

Director's Report

School is OUT and Summer is IN! And at NADL, that means lots of great opportunities for people of all ages to visit the library for fun reading programs that include exciting events and great prizes to win.

This year's theme is *FIND YOUR VOICE!* Our voices are uniquely our own. We use our voices to share stories, express ourselves, and create change. Our voices have power. The words we speak and write, the art we create, and the actions we take each day impact our world.



At NADL, we invite children, teens and adults to explore the books, resources, library programs & events, and services available to empower our patrons of all ages to make their voices heard.

This year to support summer reading at NADL, Fremont Area Community Foundation donated \$5,100, and more than twenty-five local businesses and individuals donated over \$3,000. Kids and teen prizes for reading include free pizza, ice cream, gourmet cookie, and finishers get a free book, Whitecaps tickets, and one-of-a-kind t-shirt while supplies last. Plus, they are entered into an end-of-summer prize drawing. Adults who join the program and read are entered into a prize drawing to be held at the end of August.

So far, prize drawings include local merchandise, gift cards, Kindles, LeapPads, gift baskets, toys, and so much more! NADL thanks our many generous donors who value and promote literacy in our community!

There is something for everyone at NADL. It truly is *your* place in the community to **learn**, connect, and explore. We look forward to seeing you!

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Director Kelly Tinkham June 4, 2023





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Read Squared App (Reading log)

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(Books and

databases)



Remind (Text notification for library events)



Shoutbomb (Text notifications for library account info)



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT NEWAYGO LIBRARY



BABY STORYTIME: 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.

SUMMER READING: June 1st – August 24th

Summer Reading begins on June 1st! You can come into the library starting June 1st, to sign-up and pick up



a paper log, or you can use or Summer Reading app, ReadSquared, a free app through the Google Play or the App Store. This app has been customized to be comparable to our traditional reading program charting system and prize awards. This app makes logging your reading easy, and includes curated book recommendations, fun activities, literacy games, raffles, and more!

MICHIGAN SHIPWRECKS PRESENTATION: Tues. June 6th 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Ross Richardson, shipwreck hunter, trained SCUBA diver, and author, will be giving a presentation at the library on Tuesday, June 6th, 2023! He will be exploring some of Michigan's most mysterious disappearances and how some of the cold cases are solved. He will include shipwreck stories and documentation, as well as updates on current searches. This activity is supported in part by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.





GUITARIST NEIL JACOBS: Fri. June 16th 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Join us at the Newaygo Farmer's Market to hear the music of the world-traveling guitarist Neil Jacobs! Neil has studied various forms of music from all around the world, and his guitar playing is influenced by Celtic music, Balkan Folk, Jazz, and Classical and Modern fingerstyle guitar. This activity is supported in part by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

SUMMER READING EVENTS:

TEEN DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CLUB: Saturdays June 10th – July 29th 10:30 am – 12:30 pm Join the quest of Professor Fizzuburn's Mad Laboratory Adventure! Players can join in on the ongoing campaign, based loosely on the Lost Mines of Phandelver. To accommodate everyone's busy summer schedule, those who can't make it to every session may feel free to drop in and out for games. After Session 0, new players will choose from pre-made characters. Total of 8 sessions (0-7) taking place from June 10th to July 29th. This event is made possible in part by a grant from the Fremont Area Community Foundation, private donors, and the generosity of many local businesses.

Session 0: Sat. June 10th Session 1: Sat. June 17th Session 2: Sat. June 24th Session 3: Sat. July 1st Session 4: Sat. July 8th Session 5: Sat. July 15th Session 6: Sat. July 22nd Session 7: Sat. July 29th

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

TEEN Ages 12 and Up SATURDAY | JUNE 10 | 10:30 AM

SESSION : 0 WORLD & CHARACTER BUILDING

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SNAKES, LIZARDS, TURTLES, OH MY!: Thurs. June 15th 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Join our friends from Outdoor Discovery to see live reptiles and learn how to identify them and the ways they differ from other animal groups! Experience hands-on artifacts including skins, skulls, eggs, and shells of several species native to Michigan. This event is made possible in part by a grant from the Fremont Area Community Foundation, private donors, and the generosity of many local businesses. ***We will be meeting outside in Brooks Park. Please look to the website or our Facebook page, for inclement weather updates.*

DANCE FOR KINDNESS: Thurs. June 22nd 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Kids and familes, join us for a modern dance program that promotes kindness and friendship by combining music, dance, and audience participation! This event is made possible in part by a grant from the Fremont Community Foundation, private donors, and the generosity of many local businesses. **We will be meeting outside in Brooks Park. Please look to our Facebook page, for inclement weather updates.

