Summer Reading Challenge
Celebrating Kindness, Friendship, and Unity
June 10 – August 5

- Log your minutes, activities, and book reviews to earn badges
- Earn badges and enter prize drawings!
**Summer Concert Series**

**Straight Ahead Concert**
Back by popular demand. This Grammy-nominated jazz group will have you dancin’ in the stacks.
**William F. Delaney Headquarters**
Tuesday, June 13 @ 6pm

**Those Were the Days**
Sing along with Sandor and Laszlo Slomovits to favorites by Pete Seeger, Bob Dylan, Peter, Paul and Mary, Joni Mitchell, Joan Baez, and Simon and Garfunkel.
**Flint Township-McCarty**
Wednesday, June 14 @ 3pm

**Greg Nagy Acoustic Concert**
Presenting originals, roots, blues, and classic song interpretations. An internationally acclaimed Flint native, Greg’s solo acoustic show is a real crowd pleaser.
**Swartz Creek-Perkins**
Thursday, June 15 @ 2pm

**Blue Cat Band**
The Blue Cat Band brings a unique guitar-driven sound from the Motor City. With backgrounds in rock, country, folk and classic blues, their repertoire is extensive. They have been playing together since 1995, and enjoy a unique musical chemistry that audiences thoroughly enjoy.
**Swartz Creek-Perkins**
Tuesday, July 10 @ 3:30pm

**TV Theme Songs**
Sing along with the lively sitcom songs of the ‘60s through the ‘90s. Peter Bergin shares a broad range of music and heart-warming stories.
**Flint Township-McCarty**
Wednesday, July 10 @ 3:30pm

**Flint’s First Lady of Jazz—Gwen Pennyman-Hemphill**
Enjoy the rich vocals of Gwen Pennyman-Hemphill in this must-see concert.
**Flint Township-McCarty**
Wednesday, August 9 @ 3pm

**Ragtime Spectacular with Peter Bergin**
Travel to a time when America was captivated by ragtime music. From classics to modern, Peter Bergin brings this uniquely American music to life.
**Baker Park**
Tuesday, August 15 @ 3:30pm

**The Saints & Sinners Revisited**
You’ll have a rollicking good time listening to a lively mix of oldies but goodies.
**Swartz Creek-Perkins**
Thursday, August 17 @ 2pm

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**JUNE In-Person**

**Maker Mondays**

**Build a catapult, solve a Soma cube, create a triskele paper globe while learning STEAM concepts. Learn about science, technology, engineering, art, and math with hands-on maker projects.**

**Beecher-Vera B. Rison**
Mondays, June 26
July 10, 17, 24, 31
August 7 @ 1pm

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**Growing Together in the Garden**

The wonderful Master Gardeners from the Michigan State University Extension program donate their time and talent to take care of the beautiful gardens at the William F. Delaney Headquarters branch. Enjoy a series of children’s gardening programs in this lovely setting. (Ages 6–12)

**William F. Delaney Headquarters**

**Seed Viewer**
Explore the garden at the library and learn how a seed starts to grow.
**Monday, June 26 @ 10:30am**

**Biodiversity Detective**
Get your magnifying glasses ready to examine all that our garden holds, bugs included.
**Monday, July 10 @ 10:30am**

**Herb Exploration**
Smelly plants like herbs make our meals taste and smell great. Smell a variety of herbs and plant some to take home.
**Monday, July 17 @ 10:30am**

**Kitchen Scrap Gardens**
Learn to grow plants from discarded seeds and pits from the kitchen.
**Monday, July 24 @ 10:30am**

**Fruit and Veggie Art**
Playing with your food is allowed. Have fun creating edible art from fruit and veggies.
**Monday, July 31 @ 10:30am**

**Garden Party**
Enjoy the fruits of your labor in the garden and make your very own Chia pet.
**Monday, August 7 @ 10:30am**
Cameron Zvara: Comedy Magician & Entertainer
Join Cameron Zvara for a variety show filled with magic, comedy, juggling, stunts, music, and tons of audience participation.
Grand Blanc-McFarlen Saturday, June 10 @ 11am
Davison Area Saturday, June 10 @ 2pm

Bubbleman–Bubblesology
Bubbleman Ron Loyd has enchanted patrons for years with his bubble magic, creating volcano bubbles, tornado bubbles, kaleidoscope bubbles, square bubbles, and much more. Fun for all ages.
Forest Township Saturday, June 10 @ 2pm
William F. Delaney Headquarters Tuesday, June 20 @ 11am
Baker Park Tuesday, June 20 @ 3pm

