

Plant Swap

**Saturday, September 2 | 10 – 11:30 AM |
Programming Room**

Join fellow gardeners for a plant swap! Bring cuttings, propagations, entire plants, and seeds to swap. Meet other green thumbs and go home with new things to grow.
No registration required.



Beekeeping 101

with Ned Stacey

**Saturdays, September 2 & 9 | 2 PM | Carnegie
Room**

Join local beekeeper Ned Stacey to learn all about starting your first hive. This program is perfect for those wanting to try beekeeping or those who just want to know more about these fantastic pollinators. Attend one or both sessions.
No registration required.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover



**Friday, September 8 | 4–5 PM |
Programming Room**

Bring a stuffed animal to the library for a special story time. Afterward, leave them to have a fun overnight adventure at the library! Pick up your friend the next morning at our Breakfast Buddies Event. Limited will to 25 children (one animal per child please). **Registration is required.**

Breakfast Buddies



**Saturday, September 9 | 10:30 – 11:30 AM |
Programming Room**

For those that participated in our Stuffed Animal Sleepover, join us in the morning to pick up your friend and view a slideshow of all the adventures, fun, and mischief our friends had overnight! Donuts and juice will be served. **Registration is required.**



Batman Day!

**Saturday, September 16 | 11 AM – 3 PM | Main Floor, Carnegie Room, &
Programming Room**

Nana-nana-nana-nana-nana-nana-nana-nana Batman! Batman Day is coming and he needs your help! Can you escape the Batcave and save Gotham from the bad guys in our Escape Room? Make your own superhero cape and mask! Join us for Batman trivia for a chance to win comic books from Tardy's Underground! All ages are invited. **Call the library to register for the Escape Room.**

The Frog Prince

with Roz Puppets



Wednesday, September 27 | 4 PM | Carnegie Room

Once upon a time, in a far-off land, there was a traveling frog who was in search of life outside the swamp. Where will his travels lead him? Join Roz Puppets to discover that sometimes happiness is just a hop away. All ages are invited.
No registration required.

Pals with Paws Meet & Greet

with Paws with a Cause

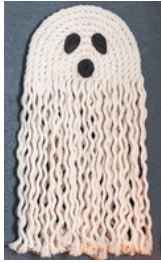


**Wednesday, November 29 | 1 – 3 PM |
Programming Room**

Paws with Cause will be here with future service and assistance dogs as well as information about their mission and operations. Learn what it takes to be a puppy raiser, how the dogs are trained, and what you can do to help. All ages are invited. **No registration required.**

Adult Programs and Events

Monthly Programs



September: Wine Cork Grapes, Registration begins 8/23
October: Rope Ghost, Registration begins 9/20
November: Flower Pens, Registration begins 10/18

PINTESTING

Wednesdays, September 6, October 4, & November 1 | 6 PM | Programming Room

We'll meet to craft, chat, and have a good time. You'll go home with a handmade piece of art! Space is limited. **Registration is required and opens two weeks before each program.**



September: Hobbit Wreath, Registration begins 9/5
October: Needle Felted Air Freshener, Registration begins 10/2

CRAFTASTIC

Mondays, September 18 & October 16 | 6 PM | Programming Room

Join us on Monday evenings to make a cool craft to take home. Space is limited. **Registration is required and opens two weeks before each program.**



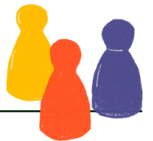
BOOK CLUB

Tuesdays, September 12, October 10, & November 14 | 6:30 PM | Riverfront Reading Area

Join us for great books, great conversation, and a great time! September's pick is *The Day the World Came to Town* by Jim DeFede, October's is *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig, and November's is *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi. Copies of the current book can be found on top of the adult "New Books" shelf. All adults are invited. **No registration required.**

RECESS FOR ADULTS

with the ARC of Allegan



Wednesdays, September 13, October 11, & November 8 | 2 - 3 PM | Programming Room

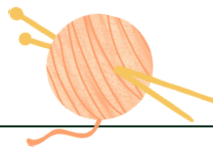
Join us and our friends from the ARC of Allegan County, a non-profit organization supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. All adults are invited to join in crafting, playing games, and conversing with friends. **No registration required.**

