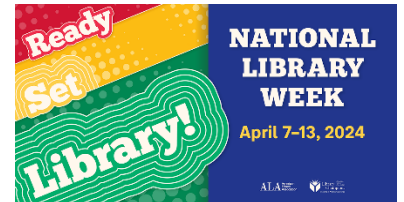




**DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

The theme of National Library Week for 2024 is, “Ready Set Library.” National Library week (April 7-13, 2024) is a time to celebrate our nation's libraries, library workers' contributions and promote library use and support. The theme for National Library Week 2024 is "Ready, Set, Library," illustrating the idea that in our always-online world, libraries give us a green light to something truly special: a place to connect with others, learn new skills, and focus on what matters most. At the library’s author talks, workshops, and book clubs, Americans can connect with fellow enthusiasts and local experts while building relationships that will last a lifetime. No matter where you find yourself on the roadmap through life’s journey—preparing for a new career, launching a business, or raising a family—the library provides an inclusive and supportive community where everyone belongs.



April 9 is **National Library Workers Day**.

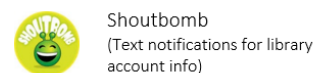
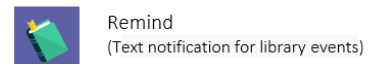
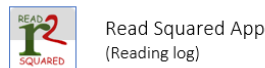
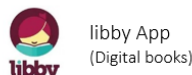
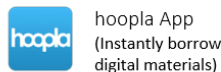
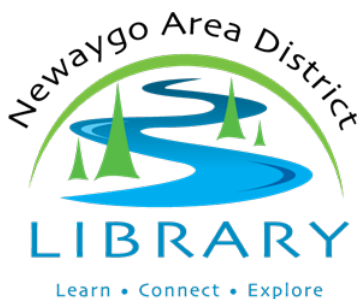
We have a truly amazing team. Everyone works well together and respects one another.

**A huge thank you goes out to Kelly, Tiffany, Jessica, Molly, Tammie, Cheryl and Carly for all their hard work!**

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

*Mary Franklin*

Interim Director Mary Franklin, March 14, 2024.





### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT NEWAYGO LIBRARY

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



**CHILDREN TAKE AND MAKE:** Mon. March 11<sup>th</sup> – Sat. 16<sup>th</sup>

All week long! Newaygo Library will have a St. Patrick’s Day take & make craft kit available for children ages 12 and under. Quantities are limited! Craft for ages 5+ and adult supervision is required.

**ADULT DROP-IN CRAFT:** Mon. March 11<sup>th</sup> – Sat. 16<sup>th</sup>

The adult drop-in craft for March will be a Diamond Painting Flower Refrigerator Magnet! All supplies will be available upstairs in the Local History Room all week during library hours! For adults and teens only, with a limit of one per person. Quantities are limited!

**KIDS BOOK & PIZZA CHAT – AGES -8 - ?:** Tues. March 12<sup>th</sup> 3:30 pm – 4:15 pm

Hey kids! Join Tammie on Tuesday January 30<sup>th</sup> to talk about our next book – *Almost Super!* The book is available for checkout in multiple formats! Be sure to sign-up for the Book/Pizza chat when you check out the book! Invite a friend!



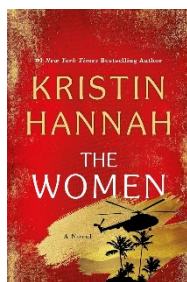
**MICHIGAN’S MOST DANGEROUS WOMEN:** Thurs. March 21<sup>st</sup> 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm



Take a peek behind the walls of the old Detroit House of Correction, the only Michigan prison to house female inmates serving long-term sentences, and meet some of the most dangerous women in Michigan History. True crime author Tobin T. Buhk will introduce the audience to these morbidly intriguing characters in “Michigan’s Most Dangerous Women.” This presentation is supported by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

**TEEN/YA BOOK – PIZZA CHAT:** Tues. March 26<sup>th</sup> 3:30 pm – 4:15 pm

Hey Teens! Join Tiffany after school to discuss *Eragon* by Christopher Paolini, to discuss a tale about a farm boy named Eragon and his dragon Saphira while enjoying pizza! Eragon follows the title character on his journey as a strange stone found in the mountains hatches a dragon and unlocks the long-lost legacy of the Dragon Riders, a group thought to have been hunted to extinction by an evil king. This book is a dystopian fantasy adventure suitable for all readers – while enjoying pizza!! Space is limited and registration is required!



