



## Newwaygo Area District Library

### Director's Report

#### **Hello from the New NADL Director:**

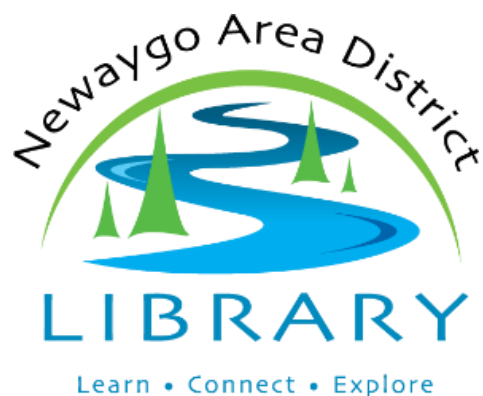
Hello everyone, my name is Tiffany Chase. Many of you know me from my time here at NADL as our lead Circulation Specialist. It has been a whirlwind of a year, and I can hardly believe that I sit here writing my first Director's report.

I would like to say thank you to the community, our patrons, the Board, and the entire NADL staff for placing your hope and trust in me as I move forward in my new role. I will do my best to live up to the hopes that I know we all have for the library and its future.

We have much to look forward to at NADL as we move forward. We will still have our annual programming events like our apple cider day and the Scarecrow Stroll. In fact, at this year's Scare Crow Stroll event, we served over 500 people! Don't worry though, we also will be looking into bringing in new and exciting programs to NADL. We also will be working to bring back past programming to the community like our recently revamped teen book club and D&D clubs.

Rest assured, while there may be changes coming to us here at NADL, two things will not be changing. 1). The staff and I are always looking forward to your next visit, and 2). NADL is, and hopefully always will be, your place to **Learn, Connect, and Explore**.

Director Tiffany Chase  
November 1st, 2023





**UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT NEWAYGO LIBRARY**

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

**NOVEMBER ADULT DROP-IN CRAFT:** Mon. November 6<sup>th</sup> – Sat. November 11<sup>th</sup>

The adult drop-in craft for November will be a Fall Book Leaf Wreath! All the supplies will be available upstairs in the Local History Room during library hours. Quantities are limited, and there is a limit of one per person. For adults and teens only. This is a drop-in craft. Supplies are not available to make this at home.

**GRATEFUL TO GIVE – GRATEFUL TO READ:** Mon. November 6<sup>th</sup> – Wed. November 22<sup>nd</sup>

During November 6<sup>th</sup> to November 22<sup>nd</sup> the Newaygo Area District Library is having a canned food drive. All items donated will be donated to LOVE INC Food Pantry. Items can be dropped off during library hours on either level. Kids!! If you bring in a canned food donation into the Newaygo Library you will receive a book in return. These books are available in part by the Fremont Area Community Foundation.

**NOVEMBER ADULT BOOK CLUB:** Thurs. November 9<sup>th</sup> 2:00 pm

This month our book is: *Firekeeper’s Daughter* by award winning author, and the Great Michigan Read author of 2023-2024, Angeline Boulley.

This book is about eighteen-year-old Daunis Fontaine, who has never quite fit in, both in her hometown and on the nearby Ojibwe reservation. She dreams of a fresh start at college, but when family tragedy strikes, Daunis puts her future on hold to look after her fragile mother. As the deceptions – and deaths – keep growing, Daunis must learn what it means to be a strong Anishinaabe kwe (Ojibwe woman) and how far she’ll go for her community, even if it tears apart the only world she’s ever known.

The book display is at the front desk of the library for adults to check out. Space is limited. September 20, 2023 – October 18 there is access to unlimited downloads of the e-book and audiobook!

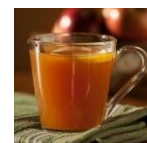


**CHILDREN’S NOVEMBER – TAKE & MAKE:** Mon. November 13<sup>th</sup> – Sat. November 18<sup>th</sup>

All week long! Newaygo Library will have a Take & Make craft kit available for children ages 12 and under. Quantities are limited! For ages 5+ and adult supervision is required.

**APPLE CIDER DAY @ THE LIBRARY:** Fri. November 17<sup>th</sup>

Let’s celebrate Fall for National Apple Cider Day at Newaygo Library! Stop into the Newaygo Library for a free apple cider!



**SOURDOUGH 101:** Sat. November 18<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am – 1:30 pm

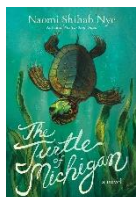


In this class, we will be learning the basics of baking Sourdough with Savannah Peltier – aka the Baking Bread Baker! Adults and teens only, and all supplies will be provided! RVSP required. This class is supported by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

	<p><b>THANKSGIVING LIBRARY HOURS</b>          Thurs. November 23<sup>rd</sup> – Closed          Fri. November 24<sup>th</sup> – Closed</p>	
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**GIVING TREE 2023:** Mon. November 27<sup>th</sup> – December 29<sup>th</sup>

November 27<sup>th</sup> through December 29<sup>th</sup> the Newaygo Library will have a Giving Tree. This gives the community an opportunity to help expand the library's collection. You can find it in our lobby. Here's how it works: choose an ornament for the item you would like to purchase with your donation, then pay inside with a staff member. Donations are tax deductible and they can be made in dedication of loved ones at your request.

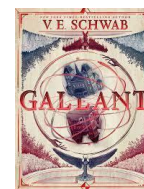


**CHILDREN BOOK – PIZZA CHAT – AGES 8-12:** Tues. November 28<sup>th</sup> 3:30 pm – 4:15 pm

Hey kids! Join Tammie on Tuesday November 28, 2023 from 3:30 to 4:15 pm, for a book chat and pizza! Our book chat will be about the novel *The Turtle of Michigan*! The book is available for checkout in multiple formats! Be sure to sign-up for the book chat when you check out the book! Invite a friend!