Interactive Puppet Show
Bring your imagination to life with this interactive show filled with jokes, prizes, stories, and silliness through the art of puppetry. Children of all ages.
Genesee-Johnson Monday, June 12 @ 11am

Magic by Jania: The Magic of Recycling
Join Jania for a magical journey into recycling and learn how every little bit helps the environment. Children of all ages.
Beecher-Vera B. Rison Monday, June 12 @ 11am

Cooking with Ming: J.L. Hudson’s Maurice Salad
Our favorite chef, Ming Louie, will teach you to make what he believes is “the best salad in the world.”
Davison Area Tuesday, June 13 @ 5pm

Bird Watching vs. Birding
Birder and photographer Greg Bodker will help you learn the joys of birding and birdwatching. Discover the best places to go birding, how to attract more birds to your own backyard, and more.
Fenton-Winegarden Thursday, June 15 @ 6pm

ARK Animals Encounters
Cool animals will be presented in a show and tell style, blending education and entertainment.
Davison Area Saturday, June 17 @ 10am
Burton Memorial Saturday, June 17 @ Noon
Genesee-Johnson Monday, June 26 @ 11am

Michigan’s Haunted Lighthouses
Learn all about the ghostly spirits that are rumored to haunt over 30 Michigan Lighthouses. (Teen and adult)
Fenton-Winegarden Saturday, June 17 @ 10am
Goodrich Saturday, June 17 @ 2pm

Myth Crackers–Animal Myths
We’ve all heard about amazing things that animals can do, but is any of it true? Find out which are tall tales and which are fantastically true.
Grand Blanc-McFarlen Tuesday, June 20 @ 10am

Frog and Toad are Friends
Investigate the lives of frogs, toads, and other critters. Also make a sticky frog tongue to catch some flies. (Ages 4 – 7) Space is limited.
Fenton-Winegarden Tuesday, June 20 @ 1pm
Mt. Morris Tuesday, June 20 @ 4pm

Henna with Anshu Varma
Using all-natural ingredients and handmade applicators, instructor Anshu Varma will guide you in a variety of traditional and contemporary designs to make beautiful temporary Henna art. (Teen and adult) Space is limited. *Please register at thegdl.org/events.

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Galactic Goo
Learn all about dinosaurs from a real dinosaur digger, Paleo Joe. Paleontologist Joe Kchodl excites, entertains, and informs about all things prehistoric.
Beecher-Vera B. Rison Saturday, June 24 @ Noon

Prehistoric Water Wonders
Prehistoric Water Wonders: Learn all about dinosaurs from a real dinosaur digger, Paleo Joe. Paleontologist Joe Kchodl excites, entertains, and informs about all things prehistoric.
Beecher-Vera B. Rison Saturday, June 24 @ Noon

Honeybees, Better Together
Honeybees, Better Together: Be awe-inspired by the inner workings of a beehive. You’ll get to taste natural honey and create a hand-rolled beeswax candle to keep.
Grand Blanc-McFarlen Monday, June 26 @ 11am

Earring and Necklace Making
Use beads to make a pair of earrings and a necklace. All supplies provided. (Ages 15 and up, ages 10 – 14 with an adult) Space is limited. *Please register at thegdl.org/events.
Goodrich Wednesday, June 28 @ 3pm

All Together Now Magic Show
Witness the impossible with magician Baffling Bill. He will astound you with tricks, magic doves, and Gus the Bunny. Family fun, magic, and laughter.
Goodrich Thursday, June 29 @ 11am

YOGA
These yoga classes are appropriate for all skill levels.
Goodrich
Mondays June 5, 12, 26 (Closed June 19) July 3, 10, 17 @ 6:30pm
Grand Blanc-McFarlen Thursdays June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 July 6 @ 6:30pm

Flushing Area
Saturday, June 24 @ 11am

Burton Memorial
Saturday, June 17 @ Noon

Flushing Area
Saturday, June 24 @ Noon

Grand Blanc-McFarlen
Monday, June 26 @ 11am
**Stuffed Animal Sleep Away Camp**

Bring your favorite stuffed animal friend for an evening story time. Stuffed animals will sleppover at the library until Saturday morning. Watch GDL social networks to see what mischief they find between the stacks.

**Fenton-Winegarden**

*Story Time/Drop Off:* Thursday, July 20 @ 6pm  
*Pick Up:* Saturday, July 22 @ 10am

**Calling All Artists: How to Draw Manga and Graphic Novels**

Kids who love to draw, regardless of skill level, will love this chance to learn from Mark Crilley, whose popular videos have made him a YouTube sensation in drawing lessons.

