

What's Happening at Your Library

Summer Reading Coloring Contest 2023

Our Summer Reading 2023 Coloring Contest kicks off on Monday, May 1! Children in **pre-school through grade 5** may pick up posters at all three library branches, while supplies last. Color your poster and return to any branch by Monday, May 22. Entries will be displayed at the Main Branch and on the library's Facebook page for public voting between Tuesday, May 30 and Sunday, June 4. We will announce winners on the first day of Summer Reading, Monday, June 12!

Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring this contest!



Teen Subscription Boxes

Registration opened **Monday, April 17**

Boxes available for pickup on **Monday, May 1** @ Main Branch



This month's theme is adventure and includes a library book, treats, some other fun items, and a book review form. Both the library book and the box must be returned, but participants may keep all other items. 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.



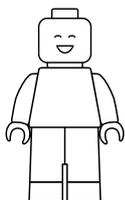
Community Partnerships: Urban Forestry

Monday, May 1 at 6:00 PM @ Main Branch



Adults and teens are invited to learn about urban forestry and its benefits with Joshua Isaac, FAP District Forester for the Dickinson County Conservation District and member of the Iron Mountain Tree Board. This event is the first in our Community Partnership series and features the partnership with the Dickinson County Conservation District and the Iron Mountain Tree Board.

Refreshments will be provided, and no registration is required.

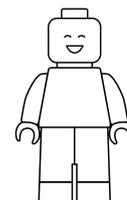


Lego Club

Tuesday, May 2 at 4:00 PM @ Main Branch

Thursday, May 4 at 4:00 PM @ Solomonson Branch

Tuesday, May 9 at 4:00 PM @ North Dickinson Branch (Grades K-8)



Build yourself up at Lego Club! This monthly program for kids in **grades 3-8** offers an opportunity to be creative and have fun while building with Legos! This month participants will build a wrecking ball and a structure to knock down. Finished creations will be on display until the next meeting.

No registration required.



Just Doh It!

Wednesday, May 3 at 10:30 AM @ Solomonson Branch

Wednesday, May 17 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, May 4 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, April 27; please call the Main Branch at (906) 774-1218! **Sponsored by the Friends of the Library**



A Pollinator's Garden with Northwoods' Beekeepers



Saturday, May 6 at 1:00 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** and no registration is required.



Bow Wows and Books



Wednesday, May 10 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, May 3; please call the Main Branch at (906) 774-1218 to reserve a 15-minute time slot.



Book Breakdowns: Lilia Boehmfeldt



Saturday, May 13 @ Main Branch

Kids of all ages, with their caregivers, are invited to hear a story read by local author Lilia Boehmfeldt. Lilia has written "Excited Spring Morning," "K9 Rambo Comes to Florence," and "A-Z Write a Letter with Me." After she shares her stories, kids are invited to write letters on special stationery. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

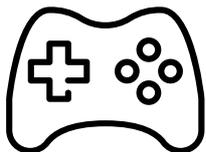


Lego Club, Jr.



Monday, May 15 at 4:00 PM @ Main Branch

Children in grades **K-2nd** will be challenged with task cards to build Legos at this program perfect for budding engineers. No registration required!



Gamers' Club



Monday, May 15 at 4:00 PM @ Solomonson Branch

Monday, May 22 at 4:00 PM @ Main Branch

Tuesday, May 23 at 3:15 PM @ North Dickinson Branch

Calling all video game enthusiasts in **grades 3-8!** Play a variety of video and board games this month.



Book Clubs



Tuesday, May 16 at 6:00 PM @ Main Branch

Adults are invited to discuss "Firekeeper's Daughter" by Angeline Boulley.

Thursday, May 18 at 2:00 PM @ Solomonson Branch.

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



Social Media Dangers with Geno Basanese



Tuesday, May 16 at 6:00 PM @ Main Branch

Officer Geno Basanese and staff members from the Caring House will present a program about social media dangers, including knowing who you are speaking to, consequences of sexting, and how to protect yourself as well as your teens. There will be a Q&A session included for attendees to address concerns and questions. This program is for **adults and teens**.



Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia



Wednesday, May 17 at 6:00 PM @ Main Branch

Jonathan Vanderlugt of the Alzheimer's Association will present a program explaining the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia. It will include stages, risk factors, current research, available treatments, and ways the Alzheimer's Association can help. This program is for **adults**.

Kickin' It Old School

Thursday, May 18 from 5:00-8:30 PM @ Downtown Stage

Join the library at Downtown Iron Mountain's first Third Thursday event of 2023, Kickin' It Old School. Play oversized yard games, enjoy some music, and a variety of food from food truck vendors. Make sure to check out the library's table for information on "All Together Now" our summer reading program and get a temporary tattoo!



Book Breakdowns: Stacey Lantagne and Thor



Saturday, May 20 at 1:00 PM @ Main Branch

Local Author Stacey Lantagne will share her children's book series, The Coping Crew, which focuses on various fears, phobias, and anxieties. She will talk about her inspiration for the series, the writing process, and how she got published. Books will be available for purchase and signing and therapy dog, Thor will be in attendance. This program is for adults and teens.

Invasive Species Trade Up Day/Native Seed Bomb Workshop

Monday, May 22 at 5:00-6:30 PM @ Main Branch

At 5:00 PM the Wild Rivers Invasive Species Coalition will present a program about the importance of not planting and removing invasive plant species. Adult attendees who bring in an invasive species they have removed from their property may trade it for a free native shrub or a voucher for a native plant from a local greenhouse. Following the presentation, there will be an opportunity for attendees to make a Native Seed Bomb. The Native Seed Bomb workshop does require registration, call (906) 774-1218 beginning May 15th to register for the workshop.

All **adults** are welcome to attend the presentation and plant exchange without registration.



Write On!

Tuesday, May 23 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. Attendees will be able to make connections, get feedback on current projects, share ideas, learn new tips and tricks and simply enjoy writing. For May's meeting, gather personal artifacts you would like to include in a bullet journal/smash book. Snacks will be provided.



Shh...Out!

Tuesday, May 30 at 6:00 PM @ Main Branch



Anna and Erica from Danielson's Greenhouse and Floral will present a fun floral activity and therapy dogs Azul and Maverick will be in attendance. 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.



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.

Claire Lilja Memorial

Five adult non-fiction titles will be on display **May 8-15** at the Main Branch.

Agnes Jayne Memorial

Twelve adult fiction titles will be on display **May 10-24** at the Main Branch.

Audrey & Orville Swanson Memorial

Six adult non-fiction titles will be on display **May 15-22** at the Main Branch.

Library Board

The Dickinson County Library Board meets **May 16 at 5:00 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

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.

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](https://www.facebook.com/DickinsonCountyLibrary)



INSTAGRAM: [instagram.com/dickinsoncountylibrary/](https://www.instagram.com/dickinsoncountylibrary/)



YOUTUBE: <https://bit.ly/2XJOaiy>



TWITTER: twitter.com/dcl_library

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