

Friends of the Library

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Ages 3-5 — Our Preschool Storytimes will run through Thursday, April 13th. Join us for great times with stories, movies, songs and crafts.

Tuesdays @ 1:30 pm

Thursdays @ 10:30 am

Babies and Toddlers (up to age 3) — Toddler Time runs through April 12th. Join us for stories, lappsits, fingerplays, music and movement activities.

Wednesdays @ 10:30 am

LIBRARY HOURS

M,T,TH 10:00 am—7:00 pm

W,F 10:00 am—5:00 pm

Sat. 10:00 am— 1:00 pm

LIBRARY CLOSED



Memorial Day
Monday, May 29, 2017

Spring 2017



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Library Wraps Up Hometown Teams Exhibit

During December and January, the Fremont Area District Library hosted Hometown Teams: a Smithsonian exhibition made possible by the Michigan Humanities Council, the Smithsonian, and the U.S. Congress. Over 3,000 people walked through the doors of the exhibit and viewed the artifacts on display from the Smithsonian and our local hometowns of Fremont, Grant, Hesperia, White Cloud, and Newaygo.

It was clear from the exhibit that *"Our love of sports begins in our hometowns. We play them on ball fields and sandlots, on courts and on ice, in parks and playgrounds, even in the street. From pick-up games to organized leagues, millions of Americans of all ages play sports. Win or lose, we yearn to compete and play another day."*

A full schedule of speakers complimented the exhibit by highlighting everything from Detroit Tigers' baseball to the wondrous beauty of hiking the Great Lakes.

Library Director Ray Arnett commented: "We were very excited to be a part of the tour of this fantastic exhibition highlighting the American culture of sports. The library is extremely grateful to all of the volunteers who helped set up the exhibit, host groups, and guide people through the space – it was a fantastic success!"

The library would also like to thank the volunteers who lent the library various artifacts, photos, and clippings to help build our local exhibit of sports memories. Do you have a story to share about sports? The library will continue to collect stories of your memories as well as stories of how the exhibit impacted you or your family. Send stories and feedback to fadl@fremontlibrary.net.



Smithsonian



Libraries Transform: Celebrate National Library Week

April 9-15

The Fremont Area District Library joins libraries in schools, campuses and communities nationwide in celebrating National Library Week. Across the country, today's libraries are transforming lives and communities every day by providing patrons safe spaces to engage in civic discussions, tools to access and evaluate online news sources, services to meet the needs of a digitally evolving society and collaborating with teachers to foster student success. To celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and library workers, thousands will commemorate National Library Week, April 9 – 15, 2017. Libraries Transform is the theme for this year's National Library Week, reminding the public that libraries are expanding beyond their traditional roles and providing opportunities for community engagement and services that connect closely with patrons' needs.



One of the most amazing things about libraries is how they change and evolve in response to shifts in technology and people's needs and wants. Libraries still provide traditional services, but continue to change in dynamics by offering a wide array of resources – both critical (free computer and access to internet, databases and e-government, career and employment resources) and enjoyable (e-books, digital media, genealogy and history services, DVDs, and CDs).

Who's on Board?

Friends of FADL Board Directory:

FADL Board Members:

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FADL Board Meeting Dates - 2017

All meetings are held at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room on the third Tuesday of each month.

** Meetings are open to the public. **

January 17	February 21	March 21
April 18	May 16	June 20
July 18	August 15	September 19
October 17	November 21	December 19

At their November Board Meeting, the Friends of the Fremont Area District Library approved funding of \$4,570 for a Wish List presented by the staff of the Library for new books.

The Friends donated funds to replace some classic children's fiction, as well as add some popular children's paperbacks and picture books. As in prior years, the Friends will be supporting the upcoming Summer Reading Program by purchasing prize books for the finishers in the children's program.

The Wish List also included funds for adult large print books and non-fiction books in the subject areas of sports, journalism, and folklore.

For the teen area, the Friends will be giving non-fiction books in the areas of health, careers, and job resources. In addition, both the adult and teen areas will add some popular graphic novels using wish list funding.

"We are so grateful for the generosity and all the hard work that the Friends do for the library and this donation allows us to enhance our collection and truly makes our wishes come true," said the director, Ray Arnett.



The Friends are able to provide these funds to the library through faithful support by their members, sales at the Friends gift shop in the library as well as funds earned at the Book Sales during the Baby Food Festival and in the winter.

Snowbirds...



We want to keep in touch! Please let us know if you have a "southern" address, as well as when you leave and when you return so we can get your newsletter to you on time. Newsletters are mailed in March,

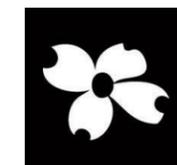
Save the Date!