PUB QUIZ



Wednesdays, September 20, October 18, & November 15 | 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.**



CRAFT & SNACK

Mondays, Sept. 11 & 25, Oct. 9 & 23, & Nov. 13 & 27 | 1 - 3 PM | Carnegie 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. Just don't bring anything too messy! Light refreshment will be provided. **No registration required.**

Adult Programs and Events

Special Events and Classes

BROOM MAKING

with Suzie Roberts of Branded Goat Design

Saturday, September 23 | 11 AM | Programming Room

Join Suzie Roberts of Branded Goat Design to make your own hand-crafted whisk broom! Suzie will walk you through the process and will help as needed. The program will take approximately two hours. All materials will be provided. Space is limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration is required and will open at 10 AM on Saturday, September 9th. **Call the library to register.**



STARRY NIGHT PAINT-ALONG

Thursday, September 28 | 6 PM | Programming Room

Release your inner artist in this Van Gogh-inspired paint-along. We will take you through the steps to create your own unique version of Starry Night. No painting expertise needed! All materials, including canvas, paint, and brushes, will be provided. Space is limited. Registration opens at 10 AM on Thursday, September 14. **Call the library to register.**



JUMPSTART YOUR GENEALOGY

with Megan Heyl

**Saturdays, September 30, October 28, & November 25
| 11 AM | Programming Room**

Professional genealogist Megan Heyl is back to teach us about various aspects of hunting down and organizing family history. Attend one session or all. **No registration required.**



UNDERSTANDING HOSPICE CARE

with Wings of Hope Hospice & Palliative Care Services



Thursday, October 5 | 6 PM | Carnegie Room

Join representatives from Wings of Hope Hospice and Palliative Care Services as they dispel myths about hospice care. They will discuss topics such as eligibility, when to discuss services with doctors and loved ones, and how to get enrolled in services. **No registration required.**

INVESTIGATING THE PARANORMAL



with MiPRO

Thursday, October 19 | 6 PM | Carnegie Room

Join members of the Michigan Paranormal Research Organization to learn how they use scientific methods to gather evidence of the paranormal. They'll explain the equipment they use, show pictures and videos of investigations, and answer audience questions. **Call the library to register.**

Children's Programs and Events

Storytimes

LAPSIT STORYTIME

for ages 0-2



No Storytimes
November 21 & 23



PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

for ages 3-5

Tuesdays | 10:30 AM | Programming Room

We all know that early literacy is important, so let's start as early as possible! This lapsit is designed especially for children 0-2 years old. Littles and their caregivers will listen to stories, sing songs, and learn simple sign language. At the end, we'll have open playtime for the kids and time for grownups to converse. **No registration required.**

Thursdays | 10:30 AM | Programming Room

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

PLAY-N-LEARN

with Help Me Grow Allegan



Tuesday Sept. 12 for Ages 0-2, Thursdays, Oct. 12 & Nov. 16 for Ages 3-5 | 10:30 AM | Programming Room

Join Help Me Grow Allegan during our regular storytime times for some educational play and to learn about their "Talking is Teaching" campaign. Each family goes home with a free book! **No registration required.**

Recurring Programs

PLAY-DOH PLAY LAB



Mondays, September 18, October 16, & November 27 | 10:30-11:30 AM | Programming Room

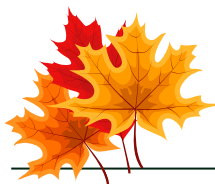
Get messy and creative with our-hands on Play-Doh Play Lab! Make shapes, enjoy colors, and engage in sensory play at the library. Ages 3-6. **No registration required.**



CREATIVE KIDS COMIC CLUB

Thursdays, September 7, October 5, & November 2 | 4-5 PM | Programming Room

Have fun, silly, or strange ideas you're not sure what to do with? Use them in our Comic Club! Create your own unique characters, share your adventures with the club and collaborate with friends! For 1st - 3rd grades. Supplies will be provided. **Registration is required.**



LEAVES ARE FALLING

Monday, October 2 | 4-5 PM | Programming Room

Join us as we celebrate the changing colors of Fall! We will enjoy fall-themed stories and games and create leafy crafts to take home. Ages PreK - 2nd grade. **No registration required.**

