



The Network

Linking You to Your Library

June - August 2024

SUMMER READING KICK-OFF AT BRIDGEFEST

Saturday, June 8 | 11 AM - 6 PM | Behind the Library

Adventure begins at your library with our annual Summer Reading program! Help us kick off an exciting summer of programs and prizes at Downtown Allegan's Bridgefest. Enjoy bounce houses from 11 am - 6 pm and music by Panda Pete, on the Riverfront stage from 12 - 2 pm, both sponsored by the Allegan Friends of the Library. Stop by our Information table to learn about the cool prizes you can win just for reading throughout the summer! Summer Reading is for all ages, from newborns to adults, with prizes including STEM kits, gift cards, a Kindle, a toddler bike, and so much more. To participate, pick up a log sheet or bookmark at Bridgefest or at the library starting June 8th, fill it out, and turn it in before 3:30 pm on Saturday, August 17. Happy reading!



THANK YOU, SUMMER READING SPONSORS!

Allegan Event by Liggettville & Allegan Friends of the Library

Thank you to our Summer Reading sponsors, Allegan Event by Liggettville and the Allegan Friends of the Library! Liggettville, the parent company of Allegan Event, has donated gift cards to be used as prizes. Visit Allegan Event to conquer Michigan's largest indoor ropes course, zip rails, climbing walls, mini-golf, Amaze'n Mazes, arcade games, food, and drinks. Call 269-430-3961 or visit www.alleganevent.com for details.

In addition to sponsoring the bounce houses and musician Panda Pete at Bridgefest, the Friends have funded all of the adult Summer Reading prizes and printing costs. The Allegan Friends of the Library are a group of volunteers who support the library through fundraising, such as their annual tea and the Carnegie Book Corner Bookstore. They hold monthly meetings at the library on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 1 pm. All are welcome to join.



ABRAHAM LINCOLN AS STORYTELLER

with Kevin Wood



Thursday, June 27 | 6 PM | Programming Room

Join professional impersonator Kevin Wood as he recounts our nation's history through the eyes of our sixteenth president. Children are welcome, but please note that this program is geared toward an older audience. Space is limited.

Registration is required.



LEARN TO BELLY DANCE

with Sarah Mayne of Shimmy USA

Thursday, August 1 | 6 PM | Griswold Auditorium Banquet Room

This one-hour class will teach you basic movements and steps and will include a short demonstration at the end of the class. Hip scarves will be available to borrow. Ages 13 and up. Space is limited. **Registration is required.**

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Friday 10 AM - 5:30 PM
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Adult Programs and Events

Monthly Programs



June: Birds Nest Necklaces, Registration begins 5/22
July: No Pintesting due to holiday.
August: Folded Book Heart, Registration begins 7/24

PINTESTING

**Wednesdays, June 5 & August 7 |
6 PM | Programming Room**

Space is limited. **Registration is required and opens two weeks before each program.**

CRAFTASTIC

**Mondays, June 17, July 15, & August 19 |
6 PM | Programming Room**

Space is limited. **Registration is required and opens two weeks before each program.**



June: Bad Art Night, Registration begins 6/3
July: Felt Cactus Bookmarks, Registration begins 7/1
August: Paper Beads, Registration begins 8/5



BOOK CLUB

**Tuesdays, June 11, July 9, & August 13 |
6:30 PM | Riverfront Reading Area**

Join us for great books, great conversation, and a great time! Copies of the current book can be found on top of the adult "New Books" shelf. All adults are invited.

No registration required.

June: *The Art Thief* by Michael Finkel. July: *The Guncle* by Steven Rowley.
August: *The Wishing Game* by Meg Shaffer.

PUB QUIZ



**Wednesdays, June 19, July 17, & August 21 |
6:30 PM | Tantrick Brewing**

Test your knowledge in a fun night of trivia. 4 rounds of 10 questions each. Teams of up to 6. Show your library card and earn extra points to add to your team's score.

Registration begins at 5:30, quizzing starts at 6:30.



