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THE TRI-ANNUAL NEWSLETTER OF THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC LIBRARY



From the Director, Jessica Keyser

Library Reimagined

At the writing of this letter, we are rounding the final stretch of the renovation of the Woods branch. The Library faced many supply chain issues the rest of the world experienced recently, causing significant delays in receiving critical items needed to re-open the building. On behalf of the library board and staff, please accept our gratitude for your patience and encouragement throughout the process. If you haven't visited the Woods branch since we re-opened, we hope you will come see us soon and be delighted by the changes.

Construction is well underway at Central, and we are on track to have the foundation and exterior walls in place on the addition before winter.

Strategic Plan Update

An updated strategic plan "road map" that will guide the GPPL for the next 12-18 months was presented to the Library Board at the regular July meeting. For me, the most meaningful part of updating our plan was to reaffirm and expound on the core values that guide everything we do as an organization. The core values of the GPPL are:

- Service that delivers a world-class experience
- Access that creates equitable opportunities across the community
- Resources to connect people with the information they need in the format they want
- Intellectual curiosity to encourage lifelong learning
- Respect for patrons, staff and partners
- Innovation that meets the community's changing needs
- Inclusion to create a place where everyone belongs
- Kindness that honors our shared humanity

The full plan is available on our website.

Central Annex—Outdoor Book Drop Now Available

We are thrilled to have a new outdoor book drop available outside of the Central Annex (120 Kercheval) for your convenience. You can now drop off your library materials on the Hill 24/7. We also have drop boxes located in the Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Shores and Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall parking lots.

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Visit the library's website. www.grossepointelibrary.org



Fern Michaels/James Patterson Book Discussion Group

11 a.m. - Noon, Ewald Branch

No Way Out

by Fern Michaels
September 10

The Ninth Month

by James Patterson
October 8

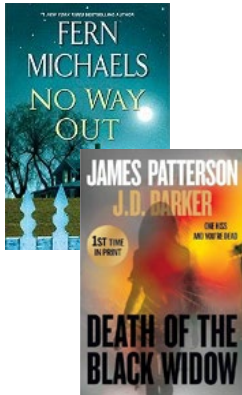
Guest List

by Fern Michaels
November 19

Death of the Black Widow

by James Patterson
December 17

Registration required.



Seniors Hustle for Health

Thursdays: September 8, October 13,
November 10 and December 8, 1 - 2 p.m.,
Ewald Branch

Hustle for health and happiness with us.
Participants will learn the latest, and some of the
older but greatest line dances.

Seed Saving 101 with Author Bevin Cohen

Wednesday, September 14, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.,
Ewald Branch

Join us as author, herbalist
and gardener, Bevin Cohen
(*The Artisan Herbalist*,
Seed & Nut Oils) shows us
how to preserve our seeds.
Registration required.



QPR Suicide Prevention Training

Monday, September 19, 7 p.m., Ewald Branch

Question. Persuade. Refer. The QPR mission is
to reduce suicidal behaviors and save lives by
providing innovative, practical and proven suicide
prevention training. Presented by The Family
Center and Healthy GP/HW. Registration required.

Paint and Chips

Saturday, September 24, 3 - 4 p.m., Ewald
Branch

Join us as we creatively
design coasters for you
to gift or keep. Bring
your favorite chips, we'll
supply the rest. Adults
and Teens welcome.
Registration required.



Meet the Authors

Registration required for all author programs.



Sand, Stars, Wind & Water: Field Notes from Up North

Thursday, September 29,
7 - 8 p.m., Woods Branch

Author Tim Mulherin first
visited northern Michigan in 1986, long before
Good Morning America voted Sleeping Bear
Dunes National Lakeshore the "Most Beautiful
Place in America." As a tribute to the region and
its people, Tim shares his outdoor adventures
and amusing representation of what being "Up
North" is all about.



A Fight for Full Disclosure

Thursday, October 13,
7 - 8 p.m. Woods Branch

Meet Dr. Stanley M. Berry -
Interim Chair and Frank P.
Iaconelli Professor, Depart-
ment of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Wayne State
University School of Medicine/Hutzel Women's
Hospital. He will discuss his medical thriller, *A
Fight for Full Disclosure*.

