21/22: A \$1,400 donation to NADL for general support was received from the Gerber Foundation in honor of the organization’s 70-year anniversary.
- ✓ 6/28/22: A \$400 grant from the Friends of the Library FACF Endowment Fund to be used for Summer Reading.
- ✓ 7/7/22: An interim grant report was submitted for the LM ARPA Equipment Grant.

4. Wowbrary Newsletter – 377 emails sent; Remind Subscribers –100; ShoutBomb Subscribers – 83.

5. Social Media.

- ✓ FB: 1301 Likes; 1413 Follows; Instagram: 226 Follows; Twitter: 25 Follows.

6. Building & Maintenance.

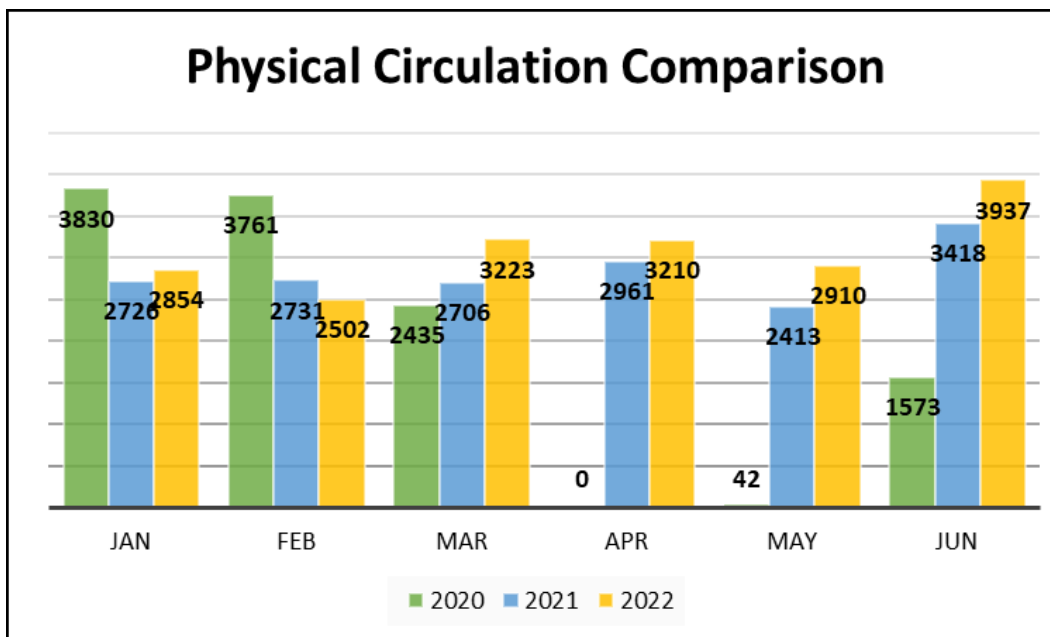
7. Lakeland Library Cooperative.

- ✓ Patron Point is nearing activation for our LLC member libraries. With Patron Point, a resident will be able to register for an electronic library card if they do not wish a traditional plastic card.
- ✓ Strategic planning this summer and fall.

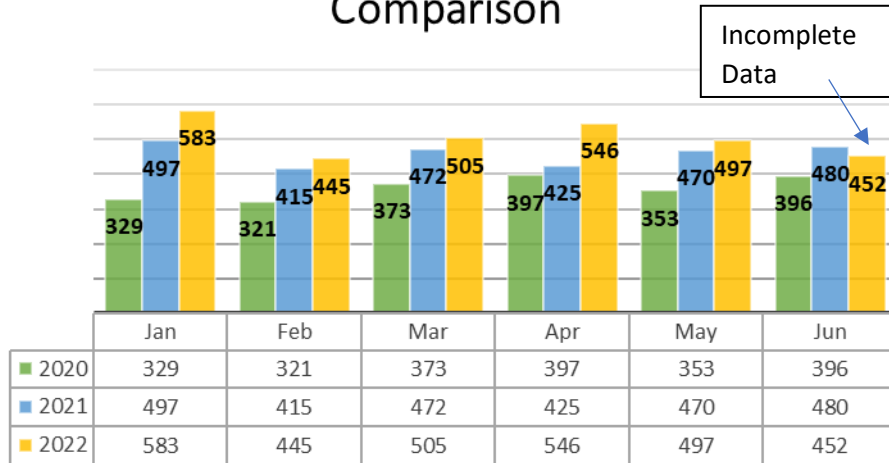
8. Covid-19 Supplies Distribution. Distribution is ongoing.

9. Library Circulation.

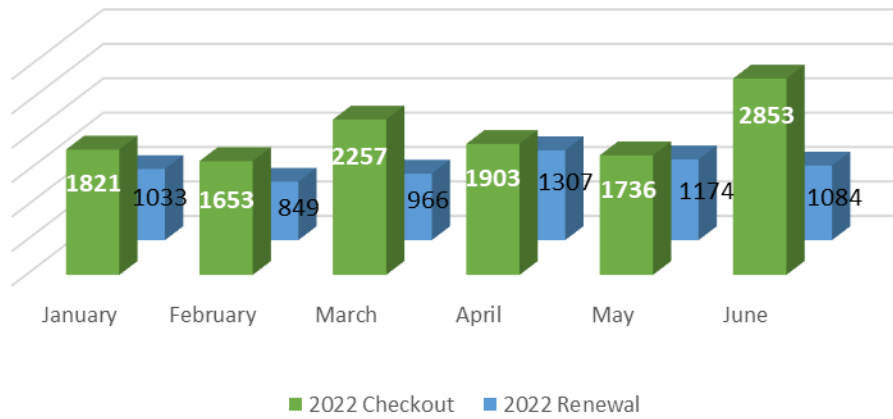
- ✓ 47 new patrons signed up for library cards! Summer reading is a wonderful time to visit the library and discover the benefits of a library card.



Monthly Electronic Circulation Comparison



Checkouts vs Renewals



REFERENCE STATISTICS FOR 2022