**ADULT BOOK CLUB:** Thurs. April 4<sup>th</sup> 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Join Jessica to discuss *The Women* by Kristin Hannah. *The Women* is the story of one woman gone to war, but it shines a light on all women who put themselves in harm’s way and whose sacrifice and commitment to their country has too often been forgotten. A novel about deep friendships and bold patriotism, *The Women* is a richly drawn story with a memorable heroine whose idealism and courage under fire will come to define an era. The book will be available for checkout at the library Circulation Desk.

***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/@nadi1915](http://remind.com/join/@nadi1915) or Text nadi1915 to 616-432-2161

## 1. Library Staff Opportunities.

- ✓ Interim Director Franklin: 3/11/24 NC Directors' Meeting; 3/14/24 LLC Directors' Meeting
- ✓ Tammie Campbell 3/7-8 and Cheryl Hanna: 3/7 MLA Youth Institute held in Muskegon.
- ✓ Staff Meeting: 3/19. Will review Circulation topics, Sierra issues, and upcoming programming.

## 2. Collection Management and Development.

- ✓ Development: Added: 127 new physical items. 17 new patrons added in February.
- ✓ Management: Withdrawal of magazines dated prior to January 2024; and Large Print books last circulated 2019 or before.

## 3. Grants and Donations.

- ✓ 3/15/24: Submitted a grant to Fremont Area Community Foundation for new Children Sensory Wall.
- ✓ 3/1/24: In process of writing a FACF grant request for the library's Michigan Grown program.

## 4. Wowbrary Newsletter – 345 active subscribers; Remind Subscribers –165;

ShoutBomb Subscribers – unavailable as of yet.

## 5. Social Media.

- ✓ FB: 1749 Follows; Instagram: 274 Follows; Twitter: 34 Follows.

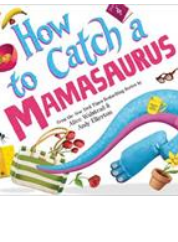
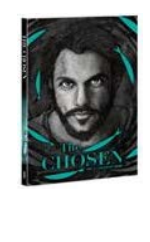
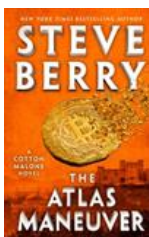
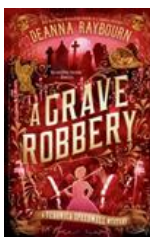
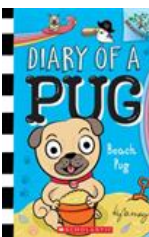
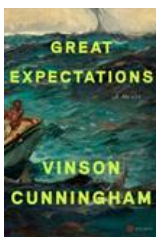
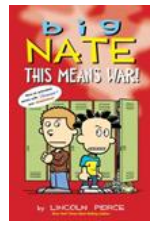
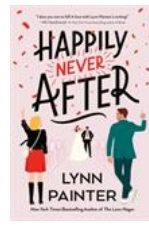
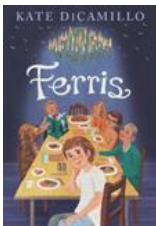
## 6. Building & Maintenance.

- ✓ Mar 14 2024: NCResa will begin Fiber Optics install for the new Internet.
- ✓ March: Kone performed monthly routine maintenance on the elevator.

