The Dickinson County Library Helps the Community Find Its Story!

CLOSED - Staff Training Day

All branches of the Dickinson County Library will be closed on Monday, February 17 for staff training. During this time, library staff members will participate in exercises to enhance our service to the community. Regular hours resume at all branches on Tuesday, February 18.

Thank you to our patrons for your understanding!

11th Annual Prom Dress Swap
March 7-8 @ Main Branch

Donations of gently used and clean prom dresses, shoes, and accessories will be accepted through Friday, March 6 at the Main Branch and through Thursday, March 5 at the Solomonson and North Dickinson branches. Your donations fulfill prom dreams! We appreciate dresses on a hanger, and please mark the size if the tag is missing.

Anyone who donates an item will receive a ticket granting them admission to the first hour of the swap on Saturday. However, no donation is necessary; those who do not donate can attend the swap any time after the first hour.

Hours of the swap are Saturday, March 7 from 10 AM to 3:30 PM, and Sunday, March 8 from 1 to 4:30 PM. For more information, please call the Main Branch at 906-774-1218 or visit our website at www.dcl-lib.org.

Main Branch
401 Iron Mountain Street
Iron Mountain, MI 49801
906-774-1218
Monday–Thursday: 9 AM to 8:30 PM
Friday: 9 AM to 6:30 PM
Saturday: 9 AM to 3:30 PM
Sunday: 1 PM to 4:30 PM

Solomonson Branch
620 Section Street
Norway, MI 49870
906-563-8617
Monday–Friday
9 AM to 6:30 PM
Saturday
9 AM to 1 PM

North Dickinson Branch
W6588 M-69
Felch, MI 49831
906-542-7230
Monday and Friday
11 AM to 4 PM
Tuesday and Thursday
2 PM to 6 PM
It’s all happening @ YOUR library!

Pre-school Storytimes
Play and learn at our storytime sessions for children ages 0-5! This month’s theme is colors of the rainbow from red to purple. Join Miss Crystal for stories, songs, activities, and crafts to inspire your child’s imagination!

Read the Rainbow
Monday, February 3, 10:30 AM @ Solomonson Branch
Tuesdays, February 4 and 11, 10 AM & 11 AM @ Main Branch
Monday, February 10, 10:30 AM @ North Dickinson Branch

Take Your Child to the Library Day:
Elephant and Piggie Party
Saturday, February 1
10:30 AM @ Solomonson Branch
1 PM @ Main Branch
Celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day with parties all about Mo Willems’ children’s book duo Elephant and Piggie! Children in pre-school through grade 2 will enjoy a storytime, crafts, and activities, and then receive a free book to take home!

Bow Wows and Books
Monday, February 3
6-7:30 PM @ Main Branch
Kids of all ages are invited to practice their literacy skills in an accepting environment by reading aloud to friendly therapy dogs! Thor, an English Mastiff, and Clara, a Yorkshire Terrier, are your partners in this reading adventure. Please call the Main Branch at 906-774-1218 to reserve a 10-minute time slot with either or both dogs.

Dickinson County Library Book Clubs
New members are always welcome to attend our book clubs! Reading selections for upcoming months are chosen at each meeting. Even if you haven’t read the current book, you can listen in and vote on upcoming selections!

A Novel Bunch Book Club
Wednesday, February 12, 2 PM
@ Solomonson Branch—Norway

Page by Page Book Club
Tuesday, February 25, 6 PM
@ Main Branch—Iron Mountain

Reading guides and book selections:
Novel Bunch: www.dcl-lib.org/norwaybookclub
Page by Page: www.dcl-lib.org/pbpbookclub
Tech Connect
Tuesday, February 4
4 PM @ Main Branch
Thursday, February 6
3:30 PM @ Solomonson Branch

Lego Club has evolved, and we’re sure you’ll love the change! Each month, Tech Connect will introduce kids in grades 3 through 8 to a different type of fun design or building technology. Plus, we’ll continue to offer Legos to kids who prefer to build the old-fashioned way!

February sessions will focus on Bloxels, which allow kids to design their own video game levels with colorful squares, an app, and imagination! If you would like to save your level and play it at home, please bring an iPad, iPhone 6 or higher, Android Galaxy Tab 8 or higher, Nexus 5 or 5p, or Kindle Fire 8 or higher.