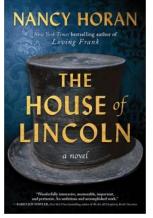
LOST IN STORYLAND PRESENTED BY THE VILLAGE PUPPETEERS: Thursday June 29th 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Join in the Newaygo Library on Thursday, June 29th, at 11:00 am for a performance by the Village Puppeteers! It's a raucous comic romp, packed with silly antics and featurning colorful puppets! This event is made possible in part by a grant from the Fremont Area Community Foundation, private donors, and the generosity of many local businesses. ***We will be meeting outside in Brooks Park. Please look to the website or our Facebook page, for inclement weather updates.*



JULY ADULT BOOK CLUB: Thurs. July 6th 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

The book planned for July's Book Club will be: THE HOUSE OF LINCOLN by Nancy Horan.



"An unprecedented view of Lincoln's Springfield. The House of Lincoln is a sweeping historical novel, which tells the story of Abraham Lincoln's ascendance from rumpled lawyer to U.S. president to the Great Emancipator through the eyes of a young asylum-seeker who arrives in Lincoln's home of Springfield from Madeira, Portugal.

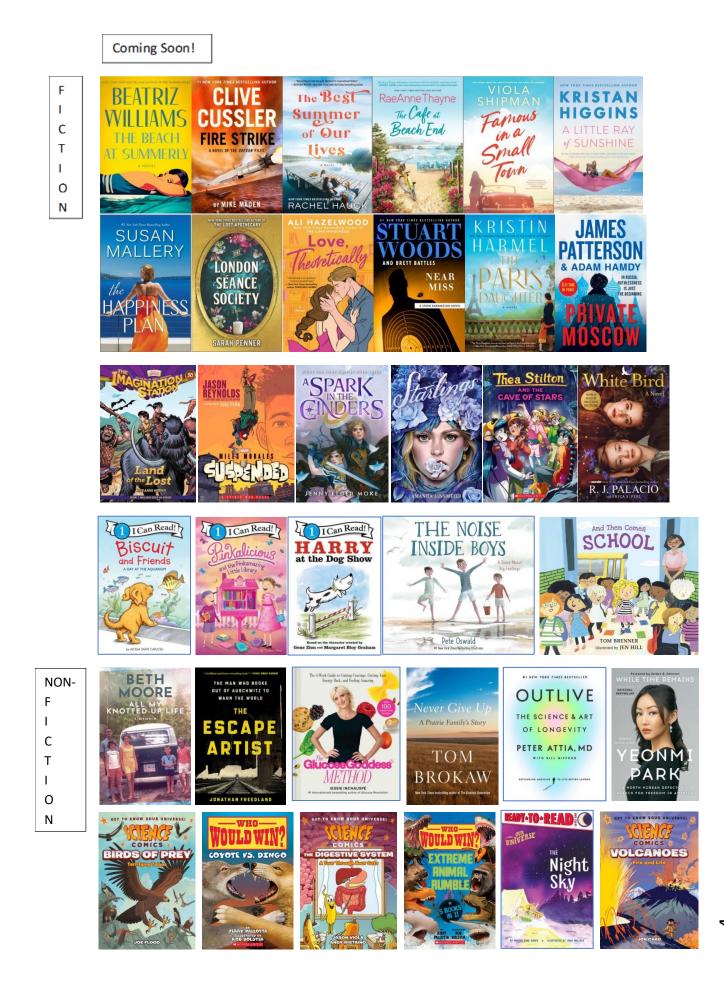
[...] Along with her African American friend Cal, Ana encounters the presence of the underground railroad in town and experiences personally how slavery is tearing apart her adopted country. Culminating in an eyewitness account of the littleknown Springfield race riot of 1908, The House of Lincoln takes readers on a journey through the historic



changes that reshaped America and that continue to reverberate today." This book will be available for checkout at the library circulation desk after June 6th.