JUMPSTART YOUR GENEALOGY

with Megan Heyl

Saturdays, June 29, July 27, & August 31 | 11 AM | Programming Room

Professional genealogist Megan Heyl is back to help us hunt down and organize our family histories. **No registration required.**

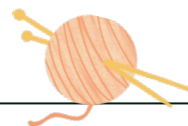
RECESS FOR ADULTS



**Wednesdays, June 12, July 10, & August 14 |
2 - 3 PM | Programming Room**

Join us and our friends from The Arc of Allegan County, a non-profit organization supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, for crafting, playing games, and conversing with friends.

No registration required.



CRAFT & SNACK

**Mondays, June 10 & 24, July 8 & 22, &
August 12 & 26 | 1-3 PM | Programming Room**

Bring your own project and supplies and work on whatever while snacking and chatting! This group is for crafters of all skills and kinds to trade tips, tricks, and conversation. Light refreshment will be provided.

No registration required.

Adult Programs and Events

Special Events and Classes

SALVE MAKING

with Haley Terpstra



Tuesday, June 4 | 6 PM | Programming Room

Join Haley Terpstra, owner of Herbal Meadows Botanicals, to make a soothing salve. Each participant will go home with a 1 oz, handmade salve. All materials are provided, but space is limited. **Registration is required and will open at 10 AM on May 21.**

NATURE PRINTING

with the Kalamazoo Book Arts Center



Thursday, July 11 | 6 PM | Programming Room

Learn to make beautiful art prints with objects from nature! Materials and instruction will be provided. Space is limited. **Registration is required and will open at 10 AM on June 27.**

CANVAS PAINT-ALONG

with Mary Clare Johnson



Saturday, July 20 | 11 AM | Programming Room

Join local artist Mary Clare Johnson to create your own masterpiece! During this 3 hour class, she will guide you through the entire painting process, from sketching out the image to adding the final touches. All materials will be provided. Feel free to bring snacks or a light lunch to keep you energized. Space is limited. **Registration is required and will open at 10 AM on July 6.**

MY PARANORMAL JOURNEY

with Rick Waid



Thursday, August 15 | 6 PM | Programming Room

Author and seer Rick Waid will share his journey into the world of the paranormal as well as offer readings to randomly selected audience members. Copies of his books will be available for purchase. Space is limited. **Registration is required and will open at 10 AM on August 1.**

BAYONET & SABER CHARGES: SWORDSMANSHIP OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

with the Swordsmanship Museum & Academy

Tuesday, July 2 | 6 PM | Programming Room

Join historian Jerry Berg to learn about close-combat techniques used by both sides during the American Revolutionary War. Replicas of swords, knives, polearms, and bayonets will be on display. **No registration required.**

SENGOKU JIDAI: JAPAN'S WARRING STATES PERIOD

with the Swordsmanship Museum & Academy

Thursday, July 18 | 6 PM | Programming Room

Historian Jerry Berg will present on the history of Japan's most tumultuous period of war, the research of the period, and the military equipment, armor, and weapons of the era. Replicas and artifacts from the museum's collection will be on display. **No registration required.**



DRINK THE WILD

with author Angie Jackson

Thursday, July 25 | 6 PM | Programming Room

Local author Angie Jackson will take us on an intoxicating journey through the world of apothecary recipes. Learn how ingredients from nature can be turned into calming concoctions, mixtures for wellness, or just delicious drinks. **No registration required.**



NATURE GETAWAYS

with Ron Rademacher

Thursday, August 22 | 6 PM | Programming Room

Discover the natural wonders of Michigan with Ron Rademacher! Ron will share some hidden gems as well as the best routes for fall color tours. Copies of his books will be available for purchase. **No registration required.**

See the following page for teen & adult joint programs, highlighted in red.

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Teen Programs and Events



TEEN FINGER PAINTING

**Thursdays, June 13, July 11, & August 8 |
2 PM | Programming Room**

In June, we'll make picture frames. July will be bandanas. August will be murals. All supplies provided. Ages 12-18. **No registration required.**



TEEN TECH NIGHTS

**Fridays, June 14, July 12, & August 2 |
6-8 PM | Lab & Teen Area**

Experience virtual reality, explore the realm of 3-D printing, and play video games with friends. Snacks provided. Ages 12-18. **Registration is required.**



TEEN TIE-DYE CLUB

**Fridays, June 21, July 19, & August 23 |
3 PM | Programming Room**

We'll tie-dye Bandanas in June, pillowcases in July, and bags in August! All supplies provided. Ages 12-18. **Registration is required.**



WILL IT WAFFLE?

