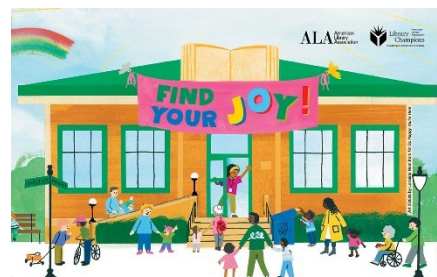


DIRECTOR'S REPORT

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

At Newaygo Area District Library, we invite everyone to join the celebration! Whether you're a longtime patron, a new neighbor, or haven't visited in a while, now is the perfect time to explore all the library has to offer. Our library provides Programs for all ages, Free Wi-Fi, Digital Collections, More than Books and many more services to ensure that everyone has access to resources that educate, inspire, and connect.



Whatever brings you joy, the library has something for everyone. Whether you're preparing for a career change, launching a business, raising a family, or embracing retirement, [Library Name] is here to support your journey. Libraries serve as hubs for learning, creativity, and connection, helping people of all ages explore new ideas and opportunities.



April 21 is **National Library Workers Day**.

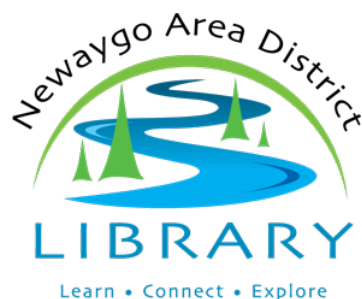
We have a truly amazing team. Everyone works well together and respects one another.

A huge thank you goes out to Kelly, Tammie, Cheryl, Carly, Barb, Mackenzie, Liz, Anne and Stacy for all their hard work!

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

Mary Franklin

Director Mary Franklin



MyLibrary App



hoopla App
(Instantly borrow digital materials)



libby App
(Digital books)



Read Squared App
(Reading log)



MeL
(Books and databases)



Remind
(Text notification for library events)



Shoutbomb
(Text notifications for library account info)



1. Library Staff Opportunities.

- Director Franklin: NADL Board Meeting - 2/17/26; TIFA Project Committee Meeting – 3/4/26; Fremont Area Community Foundation Library Partnership Meeting – 3/5/26; LLC Board & Advisory Meeting - 3/12/26.
- Monthly Staff Meeting – 2/25/26
- Our Fifth Annual Chili Cook- winner is Mackenzie!

2. Programming Participation – February 2026.

- Book Club – Adult – 3
- Drop-In Craft – 10 to 18 yrs. - 21
- Drop-In Craft – Adult – 24
- Chili Cook-Off – 26
- Watercolor Class – Adult - 7
- Winter Reading – Adult & Teen - 40
- Winter Mystery Sticker Activity – Total 78
- Chess Club - 18
- Combined StoryTimes – Adult & Children - 77

2. Collection Management and Development.

- Added: 100 new physical items.

3. Grants and Donations.

- Summer Reading Donations from local businesses continue to come in.
- Summer Reading from GM Wood Products – 300 shirts for Finishers, 12 Children's Kindles for Prizes.

4. Online Statistics

- **Wowbrary Newsletter** – 518 Subscribers; **Remind Subscribers** –267;
- **Library Online App** – 11 – IOS users; 31 – Android users.
- **Social Media**
 - **FB:** 2,048 Follows; **Instagram:** 304 Follows; **Twitter:** 34 Follows

5. Lakeland Library Cooperative.

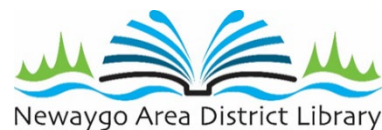
- Outsource the LLC Delivery, should save money
- Evaluating a new ILS catalog system

6. Library Circulation.

- 10 – New Library accounts
- 17 – Online Cards



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT NEWAYGO LIBRARY



PRESCHOOL STORYTIME: Did you know that listening to stories fosters your child's language development, creativity, and listening skills? Engage your Preschooler with songs, stories, crafts, and activities that nurture early literacy skills in a fun, interactive atmosphere. Join us on Tuesdays in the Children's Library for Storytime!



