

NOVEMBER

Community Read: Native American Poetry Monday November 4 | 7pm - 8pm

Join us for a Native American poetry reading. This activity is part of the GL Community Read of Firekeeper's Daughter.

Beginning Ukulele Workshop for the Family [Registration Req.] Thursday Nov. 7, 14, 21 and Dec. 5, 12, 19 | 6pm - 7pm | Ages 8+

Share the aloha spirit of the ukulele together in this series of classes. Taught by Michigan's Ukulele Ambassador Ben Hassenger & sponsored by Music is the Foundation non-profit.

Ready to Read - Storytime for Preschoolers

Saturday November 9 | 3pm - 4pm | Ages 3 - 5 and Caregivers

Preschoolers and their caregivers will enjoy stories & songs, and learn early literacy tips and tricks to use at home. The storytime will conclude with hands-on activity stations.

Six Voices in Autumn: Prose

Sunday November 10 | 2pm - 4pm | Ages 16+

Come enjoy coffee, conversation, and an afternoon with talented area authors as they present poem, short fiction, or short memoir on different themes.

Book on Every Bed

November 11 - December 12

Help put a "Book on Every Bed" this Christmas! The Grand Ledge Shopping Tour will distribute your donated books to local children at need during their Christmas Party. Donation location is at GLADL.

Holiday Wreath Crafting Workshop [Registration Req.]

Wednesday November 13 | 6pm - 7:30pm | Ages 16+

Decorate a wreath from fresh Fraser fir greenery in frames, supplied by Reverman Farms! Trims supplied or bring your own!

Cultural Food of the Anishinubeg

Monday November 18 | 6pm - 7pm | Ages 16+

Join us to learn and sample some of the foods important to Native Americans in the Great Lakes region, how it was gathered and prepared-- and try some for yourself!

Financial Literacy Workshop: Navigating Money Challenges [Registration Req.]

Wednesday November 20 | 6pm - 7:30pm | Adults

Manage your finances and debts, take stock of family and community resources, set spending priorities, and make your action plan! Presented by Ezra Pompos, Financial and Homeownership Program Instructor, MSU Extension.

Make a Mini Snow Globe Ornament

Monday November 25 | 6pm - 7pm | Ages 6+

Make your own Winter or Christmas scene in a small tin to create a snow globe ornament.



FUN ALL SEASON LONG!

Let's Dance! Intro to Square & Contra Dance

Sunday 9/8, 10/6, 11/3, 12/1 | 1:30pm - 4pm | Ages 7+

Learn beginning Square or Contra Dance and have fun at these lively FREE monthly workshops! Contra Dance: Sundays: Sept 8, Nov 3. Square Dance: Sundays: Oct. 6, Dec. 1.

Code Club!

Wednesdays starting September 18 | 6pm - 7pm | 3rd Grade+

Learn to make websites, apps, animations, and more! No coding expertise necessary & drop-ins welcome!

Take Home Crafts

Make fun crafts or flex your science muscles with the following activities: Sept. 6 Caramel Apples, Sept. 20 Pumpkin Moon Sand, Oct. 4 Pumpkin Catapult, Oct. 18 Witches' Brooms, Nov. 1 Paper Plate Frisbees, Nov. 15 Turkey Wreaths

Preschool Family Storytime

Tues. | 11am | Ages 1 - 6 and Caregivers

Join us for stories, songs, and a simple craft!

Stress Busters: Positive Mental Health for Kids!

Tuesdays 12pm | Ages 3-6 & Caregivers

CMH offers fun, engaging skills-based groups to help youth learn skills to manage stress, improve social skills and have fun! New participants are always welcome - come join us! No registration necessary.

Storybook Stroll - Eaton County Parks & Downtown GL

Early September - Late November

Read while you stroll the trails at Lincoln Brick Park and downtown!

GAMING

Minecraft Mania!