DROP-IN LEGO CLUB



Wednesdays, Oct. 11 & 25 & Nov. 8 | 1-3 PM | Carnegie Room

Drop in after early release from school to play with Legos! We'll have tons of blocks and bricks out for you to build whatever your heart desires. Your creations will be put on display in the library and proudly featured on our Facebook page! For ages 8-12. **No registration required.**

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Monday - Thursday
Friday
Saturday

10 AM - 8 PM
10 AM - 5:30 PM
10 AM - 4 PM

Special Events & Programs

DIY TRICK-OR-TREAT BAGS

**Thursday, October 26 | 4-5:30 PM |
Programming Room**



Celebrate Halloween by creating a trick-or-treat bag to take with you on your adventure! Pillowcases and art supplies will be provided. If you want to bring your own bag, you are welcome to do so. We will use puffy paint, tempera paint, fabric paint, and more. Ages K-5th.

Registration is required.

DINOSAUR DETECTIVES

with Curious Kids Museum



**Wednesday, November 1 | 4-5 PM |
Carnegie Room**

What happened to the dinosaurs? Explore new discoveries about how dinosaurs lived, ate, kept warm, and may have adapted over millions of years. Kids can examine dinosaur bones and fossils, compare their footprints to dinosaur footprints, erupt a volcano, find out which dinosaur had its bones inside and out, take the Know-It-All Dino-Quiz, and more. Grades K-5. **Call the library to register.**



TURKEY TIME & MINI TURKEY TROT

**Friday, November 10 | 10:30 AM-Noon |
Programming Room**

Come join us as we "gobble up" some stories, play turkey-themed games, and make a craft. Afterward we will head upstairs to do our Mini Turkey Trot and do a victory lap around the main floor of the library! Turkey-themed colors are encouraged but not required. Ages 2-5.

No registration required.

SUPER SCIENCE

with the Air Zoo



**Monday, November 6 | 4-5 PM |
Programming Room**

Wouldn't you like to be able to climb walls like Spider-Man? Or maybe you would rather learn the "attractive" secrets of a super villain like Magneto? With your superpowers, you will make objects disappear like the Invisible Woman and learn to create the perfect Storm to blow away the villains. Recommended for grades K-5. Space is limited. **Call the library to register.**

Family Programs and Events



DRONE CLUB

**Saturdays, September 2 & October 7 | 10-11 AM |
Hanson Park**

Join fellow drone enthusiasts for fun flying and obstacle courses. Bring your own drone or borrow one of ours. All ages are invited. **No registration required.**

BINGO



**Mondays, September 25, October 30, &
November 27 | 6-7 PM | Carnegie Room**

Join us to play BINGO for a chance to win prizes, at no cost to you. Just show up and have fun! All ages are invited, but kids must be accompanied by an adult.

No registration required.

HALLOWEEN FAMILY NERF NIGHT



Friday, October 13 | 6-8 PM | Main Floor

Come duke it out in the stacks in costume! Kids ages 3 and up and their caregivers are invited to join us for an evening of costumed fun and epic battle! Meet us after hours in the library for target practice with monsters, free-for-all play, and fun Nerf games. A water break will be provided. All children must be accompanied by a caregiver. **Call the library to register.**



SOUND THERAPY

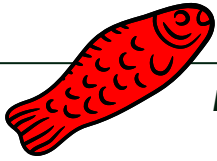
with Susan Mayer

**Saturday, October 14 | 10:30 AM |
Carnegie Room**

Join sound therapist Susan Mayer as she guides us through meditation and relaxation with the use of various sounds, instruments, and vibrations. Bring a yoga mat or towel to lay on and a blanket to keep you warm for ultimate comfort. Ages 12 and above. Space is limited.

Call the library to register.