ADULT BOOK CLUB: April 2nd 2:30 – 3:30PM

Come to the April Book Club at Newaygo Library to discuss *The Astral Library* by Kate Quinn! From New York Times bestselling author Kate Quinn comes a gorgeously written fantastical adventure which poses the question: Have you ever wished you could live inside a book? Welcome to the Astral Library, where books are not just objects, but doors to new worlds, new lives, and new futures. The Astral Library is perfectly suited for bibliophiles, librarians, and fantasy fans who enjoy stories about magic, found family, and the power of books. It is a fast-paced, cozy fantasy featuring a sharp-witted protagonist, making it ideal for readers who love literary adventures, historical nods, and a blend of whimsical, magical, and serious themes.

LIVE ACTION OREGON TRAIL GAME: April 6th – 11th

EARTH DAY TERRARIUMS: April 11th 10:30AM – 12:30PM

Celebrate Earth Day with us at our Earth Day Terrariums class! Adults and teens are invited to get hands-on and create their own unique terrarium while learning how these miniature ecosystems come together. This creative, nature-inspired program is a fun way to celebrate the planet and enjoy a little greenery indoors. Participants are encouraged to bring their own containers, but containers will be provided for those who are unable to bring one. All other materials will be supplied—just come ready to create and celebrate Earth Day! **ADULTS & TEENS ONLY (Ages 16+) RSVP REQUIRED.** This activity is sponsored by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.



APRIL ADULT & TEEN DROP-IN: LEAF IMPRINT TRINKET DISH: April 13th – 18th

Stop by the library April 13 - 18 for our Adult & Teen Drop-In Craft: Leaf Imprint Trinket Dish! Using air-dry clay and real leaves, participants will create beautiful imprint designs to form a one-of-a-kind handmade dish. This simple, nature-inspired craft highlights the unique patterns and textures found in leaves. Perfect for holding jewelry, keys, or small treasures, these clay trinket dishes are both decorative and practical. All supplies will be available upstairs in the Local History Room during library

hours. **QUANTITIES ARE LIMITED. LIMIT ONE PER PERSON.** Adults and teens (16+) only. No registration required. The activity is sponsored by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

MEDICARE 101 SEMINAR: April 16th 6:00 – 7:00PM

Join us in welcoming Jay Simon from Priority Health for a Medicare 101 Seminar on April 16 at 6:00 PM in the Newaygo City Chamber Room. This informative session is designed to help individuals better understand Medicare and feel confident when making coverage decisions. A Q&A session will follow the presentation, giving attendees the opportunity to



ask any additional questions. This program is ideal for those new to Medicare or anyone looking for a clearer understanding of their options.

PSANKY EGGS W/ LARA CUMMINGS: April 18th 10:30AM – 12:30PM



PICKIN' WITH THE CHAMP: MOREL SEMINAR: April 23rd 5:30 – 7:00PM

Join us in welcoming Anthony Williams for Pickin' with the Champ: Morel Seminar! After winning the National Morel Hunting Championship five years in a row, Anthony retired undefeated from competitive picking to become the "Expert in Residence" for the National Morel Festival. Over the last 20 years he has continued to share his "Pickin' with the Champ" seminar all over Michigan and beyond! Anthony's seminars are filled with stories from his 70 plus years of picking. Tips on when, where and how to pick include the personal, finer points that made him the champion of finding the elusive morel. Whether you're a seasoned pro or a first-time picker you're bound to

find a new perspective to gathering the illusive morel during this educational seminar. The activity is sponsored by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

DROP-IN CRAFT PAINTABLE POTS W/ SUCCULENTS - AGES 10-15: April 27th – May 2nd

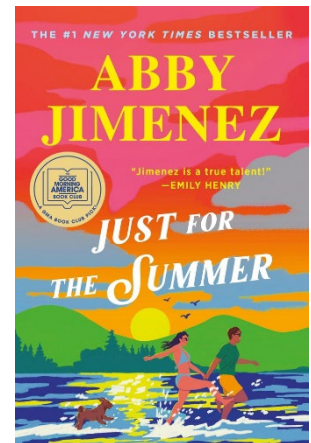
Would you like to be notified by text of Newaygo Library events?