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



1. Library Staff Opportunities.

- ✓ Director Tinkham: 5/2/23 NC Directors' Meeting; 5/12/23 NADL Board Meeting; 5/16/23 LM Directors Meeting.
- ✓ Tiffany Chase: 5/24/23 Circulation Forum at Grant Area District Library.
- ✓ Mary Franklin: 5/31/23 LLC Overdrive Group Meeting via Zoom.
- ✓ Staff Meeting: 5/23/23 All attended. Reviewed Circulation topics and Summer Reading Programs.

2. Collection Management and Development.

- ✓ Development: Added: 241 new physical items.
- ✓ Management: Juvenile Chapter Book Fiction weeding completed.
- \checkmark Installed two new shelves for display of graded chapter books in the lower level.

3. Grants and Donations.

- ✓ 4/3/23: Submitted a Dollar General Youth Literacy Grant request for \$4000 to purchase two new children's educational computers and audio-enabled books for youth book clubs. Grant recipients will be announced August 17.
- ✓ 5/19/23: Received a \$2,000 gift check for general support from The Gerber Foundation at the request of Trustee Barbara J. Ivens.
- ✓ 5/22/23: Received a \$5,000 grant check from Great Lakes Energy People Fund awarded to purchase seven new public computers and monitors. Equipment was installed on May 17.
- ✓ 5/26/23: Working on a MACC Mini-grant for MI-Grown Arts Programming for 2023-24.
- **4. Wowbrary Newsletter** 201 subscribers; **Remind Subscribers** –141; **Transparent Language**-- 13 users. **ShoutBomb Subscribers** 92 users/93 texts sent.

5. Social Media.

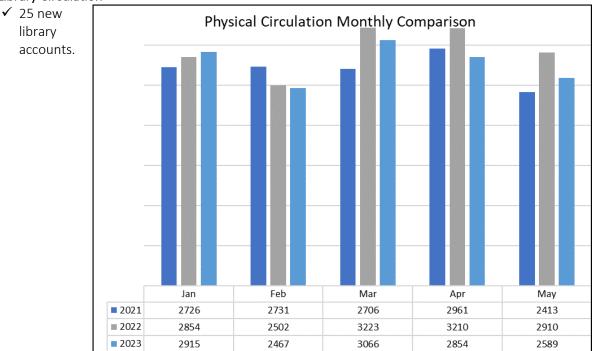
✓ FB: 1506 Likes; 1627 Follows; Instagram: 263 Follows; Twitter: 31 Follows.

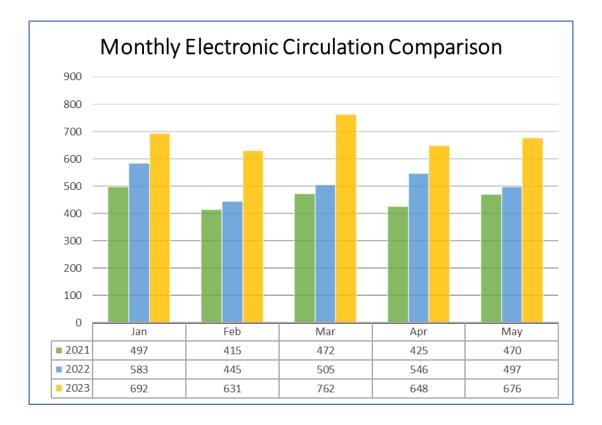
6. Building & Maintenance.

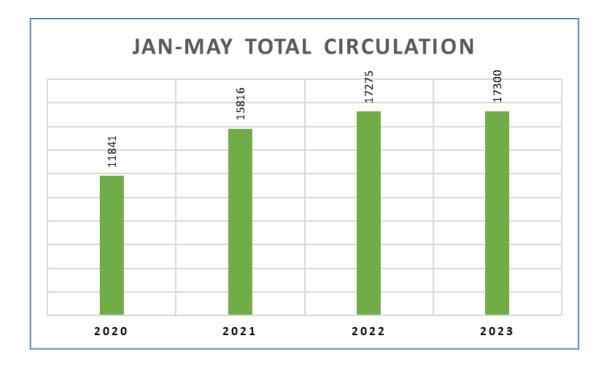
- ✓ May 23: Johnson Controls performed annual inspections and repairs to the sprinkler system. Performed 3-year Air Leakage Test.
- ✓ May 30: Trail's End applied pesticide to exterior of facility.
- ✓ June: Scheduling replacement door installation on one charging bench and replacement of the bench near Linda's Chapel.

7. Lakeland Library Cooperative.

8. Library Circulation.







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