**Wednesdays, August 7 & 21 |
3 PM | Programming Room**

We'll cook with nothing but a waffle iron! Be prepared to get a little messy and have a whole lot of fun! Ages 12-18. **Registration is required.**



INTRO TO D&D

**Saturdays, June 15, July 13, & August 10 |
11 AM - 3 PM | Programming Room**

Ever wanted to play Dungeons & Dragons (edition 5) but had no idea where to begin? Come join our DM, Mr. Silver, for fun one-off campaigns. Players will be introduced to the game and will make their own character sheets. Ages 12 & up. **Registration is required for each session.**



CHIMP HAVEN

with Amy Fultz

Wednesday, July 31 | 1 PM | Programming Room

Join primate professional Amy Fultz to learn about the various primates and animals she has worked with at Chimp Haven, the world's largest chimpanzee sanctuary! Ages 12 & up. **Registration is required.**

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MINI KEYCHAIN ART CLUB



**Fridays, June 7, July 26, & August 9 |
3 PM | Programming Room**

Come make your own art and shrink it down to make a cool keychain! Templates and supplies provided. Ages 12-18. **No registration required.**

8-BIT BUTTON ART



**Tuesdays, June 18, July 23, & August 20 |
2 PM | Programming Room**

Join us as we make 8-bit art of classic video game characters! Templates and supplies provided. Ages 12-18. **No registration required.**

TEEN NERF NIGHT



Friday, June 28 | 6-8 PM | Main Floor

We will have group games, target practice, free-for-all, capture the flag, and more. Snacks and water provided. Ages 12-18. **Registration is required.**

PAPERCHAIN PYTHONS



**Thursday, August 15 |
2 PM | Programming Room**

Come make your very own paper chain python to take home with you. Templates and supplies will be provided. Ages 12-18. **No registration required.**

ANIMAL CHARACTERS

with Corinne Roberts



**Wednesday, June 19 |
3 PM | Programming Room**

Illustrator Corinne Roberts will guide you through the process of creating and designing your own unique animal characters! Supplies will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own. Ages 12 & up. **Registration is required.**



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10 AM - 4 PM

Children's Programs and Events

Storytimes

LAPSIT STORYTIME

for ages 0-2



NO STORYTIMES
JUNE 4 & 6,
JULY 2 & 4,
AND
AUGUST 27 & 29



Tuesdays | 10:30 AM | Programming Room

We all know that early literacy is important, so let's start as early as possible! This storytime is catered especially for children 0-2 years old and their caregivers. Littles and their caregivers will read from board books, sing songs, and engage in sensory play. At the end, we'll have open playtime for the kids and some time for the grownups to converse! **No registration required.**

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

for ages 3-5

Thursdays | 10:30 AM | Programming Room

Join us on Thursday mornings for fun books, songs, rhymes, crafts, and other fun activities as we encourage a love of books in your little ones. This storytime is designed for kids 3-5 years old and their caregivers. **No registration required.**

WIGGLE WORMS PLAY N' LEARN



Wednesdays, June 12, July 10, & August 14 | 6 PM | Children's Area

Join us on Wednesday evenings for stories, activities, and songs. Little ones will have fun engaging in open play while the grownups have time to converse. Older siblings are welcome to join. Ages 0-3. **No registration required.**

Recurring Programs

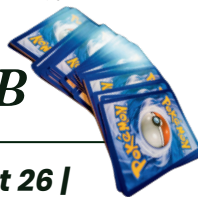


MESSY MUNCHKINS

Mondays, June 10, July 15, & August 12 | 10-11 AM | Programming Room

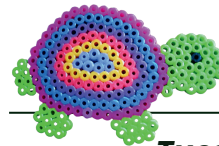
Let your imagination run wild while you create mini murals with finger paints! Creations will be proudly displayed in the Programming Room for one week and posted on the library's Facebook page. All art can be collected at the Circulation Desk after being displayed. Ages 0-5. **No registration required.**

POKÉMON KIDS' CLUB



Mondays, June 24, July 29, & August 26 | 11 AM | Programming Room

Calling all trainers! Dive into the world of Pokémon and bring your own cards to trade with your friends, make Pokémon-themed crafts, and try to catch 'em all in Pokémon Go! Ages 5-12. **Registration is required for each session.**



PERLER PALOOZA!