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 or Text @nadl1915 to 81010

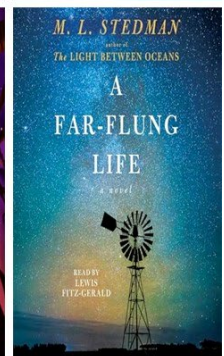
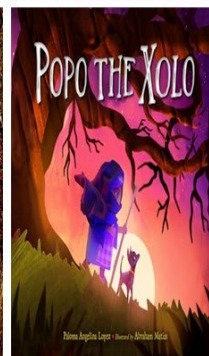
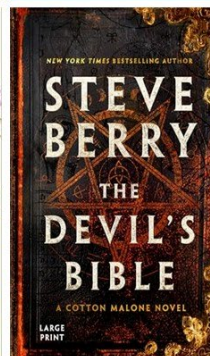
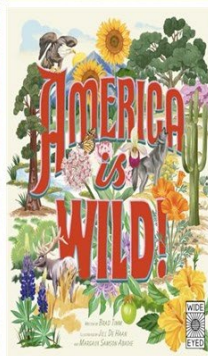
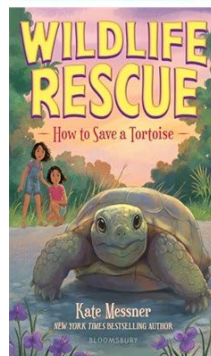
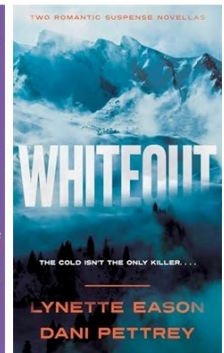
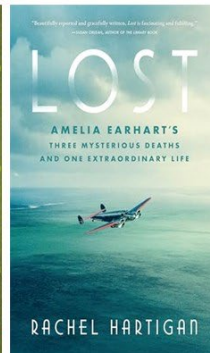
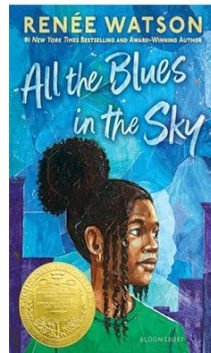
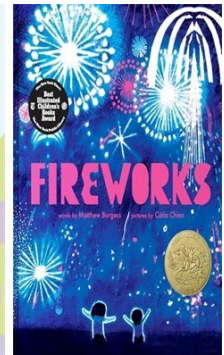
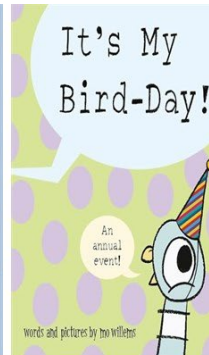
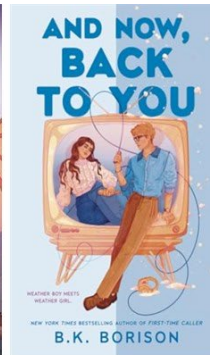
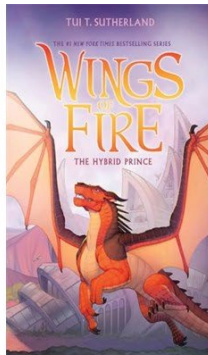


JANUARY FEATURED AUTHOR, Abby Jimenez

Abby Jimenez is a New York Times bestselling author of romance novels. Her books have sold more than 1.5 million copies and been translated into 28 languages. Jimenez is the author of three romance series: *The Friend Zone*, *Part of Your World*, and *Say You'll Remember Me*. She also wrote *Just for the Summer* and *Yours Truly*, which some consider her most popular book.

