

## Director's Report

October is Michigan Library Appreciation Month: **Let's GO!**



### Let's GO Explore!

Discover new adventures with the Michigan Activity Pass, available on our website. Get discounted tickets to over 200 Michigan parks and attractions. Whether you're looking for a new book, a movie, or an engaging event, there's always something exciting happening at the library. Check out our calendar for upcoming book discussions, storytimes, and more.

### Let's GO Learn!

Our library offers a wealth of resources to help you learn and grow. From trusted health information and language learning tools to job skills training and homework help, we've got you covered. Don't forget, with your library card, you have access to ebooks, audiobooks, newspapers, magazines, movies, and music – all for free! Plus, enjoy the convenience of curbside pickup.

### Let's GO Connect!

Libraries are all about community. If you don't have a library card yet, now is the perfect time to get one. Visit our website or give us a call to sign up and start enjoying all the digital services and resources we offer. We're here to help you connect with the world around you.

### Wonder how you may support and celebrate NADL?

- **Get your library card.** A library card has the power to open life-changing opportunities for you. Check out this link [Card](#) to our website for how to apply.
- **Visit your Newaygo Area District Library.** Our Upper level has adult and teen reading collections, access to gathering space, public computers, fax and copy machines, and many other resources. Our Lower level is dedicated to our patrons from birth to tween years. What a fun space!
- **Attend library events.** Check out our [Events](#) page for upcoming programs. We have weekly story-times on Tuesday mornings, and every month have programming planned for all ages.
- **Stay informed via our newsletter.** Sign up for [Wowbrary](#).
- **Download digital resources.** With your NADL card, you may use your devices to download movies, books, magazines, music, comic books, and TV shows. Check out our [Digital Resources](#).
- **Shop our Virginia Cuipidro Bookstore.** The used books and DVDs bookstore is located in our lobby. Proceeds from the bookstore support such library events as the kids' summer reading program.
- **Join a Book Club.** NADL offers book groups for Adults and Elementary or Middle School age kids.
- **Access to Technology.** WIFI is free throughout the library building, parking lot, at the picnic tables in front of the library, within Brooks Park, and at three charging benches located near the Newaygo County Museum, Timbertown Coffee, and Linda's Chapel. The library has public computers for use without the need to log in; laptops and hotspots are available to check out for mobile connectivity; and other services are available for scanning, copying, faxing, and printing.
- **Get involved.** Inquire at the library for volunteer opportunities. Donations of time or monies are always welcome and your contribution will help your community.

Director Mary Franklin

*Mary Franklin*

October 3, 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 ADULT BOOK CLUB:** October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Join Jessica to discuss *The Briar Club*, a haunting and powerful story of female friendships and secrets in a Washington D.C. boardinghouse during the McCarthy era! The book is available now at the circulation desk!

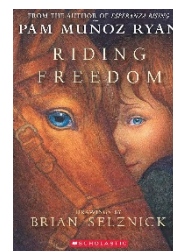


**CHILDREN'S OCTOBER TAKE & MAKE:** October 7<sup>th</sup> – October 12<sup>th</sup>

**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.

**CHILDREN BOOK CLUB:** October 8<sup>th</sup> 3:30 pm – 4:15 pm

Join Tammie for a Kid's Pizza and Book Chat on Tuesday, October 8 from 3:30 - 4:15 pm. We'll be talking about the book, *Riding Freedom*, by Pam Munoz Ryan. You can read or listen! Ages 8 - ? We'll also be doing a STEM Candy Corn Challenge! Invite a friend and sign up in the lower level of the library.



**ADULT SEWING WORKSHOP:** October 12<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Come join owner of Patchwork Breeze LLC Nancy Myers as she returns to Newaygo Area District Library to teach an adult sewing class on how to sew together a pillow case! All materials will be provided. This class is supported by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council. RSVP Required.

**CLOSED – IN-SERVICE DAY:** October 14<sup>th</sup>

Newaygo Library will be closed today for In-Service.

The library will re-open Tuesday October 15th at 10:00 AM.

**MIDDLE ZONE – SPECIAL EFFECTS HALLOWEEN MAKE-UP:** October 19<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

AGES 10 – 15. Do you want to have the best Halloween make-up ever?! Have you ever considered a career in theater? How about as a makeup artist? Come learn from Casey Webb, who has actually done makeup on movie sets! Everything will be provided and she'll show you how to do it without buying special makeup. RSVP on the website or at the library. Sign up with a friend! RSVP REQUIRED.