**Mt. Morris**  
Saturday, July 22 @ 10am

**Swartz Creek-Perkins**  
Saturday, July 22 @ 2pm

**Wildlife in Your Backyard**

Meet our Wildlife Ambassadors and learn about the wildlife found around our homes, including their characteristics and behaviors, and what we can do to help them survive.

**Fenton-Winegarden**

Monday, July 24 @ 3pm

**The Wizard of Oz Puppet Show**

Combining the Old World charm of exquisite puppetry with the enchanting delight of a favorite fairy tale, this show is a truly fine experience in little theater.

**William F. Delaney Headquarters**  
Tuesday, July 25 @ 11am

**ARK Animals Encounters**

Cool animals will be presented in a show and tell style, blending education and entertainment.

**Goodrich**

Tuesday, July 25 @ 1pm

**Made in the Mitten**

Michigan is the second-most agriculturally diverse state in the country, earning the nickname the "Mitten of Plenty." Join Dianna Stampfler as she introduces you to Michigan’s rich food history.

**Flushing Area**

Saturday, July 29 @ 10am

**Grand Blanc-McFarlen**

Saturday, July 29 @ 2pm

**Light-Up Circuit Friendship Bracelets**

Use felt, LED lights, and conductive thread to create a beautiful bracelet that you can share with your friend, or keep for yourself. (Ages 8–12) Space is limited.  
*Please register at thegdl.org/events.*

**Linden**

Saturday, July 29 @ 10am

**Davison Area**

Saturday, July 29 @ 2pm

**Aladdin Puppet Show**

Combining the Old World charm of exquisite puppetry with the delight of a favorite fairy tale, this show is a truly fine experience in little theater.

**Montrose-Jennings**

Monday, July 31 @ 11am
**AUGUST**

**In-Person**

**Going Places (GPS) Career Coaching with GISD**
Are you a recent high school graduate (Class of 2021-2023) and need help getting to where you want to be in your career goals? If you need guidance in identifying a good career fit, applying to short-term certificate programs or college, or simply practicing for an upcoming interview, the Genesee Opportunity (GO) team is here to help. The future is yours. Register for a Going Places Summer (GPS)-Career Coaching session at a Genesee District Library location near you.

- **Mt. Morris**
  - Tuesday, August 1 @ 12:30pm
- **Burton Memorial**
  - Wednesday, August 2 @ 12:30pm
- **Baker Park**
  - Thursday, August 3 @ 12:30pm
- **Forest Township**
  - Tuesday, August 8 @ 12:30pm
- **Fossils of the Michigan Basin**
  - Learn all about dinosaurs from a real dinosaur digger, Paleo Joe. Paleontologist Joe Kchodl excites, entertains, and informs about all things prehistoric.
  - **Fenton-Winegarden**
    - Wednesday, August 2 @ 11am

**Sleeping Beauty Puppet Show**
Combining the Old World charm of exquisite puppetry with the enchanting delight of a favorite fairy tale, this show is a truly fine experience in “little theater.”

- **Grand Blanc-McFarlen**
  - Saturday, August 5 @ 11am

**Cooking with Ming: Hawaiian Luau**
Join our favorite chef, Ming Louie, as he shares delicious recipes from a Hawaiian luau.

- **Gaines Station**
  - Wednesday, August 9 @ 5:30pm

**ARK Animals Encounters**
Cool animals will be presented in a show and tell style, blending education and entertainment.

- **Forest Township**
  - Saturday, August 12 @ 10am
- **Linden**
  - Saturday, August 12 @ 12:30pm

**Michigan Beer: A Heady History**
Author Patti F. Smith entertains with stories from local brewers, the history of beer in Michigan, and the current state of local craft breweries.

- **Grand Blanc-McFarlen**
  - Tuesday, August 15 @ 6pm

**Body Scrubs, Lip Balms and Bath Salts Workshop**
This three-in-one class will teach you to make scrubs and balms from common household ingredients. Supplies provided. (Ages 15 and up, ages 10–14 with an adult) Space is limited. Registration required at thegd1.org/events.

- **Grand Blanc-McFarlen**
  - Saturday, August 12 @ Noon

**Virtual Programs**

**Miz Rosie: Juneteenth**
Rosie Chapman, a.k.a. Miz Rosie, is a storyteller, author, poet, artist, therapist and school social worker who thrills audiences of all ages with her storytelling. Rosie’s interactive stories warm the heart and stimulate the mind.

