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*SPRING 2022
Program Guide*



Spring is in the Air!

Growing Readers

Online Reading Challenge

Celebrate Reading Month by growing your reading habit!

Just 20 minutes of reading a day will put you well on your way to completing this challenge.

March 1 - 31

- Log your minutes and activities at thegdl.beanstack.org

Completion Prizes:

- Ages 0-18: Book
- Ages 19+: Entry in a prize drawing for a \$25 Visa Gift Card

IN-PERSON

Spring Concert Series at Baker Park Library

**Concerts are held in the Burton Senior Center, adjacent to the library.*

Siusan O'Rourke and Zig Zeidler

Enjoy traditional and original Irish music. Siusan and Zig deliver old favorites that make them the new favorites of today's audiences. Ballads are brought to life with story and humor, upbeat Irish American songs of the Tin Pan Alley days and original songs written in the Irish tradition are all to be remembered in a concert of great performances by this duo.

Monday, March 14 @ 3:30pm

Sunny Wilkinson and Dr. Ron Newman

This exciting Jazz duo's love of music shines whether it's an emotional ballad or a fast-paced, bopping scat number. Sunny is a seasoned vocalist and performer. She got her start singing on *Saved by the Bell*.

Monday, April 11 @ 3:30pm

Susan Harrison Concert

With a mix of creative original music and songs that have inspired her; from her Joni Mitchell tribute to songs that have shaped the world, Susan Harrison will put on a show that will have everyone entertained.

Monday, May 9 @ 3:30pm



March Virtual Programs



Managing Screen Time and Social Media Use

Join Holli Kenley, author of "Power Down & Parent up!: Cyber Bullying, Screen Dependence & Raising Tech-Healthy Children" as she walks you through ways to help your children navigate our tech heavy world.

**View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.*

Thursday, March 3 @ 6pm

Gamers Among Us

Do you love Among Us? Come play in groups with other kids on Zoom every other Tuesday. **Register at thegdl.org/events and we'll send you the zoom information to join.* (Ages 7–15)

Tuesdays, March 8, 22 @ 4pm

Women in the Capitol

Learn about Michigan's trailblazing women and the rules—written and unspoken—that both limited and inspired their successes in the Capitol with Capitol Historian & Curator Valerie Marvin. **View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.*

Thursday, March 10 @ 6pm

Virtual Playdates

Join Miss Marissa on Zoom for a story time including songs, a story, show and tell, and more interactive play. **Register at thegdl.org/events and we'll send you the zoom information to join.* (Ages Birth–5)

Mondays, March 14, 21, 28 @ 10:30am

Evening Virtual Playdates

Join Miss Marissa on Zoom for a story time including songs, a story, show and tell, and more interactive play. **Register at thegdl.org/events and we'll send you the zoom information to join.* (Ages Birth–5)

Mondays, March 14, 21, 28 @ 6pm

What Are You Reading?

Join Genesee District Librarians as they discuss the books they love, and the books they don't. **View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.*

Tuesday, March 15 @ 1pm

Are You Smarter Than a Librarian?

Join us for an evening of online trivia where librarians get to ask you the reference questions. Level of difficulty? Just challenging enough to be fun. **Visit thegdl.org/trivia to play, or join us on Facebook Live or YouTube.*

Thursday, March 17 @ 6pm

Michigan Roots: African American Migration in Michigan

Join Rozlyn Kelly as she discusses the migration of African Americans to Michigan in the mid-1880s, before the Great Migration from the south, with specific examples in Marquette, Midland, and Detroit. **View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.*

Thursday, March 24 @ 6pm

Fossil Fish of the Lost Lake with Paleo Joe

Learn about aquatic dinosaurs from paleontologist Joe Kchodl. Paleo Joe excites, entertains and informs about all things prehistoric. **View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.*

Saturday, March 26 @ Noon

Women in Jazz

Jazz has been a significant form of expression during some of the most difficult periods in American history and is also considered an important pathway to a greater appreciation of music in general. Join professional flutist, Gaelen Abdur-Razzaq as he pays tribute to the women in jazz.

