What's Happening at Your Library

Bookmark Contest 2023
All ages are welcome to enter the 2023 Bookmark Contest beginning the week of Monday, March 27. Entry forms will be available at the circulation desks of all branches, and must be returned by Sunday, April 16. Entries will be displayed at the Main Branch for public voting from April 24-April 30. In addition, entries will be posted to the library’s Facebook page. Entries with the most “likes” will earn one extra vote. Winners will be chosen for each age group, and the winning bookmarks will be available at the library and in Summer Reading registration bags!

Local author Mick Gayan will share his new adult fiction thriller “Bite of the Wolf,” which he wrote under the pen name, Wade Walker. He will discuss his inspiration for the book, the writing process, publishing tips, and end with a Q&A session. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Build a Peep House
Kids in grades 3-8 are invited to build a house for a marshmallow Peep out of various food items. Finished masterpieces will be displayed in the children’s room for public voting. Winners will receive a prize!

Art at the Library
Get creative at the library with Sarah Rice from the Iron Mountain Public Arts Advisory Committee! Kids in grades PreK through 5 are invited to make crafts and enjoy stories! Each day features a new activity including Thumbprint Dandelions, ladybugs, and a rock photo holder.

Growing Up with Gardens
Spring into some good books at these storytime sessions for kids ages 0-5. Kids will grow their early literacy skills through garden stories, songs, crafts, and science experiments. No registration required!

Peanut Butter Jelly Time
Kids in grades K-2nd are welcome to enjoy some peanut butter and jelly themed books, sing songs, and make homemade peanut butter and jelly. Kids will then enjoy their sandwiches and juice. Registration begins on Tuesday, March 28; please call the Main Branch at (906) 774-1218!
**Lego Club**  
Tuesday, April 4 at 4:00 PM @ Main Branch  
Tuesday, April 11 at 3:15 PM @ North Dickinson Branch (Grades K-8)  
Thursday, April 13 at 4:00 PM @ Solomonson Branch  
Kids in **grades 3-8** will be challenged to build a spinning top and take turns spinning to see whose top can spin the longest.

**Just Doh It!**  
Wednesday, April 5 at 10:30 AM @ Solomonson Branch  
Wednesday, April 19 at 10:30 AM @ Main Branch  
Join us for this playdough club that provides guided and independent activities such as letter formation, shape identification, and more for **kids ages 3-5**.

**Qigong/ Tai Chi with Irina Tarbeeva**  
Thursday, April 6 at 1:00 PM @ Main Branch  
Instructor Irina Tarbeeva will lead participants through self-healing and wellness activities using Qigong and Tai Chi exercises. This class is for beginner or intermediate levels of adults. Registration begins on Thursday, March 30; please call the Main Branch at (906) 774-1218! **Sponsored by the Friends of the Library**

**Lego Club, Jr.**  
Monday, April 10 at 4:00 PM @ Main Branch  
Children in **K-2nd** will be challenged with task cards to build Legos at this program perfect for budding engineers. No registration required!

**Bow Wows and Books**  
Wednesday, April 12 at 5:00 PM @ Main Branch  
**Kids of all ages** are invited to practice their literacy skills by reading aloud to therapy dogs Azul, a Siberian Husky-Mix and Diogee, a Sheepadoodle. Registration begins Wednesday, April 5; please call the Main Branch at (906) 774-1218 to reserve a 15-minute time slot.

**Friends of the Library Semi-Annual Book Sale**  
Friday, April 14- Friday, April 21 @ Main Branch  
Find fantastic deals on books, audiobooks, DVDs, VHS tapes, magazines, and more at the semi-annual Friends of the Library Book Sale from April 14 through April 21 at the Main Branch. The event kicks off with a preview sale open to Friends of the Library members only on Thursday, April 13 from 5:00-6:00 PM, followed by a Friends of the Library meeting at 6:30 PM. New members are encouraged to join at the door for $5 (annual membership) or $50 (lifetime membership.)

**Teen Subscription Boxes**  
Registration opens **Monday, April 17**  
Boxes available for pickup on **Monday, May 1** @ Main Branch  
This month's theme is adventure. This is currently limited to the first four teens each month. Please stop in at any branch to fill out a registration form. A new registration form must be filled out each month to receive the next subscription box.