**TEEN BOOK/PIZZA CHAT:** Tues. November 28<sup>th</sup> 3:30 pm – 4:15 pm

Hey Teens! Join Tiffany after school to discuss *Gallant* by V.E. Schwab, a bone-chilling novel about the place where the world meets its shadow, and the young woman beckoned by both sides – while enjoying pizza!!! Space is limited and registration is required!



**DIAMOND PAINTING – CHRISTMAS:** Sat. December 9<sup>nd</sup>

Newaygo City Chamber Room. Christmas theme diamond painting. Adults and teens only and all supplies will be provided. RVSP required. This class is supported by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

**CHILDREN'S DECEMBER – TAKE & MAKE:** Mon. December 11<sup>th</sup> – Sat. 16<sup>th</sup>

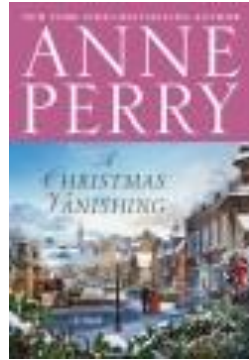
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**Would you like to be notified by text of Newaygo Library events?**

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](https://remind.com/join/44kk72) or Text SIGNUP to 616-432-2161

## New Items Coming Soon!

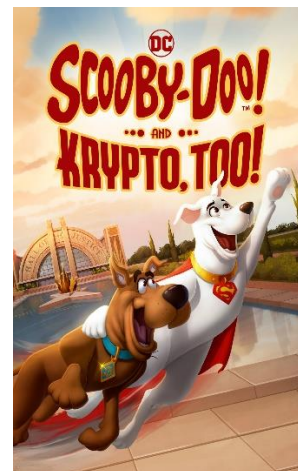
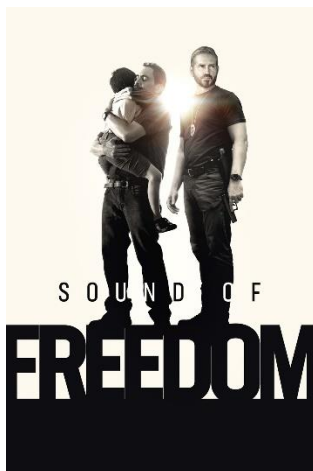
### Fiction:



### Non-Fiction:



### DVDs:



\*Remember to place a hold on new releases!

## 1. Library Staff Opportunities.

- ✓ Director Tinkham: attended Monthly LLC Meetings (Oct. 12. and Nov. 9); NADL Board Meeting (Oct. 17). Last day October 30. First day as Assistant Director of Finance Oct. 31.
- ✓ Director Chase: completed Library of Michigan trainings on Scheduling, Public Library Director 101, and Book Repair. Attended monthly LLC Meetings (Nov. 9) and LLC Back to Basics event (Nov. 14)
- ✓ Assistant Director Franklin attended Lakeland Library Back to Basics training event (Nov. 14).

## 2. Collection Management and Development.:

- ✓ 131 new items were added.

## 3. Grants and Donations.

- ✓ Sept. 22: received award notice for MACC Minigrant for \$1680.
- ✓ 09/26/23: Received a \$15,000 2024-25 Collections Materials Grant from FACF.
- ✓ In October, we received the award notice for the FACA Collection Materials Grant FY 24.
- ✓ 10/04/23: Installed two new children's educational computers funded in part by a Dollar General Youth Literacy Grant of \$3000.
- ✓ 10/25/23: Submitted the final report for the FACF Summer Reading Grant.
- ✓ 10/27/23.: Submitted Final Grant report for MACC Lowell Arts mini Grant FY 22-23. Received final disbursement check for \$434 on Nov. 6.
- ✓ 11/1/23: Received notice that Gerber Foundation Children's Collection Materials Grant of \$2,000 had been awarded.

## 4. Wowbrary Newsletter – 270 subscribers; Remind Subscribers –149; Transparent Language-- 10 users. ShoutBomb Subscribers – 95 users.

## 5. Social Media.

- ✓ FB: 1711 Follows; Instagram: 273 Follows; Twitter: 34 Follows.

## 6. Building & Maintenance.

- ✓ Oct 11: Bishops Heating & Cooling was called to service the furnace located on the top of the flat roof. A faulty part must be replaced and is on order. Also, the insurance claim against the A/C units which were tampered with was received.
- ✓ Oct 18: Bishops Heating and Cooling serviced roof top heat unit and replaced faulty inducer motor.
- ✓ Oct 18: Statistics ran on Consumer Energy reports show a total savings of \$822.84 and 2,854.44 kWh since upgrading to LED lights in December of 2022. This was despite the average kWh per \$1 falling from 5.93 kWh/\$1 to 5.48 kWh/\$1 (See Attached Stats Page).
- ✓ Nov. 22: Scheduled to have Foster Electric come to service the electric of the 3 emergency combo lights at our three exits.

## 7. Lakeland Library Cooperative.

- ✓ Lakeland Libraries will begin a transition from the Capira mobile APP to a Biblio APP, which will interface better with Bibliocommons products; the cost will also be less. There will be a 3-month gap with no app service however.
- ✓ Patmos Library Millage Passed. They will be re-joining Lakeland as a member soon.
- ✓ Circulation committee working on standardizing library damages and procedures.
- ✓ Penal Fines Allocation in the works for Big Prairie Township.

## 8. Library Circulation.

- ✓ Patrons added: 18.

## 9. Other News:

- ✓ MI House of Representatives Lost 3 Members. New Legislature impacting libraries in the works/
- ✓ Square Updated Terms of Service

