

FROM THE DIRECTOR **-Julie Grynowich-**

Did you know that February is National Library Lovers Month? This is the month to recognize the joy of reading! Put away your screens for a bit (unless you're reading a book on your device), and enjoy a fascinating story, or learn about something you're interested in.

This entire month is dedicated to the love of library buildings and all they provide; books and more! Libraries ensure that knowledge is available to everyone. They help raise the education levels of society and enrich the communities they serve.

We celebrate many things in February, but we are putting libraries at the top of the list! Come in and find a great book, or twenty, this month!

I also want to remind anyone who has a loved one with memory issues to bring them to our Memory Café on Tuesday, February 3rd at 9:30 am. This is an excellent program through the Area Agency on Aging, and we know it would be very beneficial and fun. Please join us!

I hope you have a safe and warmer February! Remember to show some love to your library this month!



YOUTH SERVICES - Kristy Good-

We feel love in the air! February is National Library Lovers Month! This is the perfect time to show your appreciation for your library. Write a Valentine to your library in Youth Services, get a library card, or spread the news of what you love most about your library! There are so many amazing ways to show up and show love for your library. We cannot wait to see what you come up with!

February is also Black History Month. We have amazing displays in Youth Services, with some fantastic books about leaders from Black History and how they changed our world. We encourage you to check it out!

February is the time we start digging in to plan our Summer Reading Program. This cold weather definitely has us thinking of warmer days. This year's theme, "Unearth a Story," is going to be a blast. We will be celebrating dinosaurs, paleontology and archeology. We are so excited! We have some great programs up our sleeves and know this will be a Summer Reading Program for...well...the history books!

We hope all of you are keeping warm and we cannot wait to hear what books have been keeping you company this winter!

See you in the stacks!



Meet our newest Kid Librarian! This is Corvin! Corvin is a Dog Man connoisseur and keeps our days bright at the library!

Kid Librarian

Favorite Genre
Graphic Novels

Favorite Book:
***Dog Man and Cat
Kid***
by Dav Pilkey

CORVIN



AGE 11

**“How many books
have you read?”**

“6 - 7.”



Librarians as Kids

KRISTY



YOUTH SERVICES

Favorite Genres :

- Spooky Books
- Cat Books
- Ancient Egyptian History

Favorite Books:

- The *Goosebumps* Series
 - by R.L. Stine
- The *Catwings* Series
 - by Ursula K. Le Guin
- *James Herriot's Cat Stories*
- *Blitzcat*
 - by Robert Westall

"I remember standing in the kitchen at 5 years old, baking with my Mom, telling her how I couldn't wait to learn to read books by myself. From there grew my deep love of books, with my Mom having to take me to the library multiple times a week. I inhaled books like air. Neither of us are surprised I became a librarian."

Chess Club

Every Thursday

4:00 – 6:00 pm

Essentrics Gentle

Every Friday

10:00 am

Essentrics Intermediate

Every Friday

11:00 am

Campus for Creative Aging:

Memory Café

Tuesday, February 3rd

9:30 am – 11:30 am

Adult Literacy Class

Every Thursday

5:30 pm – 6:45 pm

Library Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 10th

4:15 pm

Harbor Country Film Group

with Eve Moran

“American Fiction”

Saturday, February 14th

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Berrien Ecology: What Makes SW Michigan
so unique?

Saturday, February 21st

12:00 - 1:30 pm

NBTL Book Club

Tuesday, February 24th

10:00 am



Creating a Dementia-Friendly
Community in Southwest Michigan
9:30-11:30 a.m.

1st Tuesday of the Month

**New Buffalo Township Library
33 N. Thompson St., New Buffalo**

Memory Cafés are a place for those with dementia and their caregivers to engage in art, enjoy games and puzzles, and learn about interesting topics in a safe and welcoming environment. Memory Cafés are lead by volunteer facilitators and are not for respite care.



Free and open to the community.