- **Thursday, June 15 @ 2pm**

**What Are You Reading**
Join Genesee District Librarians as they discuss the books they love, and the books they don’t.

- **Teen and adult**
  - **Tuesday, July 11 @ 1pm**
  - **Tuesday, August 15 @ 1pm**

**The Great British Baking Tour**
Join UK travel/relocation consultant and former UK resident Claire Evans for a delightful culinary tour of the UK inspired by The Great British Baking Show television series.

- **Thursday, July 13 @ 6pm**

**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.

- **Thursday, July 20 @ 6pm**
- **Thursday, August 17 @ 6pm**

**Genealogy–It’s Not Greek to Me**
This presentation covers how to conduct genealogical research starting with oral history and locating documentation to support, explain or further the oral history. It includes a case study of an interracial couple, a Canadian born free black who served in the US Civil War and married a German immigrant, and their pioneering travels throughout the United States in the late 1800s.

- **Thursday, July 27 @ 6pm**

**History of the Kellogg Company**
This is more than just a historical account of the Kellogg Company. Author Christopher Lock will take you on a visual trip down memory lane about the great foods and fun cereals we grew up with and continue to enjoy.

- **Thursday, August 3 @ 6pm**

**The Why’s & When’s of Car Maintenance with Mechanic**
Shop Femme
Automotive Educator and Writer Chaya Milchtein covers the basics of car maintenance, from changing oil and filters, tire pressure, and coolant to understanding the owners’ manual and preventative maintenance.

*Register at thegd1.org/events, and we’ll send you the Zoom link.

- **Thursday, August 10 @ 6pm**

**Digital Couponing**
With many businesses switching to digital coupons, die-hard coupon cutters are struggling. Learn how to use digital coupons for Meijer, Kroger, GoodRX, and more.

- **William F. Delaney Headquarters**
  - Thursday, July 20 @ 4pm

**Resin 3D Printing**
Design your project at the library using Tinkercad and staff will use the new 3D Resin Printer to print it for you.

- **William F. Delaney Headquarters**
  - Thursday, August 17 @ 4pm

**Digital Photo Management**
Learn how to back up the photos on your smartphone and explore options for printing your favorites cheaply and easily.

- **Davison Area**
  - Thursday, August 24 @ 4pm
Fenton-Winegarden

Fiction Book Club
Join us for a lively book discussion:
Wednesday, June 14 @ 10am
Godspeed by Nickolas Butler
Wednesday, July 12 @ 10am
Take My Hand by Dolen Perkins-Valdez
Wednesday, August 9 @ 10am
This Tender Land by William Kent Krueger

Mystery Book Club
We read a different mystery each month and discuss.
Tuesday, June 20 @ 6:30pm
Truly Devious by Maureen Johnson
Tuesday, July 18 @ 6:30pm
Carved In Bone: A Body Farm Novel by Jefferson Bass
Tuesday, August 15 @ 6:30pm
The Sugar Queen by Sarah Addison Allen

Sidewalk Chalk Art
Join us as Fenton celebrates ArtWalk 2023. This self-guided program will run from 10am–4pm. Decorate our sidewalks with chalk art.
Saturday, July 29 @ 10am–4pm

Forest Township

Book Club
We will choose a new book each month and have it available for you to pick it up at the branch at the end of each meeting. Please call (810) 631-6330 for title. Coffee and tea provided. (Adults)
Thursday, June 1 @ 7pm
Thursday, June 8 @ 6:30pm
Thursday, June 15 @ 7pm
Thursday, June 22 @ 6:30pm
Thursday, June 29 @ 7pm

Needles & Hooks
Work on your own project or learn a new one. We will have several kits available. Coffee and tea provided. (Adults)
Tuesdays, June 6, 13, 20, 27
July 11, 18, 25
August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 @ 6pm

Book Page Folding–Owl
Learn how to fold book pages and make 3D art. Supplies provided. (Adults)
Saturday, June 10 @ Noon

Kids Crafts
Various craft projects will be offered each month using paints, paper, wood, and textiles.
Saturday, June 17 @ Noon
Saturday, July 15 @ Noon
Saturday, August 19 @ Noon

Montrose-Jennings

Craft On!
Crafting for kids. Various crafts will be offered with paints, paper, wood, and textiles.
Wednesday, June 7, 14, 21, 28,
July 12, 19, 26,
August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
@ 3pm

