

Traverse Area District Library May 2022 Newsletter

** What's new?

There are lots of great things blossoming this month:

- 1) Save the date - the Friends of TADL Book Sale is coming up! June 3-5, see details below.
- 2) Summer Library Challenge We have an unbelievable lineup of events and programs for all ages this year - we're sharing a preview below, another reason to look forward to summer!
- 3) Building updates - Have you noticed our spring cleaning? The carpets have been deep-cleaned, the front gardens are greening up, and the windows are scheduled for a wash. Out back, along the lake side of the building, the Grand Traverse Area Children's Garden will be digging into some much-needed garden updates.

Strategic Plan Updates

Collection review started (Inclusive Space); TC New Tech May Pitch Night (Innovative Engagement, Targeted Outreach); Joy Harjo Virtual Presentation (All four areas); Community Conversations Addiction & Recovery (All four areas)

Beep beep! It's your TADL Bookmobile here - check out my first travelogue on our YouTube channel. <https://youtu.be/gyuKFYqw11Q>

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

MakerFest 2022!

Thank you to everyone who came out to make things happen with us at the Grand Traverse County Civic Center! We estimate about 700 people attended, and we've received lots of great comments. Until we meet again, keep on making makers!

Other Youth Services Updates

We are only doing one storytime per week during May because we are hosting 1st grade classes once again - yay!. Thank you to our fantastic Friends of TADL for sponsoring the buses to get students here and back to school for their visits.

5/7 - Challenge Island will be here for STEM Wars

5/14 - TSO Tots

5/24 - We'll welcome Jacob from the TC Fire Department for a Fireman storytime! He'll be reading stories and bringing along a firetruck.

TEEN SERVICES

Check out our YouTube channel for teen craft tutorials like this one!

Teen Events in May - <https://youtu.be/27t52NvRaNo>

5/11, 5/18, 5/25 - Teen Leadership Group 4:30 pm

5/12 - Creative Writing for Teens, 4 pm

5/30 - Escape Room, 5:30 pm

5/31 - Anime Club, 5:30 pm

ADULT SERVICES

Magazines

We've had multiple comments about the empty-looking magazine racks on the 2nd floor, so as part of our "getting back to normal" process we're making the latest issues of each magazine non-circulating once again. This was our procedure before the pandemic, as it allows more people to browse the newest issues. (It's always our goal to share items with as many people as we can.) You can, of course, still borrow the latest issues digitally via Libby any time anywhere.

** Bird Walk

Sunday May 29 at 7:30 am

Join us and Kirk Waterstripe (Grand Traverse Audubon Club) at the entrance of the Grand Traverse Area Children's Garden, directly behind the library. Details (<https://events.tadl.org/event/bird-walk-grand-traverse-audubon-club-0>)

**** Bath School Massacre**

Program devoted to the first school bombing in the United States and the world's first suicide car bombing—that occurred at the Bath Consolidated School in Bath Twp., MI. Details (<https://events.tadl.org/event/bath-school-massacre-1927>)

Community Conversations: AAPI Heritage Month - Sharing Stories, Food & Films

May is Asian Pacific American Heritage month. Traverse Area District Library (TADL) invites you, our community, to help recognize the contributions, achievements, and identities of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) that have helped shape America's development into a richly multicultural society. Let's get together to enjoy and celebrate regional AAPI food vendors along with an engaging conversation on identity, culture, and experiences in Traverse City!

Click for details and registration: May 9 (<https://events.tadl.org/event/community-conversations-asian-and-pacific-american-heritage-month>) , May 16 (<https://events.tadl.org/event/community-conversations-asian-and-pacific-american-heritage-month-0>) , May 23 (<https://events.tadl.org/event/community-conversations-asian-and-pacific-american-heritage-month-1>)

Food service begins at 5:30 pm and films begin at 6:00 pm in the McGuire Community Room, TADL - Woodmere

**** Sorter Tips**

Our new book drop was an investment so we want to keep it working its best. As a rule of thumb, if you have something from the Library of Things (instruments, tech equipment, STEM Kits, games) it must be returned inside. Feed your books in one at a time. Thank you!

** Adams Fly Festival 6/4, Kingsley!

Celebrate the return of the Adams Fly Festival for 2022! Proceeds of the event are contributed to the Kingsley Friends of the Library (<http://www.tadl.org/kingsley>) for educational, cultural and social programming. (Details (<http://www.villageofkingsley.com/adams-fly-festival>))

It's time to get ready for Summer Library Challenge 2022!

Theme: Oceans of Possibilities

(All things water-related, with a special TADL focus on the Great Lakes - our Michigan water creatures above were created by artist Eva Oldman.)

Why the name change? We're using Summer Library Challenge in place of Summer Reading Club this year to encourage participation via reading and other fun activities (such as library events, family time, community volunteering, book reviews, craft kits, etc.)

Earning points: Build 600 points and we'll enter you into our grand prize drawing! Youth, teen, and adult readers can earn 20 points for every 20 minutes of reading (or listening) and can earn 20 points each for completing the above activities (each set of activities is a little different depending on the department). Families of pre-readers will earn points by doing activities associated with the five early literacy practices: Read, Write, Sing, Talk, and Play. We'll be introducing a new free app to make your summer reading easy breezy.

Key Summer Library Challenge Dates

Program dates: June 1 - August 1

There is no registration this year, starting June 1 you can record reading minutes right away, if you like, or wait until your library's start date. Libraries may have different start times based around the school district year-ends.

* 6/20: TADL Main Kickoff Party

* 7/10-7/16 - Shark Days

* 7/29-7/30 - Teen Lock-in

* 7/31 - Cutoff date to have your points counted for grand prize drawings

* 8/1 - District Wide Finale Parties in Hull Park

+ Pre-Reader 11 am - noon (with Miriam Pico)

+ All Ages 6 - 7:30 pm

Much like the anticipation of the flowers and trees to bloom, we are preparing for what's bound to be an amazing Summer Library Challenge. All ages are welcome to join! Our theme will be Oceans of Possibilities with (of course!) a focus on the Great Lakes. Eva Oldman designed the water creatures that we're using in our promotions. Our t-shirts (free while supplies last) are courtesy of a 2% grant from Band of Grand Traverse and Ottawa Indians and the Friends of Traverse Area District Library. Our goal is to read 2 million minutes as a community - don't miss out on the fun!

Maybe you've seen in the news the statement released by the TADL Board of Trustees and myself regarding the increase of behavior incidents this winter. I have been grateful for the overwhelming response from our community including the Northwest Michigan Coalition to End Homelessness, City of Traverse City, Grand Traverse County, Goodwill Northern Michigan, Safe Harbor, TART, Sarah Lucas - Deputy Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development, community members and more. Everyone truly loves and supports the library while working together to provide a better solution to those individuals who can not comply with the library behavior policy. Thank you.

A recurring theme from our strategic plan was the request that people wanted to see the Library out in the community. Recently the bookmobile has made visits to Kingsley Area Schools, Grand Traverse Academy, MakerFest and TCNewTech. Remember to check our calendar for an event near you that you might see the library staff and bookmobile.

Finally, don't miss the Friends of the Library book sale! This event helps pay for improvements and services around the library including a recent renovation to the Children's Story Room, Ancestry.com database, Summer Library Challenge, bussing for 1st graders to visit the library, this newsletter, programs and much more. Similarly, the Adams Fly Festival supports the Kingsley Branch Library Friends group and their supporting activities.

Hope to see you there!

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