

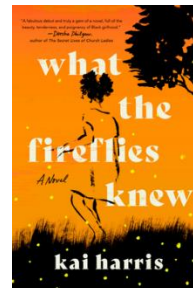


Newaygo Area District Library

Director's Report

2023 Michigan Notable Books

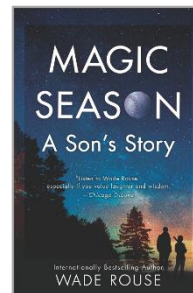
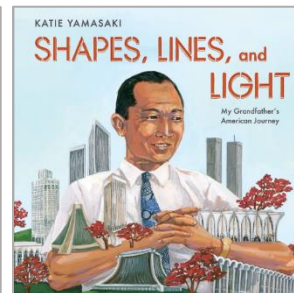
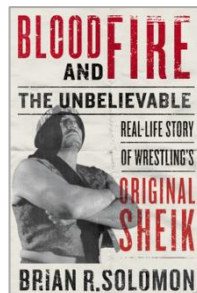
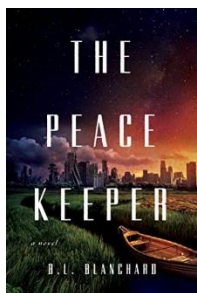
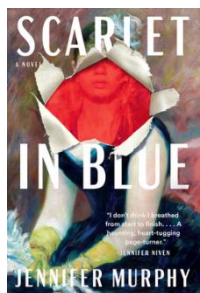
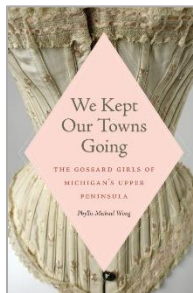
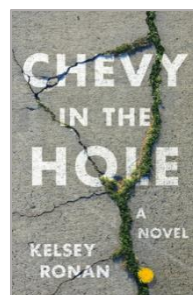
Annually, the Library of Michigan chooses up to twenty of the most notable books published in the prior year. Each selection must be either written by a Michigan resident or be about Michigan or the Great Lakes. As State Librarian Randy Riley has said, "The *Michigan Notable Books* selections clearly demonstrate the diverse tapestry of subject matter that Michigan offers to inspire writers. Everyone will find something of interest that speaks to their lives or experiences in our great state."



The Michigan Notable Books annual program has roots stretching back to Michigan Week 1991. In 2004, the name changed from Read Michigan to Michigan Notable Books. In 2002, The Michigan Department of History, Arts, and Libraries took over Read Michigan and Michigan Week. In October 2009, The Library of Michigan migrated to The Michigan Department of Education, bringing the Michigan Notable Books program with it. The Michigan Notable Books program is sponsored in part by the Library of Michigan Foundation, Michigan Center for the Book, and Michigan Humanities.

These are a few 2023 Notable Books available at your local library:

- As Long as I Know You: The Mom Book by Anne-Marie Oomen
- Blood and Fire: The Unbelievable Real-Life Story of Wrestling's Original Sheik by Brian R. Solomon
- Chevy in the Hole by Kelsey Ronan
- Ferne: a Detroit Story by Barbara Henning
- Magic Season: A Son's Story by Wade Rouse
- Love Radio by Ebony LaDelle
- The Peacekeeper: A Novel by B.L. Blanchard
- Scarlet in Blue: A Novel by Jennifer Murphy
- Shapes, Lines, and Light: My Grandfather's American Journey by Katie Yamasaki
- The Star That Always Stays by Anna Rose Johnson
- The Turtle of Michigan: A Novel by Naomi Shihab Nye
- We Kept Our Towns Going: The Gossard Girls of Michigan's Upper Peninsula by Phyllis Michael Wong
- What the Fireflies Knew: A Novel by Kai Harris



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

Kelly Tinkham

Director Kelly Tinkham, February 17, 2023.



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT NEWAYGO LIBRARY

BABY BABBLETIME: A special storytime for babies! Mondays at 11 am. Come enjoy developmentally appropriate activities for your little ones, aged birth to two. Meet in the lower level with Mrs. Tammie.

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

ADULT AND TEEN WINTER READING PROGRAM: Ends Feb 28! Stop in and sign up, or use the library's handy ReadSquare App, to record your book reading progress. For every 2 books you read, earn a ticket in our final prize drawing. Top prizes are a Kindle fire 8 for a lucky adult and teen. Runner ups win a Warm Up Your Winter Gift Baskets.