Teen Programs and Events



CANDY SUSHI

**Monday, September 11 | 4-5 PM |
Programming Room**

There is nothing fishy about this kind of sushi! We will be making sushi rolls out of rice crispy treats, Swedish Fish, Fruit by the Foot, and more. Ages 12-18. Registration is required. **Call the library to register.**

TEEN ANIME CLUB



**Thursdays September 21, October 19, &
November 16 | 4-5 PM | Teen Area**

Calling all anime and manga fans! Come to the library to discuss your favorite manga and anime series. Snack, hangout, and have fun. Ages 12-18. **No registration required.**

TEEN TECH NIGHT



**Fridays, September 22 & November 3 |
6 - 8 PM | Teen Area**

Experience virtual reality, explore the realm of 3-D printing, and play video games with friends at this after-hours program. We will also have snacks. Ages 12-18. **Registration is required.**

WILL IT WAFFLE?



**Monday, Sept. 25, Tuesday, Oct. 3, &
Friday, Nov. 17 | 4-5 PM | Programming Room**

Have you ever tried to make brownies with a waffle iron? How about pizza? We're about to find out just what happens when we try to cook with nothing but a waffle iron! Ages 12-18. **Registration is required.**

SPOOKTACULAR MOVIE SPECIAL

Mondays, October 9 & 23 | 5:30-8 PM | Carnegie Room

Come to the library to get your scare on! Grab a bag of popcorn and join us for 2 frightfully fun movie nights. October 9th's movie will be the original *Ghostbusters*. October 23rd's movie will be *Beetlejuice*. **Call the library to register.**



DROP-IN TECH DAYS

**Wednesdays, Oct. 11 & 25, Nov 8 | 1 - 3 PM |
Teen Area**

Drop in after early release from school to hangout and have fun! Race your friends with our DashBot robot races, build creatures or robots with our Mindstorm building challenges, or try to win our Wii Bowling Championship! **No registration required.**

HARRY POTTER TRIVIA



**Monday, October 16 | 6-7:30 PM |
Programming Room**

Come put your knowledge of the wizarding world to the test at Harry Potter Trivia. Prizes will be awarded. Put on your thinking caps and come test your skills! **No registration required.**



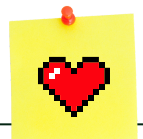
HALLOWEEN TEEN NERF NIGHT

Friday, October 27 | 6-8 PM | Teen Area



Come in costume and duke it out in the library stacks! Borrow one of our dart launchers or bring your own. We will have group games, monster target practice, free-for-alls, capture the flag, and more. Snacks and water will be provided. Ages 12-18. **Call the library to register.**

POST-IT WALL ART



Friday, October 20 | 6-8 PM | Teen Area & Lab

It's a me, Mario! Come make 8-Bit Mario out of post-it notes in this fun wall art collage! Hangout, have fun, and make art. **No registration required.**

September

October

November

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 Plant Swap @ 10 - 11:30 a.m. Drone Club @ 10 - 11 a.m. Beekeeping 101 @ 2 p.m.
4 Closed	5 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 a.m.	6 Pintesting: Wine Cork Grapes @ 6 p.m.	7 Preschool Storytime @ 10:30 a.m. Creative Kids Comic Club @ 4 - 5 p.m.	8 Stuffed Animal Sleepover Storytime @ 4 - 5 p.m.	9 Breakfast Buddies @ 10:30 - 11:30 Beekeeping 101 @ 2 p.m.
11 Craft & Snack @ 1-3 p.m. Candy Sushi @ 4 - 5 p.m. Friends' Bookmark Contest Begins	12 Lapsit Storytime with Play n Learn @ 10:30 a.m. Book Club @ 6:30 p.m.	13 Recess for Adults @ 2 - 3 p.m.	14 Preschool Storytime @ 10:30 a.m.	15	16 Batman Day @ 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
18 Play-Doh Play Lab @ 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Craftastic: Hobbit Wreath @ 6 p.m.	19 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 a.m.	20 Pub Quiz @ 6:30 p.m.	21 Preschool Storytime @ 10:30 a.m. Anime Club @ 4 - 5 p.m.	22 Teen Tech Night @ 6 - 8 p.m.	23 Broom Making @ 11 a.m.
25 Craft & Snack @ 1-3 p.m. Will It Waffle? @ 4 - 5 p.m. Bingo @ 6 p.m.	26 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 a.m.	27 Roz Puppets @ 4 - 5 p.m.	28 Preschool Storytime @ 10:30 a.m. Starry Night Paint Along @ 6 p.m.	29	30 Jumpstart Your Genealogy @ 11 a.m. Friends' Bookmark Entries Due
2 Leaves Are Falling @ 4 - 5 p.m.	3 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 a.m. Will It Waffle? @ 4 - 5 p.m.	4 Pintesting: Rope Ghost @ 6 p.m.	5 Preschool Storytime @ 10:30 a.m. Creative Kids Comic Club @ 4 - 5 p.m. Understanding Hospice Care @ 6 p.m.	6	7 Drone Club @ 10 - 11 a.m.
9 Spooktacular Movie @ 5:30 - 8 p.m. Craft & Snack @ 1-3 p.m.	10 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 a.m. Book Club @ 6:30 p.m.	11 Drop-In Lego Club @ 1-3 p.m. Tech Drop-In @ 1 - 3 p.m. Recess for Adults @ 2 - 3 p.m.	12 Preschool Storytime with Play n Learn @ 10:30 a.m.	13 Family Nerf Night @ 6 - 8 p.m.	14 Sound Therapy @ 10:30 a.m.
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13 Craft & Snack @ 1-3 p.m. Yaa Gyasi NEA Big Read Livestream @ 7 p.m.	14 Lapsit Storytime @ 10:30 a.m. Book Club @ 6:30 p.m.	15 Pub Quiz @ 6:30 p.m.	16 Preschool Storytime with Play n Learn @ 10:30 a.m. Anime Club @ 4 - 5 p.m.	17 Will It Waffle? @ 4 - 5 p.m.	18
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Director's Note