**SCARECROW STROLL:** October 26<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

The Library is the **FIRST STOP** on the Newaygo SCARECROW STROLL!

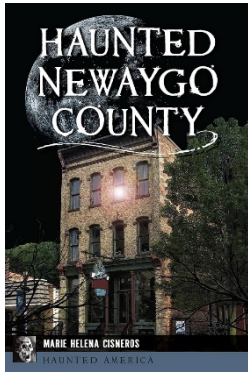


On Sat. Oct 26th from 11 am - 2 pm, Newaygo Library is your first stop in the Newaygo Scarecrow Stroll.

Decorate a craft. pick up a Halloween bag to take on your "Stroll" through town!

Don't forget to grab a Ballot to vote for your favorite store display! Wear your costumes to trick or treat at the library. All kids 17 and under may pick up a treat of a FREE book (while supplies last!). WHAT SPOOKY FUN!

**HAUNTED NEWAYGO COUNTY:** October 29<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm



Recommended for Adults and Teens. Join us in the Newaygo City Chamber Room for Author Talk with author Marie Helena Cisneros as she weaves the area's vibrant history together into some of Newaygo County's most chilling tales. **BOOK AVAILABLE FOR CHECKOUT NOW!!!!!!**

Amidst the sparkling lakes and rolling hills of Northern Michigan lies Newaygo County. The towns nestled within her borders were founded by hardy pioneers, and while their spirit lies in a sense of community, it is said that a few ghostly spirits also haunt the area. Atop a tree-covered hill sits a long-abandoned house, where the spine-tingling cries of the ghost of Screaming Ethel can be heard. The strains of unearthly piano music emanated through the rooms of a 1920s era mansion once belonging to Al Capone's lawyer. The wraithlike spirit of a little boy is seen walking precariously along a river dam. This event is provided in part by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

**READING IS A TREAT:** October 31<sup>st</sup> 10:30 am – 5:30 pm

Ages 18 and under: Visit the Newaygo Library in your Halloween costume to receive a treat and book to keep! **\* While supplies last!**



**DIA DE LOS MUERTOS ESCAPE ROOM:** November 4<sup>th</sup> – November 9<sup>th</sup>

A free escape room for our Middle Zone patrons ages 10 - 15! The day after Halloween, you join with extended family to celebrate Día de los Muertos, remembering and celebrating friends and family members who have died. When you enter the graveyard, you see a glowing marigold. You pick it up, but suddenly become invisible to your family-just a spirit shadow of yourself! You can only escape death by fully honoring family who has passed on and guiding their souls to come help you return to life!



***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/nadl1915](https://remind.com/join/nadl1915) or Text @nadl1915 to 81010



## OCTOBER FEATURED AUTHOR, Louise Erdrich

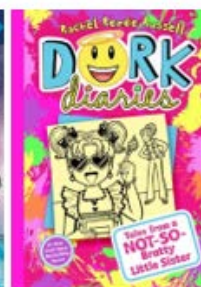
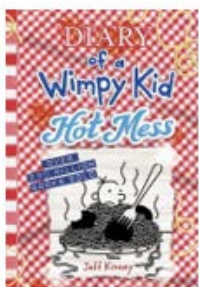
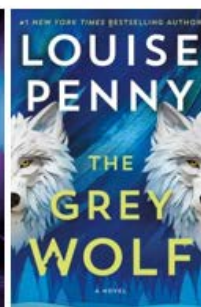
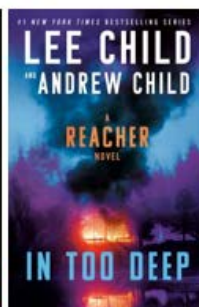
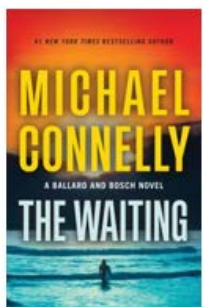
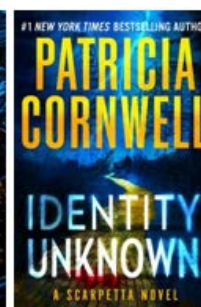
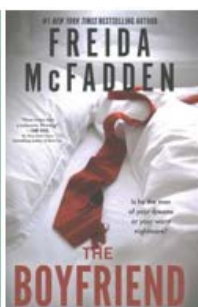
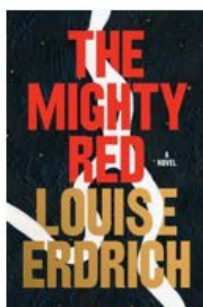
Karen Louise Erdrich is a Native American author of novels, poetry, and children's books featuring Native American characters and settings. She is an enrolled member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians of North Dakota, a federally recognized tribe of Ojibwe people.