Wacky Winter Comedy Show
Thursday, February 6
6 PM @ Main Branch

Joel Tacey will present a fun comedy program with a winter theme for all ages! Activities include Silly Snowballs, Mischievous Sled, Multiplying Candy Canes, Endless Cup of Hot Chocolate, and more. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

iPhone Demo for the Visually Impaired
Saturday, February 8
10-11 AM @ Main Branch

Linda Lieburn, who is visually impaired, will give a demonstration on how an iPhone works for people who are blind, or have low vision, low literacy, or dyslexia. For adults and teens. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Level Up! Gamers Club
Friday, February 14
3:30-5:30 PM @ Solomonson Branch
Saturday, February 22
1-3 PM @ Main Branch

Calling all video game enthusiasts in grades 5 through 9! This month’s featured game is “Crash Bandicoot N. Sane Trilogy.” Other games will be available to play, depending on participants’ interests.

Odyssey Seekers Club: Spy Science
Saturday, February 15
2-3 PM @ Main Branch

Kids in grades 3 and up will be ready to crack any case after participating in activities such as Fingerprint Lab, Invisible Ink Three Ways, and Make Your Own Magnifiers.

Spectacular Science
Tuesday, February 18
4 PM @ Main Branch
Thursday, February 20
3:30 PM @ Solomonson Branch

Children in kindergarten through grade 2 will learn that science is both educational and fun in this monthly program that introduces simple STEM concepts through hands-on activities. We will feature a new theme each month.

The Iron Mountain
Ford Motor Company, 1920-1951 with Bill Cummings
Thursday, February 27
6:30 PM @ Main Branch

Local historian Bill Cummings will give a presentation on this interesting era of our region’s past. This is part of a series, with another presentation scheduled for March and possibly April. For adults and teens.

Leap Year Game Day
Saturday, February 29
9 AM-3 PM @ Main Branch

Celebrate 2020’s extra day by playing board and card games at your library! We’ll supply the games—just bring yourself and a few friends and you’re all set! This is a drop-in program, so stop by at any time. For all ages.
The Dickinson County Library Board’s regular monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 11 at 5 PM at the Main Branch.

**Board Members**
- William Cummings, Chair
- Susan Khoury, Vice Chair
- Katy Driscoll, Secretary
- Ann Martin, Treasurer
- Donna Hayes, Trustee

**Mission Statement - Dickinson County Library**
The Dickinson County Library strives to enhance the quality of individual, family, and community life by providing information, materials, and services that are readily available and responsive to the needs of all our patrons. The library aspires to balance traditional, historical, entertaining, and modern library services provided at a reasonable cost. Paramount to the library is empowering our community, stimulating an interest in reading, cultivating a love of lifelong learning, and providing welcoming spaces where patrons can try new things to encourage everyone to achieve their personal, educational, and professional goals.

**Directed Discussions**
This is your opportunity to speak with Library Director Megan Buck in an open forum. Stop by to say hello and bring questions, suggestions, or concerns regarding library services. No appointment is necessary.

- **Thursday, February 6, 2-4 PM** @ North Dickinson Branch
- **Thursday, February 13, 2-4 PM** @ Solomonson Branch
- **Thursday, February 20, 2-4 PM** @ Main Branch

**Get Your Kensington Cozy Card to Earn Free Books!**
Do you love cozy mysteries? If so, be sure to pick up a Kensington Cozy Card on your next visit to any Dickinson County Library branch. Simply inquire at the circulation desk!

Every time you check out a cozy mystery, have the librarian punch or stamp your card. When you have 10 punches or stamps, mail in your card to the address provided and you will receive a randomly selected copy of a cozy mystery book!

Each reader can fill out a maximum of 10 cozy cards for a maximum of 10 free books! Cards must be redeemed by December 31, 2021.

Remember, cozy mysteries are lighthearted murder mysteries that feature plenty of humor, no graphic elements, and an amateur sleuth who lives in a close-knit community. Please ask at any branch or call 906-774-1218 if you have any questions!

Also keep in mind, our brand new Cozy Mystery Book Club will have an organizational meeting on Thursday, March 19 at 2 PM at the Main Branch. Please stop by if you’re interested!