

SEPT./OCT. 2020

Banned Books
Week
Sept. 27-Oct. 3



Where your story begins.

“What is the freedom of expression? Without the freedom to offend it ceases to exist.”

—SALMAN RUSHDIE, AUTHOR

YOUR LIBRARY BRANCH IS OPEN!

A Note from the Director

My career as a librarian has come to a close. This is a sad day for me, as librarianship has been the perfect career for someone who wants to make the world better, who likes being helpful, who loves learning, who believes that equitable access to information is a right in a democracy. And, she loves to read. With a supportive library board and staff, new services have been added for residents and patrons: digital resources, mobile printing, acceptance of credit and debit cards for payments, elimination of fines for late returns of materials, more fun and informative programming. The liveliness of these library buildings, the energy, has increased as more and more families and individuals are realizing the value of what libraries provide to everyone. Story times for children? **Check.** History lecture for teens and adults? **Check.** Audiobooks for listening and books for reading? **Check.** Help with computers, smartphones and tablets? **Check.** Smart

and helpful people to assist lifelong learners on a path to knowledge? **Check.**



“She was not a slowpoke grownup. She was a girl who could not wait. Life was so interesting she had to find out what happened next.” —

**Beverly Cleary,
Ramona the Pest**

I am so looking forward to seeing what happens next at LDL under the capable leadership of new director, **Amy Churchill.**



Amy Churchill

I thank the Lapeer community, and the staff and board of this library, for allowing me to serve you since my arrival back in Lapeer after an absence of 45 years. Working for the library I loved as a child is a sweet end to a career I have truly adored.

Melissa Malcolm, Library Director

What's New @ Reference?

Lapeer District Library is pleased to announce the addition of Harmony Crocker as the new head reference librarian at the deAngeli Branch. Harmony comes from the Brandon Township Library where she worked as an adult public services librarian. Welcome, Harmony!



Goodbye, Ms. Daisy!

LDL bids a fond farewell to Ms. Daisy. Daisy began working as a page 10 years ago and became the best circulation clerk ever! We will miss her smiling face at the circulation desk and the updates on little Bean. Daisy will be pursuing her dream of becoming a teacher at her new job.

Curbside & Lobby Hours

Lapeer District Library has returned to its regular hours at all branches and will continue to offer limited curbside service at some branches. Due to social distancing concerns, the **Elba Branch** is open for curbside only. Public computers are available for use with a 30 minute per day limit. The number of patrons allowed inside each branch will be limited and patrons are asked to keep their visit to 30 minutes or less. **MASK WEARING will be required of all patrons and staff. LDL branch hours and openings are subject to change.** See our website for the most current information or call your local branch.

Virtual Anytime Storytime

New episodes with Ms. Mary are posted every Friday. Available through Facebook or the LDL YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8GQs1jK0gm4_42xL1nS4Pw

Children's Take & Make Kits

Suitable for kids of all ages. Call 810-664-6971 to register for take home crafts to be picked up from the **deAngeli Branch**. A new kit will be featured every month.

► **September — Spinner Craft**

► **October — Pumpkin Craft**

Super Duper Craft-Away

This grab and go craft is SUPER! Turn the outline of your hand into a thank you card for your favorite real-life super hero or keep it on the fridge. For kids of all ages. Registration is required at 810-664-6971. For pick-up the week of **September 20-26** at the **deAngeli Branch**.



STEM at Home

On **Tuesdays, Sept. 15 & 29 @ 6pm**, watch a virtual program on the LDL facebook and YouTube pages featuring exciting at-home science project for kids of all ages. Follow along using common household materials. **Supply lists will be posted the week before airing.** No sign up is required. Watch anytime after the airdate. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8GQs1jK0gm4_42xL1nS4Pw

Storytimes & Programs

In-person storytimes and programs at all LDL Branches are temporarily suspended. Please see the LDL website for more information on upcoming programs.

ALL CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS ARE FREE.



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CENSORSHIP IS A DEAD END.
FIND YOUR FREEDOM TO
READ



LDL WILL BE CLOSED SEPTEMBER 6-7.

Friends Summer Book Sale

The deAngeli Friends largest book sale of the year has been moved offsite to allow for social distancing. Weather permitting, it will held **September 10-12, 10am-4pm at 2235 Vernor Road, Lapeer**. Masks will be required and hand sanitizer will be available. **Thursday and Friday books will be full price and Saturday they will be at half price.** Buyers must have exact change or be able to write a check. No change will be given and credit cards are not accepted.

Virtual Teen Library Council

The Teen Library Council will be meeting virtually via Google Meet on **September 10 and October 8 at 6pm**. Call the deAngeli branch for more information.

Halloween Pumpkins

Join us for a hands-on Halloween pumpkin activity sponsored by the Friends of the deAngeli branch on **October 3 at 11am & 1pm**. Because of social distancing, space will be limited and registration is required. Call the **deAngeli Branch** for more details.



Clifford Gets a New Look

The Clifford branch will be closed until **September 8** while its building interior gets some minor renovations.

LDL Closures

All branches of the Lapeer District Library will be closed **September 6-7** for Labor Day and **October 12** for staff training.

Read Banned Books

Banned Books Week was launched in 1982 in response to a sudden surge in the number of challenges to books in schools, bookstores and libraries. It highlights the value of free and open access to information. During the month of September the **deAngeli Branch** will be featuring banned books, drop by and pick up one to add to your fall reading.



Summer Reading Wrap-Up

The Summer Library Program didn't go exactly as planned this year but a big thank you goes to all our patrons who participated. 215 patrons registered for the program and 227 teen and adult crafts kits and more than 2000 children's craft kits were given out. Congratulations to the 62 patrons who won prizes and the 78 children who completed the program and received a free book.

Temporary Library Cards

If you were issued a temporary library card during LDL's closure, it will be expiring soon. Visit your local LDL branch to apply for a regular library card. Photo id and proof of residency will be required.

LDL Locations

Hours and open status are subject to change. Call for more information.

Marguerite deAngeli

(Main Branch) 810-664-6971

921 West Nepessing Street, Lapeer
Monday-Thursday 9-8, Friday, Saturday 9-5,
Sundays 1-5 (Closed Sundays in Summer)

Clifford Branch

989-761-7393

9530 Main Street, Clifford
Monday & Thursday 2-7, Wednesday 11-4
Temporarily Closed until September 8.

Columbiaville Branch 810-793-6100

4718 First Street, Columbiaville
Monday & Wednesday 1-7, Friday 11-5

Elba Branch

810-653-7200

5508 Davison Road, Lapeer
Monday 11-5, Thursday 1-7

Hadley Branch 810-797-4101

3556 Hadley Road, Hadley
Monday & Tuesday 11-8,
Wednesday & Thursday 2-8, Saturday 9-2

Metamora Branch 810-678-2991

4018 Oak Street, Metamora
Monday 9-5, Wednesday & Thursday 11-8,
Friday 9-2

Otter Lake Branch 810-793-6300

6361 Detroit Street, Otter Lake
Monday 10-3, Tuesday & Thursday 2-7

LDL Programs & Services

All LDL in-person programs are temporarily on hold and some services are unavailable. Visit our website or Facebook page for updates or for more information.

Family Literacy Center Programs @ LDL

Bring a blanket for fun on the **deAngeli Branch** lawn with FLC. This play group meets **Tuesdays & Thursdays (Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22 & Oct. 6, 13) 11am-12pm** for children 0-5 and a caregiver. Space is limited. Registration is required. For more information, call FLC at 810-664-2737.

Thank you to the Friends of the Library at all Lapeer District Library branches for their support of library programs.

www.library.lapeer.org