Tuesday Sept. 10; Oct. 8; Nov. 12 | 6pm - 8pm | Ages 8 - 12

We'll have our Minecraft server set up and the laptops ready to go. No experience needed -- all levels of players/builders welcome!

Switch Gaming: Super Smash Bros.

Wednesday October 2 | 6pm - 8pm | Ages 8+

We'll play Super Smash Bros. Ultimate tonight! All skill levels welcome!

Switch Gaming: Overcooked

Wednesday November 6 | 6pm - 8pm | Ages 8+

We'll play Overcooked tonight! Feel free to bring your Switch to play between your turns on the big screen. All skill levels welcome!

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Monday - Thursday 10am - 9pm

Friday & Saturday 10am - 5pm

Sunday 1pm - 5pm

2024 FALL EVENTS



Grand Ledge Area
District Library

SEPTEMBER

Lego Creators Challenge – People’s Choice Voting September 1 - 30 | All Ages

Stop in to vote for your favorite Lego creation, made by members of the community!

Community Read - Firekeeper’s Daughter Map Wednesday Sept 4 | 6pm - 8pm | Ages 16+

Make a map of the setting from Firekeeper’s Daughter.

Make a Magical Mask!

September 5 - 30 | Ages 8+

Create a Magical Mask this Halloween! Mask blanks are available Sept. 5, while supplies last. Then bring in your mask to display in October. See our Event Calendar for more details.

Paint a Bowling Ball Garden Ornament [Registration Req.]

Monday Sept 9 | 6pm - 8pm | Ages 12+

Get creative and paint a bowling ball to become a beautiful garden or yard ornament.

Webster’s Cat Café

Wednesday Sept 11 | 4pm - 7pm | All Ages

Celebrate “Happy Cat Month” with Webster in this special cat visitation and adoption event, presented by the Constellation Cat Café in East Lansing!

Beaded Bracelets for Tweens and Teens

Monday Sept 16 | 6pm - 7pm | Ages 12 - 18

Make beaded bracelets using pony beads and other findings to show off your own unique style!

National Voter Registration Day!

Tuesday Sept 17 | 10am - 8pm | Adults

Access voter registration materials and information on new voting laws. Hosted by GLADL & League of Women Voters Lansing Area.

Financial Literacy Workshop: Making a Spending Plan [Reg. Req.]

Wednesday Sept 18 | 6pm - 7:30pm | Adults

Learn the benefits of a spending plan, identify the difference between needs and wants, and highlight the importance of an emergency fund. Presented by Ezra Pompos, Financial and Homeownership Program Instructor, MSU Extension.

Lego-Palooza!

Thursday Sept 19 | 6pm - 7pm | All Ages

Come get creative with LEGO Bricks at the library!

Pumpkin Guts Slime

Monday Sept 23 | 6pm - 7pm | Age 4+

Make some gooey, pumpkin pie scented, orange pumpkin guts slime complete with pumpkin seeds.

Youth Mental Health First Aid Training [Registration Req.]

September 25 & 26 | 6pm - 8:30pm | Adults

FREE Youth Mental Health First Aid training-- learn to identify, understand & respond to mental health and substance use challenges in children & youth. Registration on our Event Calendar.

Ready to Read - Storytime for Babies

Saturday Sept 28 | 3pm – 4pm | Birth - 18m and Caregivers

Babies and their caregivers will enjoy stories & songs, and learn early literacy tips and tricks to use at home. The storytime will conclude with hands-on activity stations.

Campfire Science & S’mores: Autumn Exploration

Saturday Sept 28 | 6pm - 7:30pm | All Ages

Lincoln Brick Park

Seasonal science around the campfire! Storytelling, nature hikes, and hands-on science activities plus a campfire to enjoy s'mores!

Paperback Book Pumpkin/Apple

Monday Sept 30 | 6pm - 7:30pm | Ages 12+

Use one of our old paperbacks to make a pumpkin/apple decoration.