Friends of the Fremont Area District Library
Annual Meeting
Wednesday, May 10, 2017
12:00 p.m.



During January, a large number of residents took the opportunity to view the 30th annual January Series at The Dogwood Center. The 2017 edition of Calvin College's award-winning January Series featured a wide range of experts leading some of the most pivotal and timely discussions in the nation and the world.

During the noontime series, 15 speakers provided insight into issues like systemic racism in America, the gender gap in technology, healthcare delivery and the cycle of poverty, among many others.



A few of the featured presenters for the 2017 lineup included Doris Kearns Goodwin, a world-renowned presidential historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist; Gary Haugen, CEO and founder of International Justice Mission, and Matthew Desmond, co-founder of the Justice and Poverty Project and the recipient of a MacArthur "Genius Grant."

The Friends of the Fremont Area District Library volunteered their time to purchase and sell related books during each day of the series. Area residents were able to view the series and then buy books by the speakers following the presentation.

If you missed one of the speakers, come in to the library and check out their book(s). In addition, don't forget that the library carries many DVDs of past speakers in the January Series. Thanks to the gracious support of the Dogwood Center, the Fremont Area Community Foundation, and the Friends of the Library for making these items available.

Children's Events



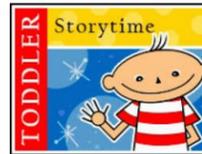
Storytimes - Preschool (ages 3-5)

The Spring session of our Preschool Storytimes runs through Thursday, April 13th. Join us for great times with stories, movies, songs and crafts.

Tuesdays @ 1:30 p.m. · Thursdays @ 10:30 a.m.

Storytimes - Toddler Time (up to age 3)

The Toddler Time Spring session ends on April 12th. Join us until then for stories, lapsits, fingerplays, music and movement activities. Wednesdays @ 10:30 a.m.



The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe: Meet & Greet - Saturday, March 4th -- 11:30-12:30 p.m.

Venture into a magical Chronicles of Narnia journey with a question and answer session, How to Draw Aslan Contest, a special reading of the book with the Queen of Narnia, arts and crafts, and photo and autograph opportunities with the cast from LionHeart Productions. You'll also have a chance to win a pair of tickets to the upcoming production!



Reading is Magic: Magic Show! - Saturday, March 11th -- 10:30 a.m.

For March is Reading Month, here's a comedy, magic, and audience participation show that reveals how reading can be entertaining and informative!

Afterschool Movie: Moana - Thursday, March 16th -- 3:30 p.m.

In Ancient Polynesia, when a terrible curse incurred by the Demigod Maui reaches an impetuous Chieftain's daughter's island, she answers the Ocean's call to seek out the Demigod to set things right. Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome! (Rated PG; 107 minutes)



Easter Craft Saturday - Saturday, April 15th -- 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Make some crafts to celebrate Easter Sunday.

Afterschool Movie - Thursday, April 20th -- 3:30 p.m.

We'll be showing a movie after school, but we're not sure which one yet! Check back for more details. As always, refreshments will be served, and all are welcome!



Mother's Day Craft - Saturday, May 13th -- 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Make some fun crafts and a special gift for Mom!



Afterschool Movie - Thursday, May 18th -- 3:30 p.m.

It's another mystery movie! We'll show a movie after school, but the title will be announced at a later date. Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome. Check back for movie details.

Upcoming Events

Daytime Book Discussion — Meets at 11:30 a.m. by the north fireplace in the Adult Department on the fourth Thursday of each month. Books will be available at the Circulation Desk a few weeks before the meeting. Everyone is welcome.

March 23 -- *Tempting Fate* by Jane Green

April 27 -- Title will be determined at March meeting

May 25 -- Title will be determined at April meeting



Contact Susan Herrick for more information at 231-928-0257.

Wednesday Readers Book Discussion

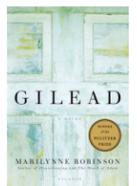


Wednesday Readers – Meets at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room on the second Monday of every month. Books are available at the Circulation Desk. Everyone is welcome. Contact Jill Hansen-Aune for more information at 231-928-0256.

March 13 -- *Betrayal* by John Lescroart

April 10 -- *Gilead* by Marilyn Robison

May 8 -- Title TBD



COMPUTER CLASSES

All classes are \$5/person/class and are held in the Upper Level Training Lab from 2-4 p.m. Call 231-928-0257 to register.

March 2 - Internet Searching & Email

March 28 - Intro to Excel

March 30 - Internet Searching & Email



Writers' Group

Join us as we discuss the writing process and assist fellow authors. We meet in the Upper Level Conference Room. Call the Reference Department at 231-928-0256 or Kendra Lachniet at 231-924-4797. Meetings are every first and third Friday at 2:30 pm.