ROSE PETAL VOTIVE DROP-IN CRAFT: Mon. Feb. 13-18. Adults and teens! Stop in the upper level of the library to craft. All supplies are provided.

SEED STARTING-WINTER SOWING: Sat. Feb. 18, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm. Get a head start on your garden! Learn everything you need to know about winter sowing, soil blocking, and using miniature greenhouses to get plants growing earlier in the year. Come for the class, and walk away with a clamshell box with 40 planted seeds, and a mini greenhouse, all to help get you planting ahead of schedule. Taught by local instructor, Elizabeth Pitzer. Space is limited. Please register.



NADL STAFF CHILI-COOKOFF! Thu. Feb. 23, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm. On National Chili Day, members of your Newaygo Library Staff are having a Chili Cookoff! AND YOU GET TO VOTE! Stop into the Library between the hours of 11 am – 5 pm to vote for your favorite chili!* It's a great way to "Warm Up Your Winter" *While supplies last!

GENEALOGY 102: Sat. Feb. 25, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm. Jamie Wasilchenko is back for a second installment on Genealogy. Adults and Teens! You will need a **Laptop or other WIFI enabled device**, to follow along with Jamie while she shows how to navigate popular online Genealogy websites. The library has laptops available to checkout for Newaygo Patrons as availability permits. You are responsible for placing your own holds, please plan accordingly. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Call the library at 231-652-6723.

INTRO TO BEE KEEPING: Thu. Mar. 2 , 6:00 - 8:00 pm. *La dolce vita*: the sweet life of bees and beekeeping. Come to learn the fundamentals of beekeeping (*apiculture*), from the lifecycle of honeybees, and the difference that various sources of pollen make for honey, to the equipment and technical language that beekeepers use. There will be different honeys to sample! This is a FREE event! Taught by local instructor Elizabeth Pitzer.



WONDER KIDS BOOK CLUB: Sat. Mar. 4 at 11:00 am. Elementary and Middle School Kids! Love puzzling out secret codes, riddles, maps and hidden clues? Stop in the library to check out our March book club title, "**Mystery in Rocky Mountain National Park.**" On Saturday, meet in the Conference Room with Mrs. Tammie to discuss the story, share a snack, and participate in a fun activity related to the book.

MOVIE AT THE LIBRARY: Wed. Mar. 8 at 3:30 – 5:00 pm. In the lower level, enjoy the movie "Tom and Jerry & the Wizard of Oz."

CHILDREN'S LEPRECHAUN TAKE & MAKE: Mar. 13-18. Stop in the Lower Level to pick-up a free take-home craft for children ages 5-12. While supplies last! Quantities are limited.

SPRING QUILT WORKSHOP: Sat. Mar. 18 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. Nancy Myers is back for another FREE Quilting Workshop! No SEWING EXPERIENCE REQUIRED! Paper-piecing, fabric collaging, basic block construction, raw edge applique, and improv piecing are some of her favorite techniques. She uses her quilting skills to make more than quilts, such as household items, clothing, and decorations. All supplies will be provided. Please let us know if you are bringing your own Sewing Machine. Otherwise, sewing machines are limited, and may have to share machines provided by the library. This is supported by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs Minigrant Program.

Would you like to be notified by text of Newaygo Library events?

Sign up for our events reminder program! "Remind" will send out a text and email about events going on at NADL. To sign up, go to: remind.com/join/44kk72 or Text SIGNUP to 616-432-2161