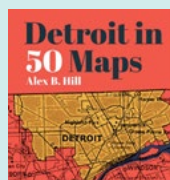


10 Dos and Don'ts for a Clutter-Free Season

Wednesday, October 26,
6:30 p.m., Virtual

Back by
Popular
Demand

This autumn, clear the clutter for a fresh start
before the holiday rush, with the 10 do's and
don'ts of getting organized. Join organizing
humorist and author of *Keep This, Toss That*,
Jamie Novak, when she reveals the five things
to avoid when tidying up for fall and winter. And
the five things that ensure a successful holiday
season. Jumpstart your tidying efforts with a
live guided tidy-up during this online program.



Detroit in 50 Maps with Alex B. Hill

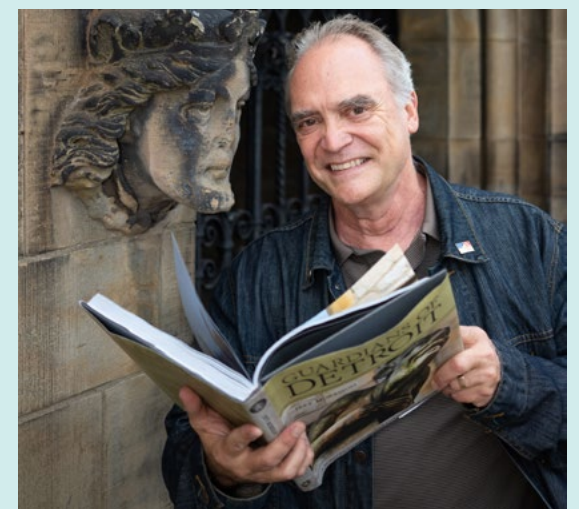
Tuesday, November 1,
7 - 8 p.m., Woods Branch

A New York Times top book of 2021, Wayne
State adjunct professor and Geographic Infor-
mation System Director, Alex Hill's *Detroit in 50
Maps*, deconstructs the Motor City in surprising
new ways. Track where new coffee shops and
co-working spaces have opened and closed in
the last five years. Find the areas with the high-
est concentrations of pizzerias, Coney Island
hot dog shops, or ring-necked pheasants.

Guardians of Michigan: Architectural Sculpture of the Pleasant Peninsulas

Wednesday, November 9, 7 p.m.,
Ewald Branch and virtual

Extraordinary architectural sculpture appears
in both pleasant peninsulas of the Great Lakes
State. Author and historian Jeff Morrison spent
years exploring Michigan's largest cities and
smallest towns, using telephoto photography
to capture the sculptural details hidden from
the naked eye, and researching the beautiful
historic architecture he encountered. Book
sales and signing following the program.





Digital Downloads

Thursday, October 6, 7-8 p.m., Virtual

Learn how to borrow eBooks, eAudiobooks and access streaming content for free with your library card.

Draft Guard

Friday, October 14, 2 - 3 p.m., Ewald Branch

Fight against those drafty doors and windows—create a draft guard with us. Recycle – bring an old pair of denim or hefty cotton slacks to make your own. Registration required.



Narcan Training

Monday, October 17, 6:30 p.m., Ewald Branch

The Family Center, in partnership with Healthy GP/HW, offers a Narcan training for our community. Registration required.

"Brain Matters" Film Discussion

Wednesday, October 19, 7 p.m., Ewald Branch

Why is it that some children thrive while others do not? Is it a matter of genetics, IQ, socioeconomic background or education? Please join us for a discussion of the groundbreaking documentary "Brain Matters." <https://brainmattersfilm.com/> Registration required.

Teas. Tinctures. Oils.

Wednesday, October 26, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Ewald Branch

Adults, learn how to make your own treats for Halloween as author, herbalist and gardener, Bevin Cohen, (*The Artisan Herbalist, Seed & Nut Oils*) teaches us the art of creating teas, tinctures and oils. Registration required.

Cooking with Fran J

Thursday, November 2, 7 - 8 p.m., Ewald Branch and virtual

The Spice Queen turns up the heat with Grosse Pointe Library. Join us as she demonstrates a holiday side dish that will satisfy the pickiest pallets.

Postcrossing: Connecting the World through Postcards

Thursday, November 3, 7 p.m., Ewald Branch

Join us for an evening with Joanne Dennis as she presents her experiences Postcrossing. This international program, created in 2005 now has over 60 million postcards exchanged. The goals are simple: to connect the world through postcards and bring smiles to as many different people and countries as possible. Joanne will share some of the many postcards she received and give tips on getting started.



Maker Fair

Saturday, November 5, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Woods Branch

Make gifts. Take Gifts. Join us for a day of gift making. Cards, gift-wrap, decorating, candles, 3-D ornaments and more.