**View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.*

Thursday, March 31 @ 5:30pm

Getting Your Child

READY FOR KINDERGARTEN

Virtual Caregiver Workshop

- Get your free *Getting Your Child Ready for Kindergarten* booklet in advance
- Explore fun ways to get your children school-ready with other caregivers
- All ages and stages are welcome

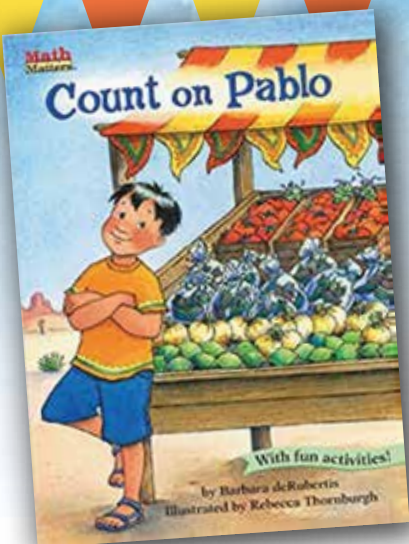
Learn fun ways to help get your child ready for kindergarten, explore ways to use your *Getting Your Child Ready for Kindergarten* booklet, and socialize with other caregivers. **School readiness starts at birth.**

SIGN UP FOR ONE SESSION

- Tuesday, March 15, 6–7 pm
- Wednesday March 16, 10–11 am
- Friday, March 25, 5–6 pm

Register and we'll send you a Zoom link to join.

REGISTER HERE



Smart Money Kits

April is Financial Literacy Month! Kits include a free book provided by Michigan Credit Unions, and other financial literacy activities.

*Reserve your kit online at thegdl.org/events while supplies last.

Friday, April 1–30



April Virtual Programs

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Mondays, April 4, 11, 18, 25 @ 10:30am

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Tuesdays, April 5, 19 @ 4pm

Cooking with Ming—Talking Tofu

Join Chef Ming Louie on a journey of discovery about tofu, the only vegetable protein containing all the essential amino acids of red meat. You want to eat it but you don't like it, or you don't know what it is and you don't know what to do with it. Fear not healthy foodies, Ming will explain with a bit of history and provide delicious but simple recipes. *View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.

Tuesday, April 5 @ 5pm

Finding Black Ancestors

The presentation discusses the unique challenges of African American genealogical research, sharing some of the relevant history and resources available to research. It includes a case study of researching freedom seekers (Underground Railroad), free blacks and enslaved persons. *View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.

Thursday, April 7 @ 6pm

Kids Connect

Hang out with other kids in a casual Zoom setting. We'll play games, discuss what you're reading/watching/listening to, and catch up on the latest! (ages 7–12) *Register at thegdl.org/events and we'll send you the Zoom information to join.

Tuesdays, April 12, 26 @ 4pm

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Thursday, April 21 @ 6pm

Animal Mimicry

Explore the world of animal camouflage and learn how species protect themselves with their appearance. See how some animals blend in with their colors, while others stand out by imitating dangerous animals. *View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.

Saturday, April 23 @ Noon

The Season in the Mist: A Story of Sikhs in America Documentary

Documentarian and sociologist, Dr. Arifa Javed explores this religious group among Indian immigrants. The film depicts who they are in terms of their religion and culture and provides a complete picture of them as Sikh Americans. This film was made in Michigan and talks about the growing diversity in America and the contributions Sikhs have made to American society. *View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.

Thursday, April 28 @ 6pm

CONTEST

Sticker Design Contest:
Oceans of Possibilities

Design a sticker to celebrate our 2022 Summer Reading Challenge. Designs should reflect the theme Oceans of Possibilities. The winning design from each age group will be printed and distributed at our libraries. Pick up a Sticker Contest form at your local branch or visit thegdl.org/StickerContest for more information. Forms are available May 2. Forms are due by May 20.

May Virtual Programs



Gamers Among Us

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Tuesdays, May 3, 17, 31 @ 4pm

Seed Saving 101

Bevin Cohen of Small House Farm will give an exciting and informative presentation highlighting the importance of community seed sharing programs and why planting, saving, and sharing seeds is essential to the cultivation of sustainable neighborhoods and healthy communities. He will also share practical tips and advice on incorporating the traditional art of seed saving into your gardens. **View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.*

Wednesday, May 4 @ 6pm

Kids Connect

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Tuesdays, May 10, 24 @ 4pm

Cooking with Ming—Spring Rolls

Cook supper with our favorite chef, Ming Louie. Ming will be making spring rolls. We'll supply the ingredient list ahead of time so you can purchase what you need when you shop. Then tune in at the scheduled time and cook supper with Ming. He'll answer your questions in real time. When the program is over, sit down and enjoy a delicious homemade dinner. **View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.*

Tuesday, May 10 @ 5pm

Medication Madness

What types of medications interact with others? Where is the best place to purchase prescriptions? What types of questions should you ask your doctor and pharmacist? In this senior safety seminar, Registered Nurse, Ina Golden walks you through the mind-boggling maze of medication and helps you to better understand how, when, and what meds are needed for optimal health. **View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.*

Thursday, May 12 @ 6pm

What Are You Reading?