MARCH ADULT BOOK CLUB: Thursday, March 9, 2:00 pm

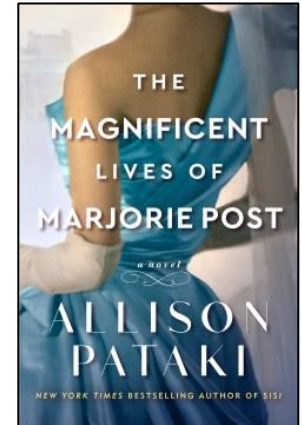


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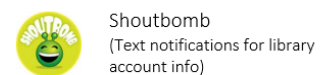
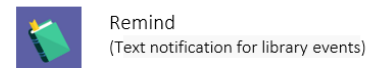
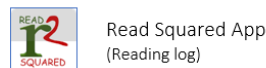
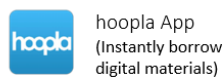
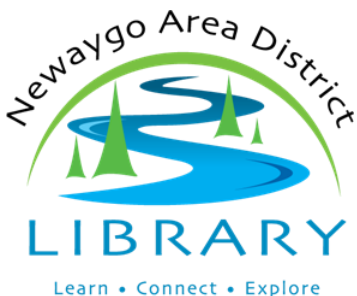
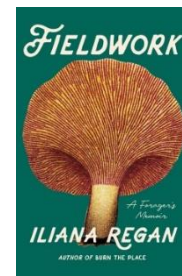
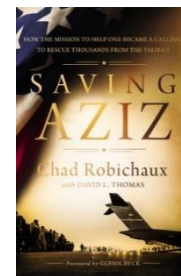
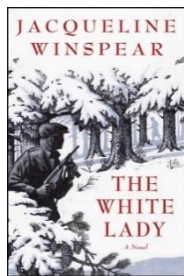
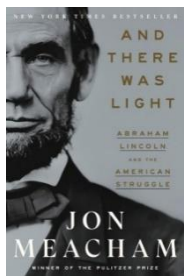
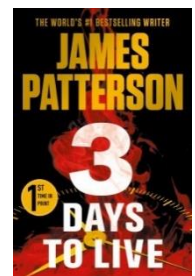
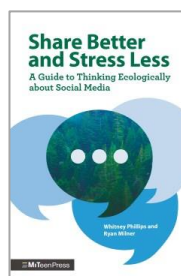
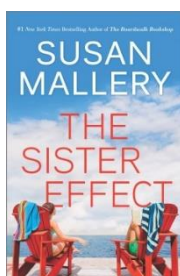
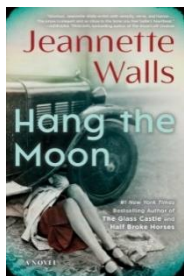
THE MAGNIFICENT LIVES OF MARJORIE POST

“Mrs. Post, the President and First Lady are here to see you. . . .” So begins another average evening for Marjorie Merriweather Post. Presidents have come and gone, but she has hosted them all. Growing up in the modest farmlands of **Battle Creek, Michigan**, Marjorie was inspired by a few simple rules: always think for yourself, never take success for granted, and work hard—even when deemed American royalty, even while covered in imperial diamonds.

Books are available in the upper level of the Library or on Libby. We will meet as a discussion group in the Conference Room.



Coming Soon!



1. Library Staff Opportunities.

- ✓ Director Tinkham: 1/17/23 NADL Board Meeting.
- ✓ 1/18 Monthly Staff Meeting. All attended. Covered new Employee Handbook and staff designations; updates on programming, use of cash registers; marketing library services to patrons, and circulation issues were reviewed.
- ✓ Janell Olney completed Beginning Workshop.

2. Collection Management and Development.

- ✓ Added: 211 new physical items.
- ✓ Weeded: Magazines dated prior to January 2022.

3. Grants and Donations.

- ✓ 1/20/23: Rich and Kerriann Meeuwenberg donated \$500 from their FACF donor advised fund to help fund the NADL 2023 summer reading program.
- ✓ 1/31/23: NADL received a private donation of \$2,500 to be used for general needs, including programming.

4. Wowbry Newsletter – 595 emails sent; Remind Subscribers –118; ShoutBomb Subscribers – 88 users/71 texts sent.

5. Social Media.

- ✓ FB: 1406 Likes; 1532 Follows; Instagram: 252 Follows; Twitter: 25 Follows.

6. Building & Maintenance.

- ✓ January 2023: Received replacement door to be installed on bench near Timbertown Coffee Shop. Vos Glass inspected the bench near Linda’s Chapel to correct the problem with the fractured vinyl on the glass panel. Installations should happen when the temperatures begin to rise.
- ✓ Feb 16, Kone performed routine maintenance on the elevator.

7. Lakeland Library Cooperative.

- ✓ ILS Manager Sheryl VanderWagen will retire Autumn of 2023.
- ✓ Patron Point is active for NADL patrons.

8. Covid-19 Supplies Distribution. We continue to distribute as patrons stop in.

9. Library Circulation.

- ✓ 20 new library accounts in December.