Tuesdays, June 11, July 9, & August 13 | 2 PM | Programming Room

Let your creativity flow as you create fun and unique designs with Perler Beads! All supplies will be provided. Ages 5-11. **No registration required.**



DISCOVER 4H

with the Michigan State University Extension

Tuesdays, June 25, July 30, & August 27 | 2 PM | Programming Room

Discover what 4-H is all about and how the program is conducted in different countries around the world! Each month will feature a different country and a cultural craft. Ages 5-12. **No registration required.**



PLAY CAFE



Wednesdays, June 26, July 31, & August 28 | 10 AM - 12 PM | Programming Room

Come to the library and enjoy a cup of coffee while your little ones have fun with our Play-Doh play station, coloring station, toy area, and craft zone. Coffee and apple juice will be provided. Ages 0-5. **No registration required.**

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Children's Programs and Events

Special Events & Programs

LEARN TO DRAW MYTHICAL CREATURES

with Corinne Roberts

Wednesday, June 19 | 1 PM | Programming Room

Join Illustrator Corinne Roberts to learn how to draw mythical creatures! She will lead you through simple drawing techniques that will result in magical masterpieces! Supplies will be provided, but you may bring your own if you wish. Ages 8-12. **Registration is required.**



Family Programs and Events

MONDAY MOVIE MATINEES



Mondays, June 17, July 22, & August 19 | 10 AM | Programming Room

June 17th will feature *Up* (PG). July 22nd will feature *Sonic the Hedgehog* (PG). August 19th will feature *The Super Mario Bros. Movie* (PG). All ages.

No registration required.



CHALK THE WALK

Saturday, June 22 | 10 AM – 2 PM | Front & Back Library Sidewalks

Supplies will be provided. All ages. If there is inclement weather, the rain make-up date will be Saturday, July 27. **No registration required.**

THE SCIENCE OF BUBBLES

with Dynamic School Assemblies

Wednesday, July 24 | 2 PM | Programming Room

Experience the fun of science by walking into a giant bubble! All ages. Space is limited.

Registration is required.



DINOSAUR ADVENTURES

with Paleo Joe

Friday, June 21 | 1 PM | Programming Room

Join real-life paleontologist Paleo Joe to learn all about dinosaurs! All ages. **Registration is required.**

THE MYSTERY OF CACKLEWOOD FOREST

Presented by Roz Puppets

Wednesday, July 17 | 1 PM | Programming Room

A little mouse sets off on a grand adventure into a dark and mysterious woodland realm. Why does he go into the forest? Find out in this fun story! All ages.

No registration required.

FAMILY NERF NIGHT

Friday, August 16 | 6-8 PM | Main Floor

Kids ages 3 and up and their caregivers are invited to join us for an evening of fun and epic battle! All children must be accompanied by an adult. **Registration is required.**



ANIMAL SCAVENGER HUNT

During Summer Reading | Downtown Allegan

We're hiding 3D-printed woodland creatures around downtown Allegan this summer! Find one, take a picture, and use #ADLSRP on Facebook or Instagram to be entered to win a prize. Keep the animal or rehide it for others to find.



DRONE CLUB

Saturdays, June 1, July 6, & August 3 | 10 - 11 AM | Hanson Park

Meet Alan behind the library to fly drones! Bring your own drone or borrow one of ours. All ages.

No registration required.