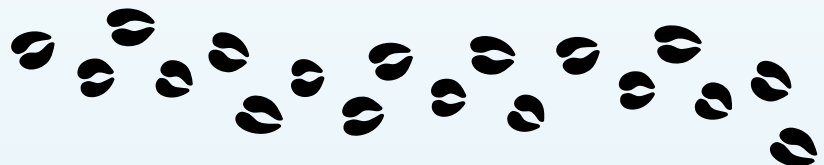
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Thursday, May 19 @ 6pm



Animal Feet

Different animals have different feet which help them to thrive in their environment. Join the Detroit Zoological Society to examine some animal feet, see how they compare to our own, and watch the animals use their feet. **View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.*

Saturday, May 21 @ Noon

The Memory and Legacy of Emmett Till:
The Civil Rights Movement

Presenter Jim Herm has spent years researching the history of what really happened throughout the Emmett Till case, from the beginning to the present. This tragic and powerful story was kept quiet for over 50 years. Recently three new books and an upcoming film are in the works. **View program at thegdl.org/virtual or on Facebook or YouTube.*

**Due to the subject matter, this program is for teens and adults only.*

Thursday, May 26 @ 6pm



Fun With Your Local Librarian

Fenton-Winegarden

Seed Library Opening 2022

The 2022 season for gardening enthusiasts begins with the opening of the Fenton- Winegarden Seed Library on March 1st. Browse our seed catalog and select your packets to take home.

Tuesday, March 1 @ Noon

Fiction Book Club

Fiction book club meets once a month.

Wednesday, March 9 @ 10am

The River by Peter Heller

Wednesday, April 13 @ 10am

Virgil Wander by Leif Enger

Wednesday, May 11 @ 10am

Lost Girls of Paris by Pam Jenoff

Graphic Novel Club

Patrons check out a graphic novel at the start of the month and read it, then meet toward the end of the month to discuss it. *Call the library at (810) 629-7612 for more information.

Tuesday, March 22 @ 4:30pm

Tuesday, April 19 @ 4:30pm

Tuesday, May 24 @ 4:30pm

Movie Club

Patrons check out two movies at the start of the month and watch them, then meet at the end of the month to discuss them. *Call the library at (810) 629-7612 for movie titles.

Tuesday, March 29 @ 4:30pm

Tuesday, April 26 @ 4:30pm

Tuesday, May 31 @ 4:30pm

Beginning Gardening for Adults

Want to learn to grow your own vegetables, but don't know where to start? Join Library Assistant Kelly Stack as she teaches you the basics.

Tuesday, April 5 @ 6pm

Sunflower Fun

Join Miss Kelly at the library to make a sunflower craft, hear a story, eat some sunflower seeds, and plant a sunflower to take home. (Ages 6-12)

Saturday, April 30 @ 2pm

Flint Township-McCarty

Technology Tutoring

One-on-one assistance with your tablet, computer, phone or other device. *Please call (810) 732-9150 to make an appointment.

Thursdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

April 7, 21, 28

May 5, 12, 19, 26

@ 12:30pm

Flushing Area

Book Club

Join the Flushing Book Club! We read all genres including thrillers, non-fiction, contemporary, memoir, and historical fiction.

Tuesday, March 22 @ 6pm

Tuesday, April 26 @ 6pm

Tuesday, May 24 @ 6pm

Montrose-Jennings

Crafting with Friends

Bring the craft you are working on. Bring a friend, your mom, your grandma. Work on your own project or try something new while socializing with other crafters. Enjoy a cup of coffee or tea.

Tuesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

April 5, 12, 19, 26

May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

@ 6pm

Friends Group Meetings

Attend a Montrose-Jennings Friends group meeting and see what it's all about. Volunteer to help your library by joining this fun group of people. This group raises funds for the library and offers programming for the community.

Tuesday, March 1 @ 7pm

Tuesday, April 5 @ 7pm

Tuesday, May 3 @ 7pm

Book Club

We will be choosing and ordering the book each month, so please call (810) 639-6388 to add your name if you plan to join us. The book title will be posted in the library prior to the meeting.

Thursday, March 3 @ 7pm

Thursday, April 7 @ 7pm

Thursday, May 5 @ 7pm

Craft On!

Join us for weekly after school crafting for kids. Various crafts will be available, such as friendship bracelets, diamond dot art, Perler beads, greeting cards, painting canvases or wooden items. Make a silicone bracelet or key chain, a bookmark, or a book page flower. There will also be coloring pages available. One craft per child, please.

Wednesdays, March 9, 16, 23, 30

April 13, 20, 27

May 11, 18, 25

@ 3pm

Montrose-Jennings cont.

True Crime Junkies Club

Join us as we discuss true crime podcasts, documentaries and books. We will be choosing our next podcast, documentary or book at the end of each meeting, *Call (810) 639-6388 for our current topic.

