

# Director's Report

**SUMMER READING** - NADL's Summer Reading Programs offer readers a great opportunity to engage in learning and discovery while setting personal goals and earning exciting prizes. This year's program, themed "Read Renew Repeat," was a resounding success, attracting over 500 participants. Throughout the summer, individuals of all ages eagerly visited the library to explore a wide variety of books, participate in fun activities, and strive for the chance to win prizes. The program not only encouraged a love for reading but also fostered a sense of community and continuous learning.

The Newaygo Library would like to send out a huge **THANK YOU** to all the local businesses for their donations. The NADL Summer Reading Program would not be the success it is, if it were not for the continued generosity of local businesses. Their support for Summer Reading helps promote literacy, personal growth, and community spirit; fostering a lifelong love of reading and learning. The anticipation for next summer's program is already building, promising to be another great year.



**OUTDOOR DISCOVER** 

**September is Library Card SIGN-UP Month.** Encourage everyone you know to visit NADL and speak to staff to apply for a new library card or to update their current library card account.

Lost your card? We can help! Your first library card is free, and replacement cards only cost \$3.00.

Not convinced you need a card? Did you know that your library card is a cost-effective and powerful tool to access thousands of free items, including: books and magazines in both print and electronic formats, entertainment and educational DVDs, music CDs; video games, hotspots, laptops, metal detectors and tools, puzzles, board games, talking books, and coloring books and colored pencils.



There is something for everyone at NADL, your place to Learn, Connect, and Explore.

Mary Franklin
Director, Mary Franklin

Aug. 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.



### OCTOBER BOOK CLUB - AUGUST: October 3rd 2:30pm - 3:30pm

Join Jessica to discuss The Briar Club by Washington, DC, 1950. Everyone keeps to themselves at Briarwood House, a down-at-the-heels all-female boardinghouse in the heart of the nation's capital where secrets hide behind white picket fences. But when the lovely, mysterious widow Grace March moves into the attic room, she draws her oddball collection of neighbors into unlikely friendship: poised English beauty Fliss, whose facade of perfect wife and mother covers gaping inner wounds; policeman's daughter Nora, who finds herself entangled with a shadowy gangster; frustrated baseball star Beatrice, whose career has come to an end along with the women's baseball league of WWII; and

poisonous, gung-ho Arlene, who has thrown herself into McCarthy's Red Scare.

OLYMPICS SCAVENGER HUNT IN THE CHILDREN'S LIBRARY: August 5th — August 10th Come to the Children's Library and see if you can find all of these Olympic athletes hidden around our library! Win a small prize and a chance to compete in your own challenge to win a second prize! Let the games begin!!



# HANNAH O'BRIEN AND GRANT FLICK AT NEWAYGO FARMER'S MARKET: August 23<sup>rd</sup> 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm



Join us at the Newaygo Farmer's Market on 8/23 to hear the music of Hannah O'Brien and Grant Flick as they play a mix of original compositions and traditional pieces from various fiddling traditions! The two initially connected at the University of Michigan, finding common ground despite coming from different backgrounds with Hannah from Classical and Irish fiddling and Grant from American improvisational idioms. Their musical interests are broad and as a result, their programs showcase an eclectic collection of repertoire! This activity is supported in part by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