She is also the owner of Birchbark Books, a small independent bookstore in Minneapolis that focuses on Native American literature and the Native community in the Twin Cities.



Check out her latest novel The Mighty Red!

Coming Soon



### 1. Library Staff Opportunities.

- ✓ Director Franklin: LLC Board Meeting; NADL Board Mtg. Asst Director Tinkham: Unique Meeting, State Aid meeting.

### 2. Collection Management and Development.

- ✓ Added: 103 new physical items.

### 3. Grants and Donations.

- ✓ 9/24/24: Awarded Michigan Arts and Culture Council (MACC) Experience Support Program Grant for \$10,800.00 (MI GROWN)
- ✓ 10/1/24: Received Approval to apply for the Great Lakes Energy People Fund, to help offset the cost of updating our Circulation Area.
- ✓ 10/1/24: Received TIFA24/25 \$12,412.00

### 4. Wowbrary Newsletter – 382 emails sent; Remind Subscribers –181; ShoutBomb Subscribers – N/A.

### 5. Social Media.

- ✓ FB: 1838 Follows; Instagram: 286 Follows; Twitter: 34 Follows.

### 6. Building & Maintenance.

DV Masonry has finished up the front steps. Will give me a quote on cleaning the lamp posts.

### 7. Lakeland Library Cooperative.

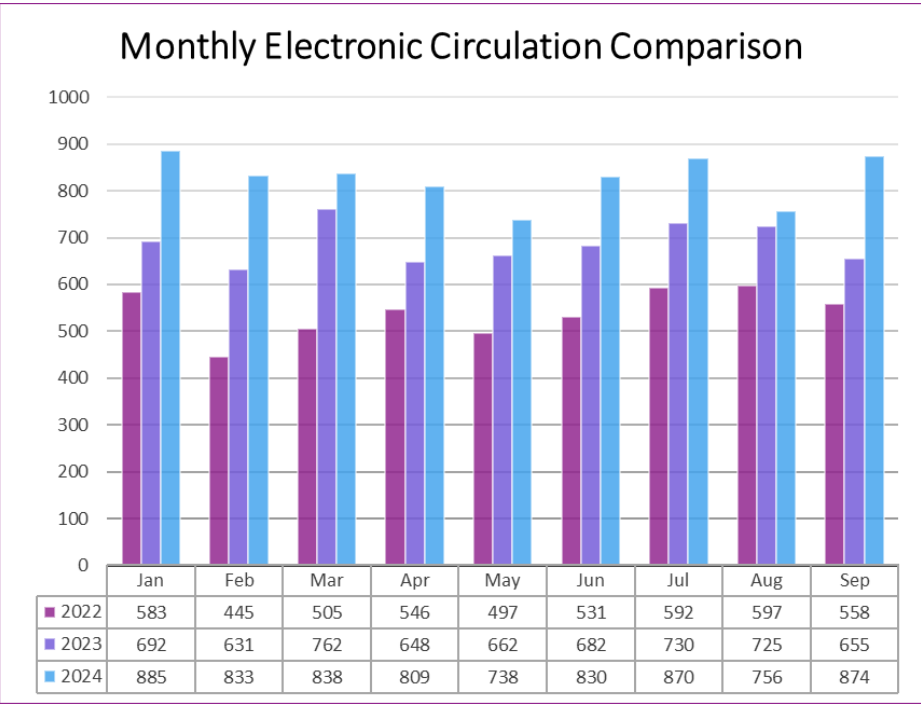
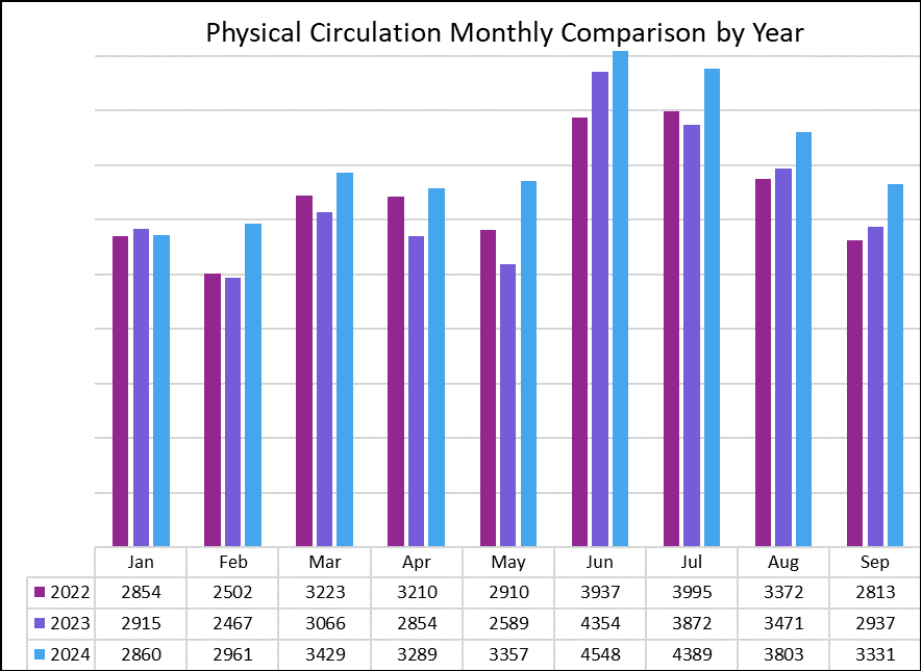
- ✓ Additional libraries have been added to Libby bringing total of Partner Libraries to 12.