Air Fryer Cooking Demo with Mary Spencer

Thursday, November 10, 7 - 8 p.m., Woods Branch

Are you new to air frying and could use some pointers or are you an air fryer pro who could use some new ideas? Join Mary Spencer for this live, in-person demonstration for cooking tips while she prepares air fryer dishes. Registration required.

Gift Bag Decorating

Friday, December 9, 2 - 3:30 p.m., Ewald Branch

Put your own twist on your gifts; we're decorating gift bags.



Save the Date

Saturday, October 29 – Noon – 3 p.m., Edsel & Eleanor Ford House

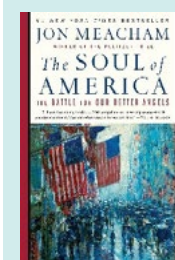
Watch library website and social media for featured authors and ticket information.

Adult Book Groups

Non-Fiction Book Discussion

7 - 8 p.m., Ewald Branch/Virtual

Registration Required



Thursday, September 15

Soul of America

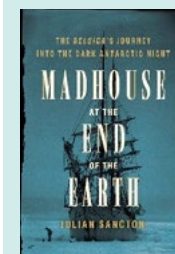
by Jon Meacham



Thursday, October 20

Crying in H-Mart

by Michelle Zauner



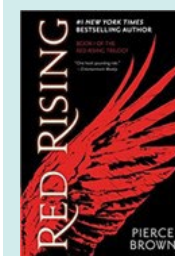
Thursday, November 17

Madhouse at the End of the Earth

by Julian Sancton

Science Fiction Book Discussion

7 - 8 p.m., Woods Branch



Wednesday, October 12

Red Rising

by Pierce Brown



Wednesday, December 14

World of Chaos

by Allen Van Buren Settle



Story Time

Fall Story Time

Beginning the week of September 19 with Miss Jane, Miss Melissa and Miss Rachel. See events calendar for details and to register.

Read, Rhyme & Play on Zoom

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. (through December 13)

Join us for this live, interactive program full of rhymes, music and movement. For babies through age 5. Registration required.

PJ Story Time

Monday, November 14, 7 p.m., Woods Branch

Wear your jammies and join Miss Rachel for stories, songs and fun.

Story Festival

Sunday, September 25, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

The Ford House, ECHO & the Grosse Pointe Public Library bring literacy and fun to children and their families. Featured guests include author & musician Jim Gill, author Shelley Johannes, outdoor educator Momcat Kelly and more. Visit www.fordhouse.org for tickets and more information.



Creepy Planter

Wednesday, October 12 - 7 p.m., Ewald Branch

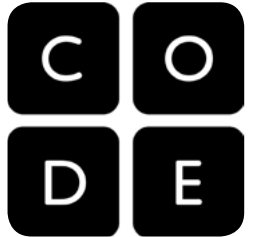
We've got a great October themed craft for you. Join us to make a creepy plant arrangement in a repurposed baby doll head. Supplies provided. Registration required.



Coding Fun

Thursday, October 13, 4:30 p.m., Ewald Branch

Hello World! Join us for an hour of code to create an interactive world. Choose your theme and make your own interactive creation. Registration required.



Thursday, November 17, 4:30 p.m., Ewald Branch

Make your own Flappy Bird Game. Join us to code your own version of Flappy Bird! Coding the game allows the creator to make their own rules and then share it for others to play. Registration required.

Fairy House Craft

Monday, October 17, 4 p.m., Woods Branch

Create a unique fairy house. First grade and up welcome. Registration required.

Book Groups

For kids who love to read and discuss books, play games, and make new friends. Registration required.

5th & Sixth Grade Book Group

September - April, fourth Tuesday of the month, 7 - 8:30 p.m., Woods Branch

7th & 8th Grade Book Group

September - April, second Tuesday of the month, 7 - 8:30 p.m., Woods Branch.

Girls Book Club

October 10, November 14, December 12, 7 p.m., Ewald Branch

Open to girls in 4th and 5th grade and their adult female mentors. Our group meets on the 2nd Monday of the month, October through April.





Programs for Families and Children

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Nailed It! Holiday Edition!