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June

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Preschool Programming Children's Programming Teen Programming Adult Programming All Ages					1 Drone Club @ 10 - 11 AM
3	4 Salve Making @ 6 PM	5 Pintesting @ 6 PM	6	7 Mini Keychain @ 3 PM	8 Bridgefest Summer Reading Kick-Off @ 11 AM - 6 PM
10 Summer Reading Begins Messy Munchkins @ 10 - 11 AM Craft & Snack @ 1-3 PM	11 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 AM Perler Palooza @ 2 PM Book Club @ 6:30 PM	12 Wiggle Worms Play N' Learn @ 6 PM Recess for Adults @ 2 - 3 PM	13 Preschool Storytime @ 10:30 AM Teen Finger Painting @ 2 PM	14 Teen Tech Night @ 6-8 PM	15 Intro to D&D @ 11 AM - 3 PM
17 Movie Matinee @ 10 AM Craftastic @ 6 PM	18 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 AM 8-Bit Button Art @ 2 PM Library Board Meeting @ 6 PM	19 Mythical Creatures @ 1 PM Animal Characters @ 3 PM Pub Quiz @ 6:30 PM	20 Preschool Storytime @ 10:30 AM	21 Dinosaur Adventures @ 1 PM Teen Tie-Dye @ 3 PM	22 Chalk the Walk @ 10 AM - 2 PM
24 Pokémon Kids' Club @ 11 AM Craft & Snack @ 1-3 PM Bingo @ 6-7 PM	25 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 AM FOL Meeting @ 1PM Discover 4H @ 2 PM	26 Play Cafe @ 10 AM-Noon	27 Preschool Storytime @ 10:30 AM Abraham Lincoln as Storyteller @ 6 PM	28 Teen Nerf Night @ 6 - 8 PM	29 Jumpstart Your Genealogy @ 11 AM
1	2 Bayonet & Saber Charges @ 6 PM	3	4 CLOSED	5	6 Drone Club @ 10 - 11 AM
8 Craft & Snack @ 1-3 PM	9 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 AM Perler Palooza @ 2 PM Book Club @ 6:30 PM	10 Wiggle Worms Play N' Learn @ 6 PM Recess for Adults @ 2 - 3 PM	11 Preschool Storytime @ 10:30 AM Teen Finger Painting @ 2 PM Nature Printing @ 6 PM	12 Teen Tech Night @ 6-8 PM	13 Intro to D&D @ 11 AM - 3 PM
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FEATURED ART: ALLEGAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY



June - August 2024 | Community Art Wall

Come take a look into our county's history and celebrate 70 years of the Allegan County Historical Society!

The purpose of the Allegan County Historical Society is to help preserve the history of Allegan County. They do this through the Old Jail Museum, educational activities, and the John Pahl Historical Village at the fairgrounds. The Society is 70 years old this year and the Museum opened 60 years ago.

The Old Jail Museum has thousands of artifacts and is open for free tours on Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 4pm during the summer. The John Pahl Historical Village is open during the Allegan County Fair in September.

BINGO



Mondays, June 24, July 29, & August 26 | 6-7 PM | Programming Room

Play Bingo for a chance to win a small prize. All ages. **No registration required.**

AUSSIE DIDGERIDOO & YOU

Tuesday, July 16 | 2 PM | Programming Room

Explore aboriginal Australian art, music, and culture with world-renowned educators and musicians Peter D. Harper and Bobbi Llewellyn-Harper. See, hear, and touch a real didgeridoo while learning about the daily lives of the first Australians. All ages. **Registration is required.**



SPLASH PAD WITH SANTA



Thursday, July 25 | 10 AM - 12 PM | Perrigo Plaza Splash Pad

Don your bathing suit, put on your sunscreen, and join the jolliest guy around at the Allegan splash pad! There will be stories, activities, and fun! Children must be accompanied by an adult. If the weather is bad, we will meet indoors. **No registration required.**

FRIENDS' CORNER

The Friends of the Allegan District Library hold meetings on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 1 p.m. All are invited to join.

CARNEGIE CORNER BOOKSTORE BAG SALE

Thursday, July 25 - Saturday, July 27 | Lower Level

It's time to stock up on books! Browse the Friends of the Library bag sale during downtown Allegan's sidewalk sales and get a whole bag of books for just the price of a donation. We will provide bags, but you are also welcome to bring your own. Books of all interests will be available. Proceeds support library programs and materials.



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