### 9. Library Circulation.

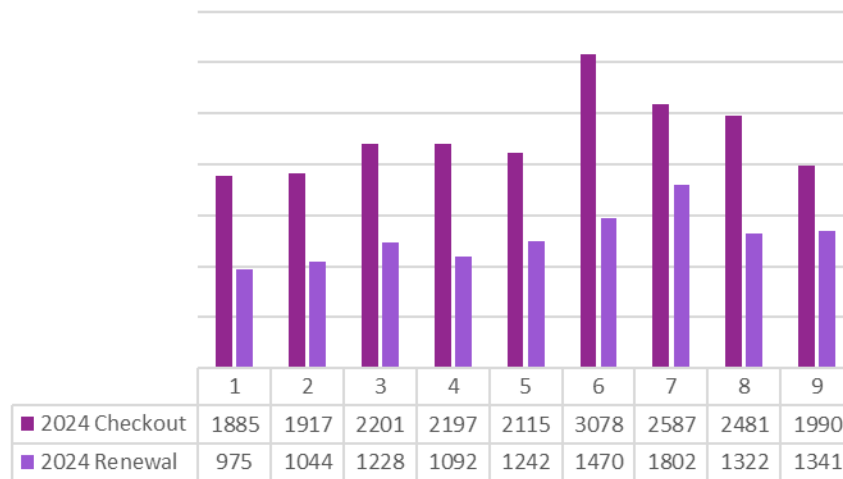
- ✓ 14 new patrons signed up for library cards. 1 new Non-Resident. Many more patrons renewed their accounts this month.

NEWAYGO LIBRARY WOULD LIKE TO THANK AN ANONYMOUS LOCAL FAMILY FOR THEIR GEROEUS DONATION OF A NEW KITCHEN FOR THE CHILDREN’S LIBRARY

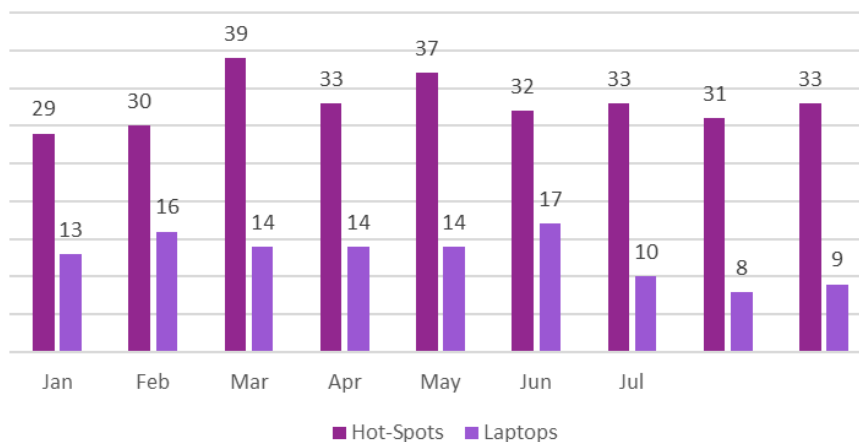




## Checkouts vs Renewals



## HOT-SPOTS & LAPTOPS 2024 CIRCULATION



## Total Circ All Formats