Thursday, November 10, 6:30 p.m., virtual

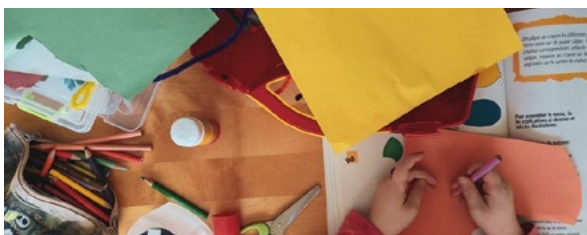
Join us for our Grosse Pointe Public Library version of Nailed It! At this family event, you'll try your skills at creating some edible holiday masterpieces. A supply list, and bag with some items will be available for pick up, one week before the event. Registration required.



Drop-in Holiday Craft

Wednesday, December 14, All day, Woods Branch

Drop-in any time during open hours and make a festive craft to take home. No registration required.



Gingerbread House To-Go Craft

Thursday, December 16, All day, Woods Branch

Pick up a kit to take home with candy, icing, and all the supplies you'll need to make a special Gingerbread House. Registration required.

Fall Into Reading

October 1 - November 30

Do you think you can read every day? Well we believe you can. Take the Fall Into Reading challenge and you'll be raking in great stories. Participants, ages 0-18, who log their reading and complete activities are entered into a drawing for gift cards to local businesses. Sign up at gp.beanstack.org



New Parent Outreach

Expecting a little one or bringing home a new child? One of our Outreach Librarians can stop by with material for you and/or older siblings and information about resources for families in our area. Sign up by visiting our website or emailing Annie Spence at aspence@grossepointelibrary.org.



1000 Books before Kindergarten

All Branches

You are invited to participate in this FREE program. It encourages you to read 1,000 books with your child before he or she starts kindergarten. It's easy to participate - visit your local branch to get started. For more information about this exciting nationwide initiative, visit <http://1000booksbeforekindergarten.org/>



DREAM Lab

The Grosse Pointe Library Woods Branch opened its brand new Design, Record, Experiment, Access, Make (DREAM) Lab. This new Maker Space provides a place to try out all new DIY projects using the library's equipment, space, and your ideas. The DREAM Lab is also available to learn basic art or engineering.

Code your own games, create new movies or work on your painting skills. Maybe you want to print components for your new cosplay or draw your new comic. You can even practice your circuit making or prototype a microcontroller project. The possibilities are endless.

Materials available include:

Art supplies Sewing machines
Breadboards and circuit wires
Raspberry Pi's (Not the tasty treat)
Stop motion animation supplies
3D Printers Cricut Maker 3
And much more

Come on in.
Try something new
in the DREAM Lab.

Open in the lower level of the Woods Branch.

For more information and to register for events,
visit www.grossepointelibrary.org/events



Gasp! Murder!

Friday, November 4, 6:30 - 8 p.m., Ewald Library

A murder most foul has happened and your help is needed to solve it. Are you up to the sleuthing challenge? Bring a friend, sift through clues, uncover the facts and reveal the guilty character before they strike again. Ages 11-13. Registration required and opens October 14.



Writers Group

Mondays, September 19, October 17, November 21, 4:30 p.m., Ewald Branch

An easygoing group for ages 11-13, where writers can meet other writers, share their work in a supportive atmosphere, and have fun. Registration required. Please plan to attend all dates.



Family Fridays -with Mr. Nick DiCresce

North Woods Survival

September 23, 6:30 - 8 p.m., Woods Branch

Participants will learn survival skills including fire making, purifying water, edible plants and archery. Fun for the entire family. All materials and snacks supplied. Registration required.

Zombie Archery Shoot

October 21, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., Woods Branch - Courtyard

No zombies, just a Halloween themed archery activity with certified archery instructor Nick DiCresce. The targets are Styrofoam to learn beginning skills. Children ages 10+ must be accompanied by an adult.

Owls of Michigan

November 11, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., Woods Branch

Learn about owls and discover what they eat through discovery of owl pellets. Fun for all ages.

Note: Instructor Nick DiCresce is a licensed certified naturalist. Weather permitting, Mr. Mark and his telescope will be in the courtyard waiting to show you views of the night sky.

ArtLab - Fall Fun

For ages 11 - 13. Registration is required and opens three weeks before each date.

Squeeeze!

Thursday, September 15, 4:30 p.m., Ewald Branch

Relax while you craft your own stress ball.

My Little Monster

Thursday, October 20, 4:30 p.m., Ewald Branch

Become Victor Frankenstein and assemble a freakish, adorable creation to call your own.

Blink Blank Canvas

Thursday, November 10, 4:30 p.m., Ewald Branch

Cover a blank canvas with your own imagination.