True Crime Book Club
We will discuss true crime books, podcasts, and documentaries. For current topic, please call (810) 639-6388. Sponsored by the Friends of the Montrose-Jennings Library.
Thursday, June 8 @ 6:30pm
Thursday, July 13 @ 6:30pm
Thursday, August 10 @ 6:30pm

Crafting with Yarn
Do you crochet, knit, or loom? New and advanced yarn crafters welcome. Sponsored by the Friends of the Montrose-Jennings Library.
Thursday, June 22 @ 6:30pm
Thursday, July 27 @ 6:30pm
Thursday, August 24 @ 6:30pm

Glass Bead Suncatchers
Welcome the sunshine with a quick and easy craft using glass beads and glue.
Saturday, June 24 @ 2pm

DIY Bubble Bath Playdough
Make your own Bubble Bath Playdough.
Tuesday, June 27 @ 6pm

DIY Lemon Sugar Scrub Bars
Make these quick and easy cleansing, exfoliating, and moisturizing lemon sugar scrub bars.
Tuesday, July 18 @ 6pm

Treasure Turtles
Create a cute turtle to hide your summer treasures.
Friday, July 21 @ 11am

Diamond Dotz Photo Frames
Why put out an ordinary frame when you can use Diamond Dotz to add some flair?
Saturday, July 22 @ 1pm

DIY Flower "Kissing Balls"
Using a wiffle ball and flowers, these simple pomanders can be hung, placed on a stand, put in a centerpiece, or used with a handle for a wedding bouquet.
Tuesday, August 1 @ 6pm

DIY Kool-Aid Lip Balm
Make a super easy DIY lip balm—teens love it!
Saturday, August 12 @ 2pm

DIY Lotion Bars
Learn how to make DIY lotion bars made with shea butter and coconut oil.
Tuesday, August 15 @ 6pm
Story Times

Clio with Miss Marcia
Thursdays, June 8, 15, 22, 29
@ 10:30am

Davison with Miss Marcia
Mondays, June 5, 12, 26
@ 10:30am

Fenton-Winegarden with Ms. Heather
Wednesdays, June 14, 21, 28
July 12, 19, 26
@ 10:30am

Flushing Area with Miss Lisa
Mondays, June 5, 12, 26
(GDL Closed June 19 for Juneteenth)
July 3, 10, 17 @ 10:30am

Goodrich with Miss Marie
Thursdays, June 15, 22
July 6, 13, 20, 27
@ 10:30am

Grand Blanc-McFarlen with Miss Marie
Fridays, June 16, 23, 30
July 7, 14, 21
@ 10:30am

Linden with Miss Marie
Tuesdays, June 13, 20, 27
July 11, 18, 25
@ 10:30am

Mister Johnnie’s Singing Story Time at Swartz Creek-Perkins
Thursdays, June 1, 8, 15, 29
@ 10:30am

Mt. Morris with Miss Lisa
Fridays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
July 7 @ 10am

Music & Movement Playtime
Bang the drums, shake a maraca, dance with scarves and clap to the rhythm with your child.
Join Michigan State University Extension Educators as they demonstrate music and movement activities to enjoy with your child.
Grand Blanc-McFarlen
Mondays, July 10, 17, 24, 31
@ 10:30am

Paws to Read
Groot the therapy dog loves a good story.
Practice reading aloud to him—he loves it!
Fenton-Winegarden
Saturday, June 24
@ 10am
Goodrich
Saturday, July 22
@ 10am
Swartz Creek-Perkins
Saturday, August 12
@ 10am

Book Sales

Burton Memorial
Saturday, August 26
@ 10am–4pm

Forest Township
Saturday, July 29
@ 9am–3pm

Linden
Friday, June 16
@ 9am–4pm
Saturday, June 17
@ 9am–4pm
19 Branches to Serve You

Baker Park
G3410 S Grand Traverse
Burton, MI 48529
(810) 742-7860

Beecher-Vera B. Rison
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
4195 W Pasadena Ave.
Flint, MI 48504
(810) 732-0110

Talking Book Center
(810) 732-1120

Administration
Office
(810) 732-5570

CLOSING DATES

Juneteenth: Monday, June 19

Independence Day: Tuesday, July 4

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Visit all 19 GDL libraries this summer to discover local history, trivia, and library lore. This is a community-wide, family-friendly library scavenger hunt where participants will seek answers to questions about our 19 libraries to solve a secret message. Each library will feature its own trading card that you’ll receive as you find the answers. Collect all 19 trading cards and get a bonus 20th card when you complete the hunt.

Visit thegdl.org for more info.

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