OCTOBER

Fall Festival Fun @ GLADL

Saturday October 5 | 11am - 4pm | All Ages

Join us for crafts, scavenger hunts, and more during the Fall Festival!

Understanding MAP: Michigan Medicare Assistance Program

Monday October 7 | 11:30am - 1pm | Adults

Be ready for open registration, attend this workshop on MAP: Michigan Medicare Assistance Program. Not affiliated with any insurance company. Presented by the Tri-County Office on Aging.

Spooky Stories and Marshmallows

Monday October 7 | 6pm - 7pm | Ages 4 - 7

We’ll read spooky (but not too spooky) stories, sing haunted songs and rhymes, and then roast marshmallows over a campfire. We’ll read outside if the weather permits.

Writing the Dark: Mystery, Murder & True Crime

Wednesday October 9 | 6pm - 8pm | Ages 16+

From true crime to murder & mystery - meet Michigan authors with stories perfect for a chilling time of year!

Paint a Halloween Scene! [Registration Req.]

Thursday October 10 | 6pm - 7:30pm | Ages 12+

Paint a fun Halloween painting with acrylics using your imagination!

Ready to Read - Storytime for Toddlers

Saturday October 12 | 3pm – 4pm | 18m - 3yr and Caregivers

Toddlers and their caregivers will enjoy stories & songs, and learn early literacy tips and tricks to use at home. The storytime will conclude with hands-on activity stations.

Ultrasonic Adventure: A Bat Encounter

Saturday October 12 | 6pm - 7:30pm | All Ages

Lincoln Brick Park

A guided night bat hike with acoustic monitors and infra-cameras for adults, bat-themed crafts and storytelling activities for kids, plus a campfire to enjoy s'mores or baked apples and cider!

Zombie Barbie

Monday October 14 | 6pm - 7pm | Ages 6+

Create your very own zombie doll using Barbie or fashion dolls, fabric scraps, paint, and glitter. Use our dolls or bring one of your own.

Halloween Night Lights Walk

Wednesday October 16 | 6pm - 7:30pm | All Ages /w Adult Sup.

Post Office Parking Lot

Join us for a stroll to see amazing Halloween decorations! Meet at the parking lot behind the post office. We'll return to the Library for cider, donuts, and a Halloween story. Dress for weather, bring a flashlight.

Red Cross Adult & Pediatric CPR w/AED Training [Registration Req.]

Saturday October 19 | 10am - 12:30pm | Ages 12+

Adult and pediatric CPR, automated external defibrillator (AED), and more. Students receive a course completion card in Adult and Pediatric CPR with AED. Registration on our Event Calendar.

Pumpkin Decorating Party

Monday October 21 | 6pm - 8pm | Ages 3+

Decorate a pumpkin using our art supplies and carving tools. Sessions begin at 6pm and 7pm. Limited to the first 15 kids per session.

The Great Puzzle Competition [Registration Req.]

Thursday October 24 | 6pm - 7:30pm | All Ages

Teams work together to build a provided puzzle, and the first team that completes the puzzle within the allotted time wins! Team registration required, each team must have 4 members and at least one adult.

Bridge Street Trick or Treat - Haunted Library

Friday October 25 | 4pm - 6pm | All Ages

Visit the library before trick or treating downtown to walk through our gently haunted upstairs and get candy from costumed characters.

Babysitting Workshop [Registration Req.]

Saturday October 26 | 10am - 4pm | Ages 16+

Learn emergency procedures, rescue breathing, and basic first aid. Students receive an American Red Cross babysitting course certificate. Class size limited. Registration on our Event Calendar.

Teen Taste Test Challenge: Kit Kat

Wednesday October 30 | 6pm - 7pm | Teens 13 - 18

Teens, put your taste buds to the test with different flavored Kit Kats. See if you can correctly guess each flavor!

Some events may be subject to change due to inclement weather. Please check gladl.org or our Facebook Page for up-to-date information.

For our crafting events, space is available while supplies and/or seating last. For events that require registration, please see our Event Calendar for full details.