Thursday, March 10 @ 6:30pm

Thursday, April 14 @ 6:30pm

Thursday, May 12 @ 6:30pm

Recipe Swap

Let's dish about recipes. Learn a new recipe, share one of your own, and make new friends. We will be sharing our favorite recipes and trading tips. *No food will be served.

Tuesday, March 15 @ 6:30pm

Tuesday, April 19 @ 6:30pm

Tuesday, May 17 @ 6:30pm

Kids' Crafts

The Montrose-Jennings Friends group will host this craft program for children. Come and make new friends and learn a new craft. One craft per child, please.

Saturday, March 19 @ 2:30pm

Saturday, April 23 @ 2:30pm

Saturday, May 21 @ 2:30pm

Fun with Educational Games

Join us for an afternoon of learning with friends. We will be doing some gameschooling and other educational group activities. There will be activities for preschool through middle school children. You are also welcome to bring your own games and activities to share with the group.

Tuesday, March 22 @ 1pm

Tuesday, April 26 @ 1pm

Tuesday, May 24 @ 1pm

Mt. Morris

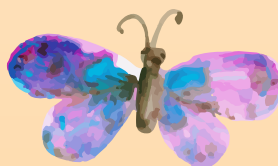
Take & Make Craft Kits

Easy DIY crafts for you to take home and make at your own leisure. *While supplies last.

March – Cross-stitch Kits

April – Cotton Ball Rain Clouds & Rain Sticks

May – Star Wars Light Sabers



Book Sales



Burton Memorial

Saturday, March 19

@ 10am–4pm

Saturday, April 23

@ 10am–4pm

Saturday, May 21

@ 10am–4pm

Flushing Area

Thursday, May 19

@ 5:30–7:30 pm

Friday, May 20

@ 9am–5pm

Saturday, May 21

@ 9am–3pm (\$2/bag all day)

Forest Township

April 30

@ 9am–3pm

Goodrich

Thursday, April 21

@ 10am–6pm

Friday, April 22

@ 10am–6pm

Saturday, April 23

@ 9am–5pm



Spring Break Boredom Buster: Break-in Bag

Think Escape Room, but in a bag. You have to solve a series of puzzles to break into your bag and free your prize. We'll send the break-in bag to the library of your choice. (Ages 7–18) *Reserve your kit online at thegdl.org/events while supplies last.

Available March 21—April 1



More from Marissa

Library News for Babies, Children, Tweens, Teens and Families

More from Marissa is a source for library news.

She shares story times, book lists, program information, teen projects, literacy tips, and other youth-related library content. Explore the many free programs, resources, and services for youth and families offered by The GDL.

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Burton, MI 48529
(810) 742-7860

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1386 W Coldwater Rd.
Flint, MI 48505
(810) 789-2800

Burton Memorial

4012 E Atherton Rd.
Burton, MI 48519
(810) 742-0674

Clio Area

2080 W Vienna Rd.
Clio, MI 48420
(810) 686-7130

Davison Area

203 E Fourth St.
Davison, MI 48423
(810) 653-2022

Fenton-Winegarden

200 E Caroline St.
Fenton, MI 48430
(810) 629-7612

Children's Center

(810) 714-0917

Flint Township-McCarty

2071 S Graham Rd.
Flint, MI 48532
(810) 732-9150

Flushing Area

120 N Maple St.
Flushing, MI 48433
(810) 659-9755

Forest Township

123 W Main St.
Otisville, MI 48463
(810) 631-6330

Gaines Station

103 W Walker St.
Gaines, MI 48436
(989) 271-8720

Genesee-Johnson

7397 N Genesee Rd.
Genesee, MI 48437
(810) 640-1410

Genesee Valley Center

3293 S Linden Rd.
(North Wing)
Flint, MI 48507
(810) 732-1822

Goodrich

10237 Hegel Rd.
Goodrich, MI 48438
(810) 636-2489

Grand Blanc-McFarlen

515 Perry Rd.
Grand Blanc, MI 48439
(810) 694-5310

Robert T. Bolo, Jr.

Business Center
(810) 694-5190

Linden

201 N Main St.
Linden, MI 48451
(810) 735-7700

Montrose-Jennings

241 Feher Dr.
Montrose, MI 48457
(810) 639-6388

Mt. Morris

685 Van Buren Ave.
Mt. Morris, MI 48458
(810) 686-6120

Swartz Creek-Perkins

8095 Civic Dr.
Swartz Creek, MI 48473
(810) 635-3900

William F. Delaney Headquarters Library

4195 W Pasadena Ave.
Flint, MI 48504
(810) 732-0110

Talking Book Center

(810) 732-1120

Administration Office

(810) 732-5570

CLOSING DATES

Spring Break: Friday, April 15 – Sunday, April 17

Memorial Day: Saturday, May 28 – Monday, May 30

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