### LABOR DAY WEEKEND HOURS





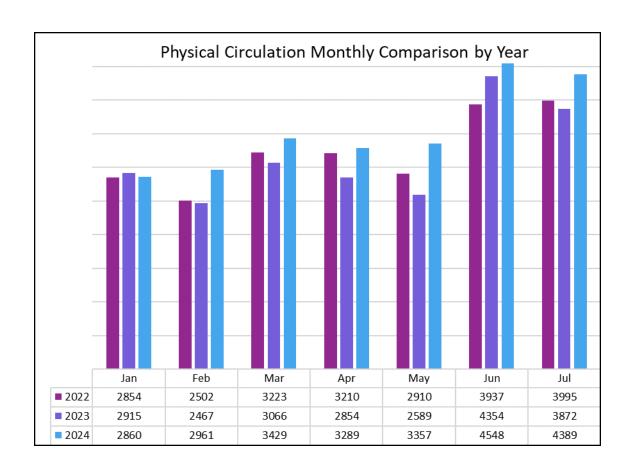


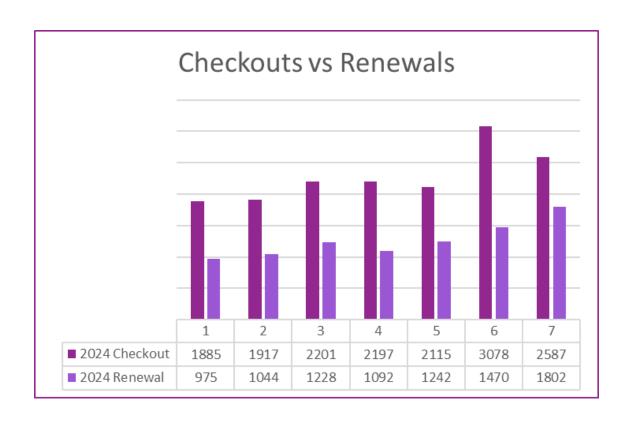
### FALL TRUCK CHILDREN TAKE AND MAKE: September 9<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>

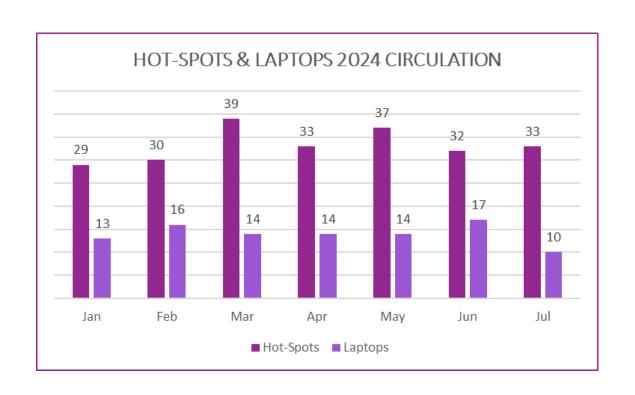
ALL WEEK LONG! Newaygo Library will have a Take & Make craft kit available for children ages 12 and under. Quantities are limited! Craft is for ages: 5+ and adult supervision is required.

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

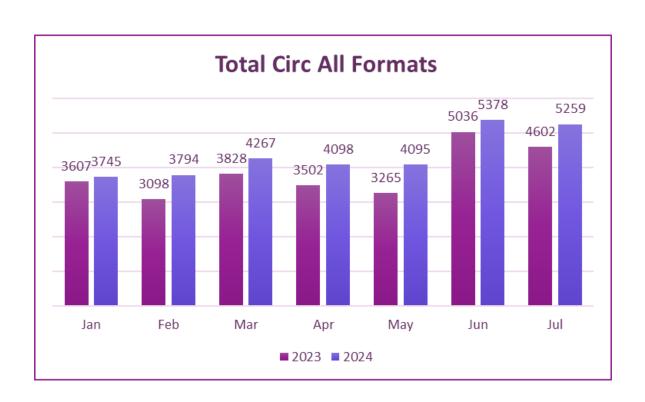
Sign up for our events reminder program! "Remind" will send out a text and email about events going on at NADL. To sign up, go to: <a href="mailto:remind.com/join/nadl1915">remind.com/join/nadl1915</a> or Text @nadl1915 to 81010