Over the summer, I welcomed visitors from across the state to tour our beautiful library. As they looked down the street at the chasm of road construction, they saw that our patrons were not deterred from visiting us. They were amazed when I informed them that the number of visitors had not dropped during the ongoing construction. I'd like to say it was our programs, prizes, and materials, but it was the great citizens of Allegan who will brave any construction abyss to enjoy all the wonders of our city. As I've attended celebrations on the riverfront, I am delighted to see the smiling faces of friends, neighbors, and visitors. Thank you to all of our wonderful patrons for making the effort, visiting the library, and supporting our wonderful downtown.



Pamela Armstrong, Director



NEA Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest that seeks to broaden understanding of world, community, and self through the joy of sharing a good book. Libraries and other organizations across the West Michigan community are coming together to plan author talks, book clubs, educational programs, and more. The Allegan District Library is excited to join them!

Adults are invited to join us in reading *Homegoing* by Ghanian-American author Yaa Gyasi. We will livestream a talk featuring the author in our Carnegie Room at 7 p.m. on Monday, November 13. We will also be discussing her novel at our monthly book club on Tuesday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. Students of Allegan High School can join Ms. Benoit's book club, which meets every 2nd Friday of the month, to discuss *Homegoing* at their September meeting. Copies of the book can be requested at the library's front desk or through mel.org.

For more information about NEA Big Read Lakeshore or other Big Read programs, visit bigreadlakeshore.com.

FRIENDS' CORNER

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

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOKMARK CONTEST

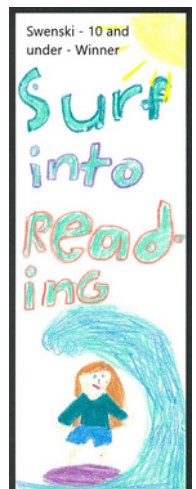
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Monday, September 11 – Saturday, September 30

Artists of all ages are invited to participate in our annual Friends of the Allegan District Library Bookmark Contest. To participate, pick up an entry form from the library's front desk beginning Monday, September 11. Fill out the form, fill in the empty box with your original artwork, and return it to the box in the Carnegie Corner Bookstore or the library's front desk before close on September 30.

Weekly drawings will be held, with winners earning a free book from the bookstore and gift cards for ice cream at Tilt 118 in downtown Allegan. Four winning designs will be chosen, one from each age group (ages 0–6, ages 7–11, teens, and adults), by the Friends of the Library. Winners will be awarded a \$25 Amazon gift card.

The winning designs will be professionally printed and available in the bookstore. Printing costs are generously paid for by Honor Credit Union of Allegan.



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