

Traverse Area District Library April 2022 Newsletter

** What's new?

The birds are coming back into our gardens and we are wishing spring into existence!

April is Poetry Month! - Search tadl.org for poetry choices and register via National Writers Series for US Poet Laureate Joy Harjo (<https://nationalwritersseries.org/product/joy-harjo/>) 4/19.

Closure - the libraries will be closed Sunday, 4/17.

Bookmobile - It's been quite a wait but we were so happy to pick up our bookmobile. We're still working on getting the customization appointment to finish off the inside, but we'll be using it for certain errands while we wait. Follow along tadl.org/ontheroad

Golden tickets - To celebrate the bookmobile we've hidden golden tickets in library materials. If you find one redeem it at the Main Library front desk for a striped tote bag or a water bottle!

Summer Library Challenge (Summer Reading) - The summer of 2022 is going to be so epic we gave it a new name - Summer Library Challenge! This year's theme will be Oceans of Possibilities. Watch our May newsletter for details.

Strategic Plan Update

Bookmobile - all four categories: inclusive space, targeted outreach, innovative engagement, purposeful partnerships; Golden ticket promotion - innovative engagement; Community Conversations programs - purposeful partnerships

NEW in the digital library - LOTE Online

Read and listen to picture books in over 50 languages - here's how!

<https://youtu.be/cWZWapw7xm4>

Click to skim what's new at TADL:

New Fiction (<https://bit.ly/36KpU4N>)

New Non-Fiction (<https://bit.ly/36KQVWH>)

New Audiobooks (<https://bit.ly/2I3Ry2o>)

New DVDs (<https://bit.ly/3nv66bv>)

New Music (<https://bit.ly/34Ai4Iw>)

Youth Services ()

Ready. Set. Make!

MakerFest is back and bigger than ever - we're taking over the Civic Center grounds to showcase over 25 maker stations. Join us for this free event 4/30 (10 am - 3 pm) - rain date is 5/1 (Noon - 4 pm).

The only thing you need to bring is your creativity!

Youth Services

** Build it!

Can't wait until MakerFest? Join Youth Services librarians for

Build 'n Create! Wednesdays - 4/13 4 pm; 4/20 4 pm

OR

[click here](#) to browse our STEM Kits on tadl.org - you can take two home at a time.

Teen Services

** April Happenings

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- Teen Leadership Group - 4/13 & 4/27 4:30 pm
 - Creative Writing - 4/14 4 pm
 - Escape Room "Spring Break Road Trip" - 4/18 5:30 pm
 - Anime Club - 4/26 5:30 pm

Adult Services

Poets' Night Out 2022

Happily this year we were back in person at the City Opera House, with a full, enthusiastic crowd in attendance! Poetry chapbooks are available to purchase at the Main Library front desk or online (<https://www.tadl.org/holidaystore/>), while supplies last. Watch it on [tacm.tv](https://www.tacm.tv) (<https://www.tacm.tv/communitytvsched.asp>) !

** Money Smart Week Programming! (Find all of these events on tadl.org/events)

Monday 4/11 - Spend Smart. Eat Smart., 2 pm

Tuesday 4/12 - Credit: Build It & Improve It, 2 pm

Tuesday 4/12 - Build Your Financial Literacy, 6:30 pm

Wednesday 4/13 - Buying or Refinancing a Home: Options & Tools, 2 pm

Thursday 4/14 - Social Security: Understanding, Retirement, Spouse, and Survivor Benefits, 2 pm

From the Talking Book Library - Currency Reader Options

Did you know that the Bureau of Engraving and Printing offers free easy-to-use currency readers to any U.S. citizens who is blind or visually impaired? More information (<https://www.moneyfactory.gov/uscurrencyreaderpgm.html>) Application (<https://www.moneyfactory.gov/uscurrencyreaderform.html>)

Visit our Talking Book Library page (<http://tadl.org/tbl>) for more currency options!

** Community Conversations: Addiction & Recovery

April 25 - 6:30 pm McGuire Community Room

This event is not only for those that have someone struggling with this disease, but also anyone wanting to educate themselves about the disease of addiction and the hope of recovery. Come expecting to learn from people who have been touched by this topic and are working to make a positive difference.

Monday April 18 1 - 3 pm - The Addiction Treatment Services Mobile Care Unit will be available in our parking lot.

More upcoming Programs - Register at tadl.org/events

Please note: We're highlighting some programs here, visit the website for a complete list of our free programming and links to register.

Beautifully Wrapped - Experience the colorful, spiritual and global practice of head wrapping, an art enjoyed by peoples of all backgrounds, ethnicities and continents. Sat. Apr. 16, 11 am (Register (<https://events.tadl.org/event/beautifully-wrapped>))

Bird Walk along Boardman Lake with the Grand Traverse Audubon Club Sun. Apr. 24 7:30 am

Online TADL Book Discussion Groups

- Queer Tales - Last Sunday of each month, 4 - 5 pm
- Books & Brewskis - Last Tuesday of each month, 7 - 8 pm
- Tuesdays @ 2 - Last Tuesday of each month, 2 pm

From the Director's Desk with Michele P. Howard

I really have one thing I want to say this month. After not being seen in the region since the 1970's and being the dream of past director Mike McGuire, I couldn't be more pleased to say:

WE HAVE A BOOKMOBILE!!!

Thank you to our staff members who've worked (and continue to work!) diligently to get this project across the finish line. Many more thanks to the Library Board for supporting the idea and our bookmobile project major donors, including: Rotary Charities Assets for Thriving Communities grant program; our Friends of TADL; Bonnie Schreiber; the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians; TBA Credit Union; the Arnold Giving Fund; and all our other donors. We so look forward to putting your support to work out in our community.

Wave when you see us on the road!

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