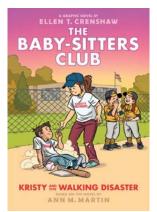


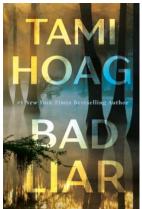


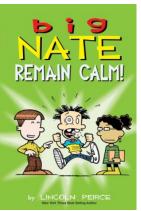


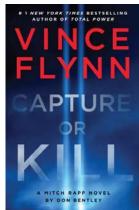


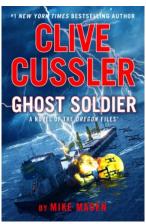


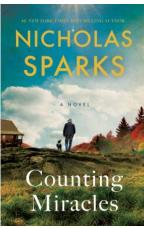


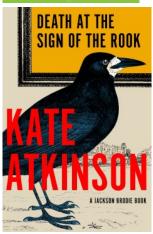


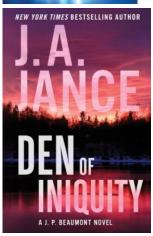


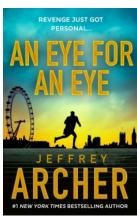


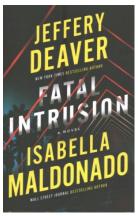


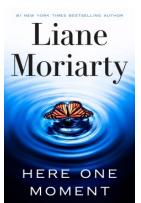


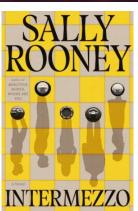


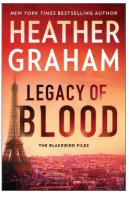


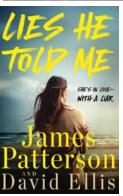


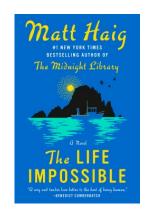


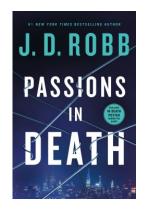












#### 1. Library Staff Opportunities.

- ✓ Director Franklin 🦫 5 year anniversary 8/29; 7/9 Finance Committee MTG; 7/16 NADL Regular Board MTG; 7/19 TIFA MTG; 8/13 Newaygo City Council MTG. -
- ✓ Asst. Director Tinkham: Zoom Mtg with Ian from Gabridge for End of Year Closing 7/09, Training with Cindy from Ross Acct..
- ✓ Tiffany Chase last day was 7/25.
- ✓ Molly Hurrle put in her notice Wednesday 7/24 to be done Saturday 7/27.
- ✓ New employees Stasha Garter hire date 7/24, and Barb Beebe hire date 7/31. Welcome to the team!
- ✓ Staff Meeting: 7/25 All attended. Reviewed Summer Reading Wrap-up. Circulation items and Fall programming planning.

# 2. Collection Management and Development.

✓ Circulation Development: July Added: 36 new physical items.

#### 3. Grants and Donations.

- ✓ 07/23/24: Submitted an \$18,000 MACC Experience Support grant request for the Adult MI-Grown Arts Programming and Tween/Teen Programming for 24-25.
- √ 08/12/24: Received a \$500 Children Programming Grant from FACF.
- ✓ The Federal Communications Commission voted to allow libraries and schools to use federal E-rate funds to purchase Wi-Fi hotspots and the related service. Including assistance on existing service. More info to come!
- **4. Wowbrary Newsletter** 384 subscribers; **Remind Subscribers** –174; **Transparent Language** -- 18 users.

#### 5. Social Media.

✓ **FB**: 1834 Follows; **Instagram**: 281 Follows; **Twitter**: 34 Follows.

### 6. Building & Maintenance.

✓ Front Doors are open!

## 7. Lakeland Library Cooperative

- ✓ 2025 Membership increase of \$733 from 2024.
- ✓ Additional language to clarify policy 3.5 concerning overdue fines Overdue fines shall be retained by the collecting library in the LLC Shared ILS. Libraries may waive overdue fines on their own home library patrons' accounts, including for items interloaned from other LLC libraries who do charge fines. Meaning if a patron from another library has overdue fines on one of our items, they may waive the fee. This is only for Overdue Fines. This does not include lost, damaged, or big-ticket items, like hotspots and laptops.

## 8. Library Circulation.

✓ 18 new library accounts.