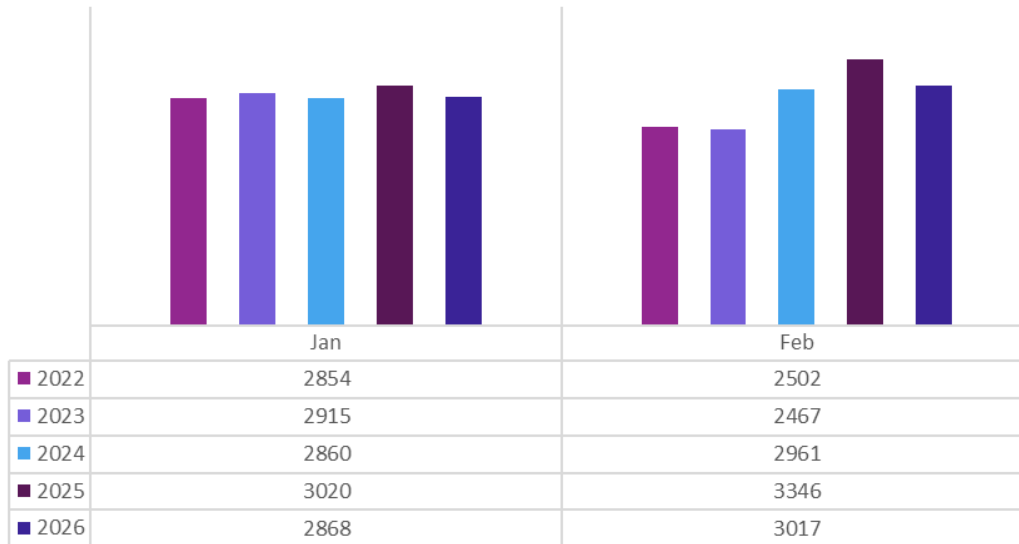


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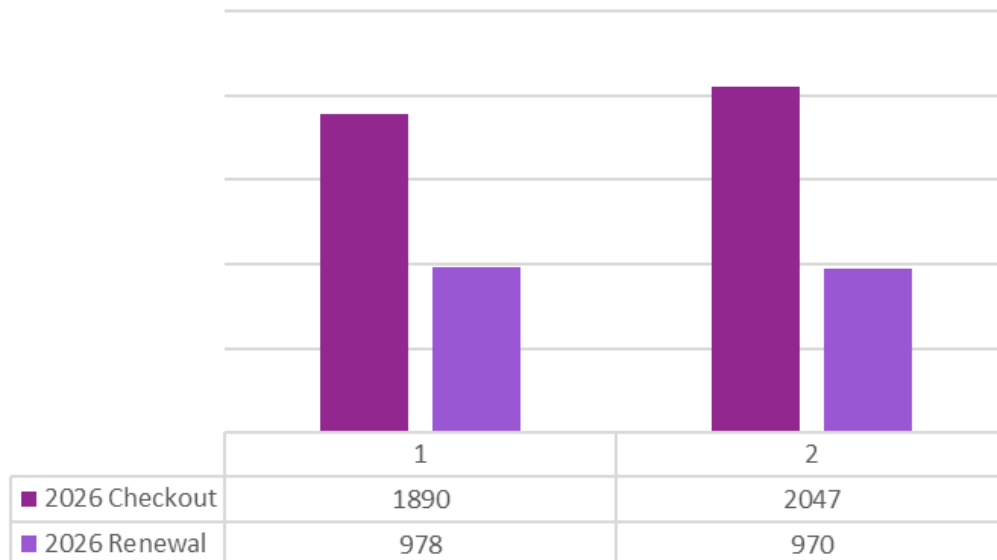


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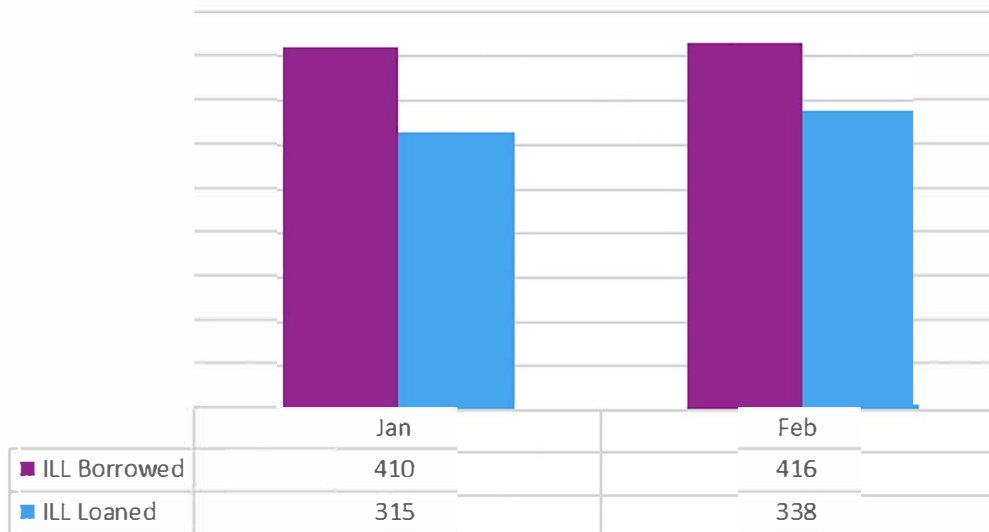
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NADL Patron Checkouts vs Renewals



2026 Physical Circ. Borrows vs Loans Within LLC



2026 FORMATS OF INSTANT BORROWS FROM HOOPLA

■ e-Audio
 ■ e-Comic
 ■ e-Book
 ■ Movie
 ■ Music
 ■ TV
 ■ BingePass