Register by scanning the QR code, visiting
www.areaagencyonaging.org/memory-cafes/
or call Jess at 269-932-7865



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Area Agency on Aging, Inc.
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Offering Choices for Independent Lives

Adult Program

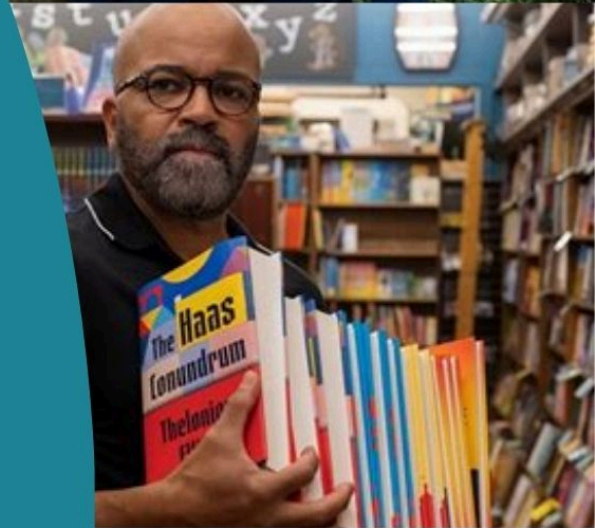
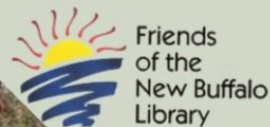
Harbor Country Film Group with Eve Moran

Saturday February 14th, 12:00-2:00 pm

American Fiction

On September 8, 2023, *American Fiction* premiered at the Toronto International Film Festival, where it won the People's Choice Award. The story centers on a serious literature professor and author named Thelonious "Monk" Ellison who becomes a smashing success only when he jokingly (and under a pseudonym) writes a novel of the type he loathes. This comedy-drama, rich on many levels, is based on the novel *Erasure* by Percival Everett and won director Cord Jefferson an Oscar for Best Adapted Screenplay in 2024.

In celebration of Black History Month.



Adult Program

Berrien Ecology: What Makes SW Michigan so unique?

**Saturday, February 21st
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm**

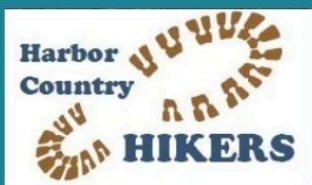
Southwest Michigan and Northwest Indiana are among the country's most geologically and biologically diverse regions.

Pat Fisher, president of Harbor Country Hikers, will cover a wide range of topics such as how our area was originally shaped by glaciers and the effect of thousands of years of wind that formed the dunes.

Following these phenomena, "Ecotones" were created that act as interfaces where different large-scale ecological systems meet and exchange energy and organisms.

In modern times, these unique structures face challenges, some man-made and some the result of natural environmental change and evolution.

Ultimately, we need to ask ourselves what role we will play in the preservation, diversity and sustainability of our unique environment in SW Michigan.



FREE

Adult Literacy Class

at New Buffalo Township Library

Learn to read, or improve your skills.

**Starts
January 8!**



- **Thursdays, 5:30-6:45 p.m.**
- **January 8, 2026-March 26, 2026**
- **12 week course**
- **Sign up here:**  **or call 269-469-2933**

New Buffalo Township Library
33 N. Thompson St., New Buffalo 49117
269-469-2933



Youth Programs

FEBRUARY
2026

Story Time

Every Monday 10:00 am

Craft Time

Every Wednesday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Story Time

Every Thursday 4:00 pm

Lego Club

Every Friday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Every Saturday 9:00 am – 1:30 pm

Valentine's Day Story Time

Monday, February 9th 10:00 am

Valentine's Day Story Time

Thursday, February 12th 4:00 pm



LIBRARIAN BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



Kristy's Pick

Colin Gets Promoted and Dooms the World

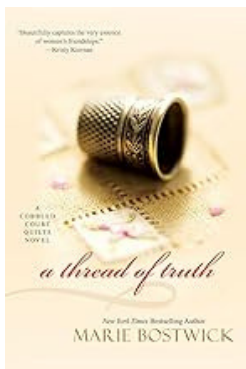
Mark Waddell (MeL)



Joe's Pick

The Gray Man

Mark Greaney



Mo's Pick

A Thread of Truth

Marie Bostwick

NEW BUFFALO TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

LIBRARY SERVICES

SERVICES

- Computer Access
- Wi-Fi
- Printing
- Copying
- Faxing
- Laminating
- Material Check Out
 - Books
 - Books on CD
 - Playaways
 - DVDs
 - Magazines
- Online Resources
 - Library Card Sign-Up
 - Ebooks
 - Overdrive
 - Hoopla
 - MeL-Michigan Electronic Library
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 - Databases
 - & More!
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