Nom Nom Cookies

Thursday, December 29, 2 p.m., Ewald Branch

Construct a cookie delight and see how long you can hold out before you take a bite.



1,000 Hours Fall & Finale!

We've had such an amazing year so far, building up to our 1,000 Hours Outside! Whether you're new or have been with us throughout 2022, join us for our fall outdoor programs and our one-year finale.



Outdoor Fun:

Meet us outside at Ewald, programs are Wednesdays at 5 p.m. Register online.

Welcome Fall Walk

September 21

Outdoor Family Yoga with Kathleen Wolney

September 28

Bat and Nighttime Animals Walk

October 19

Land Acknowledgment Walk

November 16

1,000 Hours Finale Celebration and Lantern Walk

December 21

For more information and to register for events,
visit www.grossepointelibrary.org/events



Friends and Foundation of the Grosse Pointe Public Library

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The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library

The Friends of the GPPL is a membership and volunteer organization dedicated to supporting and expanding the educational, cultural and outreach programs of the Library. The Friends sponsor activities that encourage literacy, lifelong learning, and the love of reading which stimulates interest in the Library.

The Friends of the GPPL were honored to sponsor the GPPL Summer Reading Program that encouraged youth and adults to read and participate in literacy activities. We also hosted a summer book exchange at Ewald's outdoor space that gave Friends members and non-members an opportunity to exchange books and puzzles and connect with fellow readers.

With the re-opening of the Woods branch in early September, the Friends is pleased to welcome all to the new Friends Bookstore on the first floor near the library entrance. Patrons can browse our shelves of used books for sale and enjoy the comfortable lounge space. The Friends Bookstore inventory is now available to shop during all regular library hours.

The Friends will also start accepting donations on Saturday, October 1; however, the donation process has changed. Donation hours are the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and the 2nd and 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 5-7 p.m. Donations will not be accepted at the circulation desk. Gently used fiction and non-fiction books, children's books, cookbooks, trade size paper backs, puzzles, CDs, DVDs and newer computer games will be accepted. Please refer to our website for complete details <https://www.gpfriends.org/support/donate-books>.

The Friends of the GPPL is truly grateful for our members who make everything we do possible. Please be sure to renew your membership for 2022 or join as a new member at www.gpfriends.org!

Foundation Gifts Significant Amount to the Grosse Pointe Public Library

The Grosse Pointe Library Foundation (GPLF) recently gifted nearly \$353,000 to the Grosse Pointe Public Library from funds raised in 2021-2022. Thanks to an amazing gift from the late Adele Huebner, GPLF was able to match donations up to \$250,000 to accomplish this. Adele was a lifelong Grosse Pointe resident and devotee of the Library who believed strongly in the need for an improved Central Branch. Her generosity is helping to make a greater impact and her wish for the Central Branch come true.

This gift will help ensure the forward momentum of Phase 2 of the Library Reimagined Capital Project. Specifically, the donation supports the improvements to the youth space at the Central Branch, expanding it to twice the current size and including a new, comfortable story time space, stroller parking, family restroom and much more.

The Foundation continues to raise money for the Library through individual donations, charitable trusts, foundations, community partnerships, and our annual event – Masquerade for the Stacks. There are so many ways you can help.

This year, Masquerade for the Stacks is on October 6, 2022 at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House. If you'd like to sponsor the event, donate an auction item, purchase tickets to attend, or simply make a much-appreciated donation, call 313.640.4683, email paige@gplf.org, or visit [gplf.org](https://www.gplf.org). With your support and generosity, the Grosse Pointes will continue to be home to a world class library system.

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How Can I SUPPORT THE LIBRARY?

The Friends and Foundation work together to help build a strong public library that is able to inspire, inform and engage people of every age and background – a singular and powerful asset to our community. Please consider giving.



DONATE. Visit www.gplf.org to make a gift today and help inspire, inform and engage.



BECOME A FRIEND. Enjoy benefits and make a difference by becoming a Friend of the Grosse Pointe Public Library. Membership envelopes can be found at each Library branch or join online at www.gpfriends.org.



VOLUNTEER. Volunteers make all things possible. Join the Friends and complete a volunteer application on our website www.gpfriends.org.



LEAVE A LASTING GIFT. Leave your lasting legacy by naming the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation as a beneficiary of your IRA, life insurance policy or annuity. Call 313.640.4683 to learn how you can impact the Library for generations.

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Library Open 7 Days-A-Week

Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday 1 – 5 p.m.

(Sunday hours only during the school year)

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