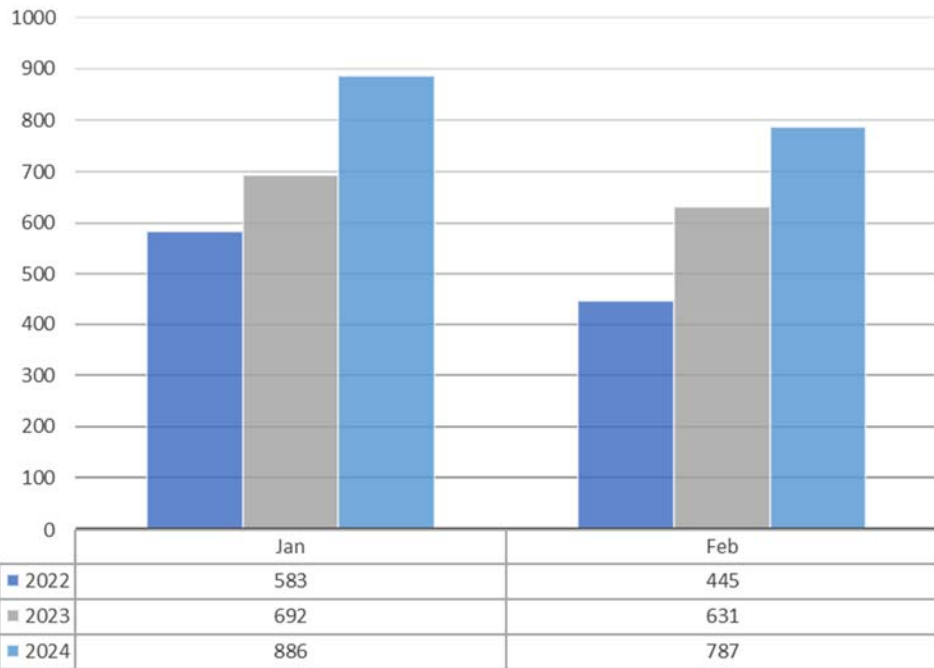
## 7. Lakeland Library Cooperative.

- ✓ Should hear some news on the new Lakeland Library Mobile App.

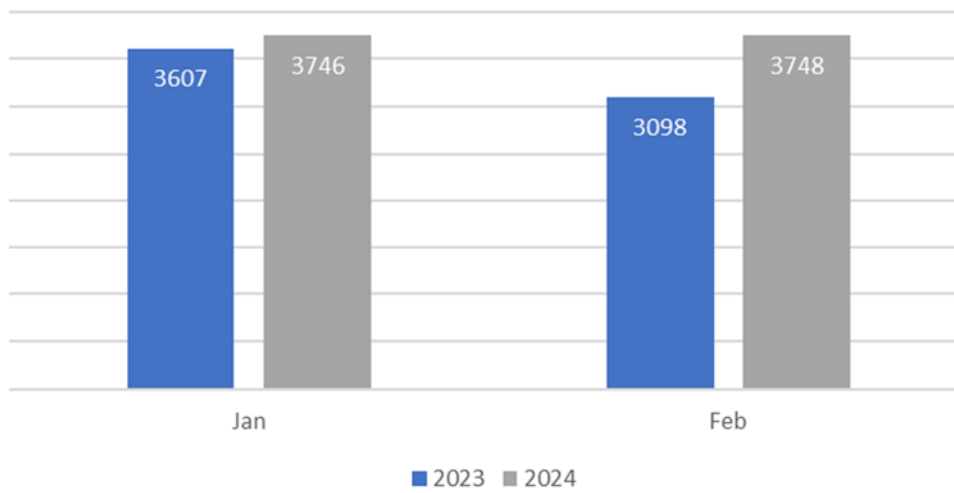
New at NADL!



### Monthly Electronic Circulation Comparison



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### HOT-SPOTS & LAPTOPS 2024 CIRCULATION