**Gamers' Club**  
Monday, April 17 at 4:00 PM @ Solomonson Branch  
Tuesday, April 18 at 3:15 PM @ North Dickinson Branch  
Monday, April 24 at 4:00 PM @ Main Branch  
Calling all video game enthusiasts in **grades 3-8**! Play a variety of video and board games this month.
**Book Clubs**

**Shh...Out!**

*Thursday, April 25 at 6:00 PM @ Main Branch*

**Adults** are invited to discuss "The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo" by Taylor Jenkins Reid.

**Tuesday, April 18 at 6:00 PM @ Main Branch**

**Adults** are invited to discuss "The Kitchen Front" by Jennifer Ryan.

**Explore Life's Hidden Adventures**

*Saturday, April 22 from 10:00 AM- 3:00 PM @ Main Branch*

Local author Sally Heidtke will offer a workshop, for **adults**, based on her book “Be Infinite: Access Your Unimagined Potential.” Space is limited so please call the Main Branch at (906) 774-1218 to register.

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**National Library Week**

*Sunday, April 23- Saturday, April 29*

Celebrate National Library Week 2023: There's More to the Story April 23-29. Stop in and thank your favorite librarians on Tuesday, April 25 for National Library Workers Day! Thursday, April 27 is Take Action for Libraries day and is a great chance to advocate and share support for libraries!

**Jonathan Rand**

*Monday, April 24 at 6:00 PM @ Main Branch*

Get ready to get chilled with Michigan Author Jonathan Rand on April 24 at 6:00 PM at the Main Branch.

**Sponsored by Elsa Brule.**

**Shh...Out!**

*Tuesday, April 25 at 6:00 PM @ Main Branch*

Do some fun Duct Tape crafts and hang out with therapy dogs, Azul and Maverick at this month’s meeting! This program is open to all teens in **grades 9-12** and is a welcoming space for LGBTQIA+ teens and allies to just be themselves. No registration required.

**Write On!**

*Tuesday, April 25 at 6:00 PM @ Main Branch*

**Adults and teens** are invited to join this writers’ group that focuses on providing an encouraging and supportive space for all types of writers. Local author and illustrator Chelsey Lillge will offer a Writer's Workshop program to attendees.

**Human Trafficking with Geno Basanese**

*Wednesday, April 26 at 6:00 PM @ Main Branch*

Michigan State Police Officer Geno Basanese will present a program to **adults** about human trafficking dangers and ways to stay safe.

**Smart Money Kids Storytime**

*Thursday, April 27 at 5:30 PM @ Main Branch*

Children **ages 5-8** are encouraged to participate independently as we read about selling goods and making change with “Owl + Otter and the Big Yard Sale.” Participants will receive a free book sponsored by the **Michigan Credit Union** and will decorate their own bank provided by the **Iron Mountain-Kingsford Community Federal Credit Union.**

**A Pollinator's Garden with Northwoods' Beekeepers**

*Saturday, April 29 from 1:00-2:30 PM @ Main Branch*

Northwoods Beekeepers group members Bernie Driggs and Stacy Harrison will share a presentation on pollinators in the Dickinson County area as well as tips for how to plant the perfect pollinator garden. This program is for **adults and teens.**
Memorial Funds

The following Memorial Fund collections will be on display at the Main Branch. To view the titles, please visit our website at www.dcl-lib.org, click the "About Us" tab, and click the "Memorial Funds" page. If you would like to reserve any of the titles for checkout, please inquire at the circulation desk, call the branch where the Memorial is being displayed, or place a hold through our website.

**Caroline Furno Memorial**

Three adult non-fiction titles that honor Furno's appreciation for classical music will be on display April 10-17 at the Main Branch.

**Judith Brooks Memorial**

Sixteen diverse and inclusive items for all ages will be on display April 17-24 at the Main Branch.

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**Library Board**

The Dickinson County Library Board meets April 11 at 5 PM at the Main Branch. The public is always welcome to attend board meetings.

**Board Members:**

William Cummings, Chair; Donna Hayes, Vice Chair; Katy Driscoll, Secretary; Robert Lundholm, Treasurer; Wanda Khor, Trustee

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**Mission Statement**

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.

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**Let's Get Social!**

For the most up-to-date information on library programs and services, check our website at www.dcl-lib.org and our social media channels:

FACEBOOK: facebook.com/DickinsonCountyLibrary

INSTAGRAM: instagram.com/dickinsoncountylibrary/

YOUTUBE: https://bit.ly/2XJOa1y

TWITTER: twitter.com/dcl_library

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**Main Branch**

401 IRON MOUNTAIN ST.
IRON MOUNTAIN, MI 49801
906-774-1218
M-TH: 9 AM-8:30 PM
F: 9 AM-6:30 PM
SA: 9 AM-3:30 PM
SU: 1 PM-4:30 PM

**Solomonson Branch**

620 SECTION ST.
NORWAY, MI 49870
906-563-8617
MONDAY-FRIDAY:
9 AM-6:30 PM
SATURDAY:
9 AM-1 PM

**North Dickinson Branch**

W6588 M-69
FELCH, MI 49831
906-542-7230
MONDAY & FRIDAY:
11 AM-4 PM
TUESDAY & THURSDAY:
2 PM-6 PM